

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN AND THE 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK IN REGARD TO THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP) PROGRAM AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas (the "City") submitted the following plans to the Department of Housing and Urban Development:

- (1) HOME-ARP Allocation Plan on August 17, 2022; and
- (2) 2023 Annual Action Plan on April 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City is amending its HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to carry out an activity not previously described in the plan, as well as to update the funding amounts for proposed projects; and

WHEREAS, the City is amending its 2023 Annual Action Plan to reallocate Ward I infrastructure improvements funds to address an urgent need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is amended pursuant to Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: That the 2023 Annual Action Plan is amended pursuant to Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Terry C. Hartwick

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:


Mayor Terry C. Hartwick

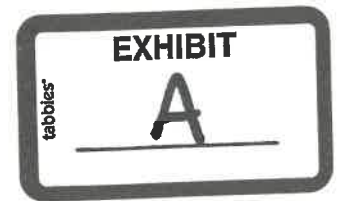
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Substantial Amendment to HOME-ARP Action Plan (FY2021)

October 13, 2024

Public Comment Period: October 13, 2024 - November 11, 2024

Amendment Summary:

The purpose of this amendment is to update the City of North Little Rock's HOME-ARP Plan, to carry out an activity not previously described in the plan. The City's HOME-ARP Plan was approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in October 2022. A Request for Proposals was issued in February 2023 and through this process, the City determined the individual activities and amounts for each category of funding listed in the HOME-ARP Allocation Table on page 21 of the City's HOME-ARP Plan. The proposed substantially amended HOME-ARP Plan includes the specific changes listed below:

- Remove Supportive Services in the amount of \$240,115
- Remove Development of Affordable Rental Housing in the amount of \$780,541
- Add Acquisition and Development of Affordable Rental Housing in the amount of \$300,000
- Add Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) in the amount of \$720,656

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$		
Non-Congregate Shelters	\$		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 720,656		
Acquisition and Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 300,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 180,115	15 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,200,771		

***See pages 21-22 for updates**

*CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
HOME - ARP ALLOCATION PLAN*



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Introduction

The City of North Little Rock is a federal entitlement community that receives an annual allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As an entitlement community, the City is required to prepare an Annual Action Plan detailing the uses of CDBG funds to meet its affordable housing and community development goals as outlined in its Consolidated Plan.

For Program Year 2021-2022, the city is proposing to make substantial amendments to its submitted Annual Plan. The purpose for the substantial amendment is to include \$1,200,771 HOME-ARP grant funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The purpose of the allocation is to serve households who are at greatest risk of housing instability, including individuals and families experiencing homelessness and/or who are at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Meeting this requirement, HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is the substantial amendment to the adopted Action Plan FY 2021-22.

HOME-ARP funds can only be expended on eligible activities:

- Provision of Supportive Services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance)
- Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters: Purchase and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter (these structures can remain in use as a non-congregate shelter or can be converted to 1) emergency shelter under the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program; 2) permanent housing under the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program; or 3) affordable housing under the HOME Program)
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing (such as acquisition and rehabilitation)
- Non-Profit Operating (5% maximum allocation) (may not exceed the greater of 50 percent of the general operating expenses of the organization for that fiscal year)
- Non-Profit Capacity Building (5% maximum allocation) (may not exceed the greater of 50 percent of the general operating expenses of the organization for that fiscal year)
- Administration and Planning for the HOME ARP Program (15% maximum allocation)

HOME-ARP funds must be used primarily to benefit individuals or families from the following qualifying populations:

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at the risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Other families requiring services, housing assistance, or to prevent homelessness
- Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations

Below are definitions for terms that are used frequently in relation to HOME-ARP funds.

NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER: As opposed to congregate settings, such as traditional homeless shelters, non-congregate shelter provides more private accommodations (individual rooms). During the COVID-19 pandemic, people living in congregate facilities have been at higher risk of contracting or having complications from the virus because physical distancing is difficult.

QUALIFYING POPULATIONS: For HOME-ARP funds, this means people experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or otherwise at high risk of housing instability.

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES: Services that help households maintain housing stability and quality of life. These may include support with finding and applying for housing, financial assistance for moving costs, childcare, legal services, mental health and substance use services, and more.

TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE: A rent subsidy to help households afford housing costs, such as rent and security deposits. "Tenant-based" means the subsidy is attached to the household, and they can use it to rent any rental unit that meets program guidelines and whose landlord is willing to accept the subsidy payment.

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan with Guidance

Instructions: All guidance in this template, including questions and tables, reflect requirements for the HOME-ARP allocation plan, as described in Notice CPD-21-10: *Requirements of the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, unless noted as optional. As the requirements highlighted in this template are not exhaustive, please refer to the Notice for a full description of the allocation plan requirements as well as instructions for submitting the plan, the SF-424, SF-424B, SF-424D, and the certifications.

References to “the ARP” mean the HOME-ARP statute at section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2).

Consultation

In accordance with Section V.A of the Notice (page 13), before developing its HOME-ARP allocation plan, at a minimum, a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) must consult with:

- CoC(s) serving the jurisdiction’s geographic area,
- homeless service providers,
- domestic violence service providers,
- veterans’ groups,
- public housing agencies (PHAs),
- public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and
- public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities.

State PJs are not required to consult with every PHA or CoC within the state’s boundaries; however, local PJs must consult with all PHAs (including statewide or regional PHAs) and CoCs serving the jurisdiction.

Describe the consultation process including methods used and dates of consultation:

Before developing the plan, North Little Rock consulted with the CoC(s) serving the city’s geographic area, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans’ groups, public housing agencies (PHAs), public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities, at a minimum. State PJs are not required to consult with every PHA or CoC within the state’s boundaries; however, local PJs must consult with all PHAs (including statewide or regional PHAs) and CoCs serving the jurisdiction.

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
North Little Rock Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided RAD units available to low to moderate income households; number of people currently on waiting list for rental assistance and currently utilizing HCV and VASH voucher; Identified families, veterans and persons with disabilities.
City of Little Rock	City Departments	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided the current resources and programs available to address the needs of qualifying populations
River City Ministry	Services-Homeless	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Identified men currently enrolled in recovery as a priority need. Suggested funding be used to increase supportive services for this group.
Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless CATCH	Continuum of Care	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	The lead agency for Continuum of Care provided 2022 Point-In-Time and Housing Inventory Count data. CATCH stated the need for new construction and rehabilitated homes whether that be building additional shelters that target the chronically homeless or more rental properties that are income based with low barriers to entry. Affordable housing stock is at a low currently.
Arkansas Homeless Coalition	Services-Homeless	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Suggested funding be used for health care services of homeless. Stated faith-based community currently provides the most services in the city.
Habitat for Humanity	Housing Assistance	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Stated high cost to build homes is making it more difficult to provide affordable homes too low to moderate income homebuyers.
Veterans Villages of America	Services-Homeless	Invited to participate in the	Stated there is a lack of available housing options for veterans due to past issues such as rental history,

		Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	credit, incarceration and homelessness.
North Little Rock School District	Services-Education	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Stated youth homeless should be highest priority considering the city does not have shelters available to accommodate this group. Recommended funding be used to build shelters or transportation to transport kids to nearby shelters
North Little Rock Police Department	Services – Law Enforcement	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided domestic violence case data
Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Services – Health Agency	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Arkansas State Veterans Home	Services - Veterans	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Central Arkansas Development Council	Economic Development	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System	Services - Veterans	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
OUR HOUSE, INC.	Housing - Homeless	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock
Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habit	Housing – Affordable Housing	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock
Recovery Centers of Arkansas	Health Services	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
The Salvation Army	Homeless – Services	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock

Women and Children First	Services – Family Services	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock
Dorcas House/Union Rescue Mission	Health Agency – Domestic Violence	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Friendly Chapel	Services - Homeless	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock
Jericho Way Little Rock	Housing – Affordable Housing	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details on joint housing program with the city of North Little Rock
Arkansas Women's Outreach	Services – Health Agency	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting.	Provided details of housing programs and resources available to residents of North Little Rock
Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled	Services – Disability	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting	Provided summary of resources available to individuals with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities and the number of individuals served.
Arkansas Advisory Committee to U.S. Commission on Civil Rights	Services – State Agency	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Arkansas Fair Housing Commission	Services – State Agency	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting	Solicited input via telephone and email to request feedback and data
Legal Aid of Arkansas	Services – Legal Services	Invited to participate in the Home ARP Plan agency meeting	Provided Legal Needs Assessment conducted in 2021 identifying the Civil Right and Housing needs of residents in 31 Arkansas counties.

Summarize feedback received and results of upfront consultation with these entities:

During the June 1, 2022, community forum with North Little Rock stakeholders, the eight participants conducted presentations to share their experiences working with their clients and details on the specific programs their organization offers. The group also had a discussion on what they believe to be the priority needs as well as any barriers to address those needs. Additionally, the group completed an in-person survey to provide specific details on the populations they are currently serving. The results are below.

Public Participation

In accordance with Section V.B of the Notice (page 13), PJs must provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. Before submission of the plan, PJs must provide residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME-ARP allocation plan of **no less than 15 calendar days**. The PJ must follow its adopted requirements for “reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment” for plan amendments in its current citizen participation plan. In addition, PJs must hold **at least one public hearing** during the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan and prior to submission.

PJs are required to make the following information available to the public:

- The HOME-ARP the PJ will receive, and
- The range of activities the PJ may undertake.

Throughout the HOME-ARP allocation plan public participation process, the PJ must follow its applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements and procedures for effective communication, accessibility, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and providing meaningful access to participation by limited English proficient (LEP) residents that are in its current citizen participation plan as required by 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.115.

Describe the public participation process, including information about and the dates of the public comment period and public hearing(s) held during the development of the plan:

- ***Date(s) of public notice: July 5, 2022***
- ***Public comment period: start date – July 11, 2022 end date – July 25, 2022***
- ***Date(s) of public hearing: July 25, 2022***

Describe the public participation process:

The city held a workshop session for agencies on June 1, 2022, and a public engagement meeting on June 21, 2022, in person attendance at North Little Rock Community Center and via zoom where the public was given the opportunity to discuss the following issues: What are the needs and problems? How can the barriers be addressed? What are alternatives for addressing the problem, given the anticipated barriers? Why should funding be prioritized for programs in this subject area (s)? Additionally, a Priority Needs Survey was made available on the City’s website for completion and submission online.

The Public Comment period for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment began on Monday, July 11, 2022 and concluded on Monday, July 25th, 2022. A Public Notice was published in the local newspaper and include information regarding the proposed plan as well as the scheduled Public Hearing. Comments were allowed to be submitted by mail, phone, fax, email or during the public hearing.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

In addition to the Public Notice being published in the local newspaper and the city's website, consultation letters were sent via email to community stakeholders requesting comment on the allocation plan. This included social service organizations, homeless service providers, advisory boards, neighborhood associations, and other nonprofit organizations. A list of these organizations and the letter are attached to this plan.

Summarize the comments and recommendations received through the public participation process either in writing, or orally at a public hearing:

North Little Rock considered all comments or views of residents received in writing, or orally at a public hearing, when preparing the HOME-ARP allocation plan and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why:

No comments or recommendations were rejected

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

In accordance with Section V.C.1 of the Notice (page 14), a PJ must evaluate the size and demographic composition of **all four** of the qualifying populations within its boundaries and assess the unmet needs of each of those populations. If the PJ does not evaluate the needs of one of the qualifying populations, then the PJ has not completed their Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis. In addition, a PJ must identify any gaps within its current shelter and housing inventory as well as the service delivery system. A PJ should use current data, including point in time count, housing inventory count, or other data available through CoCs, and consultations with service providers to quantify the individuals and families in the qualifying populations and their need for additional housing, shelter, or services.

The following table (Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table) includes data from the HUD 2022 Point-In-Time and Housing Inventory Count Report for Pulaski County and unsheltered homelessness data for North Little Rock.

OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	188	56	453	0	31								
Transitional Housing	30	10	149	0	47								
Permanent Supportive Housing	293	107	258	0	#								
Other Permanent Housing	77	22	160	0	87								
Sheltered Homeless						7	328	41	25				
Unsheltered Homeless						10	64	16	4				
Current Gap										588	195	1,020	0

Suggested Data Sources: 1. Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Consultation

OPTIONAL Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	14,859		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	1,355		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	3,769		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		2,915	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		2,250	
Current Gaps			28,350

Suggested Data Sources: 1. American Community Survey (ACS); 2. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)

Describe the size and demographic composition of qualifying populations within the PJ's boundaries:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

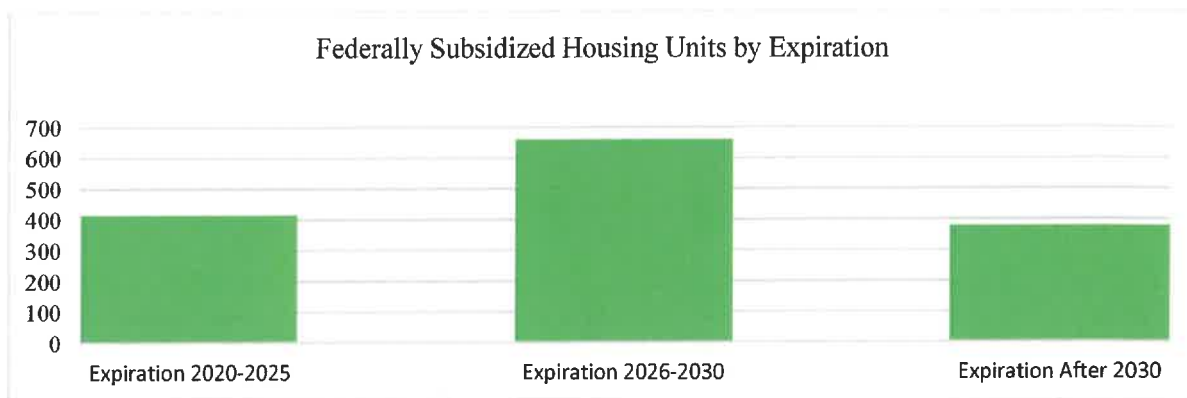
According to the 2022 North Little Rock Point-In-Time (PIT) count, there are 175 people who are experiencing homelessness in North Little Rock. The count does not include people that are staying in shelters as the PIT count only contains those that are unsheltered. The 2022 North Little Rock PIT count reports that out of the 175 people who are experiencing homelessness in the city 55 are under 18 years old and 7 are age 18 to 24. The data shows that 28 are females, 53 are males. Regarding race, most of the people from the PIT count indicated that they are White (42), Black or African American (19) and American Indian (12), while the remaining 82 persons did not provide racial information. The North Little Rock 2022 PIT count identifies that the 175 people experiencing homelessness, 69 are chronically homeless in which all of them are unsheltered. The PIT count also shows that there are 30 Veterans experiencing homelessness accounting for 16 total unsheltered veterans' households.

Although the PIT count includes some homeless data for youth under the age of 18 and between the ages of 18-24 more data was provided by the North Little Rock School District showing a count of 891 youth experiencing homelessness as of last day of the 2022 school year.

