



# City of Aurora, Colorado

## 2016 Action Plan – Year 2 of 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan

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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

*This section provides a brief summary of the topics covered in the City of Aurora's 2016 Annual Action Plan (AAP).*

### 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.*

The City's goals that will determine allocation of funding and priorities during the second year (2016) of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Planning period include the following:

#### Provide Safe, Decent, Affordable Housing

Priority 1.1: Maintain and improve the existing supply of affordable housing to meet the needs of low and moderate income residents

Priority 1.2: Increase access to affordable housing options

Priority 1.3: Prevent Homelessness

#### Provide a suitable living environment

Priority 2.1: Improve or Enhance Public Infrastructure and Community Resources

Priority 2.2: Strengthen delivery and coordination of human services.

Priority 2.3: Support Community Outreach Programs

#### Provide expanded economic opportunities

Priority 3.1: Support Programming that Improves Local Business Districts

Priority 3.2: Enhance the economic vitality of the community through the support of the resident workforce.

### **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's past programs have focused on community needs that continue to exist, including aging housing and infrastructure, neighborhood revitalization of Original Aurora, and homeownership assistance. The programs the City has used to address these needs have been well received by residents and neighborhood organizations. The City's programs are planned to be expanded during the 2015-2019 period to address the growing needs of severely cost burdened, low-income renter households (i.e. renters that are living near or below the poverty line that are paying more than half of their income on housing, considered "At-Risk"), and address the temporary and permanent supportive housing needs of the City's homeless population.

The past 2015 program year was challenging for housing and community development programs, as budgets were cut at the federal level and subject to significant funding release delays. However, the Community Development Division received a record high amount of Program Income from both the CDBG (\$111,454) and HOME (\$1,149,414) programs to off-set these cuts. However, the new HOME rule impacted both the HOAP loan program and committing to rental/multi-family developments, as the City has to be last-in gap financing.

Due to the slowdown of the HOAP loan programs more funding was directed towards new construction and/or rehabilitation of affordable rental housing/permanent supportive housing projects. For the City of Aurora, there were many new priorities, specifically homeless initiatives and affordable rental housing, mandates and compliance requirements that needed to be met by staff. For those priorities that were able to be funded, city staff was able to meet many of their program goals, including the funding of \$750,000 in HOME for 177 affordable rental units at 13th & Peoria, called 13th Ave. Apartments II (Mt. Nebo II), funding a group home for the City's new Mental Health Court, and start an NSP type program with HOME funds, called the HOME Stabilization Program (HSP).

However, competition for 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTCs) limited the City's ability to provide HOME gap financing to proposed projects. Although three 9% projects were proposed in Aurora, none received an award, including the 1702 Paris Street development that the City had approved \$1,700,000 in funding.

The City is now working with two of the proposals to redesign them and pursue other financing tools: 1) 1702 Paris will re-apply for 9% LIHTC in 2016, and 2) Alameda View will apply for competitive State Tax Credits (STCs)/non-competitive 4% LIHTCs in 2016, and may receive up to \$700,000 in HOME funding if awarded the competitive State Tax Credits. The City will continue to pursue funding the construction of new affordable rental housing units into 2016 and coordinate a pipeline of future proposals, such as Peoria Crossing, Village at Westerly Creek III, Regatta Plaza, and others.

#### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

*Summary from citizen participation section of plan.*

In addition to posting a Public Notice in English/Spanish in the Aurora Sentinel, on the City's website, and at six community locations, it was sent to the Aurora Action Coalition of Community Services (AACCS) which maintains an email distribution list of over 100 email addresses of non-profit agencies, groups and organizations, including staff and volunteers, as well as other interested parties and citizens. The Public Notice was for the Citizens Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development's (CHD's) two Public Hearings on July 14 and 21, 2015. The two public hearings were to present the City's funding proposals for 2016 CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. The Public Notice stated that the public was invited to attend the meetings and that citizens will be provided with an opportunity to speak on housing and community development issues and priorities.

There were three attendees at the July 14, 2015 Public Hearing to present the funding proposals. No attendee formally spoke, but several noted informal agreement with the funding proposals. Two attendees were agency staff representatives and one was a citizen. There was one attendee at the July 21, 2015 Public Hearing for CHD deliberations and voting. The attendee was a citizen running as a City Council At-Large candidate. The attendee did not formally speak, but asked questions.

The Public Notice inviting the public to comment on the Draft 2016 Annual Action Plan from October 16, 2015 to November 14, 2015 followed the same procedures as the public hearing described above.

#### **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.*

No public comments were received during the 30 day public comment period from October 16, 2015 to November 14, 2015.

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

No public comments were received.