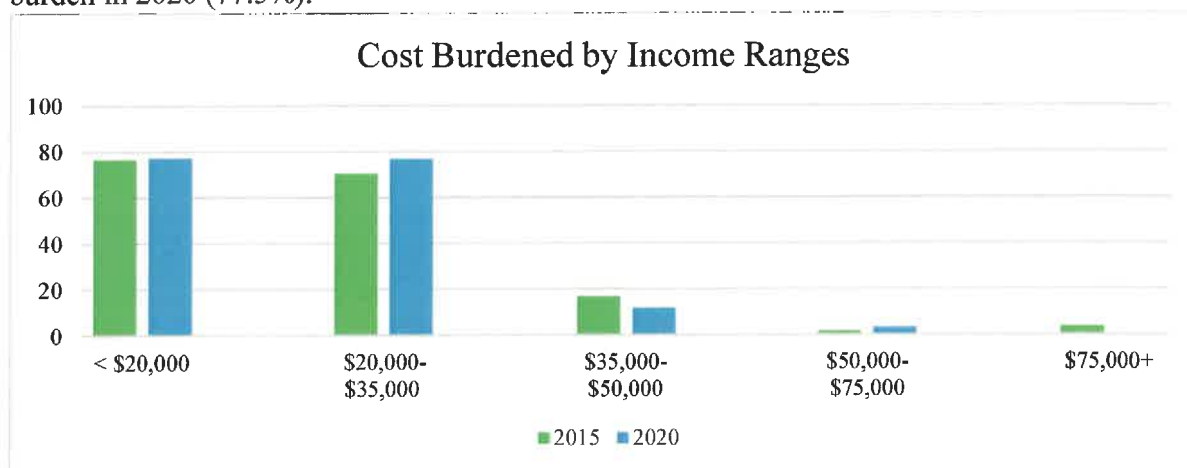
At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Extremely low- and low-income individuals and families with children who are currently housed are often living from one check to the next with no savings or safety net to fall back on should an unexpected event or emergency occur. These households include all types, single person, small family, large family, and elderly. Characteristics include lack of education, lack of transportation, lack of adequate daycare, inadequate health insurance, drug or alcohol abuse or serious illness. These persons are at risk of losing their homes through foreclosure or eviction, and unless they have extended family or other support, they are at risk of needing to reside in a shelter or becoming unsheltered.

By 2025, the affordability restrictions on 417 units of federally subsidized housing in North Little Rock are set to expire. Restrictions on an additional 663 units are set to expire by 2030. Some of these units will remain within the subsidized inventory as owners elect to renew their rent subsidy contracts or recapitalize the properties using new federal subsidies.



In North Little Rock, the share of renter households that are moderately or severely cost burdened decreased from 49.5% in 2015 to 45.8% in 2020. The incidence of housing cost burdens is highest for unassisted renter households with the lowest incomes. In North Little Rock, renter households with incomes of less than \$20,000 had the highest incidence of cost burden in 2020 (77.5%).



Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice

Data from North Little Rock Police Department in 2021 shows over 285 persons were victims of family violence in North Little Rock including Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability, as defined by HUD in the Notice

Individuals incarcerated in North Little Rock jails as well as those receiving behavioral health services, including substance abuse disorder services, may also be at risk of homelessness upon discharge.

Disabled Persons

Among the 65,087 residents living in North Little Rock, 11,151 or 17.1 percent are living with a disability. Within each race category report 18.8 percent of Black or African American are disabled followed by Whites with 17.4 percent. The age group with the highest percentage of persons disabled are those over the age of 75 with 50.9 and the age group with the largest population of disabled persons is 35 – 64 with 4,648 persons living with a disability.

RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN	North Little Rock	Disabled	Percent Disabled
White alone	31,129	5,404	17.4
Black or African American alone	28,555	5,375	18.8
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	132	7	5.3
Asian alone	603	1	0.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	-	-	-
Some other race alone	1,621	230	14.2
Two or more races	3,047	134	4.4
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4,053	471	11.6

Source: 2020 American Community Survey

Analyzing disability by type, 10 percent of North Little Rock's disabled population are experiencing ambulatory difficulty followed by 8.6 percent experiencing Independent Living difficulty and 8.0 percent experiencing Cognitive living difficulty.

DISABILITY TYPE	Disabled Population	Percent Disabled
Hearing difficulty	2,093	3.2
Vision difficulty	2,162	3.3
Cognitive difficulty	4,834	8
Ambulatory difficulty	6,069	10
Self-care difficulty	2,493	4.1
Independent living difficulty	4,188	8.6

Source: 2020 American Community Survey

The Arkansas Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is continuing its ongoing study of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Compliance and

Implementation in Arkansas Schools. The Committee seeks to better understand the extent to which students with disabilities are receiving the services to which they are entitled under relevant law and how the achievement of students with disabilities compares to the achievement of their non-disabled peers. The Committee is also reviewing the extent to which the provision of services to students with disabilities in Arkansas schools has resulted in disparities in both access to educational accommodations and their effectiveness based on race, color, sex, national origin, or religion

Identify and consider the current resources available to assist qualifying populations, including congregate and non-congregate shelter units, supportive services, TBRA, and affordable and permanent supportive rental housing (Optional):

The Jericho Way Day Resource Center opened in 2013, as a joint venture between the City of Little Rock and the City of North Little Rock. DePaul USA administers the center's daily operations. The center is open, Monday thru Friday and offers a wide range of services including: case management; food; restrooms and shower services; retreat from the elements; transportation; housing referrals; job counseling and training; access to phone, computer and internet; identity document replacement; health care; laundry service, and mail services.

The city partners with Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat (PCNAH), a supporting organization of Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas, on the development of new affordable housing in North Little Rock. PCNAH constructs attractive, energy efficient homes and offers zero percent interest financing to eligible low-income homebuyers.

The city allocated local funding to the Ozark Mission Group, a nonprofit organization who provides needed repairs to homes in the North Little Rock area.

BCD, Inc. – permanent and permanent supportive housing, special needs residential facility, substance abuse and mental health treatment, access to HIV treatment and AIDS service organizations, prevention and intervention programs, life skills and career training

Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System – permanent supported housing; assistance with referrals for emergency shelter, benefits counseling, and job placement; case management, residential treatment, crisis intervention, food and clothing

Centers for Youth and Families – parenting classes, outpatient counseling, day treatment, residential treatment, therapeutic foster care, services for human trafficking victims, mental health services

Family Promise of Pulaski County - transitional housing for homeless families with children, meals, transportation, case management, food, shower and laundry facilities

Gaines House - transitional housing for homeless women with mental, physical, or emotional disabilities, supervised environment

Get Yourself Together (GYST) Housing Program – services to facilitate transition to permanent housing, substance abuse treatment programs, legal assistance, life skills, anger management, self-esteem support, HIV/AIDS awareness and testing, outpatient treatment

Immerse Arkansas - transitional living program for foster youth, support and guidance programs for transition to adulthood

Little Rock Compassion Center - emergency shelter, meals, food pantry, clothing, educational program, drug and alcohol recovery, spiritual guidance

Lucie's Place – support for LGBT youth experiencing homelessness

Our House – shelter for men, women, children, transitional housing, children's programs, workforce and education programs, group therapy, transportation, clothing, assistance with healthcare and insurance needs

River City Ministry – assistance with housing programs, food pantry, hot meals, spiritual counseling, drug/alcohol rehab, medical, dental, vision, and pharmacy services, day resources

Salvation Army - emergency shelter, soup kitchen, clothes

St. Francis House - transitional housing for veterans, counseling, food, clothing, prescription drug assistance, health clinic, utility assistance

The Van – mobile resource for the homeless, providing food, clothing, hygiene products; assistance with emergency shelter during extreme cold weather

Women and Children First - emergency shelter for domestic violence victims, transitional housing, food, clothing, linens, hygiene items, adult education, court advocacy, support for victims' children

North Little Rock School District received grant funds from the Education for Homeless Children and Youths program (EHCY, also known as McKinney-Vento) to fund any expense necessary to facilitate the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of homeless children and youth.

Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled (AEDD) offers mental health services for its consumers. Individuals dealing with developmental disabilities, as well as emotional and behavioral disorders have on-site resources to help manage their day-to-day lives. Licensed Mental Health Professionals provide individual therapy, group therapy, and psychiatric services. Disabled children ages six weeks to 5 years old are served at the Sammie Gail Sanders Children's Learning Center preschool in North Little Rock. This past year 525 individuals were served.

The North Little Rock Housing Authority (NLRHA) programs consist of:

- Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)

- HUD-VASH vouchers
- Section 8 Project-Based Vouchers (PBV)
- Public Housing
- NSP2 housing.

The NLRHA administers the **2nd largest Section 8 Program** in the state with a **combined allocation of 2,200 vouchers**. Of those 2,200 vouchers

- **1,428 are Housing Choice Vouchers**
- Which include **200 vouchers for disabled veterans** referred through the HUD-VASH program
- **The remaining 772 vouchers are Project Based Vouchers**

The Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV)

- is funded by HUD
- and provides assistance to extremely low and very low-income individuals and families
- Through the HCV Program, participants can **select housing of their choice from a participating landlord and the voucher allows them to pay a reasonable share of their rent while the program makes up the difference.**

The project-based voucher (PBV) program

- is a part of the Housing Choice Voucher program that **assist with rental payments for specific buildings or units.**
- The PBV program is **similar to the HCV program** in that **provides assistance for low and very low-income individuals and families.**

Upon assessing the **growing physical needs of our properties**, the housing authority began **processes to reposition its aging housing stock** through the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD) and Section 18 Program. Through those programs, **Project Based Vouchers** were applied and disbursed among 6 projects:

Under the public housing program

- HUD administers aid to local housing agencies that manage the housing for **low-income residents at rents they can afford.**
- The housing authority determines eligibility based on family composition, past rental history, and income guidelines determined by HUD.
- The North Little Rock Housing Authority currently has **one public housing development known as Hemlock Courts.**

For the HCV, PBV, and public housing program

- the **applicant submits an application** and their name will go on the **waitlist**
- In **accordance with the Authority's Administrative Plan** and the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP), **applicants are then considered from the waitlist based on the suitability of the unit available in relation to the applicant's need and secondly, in the order that the application was received.**

As a part of a consortium with NLR Community Development, the North Little Rock Housing Authority **purchased and redeveloped 8 foreclosed or abandoned residential properties** through a NSP2 grant.

- The **Neighborhood Stabilization 2 Program (NSP2) assists low, moderate, and middle-income households** whose household income is **at or below 120%** of the **area median income**
 - To **purchase or rent** homes at an **affordable price**
- **4** of the properties purchased were **sold**
- **and 6, including two duplexes** were **kept** as **rental** properties.

The Public Housing Authority does not expect any units to be lost from the affordable housing inventory for reasons, such as expiration of Section 8 contracts.

Legal Aid of Arkansas provides legal services for Arkansas residents based on Federal Poverty Income Guidelines. The priority case types residents can apply for assistance with include:

- Orders of Protection;
- Domestic Abuse;
- Landlord/Tenant disputes;
- Housing discrimination;
- Contract disputes;
- Debt relief;
- Consumer matters;
- Disability rights;
- Problems with public benefits, including Medicaid, Food Stamps, TEA, Medicare, SSI, child care, and subsidized housing;
- Evictions

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Within the city of North Little Rock, the greatest unmet housing need is for shelters targeting the chronically homeless as this population accounts for almost 40 percent of the city's homeless population. Additionally, consultations with CATCH, the Continuum of Care lead agency identified supportive services as the immediate unmet service need because the chronically homeless population may be dealing with issues such as past incarceration, mental illness, substance abuse and other dually diagnosed concerns.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The North Little Rock Housing Authority manages 1,478 Housing Choice Vouchers, including 200 vouchers for disabled veterans referred through the HUD-VASH program and 772 Project Based Vouchers. Over 1,300 units have been developed in North Little Rock through Low Income Housing Tax Credits. There are 1,056 applicants on the current public housing waiting list and 811 applicants on the Housing Choice Voucher waiting list. A long waiting list for rental assistance indicates a housing instability and a strong need to produce rental housing units. By 2025, the affordability restrictions on 417 units of federally subsidized housing in North Little Rock are set to expire. Restrictions on an additional 663 units are set to expire by 2030. Some of these units will remain within the subsidized

inventory as owners elect to renew their rent subsidy contracts or recapitalize the properties using new federal subsidies. Lifting of the affordability restrictions will allow for rents to rise substantially, reducing the stock of units renting at an affordable level.

Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice

Lack of housing units available to survivors in need of transitional housing.

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability as defined by HUD in the Notice

Households with household income less than or equal to 30% AMI with a cost burden greater than 50% are also at risk of homelessness. Based on the CHAS data, there are 2,540 renter households and 675 owner households in this category of potential risk.

With 17.1 percent of the population disabled there is a need for more services targeting the development and housing needs of the population. Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled is the primary resource available in the city of North Little Rock.

Legal Aid of Arkansas reported 62 percent of it's cases within the 31 counties it serves were Landlord/Tenant cases due to the rise of impending evictions and landlord violation. Additionally, the priority needs identified in a survey conducted by Legal Aid of Arkansas were "Help with paying mortgage/rent", "unable to pay utilities" and "living in an unhealthy environment (mold, no running water, etc)"

Identify any gaps within the current shelter and housing inventory as well as the service delivery system:

The need for continued organizational efforts to identify, document and regularly update available resources in order to strengthen the network.

Considering 8.6 percent of the city's disable population has Independent living difficulties there no housing unit's utilizing funding from Federal Programs such as Section 202/811 which provides supportive housing for elderly persons and persons with disabilities.

Under Section IV.4.2.ii.G of the HOME-ARP Notice, a PJ may provide additional characteristics associated with instability and increased risk of homelessness in their HOME-ARP allocation plan. These characteristics will further refine the definition of "other populations" that are "At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability," as established in the HOME-ARP Notice. If including these characteristics, identify them here:

The number one indicator of households falling into homelessness from a place of housing instability is a previous history of homelessness. Homeless assistance is the last resort for households in extreme poverty with few resources of their own and limited connections to others who could offer temporary, emergency support. Additionally, when other systems of care,

like hospitals, behavioral health settings, child welfare, and criminal justice systems, are unable to address the reasons why people cannot stay housed, people have no alternative than turning to the homeless response system.

To prevent people from falling into homelessness, public systems for justice, anti-poverty, prevention, health (including behavioral health), child welfare and affordable housing must use data to identify how people are falling into homelessness and target prevention strategies and policies to address these areas.

Additionally, families with children, or unaccompanied youth who are unstably housed and likely to continue in that state, including those people who are doubled up in other people's homes because they lack a home of their own, are not considered to be experiencing homelessness by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and are not eligible for its homeless assistance. These same families are, however, considered to be experiencing homelessness by the U.S. Department of Education and are eligible for additional educational services and supports. People are "at risk of homelessness" if they are losing their primary nighttime residence, which may include a motel or hotel or a doubled-up situation, within the next 14 days and lack resources or support networks to remain in housing.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

HOME-ARP qualifying populations often have many competing needs. Consultation Survey planned meetings with stakeholders are expected to indicate a variety of needs for qualifying populations, including 1) housing, such as shelter, short-term housing, permanent supportive housing, and rental and utility assistance, and 2) supportive services, such as medical care, counseling, substance abuse service, case management, childcare, transportation, legal services, and job training.

Explain how the PJ determined the level of need and gaps in the PJ's shelter and housing inventory and service delivery systems based on the data presented in the plan:

The gaps in services and programs need to provide shelter, housing, and services were determined using data from multiple sources, including stakeholder and public engagement. The level of need for unsheltered and shelter households experiencing homelessness was determined by evaluating the number of unsheltered households and the level of resources available to adequately house the families or individuals with permanent supportive housing and critical long-term supportive services to achieve housing stability. For households that are currently housed but have challenges maintaining their home, the level of need was measured by the amount of inventory that had affordable, safe, and adequate living conditions and the number of renter households that are experiencing severe housing cost burdens. These households need housing outcomes that help them stay housed without incumbering them with the cost of their home

HOME-ARP Activities

Describe the method(s) that will be used for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subrecipients and/or contractors:

After receiving HUD approval of its HOME-ARP allocation plan, the City of North Little Rock issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for interested and experienced operators and developers of permanent supportive housing and/or affordable housing; tenant based rental assistance; and qualifying supportive services. Preceding the issuing of the RFP, the City hosted an advertised pre-solicitation workshop to advise prospective applicants of the process, HOME and HOME ARP Guidelines and Regulations, and documentations and supportive bid materials that will be required as part of the solicitation. The city then solicited proposals through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. The agencies selected through the request for proposal (RFP) were contracted to move forward with development of affordable housing and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for qualified populations and the city will provide oversight, monitoring, and reporting.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The city will administer the administration and planning activities under the grant. However, administering the remaining eligible activities was subject to the results of the request for proposal process to identify and contract with agencies, developers, and organizations to submit proposals and those selected for funding will administer activities and projects. Selected projects include: development of Affordable Rental Housing with River City Ministry, and issuance of Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) with the North Little Rock Housing Authority.

If any portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds are provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan because the subrecipient or contractor is responsible for the administration of the PJ's entire HOME-ARP grant, identify the subrecipient or contractor and describe its role and responsibilities in administering all of the PJ's HOME-ARP program:

The City of North Little Rock received \$1,200,771 from HUD for HOME ARP. The city through a competitive RFP process determined the individual activity and amount for each category of funding listed in the HOME ARP Allocation Table below.

In accordance with Section V.C.2. of the Notice (page 4), PJs must indicate the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible HOME-ARP activity type and demonstrate that any planned funding for nonprofit organization operating assistance, nonprofit capacity building, and administrative costs is within HOME-ARP limits.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$		
Non-Congregate Shelters	\$		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 720,656		
Acquisition and Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 300,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 180,115	15 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,200,771		

Describe how the PJ will distribute HOME-ARP funds in accordance with its priority needs identified in its needs assessment and gap analysis:

Designated funding amounts in the allocation table were finalized based on responses to the City's Request for Proposal and are aligned with needs demonstrated in the plan. The City at its discretion and subject to the selected projects in the Request for proposal process determined final allocation of funds, which include Affordable Rental Housing and Tenant Based Rental Assistance.

Describe how the characteristics of the shelter and housing inventory, service delivery system, and the needs identified in the gap analysis provided a rationale for the plan to fund eligible activities:

North Little Rock has been able to identify, with the development of the gap analysis and stakeholder meetings, activities that will assist the qualified populations in North Little Rock. The results of the gap analysis shows that there is a need for an expansion of Affordable Rental Housing as cost burdened renters was 45.8% in 2021. Emergency Shelters and the capacity of the Nonprofit network who respond to families and individuals of the most vulnerable qualified populations

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

Estimate the number of affordable rental housing units for qualifying populations that the PJ will produce or support with its HOME-ARP allocation:

The city has decided to use its HOME-ARP allocation to produce or support between 5-10 affordable rental housing units. \$300,000.00 will be used to acquire or develop affordable rental

housing units specifically to provide shelter for qualifying populations, particularly those experiencing homelessness.

The remaining \$720,656.00 will be allocated to Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA). This funding will provide direct rental assistance to help qualifying populations afford housing costs, such as rent and security deposits, ensuring housing stability for at-risk individuals and families. The primary focus of this allocation is to provide rental assistance and long-term affordable rental unit production.

Describe the specific affordable rental housing production goal that the PJ hopes to achieve and describe how the production goal will address the PJ's priority needs:

Because the city lacks sufficient housing for its homeless population and those at risk of homelessness, the creation of between 5 and 10 non-congregate or affordable rental housing units will address the unmet housing needs and support the CoC ultimate goal of ending chronic homelessness and prevention of additional at-risk persons and families from becoming homeless. The City of North Little Rock has a goal to produce or support between 5 to 10 units of non-congregate or affordable rental housing.

River City Ministry was consulted to help identify priority populations and focus areas for housing. Specifically, River City Ministry has highlighted the needs of men in recovery, suggesting that supportive services and housing be increased for these populations. The city allocates \$300,000.00 for the acquisition and development of affordable rental housing. River City Ministry could produce or support 5 to 10 beds/units annually based on production from previous years.

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA): North Little Rock Housing Authority will administer the Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program under the city's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Preferences

A preference provides a priority for the selection of applicants who fall into a specific QP or category (e.g., elderly or persons with disabilities) within a QP (i.e., subpopulation) to receive assistance. A *preference* permits an eligible applicant that qualifies for a PJ-adopted preference to be selected for HOME-ARP assistance before another eligible applicant that does not qualify for a preference. A *method of prioritization* is the process by which a PJ determines how two or more eligible applicants qualifying for the same or different preferences are selected for HOME-ARP assistance. For example, in a project with a preference for chronically homeless, all eligible QP applicants are selected in chronological order for a HOME-ARP rental project except that eligible QP applicants that qualify for the preference of chronically homeless are selected for occupancy based on length of time they have been homeless before eligible QP applicants who do not qualify for the preference of chronically homeless.

Please note that HUD has also described a method of prioritization in other HUD guidance. Section I.C.4 of Notice CPD-17-01 describes Prioritization in CoC CE as follows:

“Prioritization. In the context of the coordinated entry process, HUD uses the term “Prioritization” to refer to the coordinated entry-specific process by which all persons in need of assistance who use coordinated entry are ranked in order of priority. The coordinated entry prioritization policies are established by the CoC with input from all community stakeholders and must ensure that ESG projects are able to serve clients in accordance with written standards that are established under 24 CFR 576.400(e). In addition, the coordinated entry process must, to the maximum extent feasible, ensure that people with more severe service needs and levels of vulnerability are prioritized for housing and homeless assistance before those with less severe service needs and lower levels of vulnerability. Regardless of how prioritization decisions are implemented, the prioritization process must follow the requirements in Section II.B.3. and Section I.D. of this Notice.”

If a PJ is using a CE that has a method of prioritization described in CPD-17-01, then a PJ has preferences and a method of prioritizing those preferences. These must be described in the HOME-ARP allocation plan in order to comply with the requirements of Section IV.C.2 (page 10) of the HOME-ARP Notice.

In accordance with Section V.C.4 of the Notice (page 15), the HOME-ARP allocation plan must identify whether the PJ intends to give a preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project.

- Preferences cannot violate any applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a).
- The PJ must comply with all applicable nondiscrimination and equal opportunity laws and requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a) and any other applicable fair housing and civil rights laws and requirements when establishing preferences or methods of prioritization.

While PJs are not required to describe specific projects in its HOME-ARP allocation plan to which the preferences will apply, the PJ must describe the planned use of any preferences in its HOME-ARP allocation plan. This requirement also applies if the PJ intends to commit HOME-ARP funds to projects that will utilize preferences or limitations to comply with restrictive eligibility requirements of another project funding source. **If a PJ fails to describe preferences or limitations in its plan, it cannot commit HOME-ARP funds to a project that will implement a preference or limitation until the PJ amends its HOME-ARP allocation plan.**

For HOME-ARP rental housing projects, Section VI.B.20.a.iii of the HOME-ARP Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility or give a preference to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation or preference is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan. Adding a preference or limitation not previously described in the plan requires a substantial amendment and a public comment period in accordance with Section V.C.6 of the Notice (page 16).

Identify whether the PJ intends to give preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project:
None

If a preference was identified, explain how the use of a preference or method of prioritization will address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:
None

Referral Methods

PJs are not required to describe referral methods in the plan. However, if a PJ intends to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals to a HOME-ARP project or activity, the PJ must ensure compliance with Section IV.C.2 of the Notice (page 10).

A PJ may use only the CE for direct referrals to HOME-ARP projects and activities (as opposed to CE and other referral agencies or a waitlist) if the CE expands to accept all HOME-ARP qualifying populations and implements the preferences and prioritization established by the PJ in its HOME-ARP allocation plan. A direct referral is where the CE provides the eligible applicant directly to the PJ, subrecipient, or owner to receive HOME-ARP TBRA, supportive services, admittance to a HOME-ARP rental unit, or occupancy of a NCS unit. In comparison, an indirect referral is where a CE (or other referral source) refers an eligible applicant for placement to a project or activity waitlist. Eligible applicants are then selected for a HOME-ARP project or activity from the waitlist.

The PJ must require a project or activity to use CE along with other referral methods (as provided in Section IV.C.2.ii) or to use only a project/activity waiting list (as provided in Section IV.C.2.iii) if:

1. the CE does not have a sufficient number of qualifying individuals and families to refer to the PJ for the project or activity;
2. the CE does not include all HOME-ARP qualifying populations; or,
3. the CE fails to provide access and implement uniform referral processes in situations where a project's geographic area(s) is broader than the geographic area(s) covered by the CE

If a PJ uses a CE that prioritizes one or more qualifying populations or segments of qualifying populations (e.g., prioritizing assistance or units for chronically homeless individuals first, then prioritizing homeless youth second, followed by any other individuals qualifying as homeless, etc.) then this constitutes the use of preferences and a method of prioritization. To implement a CE with these preferences and priorities, the PJ **must** include the preferences and method of prioritization that the CE will use in the preferences section of their HOME-ARP allocation plan. Use of a CE with embedded preferences or methods of prioritization that are not contained in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation does not comply with Section IV.C.2 of the Notice (page10).

Identify the referral methods that the PJ intends to use for its HOME-ARP projects and activities. PJ's may use multiple referral methods in its HOME-ARP program. (Optional):

The city does not intend to use any referral method

If the PJ intends to use the coordinated entry (CE) process established by the CoC, describe whether all qualifying populations eligible for a project or activity will be included in the CE process, or the method by which all qualifying populations eligible for the project or activity will be covered. (Optional):

The city does not intend to use the coordinated entry process for referrals.

If the PJ intends to use the CE process established by the CoC, describe the method of prioritization to be used by the CE. (Optional):

N/A

If the PJ intends to use both a CE process established by the CoC and another referral method for a project or activity, describe any method of prioritization between the two referral methods, if any. (Optional):

N/A

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

Limiting eligibility for a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project is only permitted under certain circumstances.

- PJs must follow all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a). This includes, but is not limited to, the Fair Housing Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, section 504 of Rehabilitation Act, HUD's Equal Access Rule, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as applicable.
- A PJ may not exclude otherwise eligible qualifying populations from its overall HOME-ARP program.
- Within the qualifying populations, participation in a project or activity may be limited to persons with a specific disability only, if necessary, to provide effective housing, aid, benefit, or services that would be as effective as those provided to others in accordance with 24 CFR 8.4(b)(1)(iv). A PJ must describe why such a limitation for a project or activity is necessary in its HOME-ARP allocation plan (based on the needs and gap identified by the PJ in its plan) to meet some greater need and to provide a specific benefit that cannot be provided through the provision of a preference.
- For HOME-ARP rental housing, section VI.B.20.a.iii of the Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan.
- PJs may limit admission to HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS to households who need the specialized supportive services that are provided in such housing or NCS. However, no otherwise eligible individuals with disabilities or families including an individual with a disability who may benefit from the services provided may be excluded on the grounds that they do not have a particular disability.

Describe whether the PJ intends to limit eligibility for a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project to a particular qualifying population or specific subpopulation of a qualifying population identified in section IV.A of the Notice:

The city does intend to set any preference

If a PJ intends to implement a limitation, explain why the use of a limitation is necessary to address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

The city does not intend to any limitation

If a limitation was identified, describe how the PJ will address the unmet needs or gaps in benefits and services of the other qualifying populations that are not included in the limitation through the use of HOME-ARP funds (i.e., through another of the PJ's HOME-ARP projects or activities):

N/A

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

If the PJ intends to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds, the PJ must state its HOME-ARP refinancing guidelines in accordance with [24 CFR 92.206\(b\)](#). The guidelines must describe the conditions under which the PJ will refinance existing debt for a HOME-ARP rental project, including:

- ***Establish a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing to demonstrate that rehabilitation of HOME-ARP rental housing is the primary eligible activity***

North Little rock does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt

- ***Require a review of management practices to demonstrate that disinvestment in the property has not occurred; that the long-term needs of the project can be met; and that the feasibility of serving qualified populations for the minimum compliance period can be demonstrated.***

N/A

- ***State whether the new investment is being made to maintain current affordable units, create additional affordable units, or both.***

The city intends to invest HOME ARP funds to maintain current affordable units and create additional units.

- ***Specify the required compliance period, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer.***

N/A

- ***State that HOME-ARP funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.***

The city will not use HOME ARP funds to refinance any multifamily loans

- ***Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable:***

N/A

Appendices

APPENDIX A: HOME-ARP NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

1. What best describes the organization you are affiliated with? (Select all that apply)	
Homeless Service Provider	
Domestic Violence Service Provider	
Services Supporting People Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking	
Housing Advocate/Developer/Provider	
Veterans Group	
Civil Rights	
Fair Housing	
People with Disabilities	
Serving People with High Risk of Housing Instability	
Public Housing Authority	
Addressing the Needs of People Experiencing or at At-Risk Homelessness	
Other (please specify):	

2. What types of housing assistance or supportive services does your organization provide for the "qualifying populations?"	
Day shelters	
Temporary shelters	
Emergency shelters	
Transitional housing	
Permanent supportive housing	
Other permanent housing	
Affordable rental housing, Housing Tax Credit Developments	
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments).	
Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.)	
Diversion/Homeless Prevention	
Rapid Rehousing	
Services for persons with disabilities	
Fair housing or civil rights	
Other (please specify)	

3. Which of the following "qualifying populations" does your organization serve? (Select all that apply).	
Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness	

Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness	
Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI	
Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking	
Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability	
Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness	
Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria	

4. Please identify the population with the highest need for services based on your organization's experience (check all that apply).	
Families	
Single adults	
Veterans	
Unaccompanied Youth	
Victims of Domestic Violence	
Persons with Disabilities	
Other (please specify):	

5. From your organization's perspective, what are the most pressing needs to address homelessness in North Little Rock? Please rank the following ARP Funding Categories based on community homeless need, with 1 being your highest homeless priority need and 5 being the lowest homeless priority need. <i>Make sure that each rank (1 to 5) is associated with only one funding category.</i>	
Production of Affordable Housing	
Preservation of Affordable Housing	
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	
Supportive Services, Homeless Prevention Services and Housing Counseling	
Purchase and/or Development of Non-Congregate Shelter	

6. Of the "qualifying populations" what percent race/ethnicity do you serve? (Please feel free to estimate)					
	0 - 19%	20-39%	40-59%	60-79%	80% or more
White (non-Hispanic)					
Black (non-Hispanic)					
Asian (non-Hispanic)					
Hispanic (any race)					
Other Race (s) (non-Hispanic)					

7. Provide a brief comment on any other areas related to the eligible use of HOME-APR that should be considered for funding priority.

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APPENDIX B: HOME-ARP NEEDS ASSESSMENT SUMMARY OF RESPONSES

1. What best describes the organization you are affiliated with? (Select all that apply)					
Homeless Service Provider					2
Domestic Violence Service Provider					
Services Supporting People Fleeing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking					2
Housing Advocate/Developer/Provider					2
Veterans Group					
Civil Rights					
Fair Housing					1
People with Disabilities					2
Serving People with High Risk of Housing Instability					2
Public Housing Authority					2
Addressing the Needs of People Experiencing or at At-Risk Homelessness					2
Other (please specify):					2
2. What types of housing assistance or supportive services does your organization provide for the "qualifying populations?"					
Day shelters					1
Temporary shelters					
Emergency shelters					
Transitional housing					1
Permanent supportive housing					
Other permanent housing					
Affordable rental housing, Housing Tax Credit Developments					2
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments).					2
Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.)					4
Diversion/Homeless Prevention					1
Rapid Rehousing					2
Services for persons with disabilities					3
Fair housing or civil rights					1
Other (please specify):					3
3. Which of the following "qualifying populations" does your organization serve? (Select all that apply).					
Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness					3
Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness					5
Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI					4
Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking					3
Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability					5
Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness					5
Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria					1
4. Please identify the population with the highest need for services based on your organization's experience (check all that apply).					
Families					4
Single adults					2
Veterans					2
Unaccompanied Youth					1
Victims of Domestic Violence					1
Persons with Disabilities					2
Other (please specify):					2
5. From your organization's perspective, what are the most pressing needs to address homelessness in North Little Rock? Please rank the following. Make sure that each rank (1 to 5) is associated with only one funding category.					
Production of Affordable Housing					5
Preservation of Affordable Housing					1
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)					2
Supportive Services, Homeless Prevention Services and Housing Counseling					3
Purchase and/or Development of Non-Congregate Shelter					2
6. Of the "qualifying populations" what percent race/ethnicity do you serve? (Please feel free to estimate)					
	0 - 19%	20-39%	40-59%	60-79%	80% or more
White (non-Hispanic)	1	1	2		
Black (non-Hispanic)			3	1	
Asian (non-Hispanic)	3				
Hispanic (any race)	3	1			
Other Race (s) (non-Hispanic)	2	1			
7. Provide a brief comment on any other areas related to the eligible use of HOME-APR that should be considered for funding priority.					