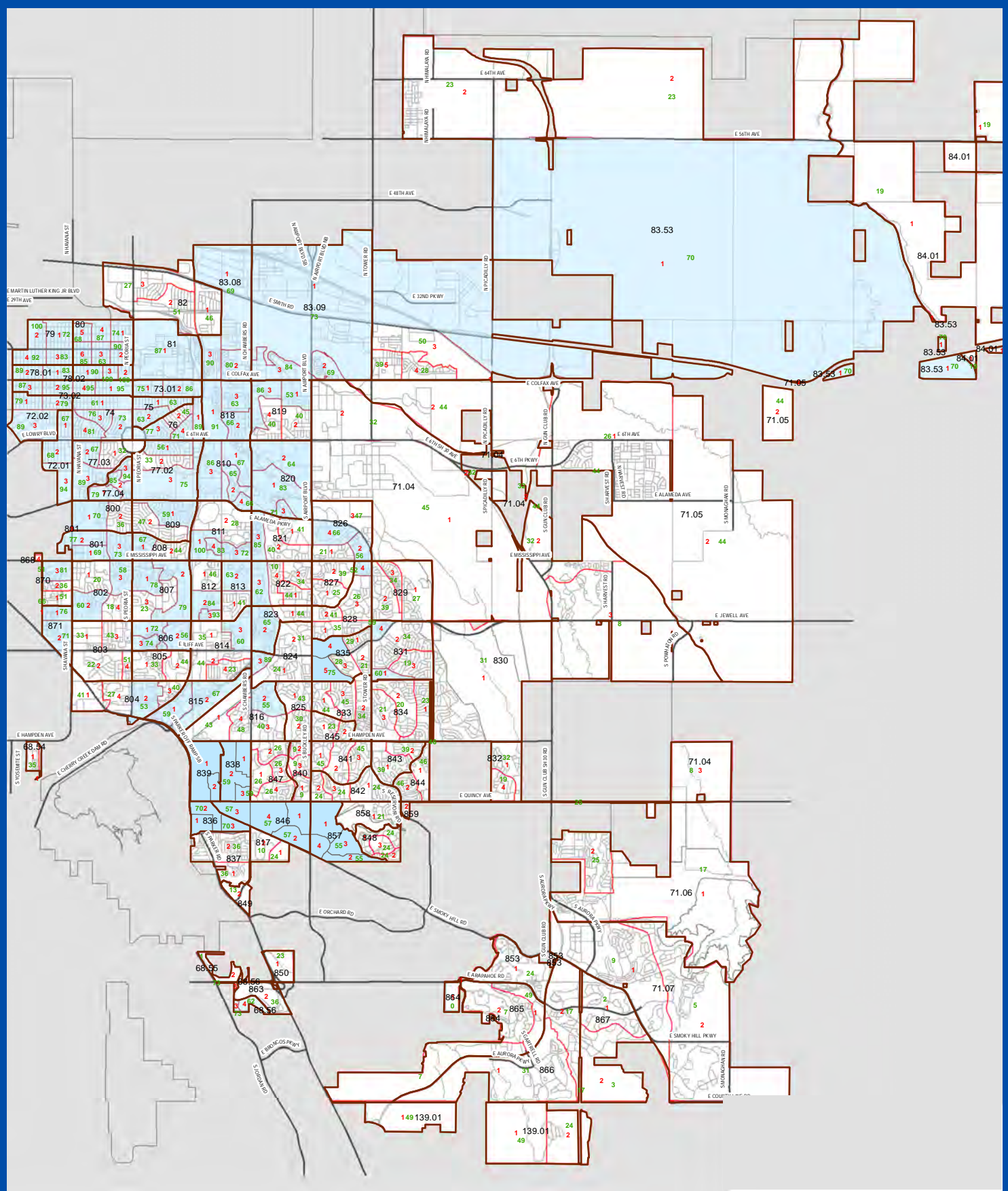
#### **7. Summary**

The following market conditions have influenced all of the housing and community development priorities as discussed throughout the second year (2016) of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan:

- Historically low rental vacancy rates, (3-4%), even lower in North Aurora (0% in the 1st quarter of 2015);

- Historically high increases in rent (20% between 2014-2015, and another 7% between 2015-2016);
- Number of persons experiencing homelessness/at-risk of homelessness (926 persons counted in 2014 Point In time, and 1,649 students counted at Aurora Public Schools in 2014-15 school year);
- Lack of Supply of Section 8 vouchers (waitlist closed for eleven years), coupled by lack of landlords that are willing to accept vouchers due to tight rental market and higher rents from non-subsidized households;
- Gap of 11,899 of rental units affordable to 0-30% AMI;
- Cumulative gap of 8,009 units affordable to 0-50% AMI;
- 8,255 Severely cost burdened renter households at 0-30% AMI, and another 830 cost burdened – totaling 9,085 renter households. Highest for families, disabled;
- Another 7,565 renter households at 30-50% AMI were severely cost burdened or cost burdened
- Overcrowding and substandard conditions experienced by renters in 0-30% AMI;
- Rising home values and sales prices, making it difficult for renters to move to homeownership; and
- 3,280 Severely Cost Burdened owner households at 0-30% AMI, and another 624 cost burdened – totaling 3,904 – Another 4,390 at 30-50% AMI are paying more than 30% of their income on housing, making it difficult to afford home repairs rehabilitation. High for seniors.

The City's programs will continue to expand in 2016 to address the growing needs of severely cost burdened, low-income renter households (i.e. renters that are living near or below the poverty line, considered "At-Risk"), and address the temporary and permanent supportive housing needs of the City's homeless population.



# Low/Moderate Income Census Block Map



**Legend**

- 2010 Census Blocks
- 2010 Census Blkgtps
- 2010 Census Tracts
- Aurora
- County Limits
- # Income Percentage
- 51% or Above Low/Mod Income Percentage



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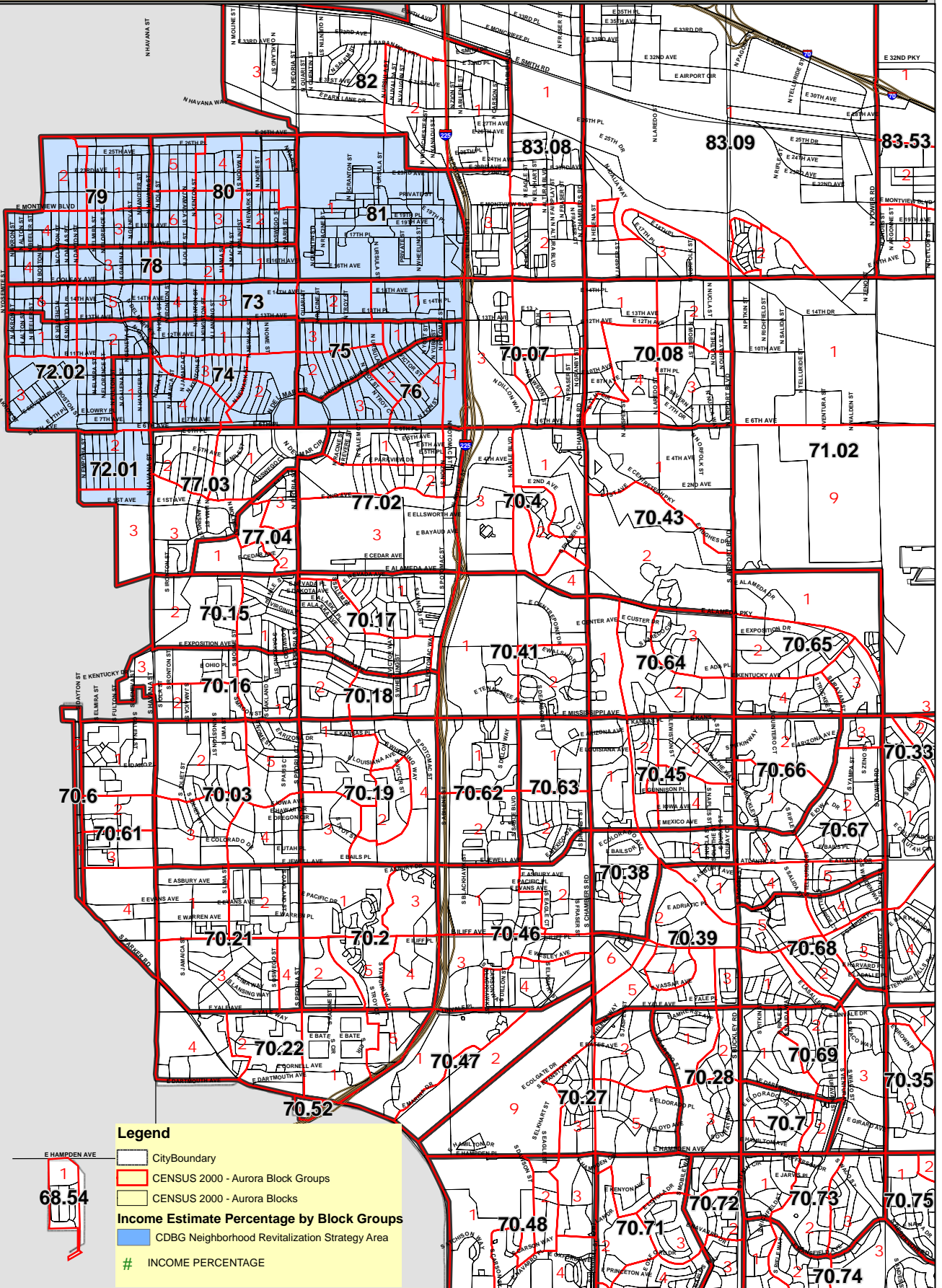
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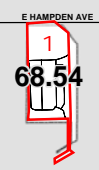
# CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)