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There are a few other programs to mention that assist which are Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program with the local Public Housing Agencies, and the CLR has the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), HOME funds and Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA), to name a few.

Our current **Municipality Support** is from the Cities of LR, NLR, and Jacksonville, Department of Human Services, Pulaski County Government and there is a Geographical concentration within the Cities of Benton/Bryant, Lonoke, and Cabot due to the increase of homelessness in those areas in the past several years discovered during the point in time count efforts.

Point-in-Time Count (PIT Count): is a requirement under HUD in which the CoC conducts an annual shelter count of all homeless on a selected night within the last 10 days of January across the Nation. On odd years there is also an unsheltered count conducted that consist of street outreach across counties to attempt to count every homeless citizen on the streets in one night. As a snapshot this provides the homeless assistance community with much needed data to understand the number of homeless and characteristics of a persons who are homeless during a point in time each year. This helps to drive the progress and budget request to end homelessness. On average over the past few years we have seen a decrease in our homeless on paper however the challenge is more evident to ensure that we are counting all the homeless especially after the pandemic hit. Earlier this year we conducted our annual sheltered and unsheltered counts and all data collected was sent to HUD and they are aggregating all numbers to be published later this year.

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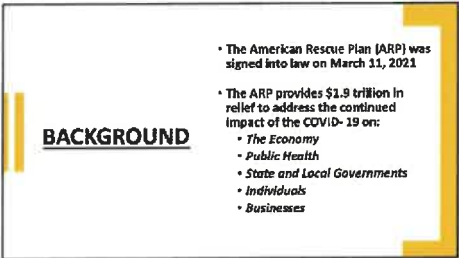
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APPENDIX C: STAKEHOLDER MEETING PRESENTATION

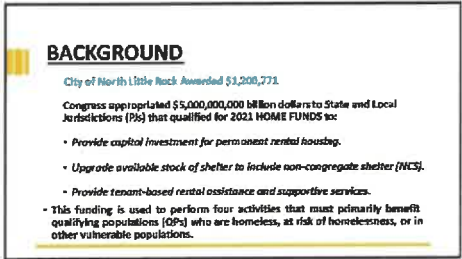
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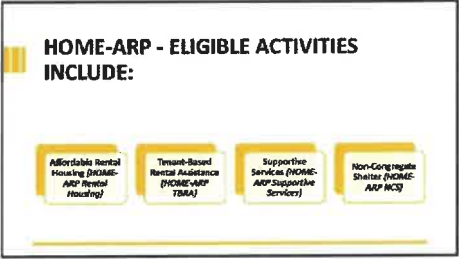
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FLEEING OR ATTEMPTING TO FLEE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, STALKING OR HUMAN TRAFFICKING

QUALIFYING POPULATION

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OTHER POPULATIONS

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OTHER POPULATIONS

- Includes households who have previously been qualified as homeless and are currently housed due to temporary or emergency rental or financial assistance and who need additional housing or supportive services to avoid a return to homelessness.
- Those at risk of housing instability
 - Includes households who are evicted because their rent is less than or equal to 30% of the area median rent and is supervising service cost burden, or
 - Households with an annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of the area median income AND has served time in prison during the 60 days before their application, is living in the home of another, or been given a notice that housing will be terminated within 21 days after application for assistance.
 - Lives in a hotel or shelter not paid for by a charitable organization or government program.
 - Lives in a single room unit with two or more persons.
 - Is exiting a publicly funded institution.

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THEIR FAMILIES

VETERANS AND

QUALIFYING POPULATION

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VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

- Veterans and families that include a veteran member that
- meet the criteria for one of the other qualifying populations.

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES – RENTAL HOUSING

- **RENTAL HOUSING – ACTIVITIES**
 - Acquisition, rehabilitation or construction of affordable rental housing for occupancy by qualifying populations.
- **Eligible Rental Housing Includes:**
 - Manufactured Housing
 - Single Room Occupancy Units (SROs)
 - Permanent supportive housing
- **Ineligible Rental Housing Includes:**
 - Emergency shelters, hotels and motels, and temporary facilities such as nursing homes, treatment facilities, correctional facilities and halfway houses.
- **ELIGIBLE COSTS**
 - Development hard and soft costs
 - Relocation
 - Operating Cost assistance/reserves

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE (TBRA)

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES – TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Eligible Costs:

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

• SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

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SUPPORTIVE SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Child care
- Employment assistance programs and job training
- Meals or groceries to program participants
- Outpatient health services, food and case management
- Housing, employment and nutrition counseling
- Life Skills Training
- Mental health, trauma and victim services
- Assistance in obtaining government assistance
- Substance abuse treatment services
- Transportation
- Legal services
- Credit Repair
- Homeowner assistance and related services are NOT eligible activities.

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

• NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER

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WHAT IS A NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER? (NCS)

- For the purposes of HOME-ARP, NCS is defined as one or more buildings that:
 - Provide private units or rooms for temporary shelter;
 - Serve individuals or families that meet one or more qualifying populations;
 - Do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement.

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NCS – ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES AND COSTS

- ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:**
 - Acquisition of structures
 - New construction with or without land acquisition
 - Rehabilitation of existing structures to be used as HOME-ARP NCS.
- ELIGIBLE COSTS:**
 - Acquisition Costs
 - Demolition Costs
 - Development Hard and Soft Costs
 - Replacement Reserve (Costs for replacing major systems whose useful life will end during the restricted use period may be included in the project budget)
- RESTRICTED COSTS:**
 - Ongoing operating costs of NCS may NOT be paid for by HOME-ARP funds.
 - Costs of Converting HOME-ARP NCS into permanent housing during the restricted use period.

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Austin, Texas - Tiny Home Development



Village Tiny Homes Austin, Texas

Blue Austin

Tiny House 400 sq. ft.

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Edwin's Leadership Restaurant and Culinary Education Institute 501 (c) 3 – Cleveland, Ohio

Offers Subsidized Housing, Training and Education, permanent employment for ex-offenders



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Dallas, Texas - Cluster Housing for Seniors



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Shreveport Louisiana - Queensborough Neighborhood Modular Housing



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Homelessness – School Youth, College Students

- Runaway children (under 18 years of age) and children/youth who have been abandoned or forced out of home by parents or other caretakers.
- Children of migrant families who lack adequate housing.
- Children abandoned in hospitals or awaiting foster care.
- School-eggs, turned or expectant mothers living in houses for several mothers when they have no other available living accommodations.
- College and High School Homeless – couch surfing, living in cars, non-sheltered.



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Desoto, Texas Transportation Assistance – Seniors, Disabled, Youth, Low-Moderate Income



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Permanent and Temporary Non-Congregate Housing Fort Worth, Texas Dallas, Texas



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NONPROFIT OPERATING AND CAPACITY BUILDING ASSISTANCE

A PJ may use 5 percent of HOME-ARP allocation to pay operating expenses of Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds.

A PJ may also use up to an additional 5 percent of its allocation to pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations to successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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<http://www.hudexchange.info>

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APPENDIX D: FOCUS GROUP MEETING SUMMARY

CATCH/CoC Presentation for NLR HOME ARP workshop 6/1/22

INTRO: Good Morning, my name is Michelle Spencer I am the CoC Program Coordinator with the CLR. I have also with me from the CLR is Tracey Shine the Community Development Manager. The CLR as the Collaborative Applicant who assist the Continuum of Care (CoC) in the planning and application of homeless funds annually by way of the federal government.

Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless BKA CATCH is the umbrella of CoC organizations and other service providers who assist the homeless and those at risk of homelessness within central Arkansas. The geographical area of CATCH covers Pulaski, Lonoke, Saline and Prairie counties. In 1995 CATCH was established and much later became a non-profit member organization with a mission to provide a community-based system for empowering the homeless and those at risk of homelessness to access housing and services that met their needs. In 2005, CATCH/CoC along with the City of LR implemented a steering committee to devise a plan to end homelessness within 10 years. Shortly after the CLR was selected as the Collaborative Applicant for the CoC, by the CATCH volunteer board of directors and operating as the governing entity for AR-500 since that time. Later application was made to access planning funds to establish a part-time position to assist the CoC/CATCH in the day to day coordination and annual priorities, which is the role that I have currently.

Support Guide for Central Arkansas: As a resource for individuals seeking services a one page support guide was created as an at a glance referral resource for citizens seeking immediate services for shelter and other helpful programs within central Arkansas.

The CoC in central Arkansas has 8 programs that encompasses the 3.1 million dollars of funding that is received annually from HUD. Those current organizations are Our House, Better Community Development, Pulaski County Housing and the City of Little Rock.

Under the **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)** Programs with the Department of Human Services, there are over 10 sub-recipients within central Arkansas that assist with the homeless by providing emergency shelter, street outreach, rapid rehousing and homeless prevention. Totalling about 2.2 million dollars annually, across the state.

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There are a few other programs to mention that assist which are Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program with the local Public Housing Agencies, and the CLR has the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), HOME funds and Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA), to name a few.

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APPENDIX E: PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

LA CIUDAD DE NORTH LITTLE ROCK AGENCIA DE DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO
AVISO PÚBLICO DE 15 DÍAS PARA COMENTARIOS Y AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA
HOME-ARP

Plan de asignación del año fiscal 2021 Enmienda sustancial para HOME-ARP La ciudad de North Little Rock ha preparado el Plan de asignación de HOME-ARP para la financiación de HOME-ARP. Además, la ciudad ha preparado la enmienda sustancial al Plan de acción anual adoptado para el año fiscal 2021. Los planes se presentarán ante el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de los EE. UU. de acuerdo con las regulaciones aplicables.

El propósito de la financiación de HOME ARP es proporcionar asistencia para personas sin hogar y servicios de apoyo. Esta financiación está bajo la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense de 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") para el Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión HOME (HOME). Antes de la presentación a HUD, el Plan de asignación de HOME-ARP y la enmienda sustancial del año fiscal 2021 al Plan de acción anual adoptado están disponibles para su revisión en la Agencia de Desarrollo Comunitario, 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114 y en el sitio web de la Ciudad, www.nlr.gov/communitydevelopment. Para más información y ayuda, comuníquese al (501) 340-5342.

Por la presente, se solicitan y solicitan comentarios públicos y sugerencias sobre el Plan de asignación de HOME-ARP y la enmienda sustancial del año fiscal 2021 durante un período de comentarios de 15 días que comienza el 11 de julio de 2022 y finaliza el 25 de julio de 2022. Envíe todos los comentarios por escrito a Amy E. Jones, Agencia de Desarrollo Comunitario, 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114 o por correo electrónico a: aejones@nlr.gov. Se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública sobre el Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP propuesto el 25 de julio de 2022, junto con la Reunión del Consejo Municipal de North Little Rock. Esta reunión se llevará a cabo en el Ayuntamiento de North Little Rock, en la cámara del Consejo, ubicada en 300 Main St., North Little Rock, Arkansas. Cualquier persona que desee hablar en esta audiencia pública, puede hacerlo asistiendo a la reunión en persona y firmando con el Secretario Municipal 5 minutos antes de que se convoque la reunión a las 6 p.m.

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APPENDIX F: SF-424S AND CERTIFICATIONS

R-22-152

****SPECIAL CALL****

RESOLUTION NO. 10319

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN AND AMENDING THE 2021-2025 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND FY2021 ACTION PLAN OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK IN REGARDS TO THE INCLUSION OF ALLOCATED HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT (HOME) GRANT FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2021, the City Council of North Little Rock adopted Resolution No. 10029, approving the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and the FY2021 Action Plan, which contained a housing and community development needs assessment and a five year strategy that specifies achievable housing and community development goals and programs; and

WHEREAS, the City is approving the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and amending its 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and FY2021 Action Plan to include grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Home Investment Partnership Act – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP), in the amount of \$1,200,771.00 (see HOME-ARP Allocation Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, a legal advertisement of notice of a public hearing to be held July 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. has been placed in the newspaper.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor or Community Development Director is directed to sign all documents necessary to ensure the Allocation Plan and substantial amendment is submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SECTION 2: That the Home ARP Allocation Plan is approved and a \$1,200,771.00 allocation from the HOME Act will be included in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and 2021 Annual Action Plan as outlined in the Executive Summary attached hereto as Exhibit B.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

7/25/2022

APPROVED:

Terry C. Hartwick
Mayor Terry C. Hartwick

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

TERRY HARTWICK
Mayor Terry (T) Hartwick

Diane Whitbey
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields
Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/

FILED	A.M.	2:00	P.M.
By	A Fields - Email		
DATE	7-22-22		
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas			
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**CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AGENCY PUBLIC NOTICE OF
15-DAY COMMENT PERIOD AND
PUBLIC HEARING
HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
FY 2021 Substantial Amend-
ment for HOME-ARP**

The City of North Little Rock has prepared the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for the HOME-ARP funding. Also, the City has prepared the substantial amendment to the adopted FY 2021 Annual Action Plan. The plans will be filed with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in accordance with applicable regulations.

The purpose of the HOME-ARP funding is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services. This funding is under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Prior to submission to HUD, the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and FY 2021 substantial amendment to the adopted Annual Action Plan, are available for review at the Community Development Agency, 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114 and on the City's website, www.nlr.ar.gov/communitydevelopment. Assistance with access to the plans will be provided for non-English speaking persons and persons with disabilities upon request. Contact 501-940-5342 for assistance.

Public comment and suggestions on the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and FY 2021 substantial amendment are hereby requested and solicited during a 15-day comment period beginning July 25, 2022 and ending July 28, 2022. Please send all comments in writing to Amy E. Jones, Community Development Agency, 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114 or ajones@nlr.ar.gov. A public hearing on the proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be held on July 28, 2022, in conjunction with the North Little Rock City Council Meeting. The meeting will be held at the North Little Rock City Hall, in the Council chamber, located at 300 Main St., North Little Rock, Arkansas. Any persons who wish to speak at the public hearing, may do so by attending the meeting in person

and signing in with the City Clerk
5 minutes before the meeting is
convened at 6:00 p.m.
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HOME-ARP

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF-424 - MANDATORY			
1.a. Type of Submission: ☒ Application ☐ Plan ☐ Funding Request ☐ Other Other (specify):		1.b. Frequency: ☒ Annual ☐ Quarterly ☐ Other Other (specify):	
		1.d. Version: ☒ Initial ☐ Resubmission ☐ Revision ☐ Update	
		2. Date Received: 09/20/2021	STATE USE ONLY:
		3. Applicant Identifier: 	5. Date Received by State:
		4a. Federal Entry Identifier: M-22-MP-05-0203	6. State Application Identifier:
		4b. Federal Award Identifier: M-22-MP-05-0203	
1.c. Consolidated Application/Plan/Funding Request? Yes ☐ No ☒ Explanation			
7. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
a. Legal Name: City of North Little Rock			
b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 71-6009176		c. UEI: FMK3JW3Z5N73	
d. Address:			
Street1: 500 West 13th Street		Street2: 	
City: North Little Rock		County / Parish: 	
State: AR: Arkansas		Province: 	
Country: USA: UNITED STATES		Zip / Postal Code: 72114-4113	
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name: Community Development Agency		Division Name: 	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this submission:			
Prefix: 	First Name: Bailey	Middle Name: E	
Last Name: Moland		Suffix: 	
Title: Director			
Organizational Affiliation: 			
Telephone Number: 501-340-5342		Fax Number: 501-371-8348	
Email: bmoland@nlr.ar.gov			

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8a. TYPE OF APPLICANT: C: City or Township Government Other (specify): 	
b. Additional Description: 	
9. Name of Federal Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development	
10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 14-239 CFDA Title: HOME Investment Partnerships Program	
11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: HOME - ARP is to be used to provided homelessness assistance and supportive services.	
12. Areas Affected by Funding: 	
13. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:	
a. Applicant: Second	b. Program/Project: Second
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed. Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
14. FUNDING PERIOD:	
a. Start Date: 08/01/2022	b. End Date: 09/30/2030
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:	
a. Federal (\$): 1,200,771.00	b. Match (\$):
16. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
☒ a. This submission was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on: 08/01/2022 ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for review. ☐ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF-424 - MANDATORY	
17. Is The Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? Yes ☐ No ☒ Explanation	
18. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001) ** I Agree ☒ ** This list of certifications and assurances, or an Internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix: Mayor	First Name: Terry
Middle Name: C.	
Last Name: Hartwick	
Suffix:	Title: Mayor of the City of North Little Rock
Organizational Affiliation: 	
Telephone Number: 501-975-8601	
Fax Number: 501-975-8633	
Email: mayor@nlr.ar.gov	
Signature of Authorized Representative: 	
Date Signed: 09/20/2022	
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions. Add Attachments Delete Attachments View Attachments	

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF-424 - MANDATORY

Consolidated Application/Plan/Funding Request Explanation:

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Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation:

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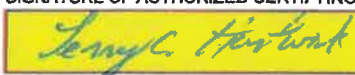
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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION City of North Little Rock Community Development Agency	DATE SUBMITTED 9/20/2022

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ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
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HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing—The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing pursuant to 24 CFR 5.151 and 5.152.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan—It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements contained in the HOME-ARP Notice, including the revised one-for-one replacement requirements. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42, which incorporates the requirements of the HOME-ARP Notice. It will follow its residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the HOME-ARP program.

Anti-Lobbying—To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
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3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction —The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations and program requirements.

Section 3 —It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

HOME-ARP Certification —It will use HOME-ARP funds consistent with Section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) and the CPD Notice: *Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, as may be amended by HUD, for eligible activities and costs, including the HOME-ARP Notice requirements that activities are consistent with its accepted HOME-ARP allocation plan and that HOME-ARP funds will not be used for prohibited activities or costs, as described in the HOME-ARP Notice.



Signature of Authorized Official



Date



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Substantial Amendment to FY2023 Annual Action Plan

October 13, 2024

Public Comment Period: October 13, 2024 - November 11, 2024

Amendment Summary:

The City's FY2023 Annual Action Plan includes annual goals & objectives for housing & community development, the approved use of 2023 program year funds, & the specific method for distributing CDBG & HOME funds. The purpose of the amendment is to update the City of North Little Rock's FY2023 Annual Action Plan by reallocating Ward I infrastructure improvements funds to address an urgent need. The proposed substantially amended FY2023 Annual Action Plan includes the specific change listed below:

- Reallocate funding from Ward I Drainage – 34th St, to Ward I Drainage – College Park St, in the amount of \$170,000

City of North Little Rock 2023 Annual Action Plan

30-day comment period: March 26, 2023 – April 24, 2023



For questions and public comments, contact:

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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Eligible local governments may receive annual grants for community development and affordable housing through application to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Available grants include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) grant. The CDBG Entitlement Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing a suitable living environment and decent housing, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low and moderate income (LMI) persons. The HOME program provides formula grants and is the largest Federal block grant to state and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low income households. A city may address community needs with eligible grant activities, and as part of that process, HUD requires grantees to prepare and submit a Consolidated Plan. The City of North Little Rock's Five Year Consolidated Plan FY 2021 – FY 2025 was developed in accordance with federal regulatory requirements at 24 CFR Part 91.

The Consolidated Plan was used to outline levels of need in the areas of community development, affordable housing, special needs, and homelessness. This information was gathered through a number of approaches including public outreach, consultations with local agencies, a review of the latest demographic and economic data provided by HUD, and an analysis of market conditions.

The consolidated planning process serves as a framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify community development and housing priorities that align and focus funding from the grant programs. All funding recommendations for activities operated with these grants are evaluated based on the ability to help the City meet the goals outlined in this Plan.

For each of the five years covered by the Consolidated Plan, the City of North Little Rock is required by HUD to prepare an Annual Action Plan. FY 2023 represents year three (3) of the Consolidated Plan. This FY 2023 Annual Action Plan serves as the application to HUD for CDBG and HOME funding, and details the intended activities to be funded as well as other actions that will be taken to meet the objectives of the Consolidated Plan.

Needs related to non-housing community development, housing, special needs, and homelessness were identified. Goals, objectives, and outcomes were developed to address many of these issues. However, limited allocations preclude funding projects for all identified needs. For objectives listed but not funded through this Plan, the City can provide support through coordination of efforts with partner agencies.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

1. Goal: Public Improvements - Infrastructure/Facilities

Objective: Foster suitable living environments/address non-housing community development needs.

- Sustain/revitalize (LMI) neighborhoods with infrastructure improvements such as streets, drainage, and sidewalks.

2. Goal: Affordable Housing – Rehabilitation/Development

Objective: Increase availability of decent affordable housing for low income persons.

- Increase availability of housing options for low income residents through development of affordable housing by a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) and through efforts and activities of the City's NSP2 Consortium members.
- Support alternative housing rehabilitation assistance efforts such as faith-based initiatives, volunteer programs, and self-help/neighborhood group empowerment programs.
- Support North Little Rock Housing Authority (NLRHA) efforts to maintain and modernize public housing and scattered site unit stock, identify housing opportunities, and maintain, expand and/or update Housing Choice Voucher programs, Homeownership, Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS), Resident Advisory Boards (RABs), Section 18 and Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) programs, job and learning center programs, and other initiatives.
- Support NLRHA and private and nonprofit developers in identifying opportunities to utilize Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), New Market Tax Credits and/or Opportunity Zone incentives for construction of assisted rental housing and other new developments.
- Facilitate access to lenders or programs offering subsidy, down payment or closing cost assistance to homebuyers and rehabilitation loans to homeowners.
- Support Continuum of Care (CoC) efforts, including an increase in inventory of permanent and/or transitional housing units and shelter and housing related services for the homeless, and permanent supportive housing for special needs populations.

3. Goal: Public Services

Objective: Stabilize living environments/improve well-being of the economically disadvantaged.

- Provide availability/accessibility of public services geared toward the benefit of at-risk youth, seniors, special needs, homeless and other LMI populations.
- Support collaboration with service providers and CoC members.

- Support nonprofit efforts to expand funding sources through certificates of consistency with the Con Plan.
- Support economic development, job development, and workforce training efforts.

Administer, plan, and monitor CDBG/HOME programs to ensure anticipated outcomes and regulatory compliance. Assess and support needs including fair housing, removal of barriers to affordable housing, removal of lead-based paint hazards, an anti-poverty strategy, and identification of resources addressing financial and digital literacy.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The City of North Little Rock has implemented several successful programs in the past with CDBG and HOME funding. Neighborhoods in low to moderate income areas of the City have been preserved through infrastructure projects such as sidewalk, street and drainage improvements. The number of new homes available in the affordable housing market in North Little Rock has increased through the efforts of the City's Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). Homelessness issues, special needs, care of the elderly, and youth and neighborhood services have been addressed and provided through partnerships with nonprofit agencies and various public service and public facility projects.

At the end of each fiscal year, the City must prepare a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to provide information to its citizens and HUD detailing the accomplishments for that year. This report allows HUD, City officials and the public the opportunity to evaluate the City's performance and assess whether the activities undertaken during that fiscal year helped to meet the City's five-year goals. The City of North Little Rock began receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in 1975, and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds in 1992. HUD has consistently determined that the City has met its performance objectives and goals, and that the City has the capacity to continue effective administration of its grant programs.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

As per the Citizen Participation Process and in preparation of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan, City staff held public hearings in several accessible locations in low and moderate income areas in order to receive input from citizens and to inform them of the availability of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership funding and programs. Technical assistance to groups seeking funding was provided upon request at public hearings, at the CDA office, and by phone. Citizens were notified of hearings through local newspaper display advertisements and through postings on the City website.

In an effort to reach more North Little Rock residents, notices were posted on various City neighborhood organization Facebook pages. Nonprofits who serve low and moderate income persons, neighborhood and community leaders, and other interested parties were notified of meetings by direct mail-outs. Notices offered special accommodations at the public meetings upon request from hearing impaired or non-English speaking residents, and persons with disabilities.

Notice of a 30 day public comment period on the final draft of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was published in the newspaper and posted on the City website. Notices were posted on Facebook and sent to interested organizations by direct mail. Copies of the Action Plan were made available for public review at City Hall and at the Community Development Agency, as well as on the City website. The notice also announced a public hearing to be held in conjunction with a City Council meeting addressing adoption of these items prior to submission to HUD. Approval requires a majority vote of the City Council.

The consultation process included outreach to elected and appointed officials, key City staff, and numerous agencies and organizations as detailed in section AP-10.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The 2023 Annual Update to the Consolidated Plan was made available for review and comment during a 30-day comment period from March 26, 2023 through April 24, 2023. No comments were received.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

There were no comments that were not accepted.

7. Summary

The City of North Little Rock recognizes and values the opportunities that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investments Partnerships (HOME) programs provide to enhance the quality of life for its low and moderate income residents. The City strives to maintain its history of administering successful and effective programs and continues to encourage broad community involvement in the process.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	NORTH LITTLE ROCK	Community Development Agency
HOME Administrator	NORTH LITTLE ROCK	Community Development Agency

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of North Little Rock's Community Development Agency (CDA) is the lead agency for administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) grant programs. The CDA is responsible for developing the Five Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and the end of year Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are approved by the North Little Rock City Council prior to submission to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are prepared with input from key City staff, consultation and coordination of activities with a number of organizations serving the community, and citizen participation.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City consulted with various public and private agencies when developing this Plan in order to best determine the needs of its residents. As lead agency, the City of North Little Rock Community Development Agency (CDA) coordinated these efforts. Included below is a summary of the consultation process, along with a listing of the agencies that participated.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

The City of North Little Rock's Community Development Agency (CDA) developed this Plan with the input of elected and appointed officials, and staff from many City departments. Activities also included consultation with the North Little Rock Housing Authority. Other affordable housing providers, such as Habitat for Humanity of Pulaski County, and Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat, the City's approved Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), were consulted. Input was gathered from local organizations providing emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent housing assistance services to the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. Efforts were also focused on issues of the homeless through coordination with the Continuum of Care, which provides the City with opportunities to maintain relationships and consult with private and public health, mental health, and other service providers which are responsible for youth, veterans, homeless families, and the chronically homeless. Nonprofit organizations and agencies who provide services to benefit low income persons were consulted.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The Continuum of Care (CoC) in Central Arkansas was organized in the late 1990's and its original focus was assisting organizations in making applications to HUD for funding for programs that serve the homeless. The CoC created the organization known as Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH). CATCH represents a four county area—Pulaski, Lonoke, Prairie, and Saline Counties. Over the years, CATCH has become more established and has broadened its mission to focus on identifying the needs of local homeless populations. CATCH takes a community-based approach to meet the diverse needs of the homeless. The cities of North Little Rock, Little Rock, and Jacksonville are members of CATCH. Through regular meetings, training sessions, and contact, the City maintains relationships with homeless shelter and services providers and private and public health, mental health, and service organizations which provide assistance for homeless youth, veterans, individuals, families with children, the chronically homeless, and those at risk of homelessness.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City of North Little Rock does not receive ESG funding.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	NORTH LITTLE ROCK
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Other government - Local Civic Leaders Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
2	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City elected officials and key City staff were consulted through meetings to review the planning process, citizen input, and budgets when developing City strategies and goals.
	Agency/Group/Organization	HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-homeless Service-Fair Housing Grantee Department

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in preparation of Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	NORTH LITTLE ROCK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization Business Leaders Civic Leaders Business and Civic Leaders Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation regarding economic development.

4	Agency/Group/Organization	ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Health Agency Child Welfare Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Other government - State Major Employer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Improved awareness of services offered.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State Major Employer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Improved awareness of services offered, including funds for construction of rental housing for extremely low-income veterans.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Other government - State Planning organization Major Employer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Improved awareness of services offered, including workforce training offered at UA-Pulaski Technical College in North Little Rock. Review of State Broadband report.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing Major Employer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Fair Housing
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Improved awareness of services offered.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	CARELINK/CENTRAL AR AREA AGENCY ON AGING
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Foundation

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Supportive Public Services
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultations. Tour of facilities. Provided information on various programs offered. Continued efforts and increased funding needed for supportive services for elderly.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	CENTRAL ARKANSAS DEV COUNCIL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Education Regional organization Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Improved awareness and coordination of services for low income persons in Pulaski County, including the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, weatherization assistance, and homeless initiative.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	CENTRAL ARKANSAS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Services-Employment Regional organization Planning organization Major Employer

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Improved awareness for better coordination of available programs and funding, including workforce training and educational opportunities.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	CENTRAL ARKANSAS TEAM CARE FOR THE HOMELESS (CATCH)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Other government - Local Regional organization Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultations and meetings as member of CoC. Improved awareness and ability to better coordinate activities and funding opportunities involving low income, at-risk of homelessness, and homeless persons.

12	Agency/Group/Organization	FIRST SECURITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Education Service-Fair Housing Business Leaders Private Sector Banking / Financing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Improved awareness of services, including First Steps Financial Literacy Program and workshops for home buyers.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF CENTRAL AR, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Education Service-Fair Housing Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultations, meetings. Improved awareness of housing and neighborhood revitalization needs and resources.

14	Agency/Group/Organization	ICAN
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Improved awareness for better coordination of available programs and funding.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	METROPLAN
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization Private Sector Banking / Financing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation on demographic and economic data for Consolidated Plan.
16	Agency/Group/Organization	NORTH LITTLE ROCK BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Supportive Public Services

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Email consultations. Continued efforts and increased funding needed for after school and summer out of school services for at-risk youth.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	NLR POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL PROGRAM)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Continued efforts and increased funding needed for at-risk youth services and activities, and for neighborhood revitalization.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	OUR HOUSE, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Tour of facilities. Improved awareness of needs and programs and services offered.

19	Agency/Group/Organization	FAMILY PROMISE OF PULASKI COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Other government - County Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Improved awareness of needs and programs and services offered.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	PULASKI COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE FOR HABITAT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultations, meetings. Improved awareness of local affordable housing needs.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	PULASKI TECHNICAL COLLEGE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Services-Employment Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultations. Obtained information about educational and workforce training programs.
22	Agency/Group/Organization	RECOVERY CENTERS OF ARKANSAS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Services - Substance Abuse Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Needs - Veterans Supportive Public Services
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Awareness of programs and services offered.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	Regions Bank
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Education Service-Fair Housing Business Leaders Private Sector Banking / Financing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Awareness of services offered, including Next Steps courses for financial literacy and home ownership, personal finances (home, auto, and retirement), info on life stages and financial hardship.
24	Agency/Group/Organization	RIVER CITY MINISTRY OF PULASKI COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultations, meetings. Tour of facility. Continued efforts and increased funding needed for homeless services and neighborhood revitalization activities.
25	Agency/Group/Organization	U.S. Bank
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Education Service-Fair Housing Private Sector Banking / Financing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Awareness of programs offered, including Access Commitment initiatives for homeownership and minority business owners.
26	Agency/Group/Organization	U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Other government - Federal Community Development Financial Institution
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone and email consultation, webinars, online training and guidance for administration of HUD programs.

27	Agency/Group/Organization	WOMEN AND CHILDREN FIRST
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Employment Services - Victims Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Phone consultation. Awareness of services offered, including statewide 24-hour domestic violence hotline, emergency shelter for domestic violence victims, transitional housing, employment assistance, and healthcare counseling.
28	Agency/Group/Organization	Federal Communication Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Obtained broadband coverage map for City to assess area needs.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

The City believes that all critical agency types were consulted and did not intentionally fail to consult with any particular agency.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Little Rock/Central Arkansas COC	The Consolidated Plan and Action Plan incorporate goals to address needs identified by the CoC where applicable.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

Throughout the development of this Annual Action Plan, citizen input was encouraged. To broaden public participation, City staff held public hearings on January 10, January 11, and January 12, 2023 at three different accessible locations in low/moderate income areas of the community to identify needs and solicit comments from citizens, and to inform them of the availability of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership funding and programs. The notice included nonprofit application instructions and details for FY 2023 CDBG funds. An online survey was also included in the notice, as well as posted on the City's website and social media, as an additional method to garner feedback. Technical assistance to groups seeking funding was provided upon request at public hearings, at the CDA office, and by phone.

The location of the first hearing was the North Little Rock Community Center in Ward I; the second hearing was held at the Rose City Police Substation in Ward II; the third hearing was conducted at the North Heights Recreation Center in Ward III. Citizens were notified of the public hearings through local newspaper display ads published on December 28, 2022 (in English and Spanish), on December 29, 2022 (in Spanish), and on January 8, 2023. The notice offered special accommodations upon request by non-English speaking residents, hearing impaired persons, and persons with disabilities. Additionally, nonprofits who serve low and moderate income persons, neighborhood and community leaders, and other interested parties were notified of this comment period and public hearing by a direct mail-out sent on January 5, 2023. In an effort to reach more residents, including minorities, public housing residents, and persons living in low to moderate income areas, notice was posted on the City website and social media, as well as Facebook pages of neighborhood organizations. Notice was also shared through the City's Communications department email list, along with the City's Neighborhood Services email list.

A local newspaper ad was published on March 26, 2023, March 29, 2023, and March 30, 2023 (in Spanish) to announce a 30 day public comment period open from March 26, 2023 until April 24, 2023, on the draft of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan, and a public hearing to be held on April 24, 2023 at City Hall, prior to consideration and a vote by the City Council on adoption of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan. Notice of the comment period and public hearing, as well as a copy of the draft Action Plan were posted on the City website. The notice offered special accommodations upon request by non-English speaking residents, hearing impaired persons, and persons with disabilities. Copies of the Annual Action Plan were made available for review at the Community Development Agency and at City Hall in North Little Rock. The notice was also posted on Facebook. The notice included participation instructions and contact information for questions and/or requests for special accommodations for disabled

persons and for non-English speaking persons. The City will continue to periodically review and update its efforts to broaden citizen participation through outreach to low income, minority, disabled, and limited English proficient populations.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Mail Out	Non-targeted/broad community	Mail out of notices to non-profits who serve low and moderate income persons, neighborhood and community leaders, and other interested parties were notified of the comment periods and public hearings.			

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
2	Public Hearing	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	Three public hearings were scheduled on three dates at three different locations. Notices of hearings and a public comment period were placed in the newspaper, posted on the Internet, sent out by direct mail, and shared via email. Two people attended the first public hearing. Four people attended the second public hearing. One person attended the third hearing. The fourth hearing was held with City Council meeting.			

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
3	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	Newspaper ads were published in English and Spanish to provide notice of funding availability and notice of three public hearings and a public comment period. The notice offered special accommodations upon request by non-English speaking residents, hearing impaired persons, and persons with disabilities.			

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
4	Internet Outreach	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	Public hearings, online priority needs survey, and draft plan are advertised on the City of North Little Rock website and social media, as well as being shared through email via the City's Communications department. 2023 Annual Action plan was made available for review and comment during a 30-day comment period from March 26, 2023 through April 24, 2023.			
5	MetroPlan & State Clearinghouse (DFA)	Non-targeted/broad community				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The City of North Little Rock anticipates receiving Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Grants (HOME) annually over the course of the FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The "Expected Amount Available Year 1 Annual Allocations" for each grant shown below are actual FY 2023 allocations announced by HUD. "Prior Year Resources" is the balance available to spend from previous year grant allocations. All other amounts shown, including program income, are estimates.

If any CDBG program income funds are received, the amount will be divided and allocated equally per Ward among any open street and drainage projects in Wards I, II, and III. If any HOME program income funds are received, the amount will be allocated to the HOME CHDO project.

Pre-award costs incurred prior to the agreement with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development are allowable in accordance with 2 CFR 200.458 and 24 CFR 570.200. Pre-award costs incurred on projects included in the 2023 Annual Action Plan will not impact future projects or future years' funding. Pre-award incurred costs may be necessary for the implementation of activities, continuity of services, and/or timeliness requirements.

For account clean-up purposes, miscellaneous unexpended balances of \$10.00 or less remaining in completed projects will be allocated to other

open projects via budget adjustments.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	670,507	0	688,805	1,359,312	1,341,014	Planned activities to be funded: public facility infrastructure improvements, public services, administration and planning.
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	396,150	0	383,559	779,709	792,300	Planned activities to be funded: development of new affordable housing, administration and planning.

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Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City intends to budget non-federal drainage funds per Ward each year, which its City Council members may allocate to needed drainage and street improvement projects in their elected areas. These funds may be used to supplement CDBG public infrastructure activities. On proposals for CDBG funding for nonprofit organizations, the City will require an investment in the projects by the applicants. Construction of new affordable housing units by a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) may be partially assisted or funded by other sources of funds such as the Federal Home Loan Bank, and/or private donations. Matching funds requirements for the HOME program may be met with donations and/or volunteer hours provided to the CHDO and nonprofit organizations such as Habitat for Humanity. Program income generated by Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP2) activities of Habitat for Humanity and the North Little Rock Housing Authority will be retained by those organizations for investment in the provision of affordable housing.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

In 2012, the City of North Little Rock entered into an agreement with the City of Little Rock to co-fund the purchase, renovation, and subsequent annual operating budgets of the Jericho Way Resource Center. The Center opened in 2013. This homeless day shelter, while operated in Little Rock, serves both cities and identifies and provides the homeless with services such as meals, clothing, showers, transportation, case management, job counseling, internet access, housing assistance, and daytime shelter.

The City offers 34 neighborhood parks, including Burns Park, one of the largest municipal parks in the country. Burns Park contains multiple play areas, and its One Heart Playground is a fully inclusive playground designed for children of all ages and abilities. Four parks are home to community centers: Glenview, North Heights, Rose City, and Sherman Park. The fifth center, North Little Rock Community Center, is also a fitness center. Between North Little Rock Community Center and Laman Library sits Laman Plaza Playground, an inclusive and accessible park which provides outdoor space to families, children, and teens from low-income neighborhoods. North Little Rock Community Center has also served as a heat relief center during hot summer months for residents who may not have a cool place to stay during the day when the heat index reaches dangerous levels, as well as a warming center during winter months when temperatures are dangerously low. Various community centers have served as public hearing locations.

The City's Hays Senior Center focuses on meeting the needs of today's active seniors, and has a membership of around 3,200. The Fitness Center offers a walking track and several pieces of exercise equipment. Various group exercise classes are offered. Recreational activities include billiards, table tennis, dancing and swimming. The Senior Center provides transportation to medical appointments and grocery stores for public senior housing residents.

Discussion

This Action Plan details activities to be funded with the City's FY 2023 CDBG and HOME allocations.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Improvements - Infrastructure/Facilities						
	Goal Description	The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan's goal of public improvements includes street and drainage improvement projects in CDBG eligible areas of the City. Street and drainage projects reflected in this plan may be multi-year projects. Accomplishments will be reported in the final year upon completion.						
2	Goal Name	Affordable Housing						
	Goal Description	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation/Development The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan's goal of affordable housing will be met by HOME funding of the CHDO program for development of new affordable housing for low income homebuyers. The City anticipates providing affordable housing to an estimated two low income persons or families utilizing 2020-2022 HOME funding.						

3	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan's goal of funding public services for the well-being and benefit of its low income residents includes providing summer/after school programs for at-risk youth, delivery of meals to home-bound senior citizens, and prescription medicines through a medical clinic for the homeless.
4	Goal Name	Administration
	Goal Description	Administer, plan, and monitor CDBG and HOME grant programs to ensure anticipated outcome and performance measures and compliance with regulations. Assess and support needs including fair housing, removal of barriers to affordable housing, removal of lead-based paint hazards, an anti-poverty strategy, and identification of resources addressing financial and digital literacy.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Following are FY 2023 program year projects and budgets.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Ward I: College Park Street
2	Ward II: E 10th Street
3	Ward III: 49th Street
4	CareLink Meals on Wheels Program
5	NLR Boys and Girls Club Great Futures Program
6	River City Ministry Prescription and OTC Drug Program
7	2023 CDBG Administrative
8	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Program
9	2023 HOME Administrative

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Allocation priorities were developed and established through input from citizen participation and consultation processes, along with City staff review. The main obstacle to addressing the needs of the underserved is the lack of adequate funding.

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1	Project Name	Ward I: College Park Street
	Target Area	CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements - Infrastructure/Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements-Infrastructure/Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$170,000
	Description	Street, drainage and sidewalk improvements.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 1,010 persons in the CDBG eligible low-mod area will benefit upon completion of the proposed activity.
	Location Description	College Park Street, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Street, drainage, and sidewalk improvements.
2	Project Name	Ward II: E 10th Street
	Target Area	CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements - Infrastructure/Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements-Infrastructure/Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$170,000
	Description	Street, drainage and sidewalk improvement.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 1,105 persons in the CDBG eligible low-mod area will benefit upon completion of the proposed activity.
	Location Description	E 10th St., North Little Rock, Arkansas 72117
	Planned Activities	Street, drainage and sidewalk improvement.
3	Project Name	Ward III: 49th Street
	Target Area	CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements - Infrastructure/Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements-Infrastructure/Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$170,000
	Description	Street, drainage and sidewalk improvement.
	Target Date	12/31/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 2,185 persons in the CDBG eligible low-mod area will benefit upon completion of the proposed activity.
	Location Description	49th St, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Street, drainage and sidewalk improvement.
4	Project Name	CareLink Meals on Wheels Program
	Target Area	CITYWIDE
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$36,000
	Description	Delivery of hot or frozen nutritious meals to homebound senior citizens.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	120 People
	Location Description	700 W Riverfront Dr., North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Delivery of hot or frozen nutritious meals to homebound senior citizens.
5	Project Name	NLR Boys and Girls Club Great Futures Program
	Target Area	CITYWIDE
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000
	Description	Funding for teacher salaries, for the Great Futures Program for Summer and after-school care.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	100 People
	Location Description	1212 Jim Wetherington Place, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114

	Planned Activities	Funding for teacher salaries, for the Great Futures Program for Summer and after-school care.
6	Project Name	River City Ministry Prescription and OTC Drug Program
	Target Area	CITYWIDE
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,000
	Description	Provision of prescription and over the counter medicines to homeless clients of River City Ministry Medical Clinics.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	300 People
	Location Description	1021 E Washington Ave, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Provision of prescription and over the counter medicines to homeless clients of River City Ministry Medical Clinics.
7	Project Name	2023 CDBG Administrative
	Target Area	CITYWIDE
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$93,507
	Description	Administration and planning costs.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	NA
	Location Description	700 W 29th St., North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Administration and planning costs.
8	Project Name	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Program
	Target Area	CITYWIDE

	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$356,535
	Description	Development of new owner occupied housing through Community Development Housing Organization (CHDO).
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated two low income families will benefit from the proposed activity with two units of homeowner new housing added.
	Location Description	Addresses to be determined.
	Planned Activities	Development of new owner occupied housing through Community Development Housing Organization (CHDO).
9	Project Name	2023 HOME Administrative
	Target Area	CITYWIDE
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Administration
	Funding	HOME: \$39,615
	Description	Administration and planning costs.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	NA
	Location Description	700 W 29th St., North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
	Planned Activities	Administration and planning costs.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

The geographic areas where assistance will be directed for program year 2023 are CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA and CITYWIDE. The CDBG Eligible Area Target Area includes CDBG eligible census tracts or block groups, which are defined as having at least 51% of their population earning below 80% of median income. The CDBG Eligible Area Target Area is loosely bounded by Interstate 40 on the North, Fort Roots on the West, the Arkansas River on the South and Central Airport Road near I-440 on the East. Any eligible tracts or block groups within the City limits are considered part of this target area. Of the three block groups containing the FY 2023 street and drainage projects, two block groups have over 50% minority populations, and one block group has over a 40% minority population.

The Citywide target area encompasses the entire city in order to serve any citizen who is eligible based on income.

Investments are allocated based on responses to grant program opportunities and funding availability. Infrastructure projects will be targeted to CDBG eligible areas. Public services will be offered in low to moderate income areas and/or to all qualified residents of the City. Activities of the City's CHDO, Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat, may occur citywide but will focus on low income eligible applicant neighborhood area preferences for homeownership.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA	76
CITYWIDE	24

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA investments for FY 2023 include area benefit street and drainage improvements. Funds are allocated for one infrastructure project in each of the three City wards within boundaries that include CDBG eligible areas. The beneficiaries of housing development activities of the CHDO are the qualifying low income homebuyers. Activities of the City's CHDO, Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat, may occur citywide by focusing on the neighborhood location preferences of their qualifying low income homebuyers. Low income persons citywide will have access to the CDBG public service activities. CareLink provides meals to low income senior citizens, and two locations of the Boys and Girls Clubs are available to serve low income youth. River City Ministry is open to clients citywide and their

target population includes the uninsured, low/moderate low income persons, and the homeless.

Discussion

The geographic areas where FY 2023 assistance will be directed are CDBG ELIGIBLE AREA and CITYWIDE.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

Following are the affordable housing goals to be funded with FY 2023 funds. FY 2023 is year three (3) of the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	2
Special-Needs	0
Total	2

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	2
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	2

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The City of North Little Rock maintains its goal of increasing affordable housing units for its low income citizens through its CHDO Project for new housing development. The City anticipates providing affordable housing to an estimated two low income persons or families utilizing 2023 HOME funding. Goals in tables 9 and 10 above are based on HOME funding allocated through this Action Plan to the CHDO. However, additional affordable housing will be provided in the City of North Little Rock through the efforts and activities of the NSP2 Consortium members.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Established in 1939, the North Little Rock Housing Authority (NLRHA) is the oldest and second largest public housing authority (PHA) in Arkansas. NLRHA builds and maintains affordable housing, identifies supportive services, encourages self-sufficiency, and offers upward mobility opportunities to low-income families, veterans, elderly and disabled persons.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

In 2019, NLRHA began the transformation of its public housing portfolio to improve the quality of housing provided. Following years of planning, the authority was able to enter into private/public/non-profit partnerships to obtain funding for modernization of the senior/disabled complexes. The modernization is addressing years of deferred maintenance and updates due to the lack of funding.

In partnerships, the housing authority substantially completed the rehabilitation and modernization of six (6) former public housing properties, utilizing HUD's Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program, the HUD Section 18 program, ADFA Low Income Housing Tax Credits, and private funding. It is projected that the new construction of a seventh (7th) property, Holt District, which replaces Silver City Courts, will be completed in 2024. Finally, Hemlock Courts, the last public housing property, will be repositioned through the disposition process wherein the property will be marketed for sale. While undertaking the modernization and repositioning process, tenants are allowed an option of utilizing tenant protection vouchers to relocate to other communities.

Additional housing in the NLRHA portfolio includes 18 unsubsidized scattered site units, 6 of which were developed with Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) funds.

Public Housing Funding

NLRHA received about \$12.5M in subsidies for rental assistance and about \$1.6M for modernization and capital upkeep.

Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8)

NLRHA administers a Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV), commonly known as Section 8, which provides subsidy for rental housing and homeownership. NLRHA is a partner with the VA in administering 200 vouchers for the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) program. The VA collaborates with support agencies to ensure that the veterans receive wraparound services.

As a result of the RAD and Section 18 modernization, the public housing units were converted to project-based vouchers, meaning the rental assistance remains attached to the unit, unlike tenant-based vouchers which move with the participants. The exception is where residents opted to receive a

tenant protection voucher or a mobile voucher. All residents at Hemlock Courts will be offered a tenant-based voucher to relocate.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

Though the housing authority is converting its portfolio from public housing to a private/non-profit ownership structure, tenant representation (i.e. resident councils) remain important and viable. HUD requires that the properties continue to acknowledge and set aside funds at each location to assist in training residents for participation in the councils and to help promote activities for the betterment of the developments. In addition to the site-based resident councils, the Resident Advisory Board (RAB) was created as a housing-authority-wide resident council. The authority attempts to recruit residents from each site to be fairly represented. The RAB's purpose in conjunction with the resident council is to:

- Respond to resident concerns
- Improve quality of life
- Represent resident interests
- Involve residents in creating a positive living environment

Family Self-Sufficiency Program

The North Little Rock Housing Authority has administered a Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency program since 2006. The purpose of the program is to link participating families to the supportive services they need to achieve self-sufficiency and no longer need public assistance. The Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program provides case management and coordination of supportive services for residents of family sites. Participants sign a five (5)-year contract to participate in the program and an Individual Training and Service plan is developed with each participant upon enrollment. Escrow accounts are established when a participant's earned income increases. Instead of paying higher rent because of the increased income, the "extra rent" goes into an escrow account.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

The North Little Rock Housing Authority is not designated as troubled.

Discussion

As the largest provider of affordable housing in North Little Rock (NLR), the North Little Rock Housing Authority (NLRHA) addresses the urgent need of providing secure and quality homes to families and

individuals of very modest means.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

Given limited grant allocations, steps to reduce or end homelessness are somewhat out of reach of the CDBG and HOME programs covered in this Plan. However, the City shares the goal of reducing and ending homelessness, and will provide support through facilitating coordination and collaboration of efforts with its Continuum of Care (CoC) partners.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The City of North Little Rock is an active participant in the local Continuum of Care through membership in Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH). The CoC conducts annual point in time (PIT) counts and surveys to determine the homeless population in the area and to reach out to homeless individuals, including unsheltered persons, in order to better assess their needs. Regular meetings of the CATCH membership provide opportunities for discussion and consultation regarding coordination of outreach efforts among homeless service and housing providers.

River City Ministry (RCM) in North Little Rock is a day shelter which provides meals, showers, personal hygiene supplies, access to technology including Wi-Fi and phone charging stations, clothing, food bank resources and emergency food, case management, access to first aid emergency care, and access to dental/vision/medical clinics. RCM serves as a first contact for those in need and accepts all referrals in order to assess need and be an open door to the larger Continuum of Care network of service providers and housing.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

River City Ministry is a day shelter only, but assists clients on a daily basis with securing a shelter bed when needed. RCM maintains a listing of area shelters and each shelter's policies and requirements for admission, in order to best serve its clients.

The City of North Little Rock combined efforts with the City of Little Rock and shared the costs of purchasing and renovating a building that opened in 2013 as the Jericho Way Resource Center. The two cities continue to share annual operating costs. This day shelter for the homeless provides a centralized location where multiple services, such as case management, housing referrals, job counseling and training, and transportation, are coordinated with the goal of transitioning clients out of

homelessness. Jericho Way provides van service to pick up and drop off clients at overnight shelters.

The City's strategic plan goals include providing financial assistance to homelessness-related public service or public facility activities, but funding is limited. The City's homelessness goals are supported by participation in CATCH membership meetings to continue collaboration with homeless service providers in addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

As stated above, maintaining communication and coordination with the City's partner agencies in the CATCH membership to most efficiently prioritize and cover all aspects of the Little Rock/Central Arkansas Continuum of Care's homelessness strategy is key. Staff from the cities of North Little Rock, Little Rock, and Jacksonville serve on the Rank and Review Committee for applications for annual CoC funding and seek a combination of qualified programs that provide permanent housing for all categories of the homeless, including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth. Continued HMIS data sharing and collection is necessary to coordinate efforts and review results.

The NLRHA focuses on homeless veterans through the Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) program, VA and local veterans support organizations. NLRHA is a partner with the VA in administering 200 vouchers to help reduce the homeless veteran population.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

The Strategic Plan supports outreach to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless to raise awareness of services such as meals, food banks, clothing, housing referrals, job training, counseling, and transportation, offered through local day shelters including River City Ministry and Jericho Way. Collaboration among local service providers builds a network of coordinated services which helps raise

awareness and facilitates referrals.

Discussion

The City will continue working with its partner agencies to win the fight to end homelessness.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

There are no known negative effects of public policies on affordable housing. Development regulations for the City of North Little Rock were reviewed to determine whether or not they revealed any barriers to affordable housing. Zoning ordinances, development codes, and public policies were examined to reveal any current ordinances or policies that impede fair housing choice. The City's land development codes and zoning regulations address affordable housing and the provision of making allowances through the code to allow construction of a variety of types of housing, including single family and multifamily housing. Regulations allow unrelated persons to reside in a single family structure and have adequate provisions for group homes and special needs populations.

The City has continued to make strides in streamlining the overall development process by encouraging preliminary reviews to expedite the permitting process, and implementing a "One-Stop Shop" for swift issuance of permits. Online payment for permits has been implemented.

Additional barriers exist that are not public policy related. These include aging housing stock in declining areas, housing lacking security features in unstable neighborhoods, the need for improved management of properties by homeowners and landlords, and a limited number of available Housing Choice Vouchers. Increasing fair market rents are a barrier to residents with limited income. Transportation to and from affordable housing locations continues to be a barrier for some families.

The City takes a proactive role in boarding and securing vacant and derelict buildings in order to minimize their negative impact on the neighborhood as well as to protect them for future rehabilitation. The City is aggressive in condemning and demolishing houses that are an eyesore and potential safety hazard. All condemnations requiring demolition are reviewed by a public hearing process and require Council approval. A full time Code Officer is employed to address rental property issues. As part of its strategy to promote homeownership, the City will allocate 90% of its FY 2023 HOME fund allocation to the City's CHDO program for the development and construction of new affordable housing.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

As explained above, while public policies were not found to serve as barriers to affordable housing, coordinated efforts and planning are required to revitalize areas and foster the availability of affordable housing.

The Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP1) and (NSP2) grants awarded to the City in 2010 allowed for revitalization in three low income qualified census tracts through elimination of blighted structures

and construction of new affordable energy efficient housing for both homeowners and renters. The initial \$8.4 million infusion of NSP funds resulted in the construction of sixty-five (65) homes. Thirteen (13) of these houses were built through NSP1 funds that were awarded to the City by the state. Renewal efforts in the NSP neighborhoods have been multi-phased. This has resulted in millions of dollars being embedded into these communities and accounts for affordable and upscale housing, recreation, green space, new schools and infrastructure improvements. Program income generated by activities of NSP2 Consortium Members, Habitat for Humanity and NLRHA, will continue to be invested in affordable homebuyer and rental housing. The NSP grant target areas contain the Baring Cross and Holt Neighborhoods that have been part of NLRHA's modernization plan.

Discussion:

The City continues work towards its Fair Housing goals by addressing impediments identified in its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice report. An identified impediment was housing affordability and disparate impacts of mortgage lending. The City provides HOME funding to its CHDO, Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat (PCNAH). PCNAH is able to offer zero interest financing on newly constructed, energy efficient homes.

NLRHA promotes its mission of providing safe, secure and decent housing, and continues to utilize HUD development programs like Section 18 and RAD to modernize properties and provide residents with a higher quality of life. NLRHA champions the need for affordable housing in economically developing neighborhoods and stays committed to trainings on compliance with fair housing policies. NLRHA actions include:

1. Furthering its mission of providing safe, secure and decent housing to its residents. NLRHA is undergoing a corporate rebranding process and hopes that the new brand will better represent the housing authority's mission today. The new brand is known as "Northbridge Housing Solutions." The tagline is "Make it Home."
2. Utilizing RAD and Section 18 HUD development programs and other tools to reposition current property and create new affordable housing throughout the community.
3. Continuing to foster current partnerships and cultivating new ones to address the need for affordable homes in economically developing and existing neighborhoods.
4. Staying committed to ongoing trainings to ensure that NLRHA staff adheres and remains informed about policies related to fair housing in order to stay in compliance.

To address the identified socio-economic impediment of the need for more jobs paying a livable wage, the City attracts private investment through the efforts of the Mayor, Economic Development team, and the Chamber of Commerce. In 2022, over \$340,000,000 in Economic Development projects were announced, which will create close to 1,100 jobs—projects include a Dollar General Distribution Center with refrigerated storage for produce, which will help fill a need for healthier grocery options in neighborhoods that lack access to fresh foods, as well as the Rose City Health Clinic in partnership with Baptist Health, the first full-service medical facility in the east part of North Little Rock since

2013.

The City increases public awareness of fair housing through provision of brochures and posters, as well as through postings on the CDA webpage.

A coordinated team effort by government, neighborhood groups, and individual owners of properties to instill pride in neighborhoods is essential. The City continues to foster civic pride. If each person just takes responsibility to do the little things, it will make a big difference in the present and future conditions of their communities.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Listed below are actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs, to foster and maintain affordable housing, to reduce lead-based paint hazards, to reduce the number of poverty level families, to develop institutional structure, and to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

A major obstacle to meeting the needs of the underserved is a lack of adequate funding and resources. This stated, the City is aware of its responsibility to identify and prioritize needs and to utilize available funding wisely and efficiently.

Data and feedback received through citizen participation and input from the City's partner organizations is carefully analyzed. The City continues to maintain and develop strong relationships with its nonprofit service and housing providers to coordinate efforts and activities. Steps are taken to update and maintain current directories of available resources in order to increase awareness and best direct those in need. Citizens are informed about programs conducted by other City departments, such as classes offered by the Laman Library on various topics including computer skills and financial literacy.

The NLR Housing Authority continues to meet the needs of its residents by providing affordable housing opportunities to those of modest means and supportive services through partnerships with local nonprofits and government agencies. The mission is two-fold:

- ensure that participants have access to upward mobility opportunities
- prepare participants for twenty-first century job opportunities through coaching, training, and education

The housing authority will collaborate with private industry to access Section 3 opportunities for businesses and qualified residents. It is NLRHA's intent to create a work center to provide services for budding entrepreneurs, women in non-traditional jobs, and apprenticeships. The site and make-up of the learning center is yet to be determined.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Ninety (90) percent of FY 2023 HOME funds will be allocated to a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), currently Pulaski County Neighborhood Alliance for Habitat, for construction of new affordable and energy-efficient homes for low income homebuyers. Program income funds generated from NSP2 Housing Authority rental properties and Habitat for Humanity homebuyer mortgages will be utilized by these consortium members to maintain and provide affordable housing. In

2023, Habitat for Humanity broke ground on 4 NSP lots that will be developed for affordable, energy-efficient single family homes, adding to the much-needed stock of housing for low-income homebuyers.

The City will continue to support the efforts, initiatives, and programs of the North Little Rock Housing Authority in their goal to provide decent affordable housing to low income residents. The City will continue to encourage other development of affordable housing, and will support alternative housing assistance efforts such as faith-based initiatives and volunteer programs. The City-funded Code Enforcement department will investigate code violations and when warranted, initiate condemnation proceedings and demolition of unsafe and unsightly structures to maintain neighborhoods.

The City will support private and nonprofit developers in identifying opportunities to utilize Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), New Market Tax Credits and Opportunity Zone incentives for the construction of assisted rental housing and other new developments.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City plans to expand its stock of lead-safe housing units through development of newly-constructed affordable housing.

The NLRHA complies with HUD's Notice PIH 2017-13 in regard to the minimization and abatement of lead-based paint hazards and elevated blood lead levels (EBLL) of children under age six (6). Where lead-based paint hazards exist and the NLRHA is made aware of the potential hazards and a confirmed case from a medical professional, within five (5) days, the HA will notify the local field office, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) and Arkansas Department of Health Lead-Based Paint Program staff. NLRHA will conduct an environmental investigation within 15 calendar days of receiving notification. NLRHA contracts with a certified company to abate or remove lead-based paint hazards. NLRHA completes the lead hazard reduction within 30 calendar days of receiving the environmental investigation report. Furthermore, the HA will address potential hazards as it prepares for redevelopment and substantial rehabilitation through RAD and Section 18.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

While many factors related to poverty are beyond the control of local government, the City is committed to addressing this issue and improving the welfare and economic status of its residents wherever possible. Services described in this Plan include some, like provision of meals to the elderly, after school care for youth, and essential prescription medicines for the homeless, which are basic elements of the "safety net" geared to those in most need. Others, like promotion of homeownership, are more fundamental to the long term reduction of poverty in society.

The City can most effectively fight poverty over the long term by promoting economic development, especially job intensive industries; building the tax base so that basic city services can be provided to all; working to stabilize neighborhoods and helping less affluent citizens purchase a home in an area where

housing values are likely to increase; ensuring that problem properties are reduced, thereby protecting the value of neighborhood property; and supporting public education systems.

Those low-income residents who are attempting to rise out of poverty by building equity through homeownership are directed to the City's CHDO for information on their newly-constructed affordable homes, homebuyer counseling services and subsidy assistance programs. CDBG public service/public facility activities are geared towards poverty level and low-income elderly, youth, and homeless.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City will continue its strategy of partnering with the North Little Rock Housing Authority, local non-profit service and affordable housing providers, and private industry to assist in coordination of services and activities offered to address the needs of the community and to make the best use of the limited funds available. Cooperation between the City's Community Development Agency and its partners has a long track record of success. The delivery system for the Consolidated Plan program is no exception. CDA staff works closely with its partner organizations to improve regulatory compliance, monitoring, and technical capacity. Membership in the Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH) Continuum of Care facilitates communication among key service providers.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

NLRHA continues to build and expand relationships with private and non-profit agencies to develop housing and create resident services. The cornerstone agency to expand the relationship is Arkansas Housing and Community Development Corporation (AHCDC), the agency's nonprofit affiliate. In the past year, NLRHA contracted with a private non-profit EMANA to provide case management and support services to residents, especially participants of the Family Self-Sufficiency Program. We expect that partnership to continue. Other partnerships continue to include private developers, national foundations, nonprofits, universities, corporations, state agencies and workforce services.

Discussion:

The City of North Little Rock's Community Development Agency collaborates with many partners, including the NLR Housing Authority, affordable housing providers, local nonprofits, and others in an effort to network, coordinate efforts and referrals, and wisely utilize limited funding.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

This section addresses program specific requirements for the 2023 Annual Action Plan and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME).

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

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| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed | 0 |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | 0 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements | 0 |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan | 0 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities | 0 |
| Total Program Income: | 0 |

Other CDBG Requirements

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|---|--------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 80.00% |

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The City of North Little Rock does not plan to use other forms of investment beyond those identified

in Section 92.205.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

HOME recapture provisions permit original homebuyer to sell property during period of affordability; however, if sold, all or a portion of direct HOME assistance provided to original homebuyer is subject to recapture from net proceeds of sale. Net proceeds are sales price minus superior loan repayments (other than HOME funds) and closing costs. Recapture provisions are triggered by any transfer of title, voluntary or involuntary, during established period. Direct assistance provided by City such as subsidy to homebuyer that reduces purchase price from fair market value to affordable price will follow reduction of subsidy during affordability period recapture model. A prorated portion of total HOME direct subsidy amount will be forgiven each year during term of affordability period if homebuyer satisfies all HOME Program regulation requirements. The City's CHDO will use the recapture provision option which recovers the entire direct HOME subsidy for mortgage loans provided to homebuyers.

Recapture provisions require that homebuyer occupy home as principal residence, and not rent, lease, or leave home vacant for duration of affordability period. The recapture provisions are triggered for the full amount of the direct subsidy if principal residency requirement is not met for full term of affordability period. Repayment of the HOME assistance, such as early payoff of a HOME funded mortgage, does not terminate affordability period. Principal residency requirement must be met for full period. Period remains in effect unless unit is sold. Amount that must be recovered for noncompliance with principal residency requirements is not subject to any prorated or other deductions in recapture provisions.

If recapture proceedings must be enforced at some time during affordability period, portion of direct HOME subsidy unforgiven by recapture provisions and elapsed affordability period will be recaptured from available net proceeds from sale of property (whether recapture is effected through foreclosure or no foreclosure action).

Net proceeds recovered will be used to 1) reimburse HOME Program (Approved Activity) for outstanding balance of HOME subsidy not repaid or forgiven during applicable affordability at time of recapture, and 2) reimburse HOME Program for "holding costs" or other costs associated with recapture action (legal fees, insurance, taxes, realtor fees, appraisals, etc.). Recaptured funds must be deposited in City's HOME Investment Trust Fund local account unless the City permits a CHDO to retain recaptured funds for additional HOME projects pursuant to written agreement required by § 92.504. If net proceeds recaptured are greater than outstanding balance of direct HOME subsidy (for all approved activities and holding costs incurred), balance of net proceeds would be distributed to homeowner (or estate). If recapture of proceeds is effectuated through a completed foreclosure action, and property is legally owned by City or by CHDO, balance of net proceeds recaptured will

inure to City or to CHDO, as applicable. Pro rata amount recaptured cannot exceed available net proceeds. If net proceeds recaptured are less than outstanding balance of direct HOME subsidy invested in property, loss will be absorbed by HOME Program and all HOME requirements would be considered to have been satisfied.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

HOME-assisted homebuyer requirements state that in order for homeownership housing to qualify as affordable, it must be single-family, modest housing; be acquired by a low-income family as its principal residence; and meet affordability requirements for a specific period of time determined by the amount of assistance provided. To ensure affordability of homebuyer housing, the City and its CHDO(s) impose recapture requirements. Resale provisions are not used.

Under recapture, the period of affordability is based upon the direct HOME subsidy--the amount of HOME assistance that enables the homebuyer to buy the unit. Examples of direct HOME assistance include HOME loans, down payment, closing costs, or a subsidy that reduces the purchase price from fair market value to an affordable price. The period of affordability is based upon the amount of the direct HOME subsidy to the homebuyer. Length of Affordability Periods are determined as follows: Less than \$15,000 in HOME Assistance = 5 years; \$15,000 to \$40,000 in HOME Assistance = 10 years; More than \$40,000 in HOME Assistance = 15 years.

If the homebuyer does not abide by the terms and conditions of the HOME program during the affordability period, recapture proceedings may be enforced. In the event of a failure of a HOME program beneficiary to satisfactorily adhere to all applicable affordability requirements, the recapture provision will be used to ensure that the intent of the HOME funded activity is accomplished or that the direct subsidy amount provided to the HOME-assisted homebuyer is recovered to be used for other eligible activities.

A subsequent low income purchaser of a HOME-assisted homeownership unit may assume the existing HOME loan and recapture obligation entered into by the original buyer when no additional HOME assistance is provided to the subsequent homebuyer, if lender policies allow an assumption of loan. In cases in which the subsequent homebuyer needs HOME assistance in excess of the balance of the original HOME loan, the direct HOME subsidy or assistance to the original homebuyer must be recaptured. A separate HOME subsidy must be provided to the new homebuyer, and a new affordability period must be established based on that assistance to the new buyer.

Written agreements, mortgage and lien documents will be used to impose the recapture requirements in HOME-assisted homebuyer projects for the duration of the affordability period. These enforcement mechanisms ensure that the direct subsidy to the homebuyer will be recaptured if the HOME-assisted property is transferred or if other HOME requirements, such as the principal

residency provision, are not met.

The terms and period are stated in the loan and program documents, which are signed by the homebuyer to ensure compliance during the affordability period.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The City of North Little Rock does not plan to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt for HOME funded multifamily housing.

CDBG funds are used for the benefit of low and moderate income persons. Under "Other CDBG Requirements, 2." above, 80% has been indicated as the estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income over the five year period of the Plan, as up to the maximum of the remaining 20% may be applied to administrative, oversight, and planning costs of the activities used to benefit low and moderate income persons. No program income is anticipated for HOME for 2023. The City uses the HOME affordable Homeownership Value Limits provided by HUD.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

Citizen Participation – Comments 4/24/2023

No written comments were received on the 2023 Draft Annual Action Plan.

Grantee Unique Appendices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD & PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK PROPOSED 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Notice is hereby given of a public comment period on the proposed Annual Action Plan for 49th Year (2023) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) & 2023 Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funding. The 30 day public comment period begins on Sunday, March 26, 2023 & ends on Monday, April 24, 2023. The plan is available for review on the City's website: www.nlr.ar.gov/communitydevelopment. Copies of the Plan are also available at City Hall, 300 Main Street, North Little Rock & at the Community Development Agency (CDA) at 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock. Written comments may be sent to Bailey Noland, Director of Community Development, at bnoland@nlr.ar.gov or 500 West 13th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114. Citizens may also contact Bailey Noland at 501-340-5342 (dial 711 for Arkansas Relay).

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, April 24, 2023, in the City Council Chambers of North Little Rock City Hall, 300 Main Street, North Little Rock, AR, in conjunction with the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m., at which time the Council will consider adoption of the 2023 Annual Action Plan.

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The proposed 2023 Annual Action Plan includes annual goals & objectives for housing & community development, the projected use of 2023 program year funds, & the specific method for distributing CDBG & HOME funds. It serves as an application for funding under these programs.

Proposed Program Year 2023 CDBG projects:

Ward I Drainage – 34 th St	\$170,000
Ward II Drainage – E. 10 th St	\$170,000
Ward III Drainage – 49 th St	\$170,000
CareLink / Meals on Wheels Program	\$ 36,000
NLR Boys & Girls Club / Great Futures Program	\$ 25,000
River City Ministry/Prescription & OTC Drug Program	\$ 6,000
Administration	<u>\$ 93,507</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$670,507

Proposed Program Year 2023 HOME projects:

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Program	\$356,535
Administration	<u>\$ 39,615</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$396,150

TOTAL \$1,066,657

If assistance is needed by non-English speaking or disabled residents for provision of specific copies of the Plan to meet their individual requirements, contact Bailey Noland at bnoland@nlr.ar.gov or 501-340-5342 (dial 711 for Arkansas Relay). Accommodations to participate in the public hearing for hearing impaired, non-English speaking residents, & persons with disabilities will be made to the greatest extent possible, upon request. Contact Bailey Noland at bnoland@nlr.ar.gov or 501-340-5342 (dial 711 for Arkansas Relay) at least 72 hrs prior to meeting date if accommodations are needed. The City encourages participation of all interested residents, especially involvement of low income residents, minorities & non-English speaking persons, & persons with disabilities.

The City of North Little Rock Assures Equal Opportunity in Employment and Housing.



WANTED FOR THE ARREST OF
MURDERER OF JAMES EARL RAY
ON 10/10/68 IN LOS ANGELES
MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING
JUNIOR APRIL FOUR NINETEEN
SIXTYEIGHT
Police is hereby aware of a
sub in criminal record for the
suggested arrest of this sub in

The City of Hawthorne has
 various local opportunities
 for employment.

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Published March 26, 2023

AVISO DE COMENTARIOS Y AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA DE LA CIUDAD DE NORTH LITTLE ROCK PARA EL PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL EN 2023 PARA LA VIVIENDA Y EL DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO

Por la presente se da aviso de un periodo de comentarios públicos sobre el Plan de propuesta de acción anual para el año 43 (2023) de la Subvención en bloque de desarrollo comunitario con sus siglas en inglés (CDBG) y 2023 Financiamiento del propietario Home Investment Partnerships con sus siglas en inglés (HOME). El periodo de comentarios públicos de 30 días comienza el domingo 26 de marzo de 2023 y finaliza el lunes 24 de abril de 2023. El plan está disponible para su revisión en el sitio web de la Ciudad: www.nlr.gov/communitydevelopment. Las copias del Plan también están disponibles en el Ayuntamiento, 300 Main Street, North Little Rock y en la Agencia de Desarrollo Comunitario (CDC) en 508 West 18th Street, North Little Rock. Se pueden enviar comentarios por escrito a Bailey Noland, Director de Desarrollo Comunitario, a bnoland@nlr.org o 508 West 18th Street, North Little Rock, AR 72114. Los ciudadanos también pueden comunicarse con Bailey Noland al 501-340-3342 (línea 711 para ayuda a personas con discapacidad auditiva).

Se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el lunes 24 de abril de 2023 en las Cámaras del Concejo Municipal del Ayuntamiento de North Little Rock, 300 Main Street, North Little Rock, AR, junto con la reunión del Concejo Municipal programada regularmente a las 6:30 p.m., momento en el cual el Consejo considerará la adopción del Plan de Acción Anual 2023.

El Latino
Published March 30, 2023

El propósito del Periodo de comentarios públicos y la Audiencia pública es recibir comentarios de los residentes de North Little Rock sobre las estrategias y prioridades descritas en el Plan para abordar las necesidades de los hogares y vecindarios de ingresos bajos y moderados. Los comentarios deben recibirse antes del 24 de abril de 2023. Los comentarios recibidos se considerarán antes de que el Consejo adopte el Plan. Un resumen de los comentarios recibidos se adjuntará al Plan antes de su presentación a HUD.

El Plan de Acción Anual 2023 propuesta incluye metas y objetivos anuales para vivienda y desarrollo comunitario, el uso proyectado de los fondos por año del programa 2023 y el método específico para distribuir los fondos de CDBG y HOME. Sirve como una solicitud de financiamiento bajo estos programas.

Programa propuesto en el año 2023 para proyectos CDBG:

Ward I Drainage – 54th St.	\$170,000
Ward II Drainage – E. 10th St.	\$170,000
Ward III Drainage – 40th St.	\$1,410,000
CarLink / Programas de comidas sobre ruedas.	\$36,000
MLR Club de chicos y chicas / Programas para un gran futuro.	\$25,000
Ministerio River City Preschools y 2 Programa contra el crimen.	\$6,000
Administración.	\$93,507
SUB-TOTAL.	\$670,507

Programa propuesto en el año 2023 para proyectos HOME:

Programa Organización de Desarrollo de Vivienda Comunitaria (CHDO)	\$36,530
Administración.	\$35,616
SUB-TOTAL.	\$396,150

TOTAL. \$1,066,657

Si los residentes discapacitados que no hablan inglés necesitan asistencia para proporcionar cupés específicos del Plan para cumplir con sus requisitos individuales, comuníquese con Bailey Noland en: bnoland@nlr.org o 501-340-3342 (línea 711 para ayuda a personas con discapacidad auditiva). Con brevedad suficiente, habrá acomodaciones especiales a participantes que tengan una discapacidad auditiva, o para residentes que no hablan inglés y personas con discapacidades de cualquier índole. Póngase en contacto con Bailey Noland por correo electrónico al: bnoland@nlr.org.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD & PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK PROPOSED 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Proposed Program Year 2023 CDBG Needs

Ward I Drainage - 24th St	\$170,000
Ward II Drainage - F 101 St	\$70,000
Ward III Drainage - 43rd St	\$170,000
ChalLink / Meals on Wheels Program	\$30,000
NLR Boys & Girls Club / Great Futures Program	\$25,000
River City Arts and Entertainment / JTC Drug Program	\$6,000
Adoption	\$35,000
SUBTOTAL	\$870,500

Proposed Program Year 2023 CDBG Projects

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Program	\$339,555
Community Center	\$39,615
SUBTOTAL	\$379,170
TOTAL	\$1,249,670

If assistance is needed by Call-Cap for speaking or disabled residents for provision of specific copies of the Plan to meet their individual requirements, contact Bailey Noland at bnoland@nrlr.gov or 501-948-5342 (Ext 711 for Arkansas Relay). Accessible formats to participate in this public hearing are provided upon request to the public meeting.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

OMB Number: 4840-0004
Expiration Date: 11/30/2025

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424			
* 1. Type of Submission: ☐ Preapplication ☒ Application ☐ Changed/Corrected Application		* 2. Type of Application: ☐ New ☒ Continuation ☐ Revision	
* 3. Date Received: 		* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): 	
4. Applicant Identifier: 		* Other (Specify): 	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: B-23-NC-05-0005		5b. Federal Award Identifier: B-23-NC-05-0005	
State Use Only:			
6. Date Received by State: 		7. State Application Identifier: 	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
a. Legal Name: City of North Little Rock			
b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 71-000176		c. UEI: FMCJJB015M73	
d. Address:			
* Street1: 700 West 29th Street			
Street2:			
* City: North Little Rock			
County/Parish: Pulaski			
* State: AR: Arkansas			
Province:			
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES			
* Zip / Postal Code: 72116-4113			
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name: Community Development Agency		Division Name: 	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:			
Prefix: Ms.		* First Name: Bailey	
Middle Name:		Last Name: Poland	
Suffix:		Title: Director	
Organizational Affiliation: 			
* Telephone Number: 501-340-5342		Fax Number: 501-391-8148	
* Email: bpoland@nrlr.ar.gov			

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
*9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:		
C: City or Township Government		
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:		
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:		
* Other (specify):		
*10. Name of Federal Agency:		
Department of Housing and Urban Development		
*11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:		
14.212		
CfDA Title:		
Community Development Block Grant Program for Disadvantaged Communities		
*12. Funding Opportunity Number:		
* Title:		
13. Competition Identification Number:		
Title:		
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):		
	Add Attachment	Delete Attachment
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*15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:		
15th Year CDBG Program to include infrastructure, public services, and other work on any pending activities.		
Attachments (maximum 10):		
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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant: N.C. 0001	* b. Program/Project: 00.0000
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
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17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date: 01/01/2023	* b. End Date: 12/31/2023
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	\$70,507.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	\$70,507.00
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process? ☒ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on 01/27/2023 ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review. ☐ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	
* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment) ☐ Yes ☒ No ***Yes*** provide explanation and attach View Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications" and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 48, Section 1001) ☒ I AGREE ** The list of certifications and assurances, or an Internet site where you may enter this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix: Mayor	* First Name: Darryl
Middle Name: C.	
* Last Name: Hartwood	
Suffix:	
* Title: Mayor of the City of North Little Rock	
* Telephone Number: 501-975-5622	Fax Number: 501-575-9632
* Email: mayor@nltrock.gov	
* Signature of Authorized Representative:	* Date Signed: 3/27/23
	

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
- Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- Will not dispose of or modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and indemnities from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
- Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
- Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
- Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4732-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 800 Subpart F).
- Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1661-1683, and 1683-1695), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-265), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§525 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dc-3 and 290 dc-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-206).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	Mayor
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
City of North Little Rock	3/27/23

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* 3. Date Received: 		* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):
4. Applicant Identifier: 		* Other (Specify):
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: N-23-MC-05-0203		5b. Federal Award Identifier: N-23-MC-05-0203
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State:		7. State Application Identifier:
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: City of North Little Rock		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 71-6009176		* c. UEI: 9MX3JN325M73
d. Address:		
* Street1: 700 W. 29th Street		
Street2:		
* City: North Little Rock		
County/Parish: Pulaski		
* State: AR; Arkansas		
Province:		
* Country: USA; UNITED STATES		
* Zip / Postal Code: 72114-4113		
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Community Development Agency		Division Name:
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Ms.		* First Name: Bailey
Middle Name: E.		
* Last Name: Roland		
Suffix:		
Title: Director		
Organizational Affiliation: 		
* Telephone Number: 501-340-5342		Fax Number: 501-371-8348
* Email: broland@nlr.ar.gov		

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Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type: 	
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: 	
* Other (Specify): 	
* 10. Name of Federal Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development	
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 14.219	
CFDA Title: HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HIMP)	
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number: 	
* Title: 	
13. Competition Identification Number: 	
Title: 	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachments	
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: New construction of affordable housing through community housing development organization (CHDO) and administration and planning assistance.	
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions. Add Attachments Delete Attachments View Attachments	

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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant: Second	* b. Program/Project: BUSAUD
Attach or address list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed. Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date: 01/01/2023	* b. End Date: 12/31/2023
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal:	396,150.00
* b. Applicant:	
* c. State:	
* d. Local:	
* e. Other:	
* f. Program Income:	
* g. TOTAL:	396,150.00
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Authorized Representative:	
Print: Meyra	* First Name: Cathy
Middle Name: C	
* Last Name: Hartwick	
Suffix:	
* Title: Mayor of the City of Northville Mich	
* Telephone Number: 734-975-8001	* Fax Number: 501-575-2632
* Email: mayra@nvl.mi.gov	
* Signature of Authorized Representative: 	* Date Signed: 3/27/23

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2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4726-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1581-1583, and 1585-1585), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-615), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290ad-3 and 290ad-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statutes which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514, (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11980; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.


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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Beneficiary Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed an Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2023 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.


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Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance that is necessary to provide affordable housing;


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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.