City of Aurora, Colorado



**Legend**

- City Boundary
- CENSUS 2000 - Aurora Block Groups
- CENSUS 2000 - Aurora Blocks
- Income Estimate Percentage by Block Group**
- CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area
- # INCOME PERCENTAGE**







**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.*

<b>Agency Role</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Department/Agency</b>
CDBG Administrator	AURORA	Community Development Division (CD)
HOME Administrator	AURORA	Community Development Division (CD)
ESG Administrator	AURORA	Community Development Division (CD)

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

**Narrative (optional)**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) are all administered by the City of Aurora’s Community Development Division (CD) within the Neighborhood Services Department.

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

### **1. Introduction**

City staff provides two major in-house housing programs: rehabilitation and homeownership assistance (HOAP). The City partners with the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora (AHA), as well as non-profit agencies, to address the following needs: rental housing and homeless needs.

Staff from the Community Development Division participates in many committees and partnerships, which are comprised in part of representatives from public and private housing, health, and social service agencies:

- Aurora Housing Corporation (known as Community Housing Partners)
- Arapahoe County Community Resources
- Arapahoe County Human Services
- Arapahoe/Douglas Works!
- Arapahoe House
- Asian Pacific Development Center
- Aurora Chamber of Commerce
- Aurora Housing Authority
- Aurora Mental Health Center
- Aurora Public Schools
- Aurora Warms the Night
- Colfax Community Network
- Comitis Crisis Center/Mile High Behavioral Healthcare
- Community Housing Partners
- Metro Community Provider Network
- Gateway Battered Women's Shelter
- Aurora Cultural Arts District (ACAD)
- Archway Housing & Services Inc.
- Brother's Redevelopment Inc.
- Downtown Aurora Visual Arts (DAVA)
- University of Colorado Denver-Anschutz Medical Campus
- Restoration Outreach Programs
- Family Promise of Greater Denver
- Community Re-Entry Place Inside/Out
- InnovAge Greater Colorado PACE program

**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(I))**

The City will continue to identify and pursue opportunities to strengthen communication and coordination between housing and human service providers. The primary collaborative is the Aurora @ Home Collaborative, the ten year plan to address homelessness. Many of the partners listed above participate in the collaborative.

The Aurora @ Home Program to rapidly re-house/prevent homelessness for 25 families with children served as a pilot program not only to test how a program would work, but to test how the collaborative would work. After testing the pilot for two years, the Aurora @ Home Governing Board undertook a strategic re-visioning and determined that they would expand the Plan to include all homeless and at-risk populations, with a tiered level of funding to continue to prioritize families with children with the Aurora @ Home Program, while pursuing new initiatives to address all populations.

**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 City of Aurora, and its collaborative partners in Aurora @ Home are active partners with Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI), the HUD designated Continuum of Care (CoC) for the region. The CoC assesses the ongoing needs of the metro homeless population and responds with new or expanded services and programs as resources are available. One CD staff member serves on the MDHI Governing Board and the Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS) Committee, and one serves on the Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Survey Committee, and Homeless Information Management System (HMIS) committee.

MDHI is also participating in HUD's "25 Cities" Initiative to identify through a Vulnerability Index (VI) tool the most vulnerable persons to connect with vouchers and to house. The 25 Cities Initiative is helping to guide the development of this Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS).

The City is also expanding its role by taking a lead role in the Metro Mayors Caucus (MMC): the Mayor of Aurora is the chair of the Homeless and Hunger committee, and city staff actively participates and coordinates research for the committee. The City of Aurora contributed \$10,000 towards the MDHI/MMC Landlord Recruitment campaign led by Brothers Redevelopment, to establish a liability and incentive fund for landlords to rent to participants in 25 Cities. Aurora Mental Health-PATH and AHA have been able to house Aurora homeless residents at a higher rate than ever before in regionally funded programs.

**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 Aurora coordinates with MDHI to prioritize ESG objectives which are currently 1) Rapid Re-Housing/Homeless Prevention, and 2) Essential Shelter Services/Operations. To streamline efficiencies, the City will no longer have a 2% budget line to fund one agency for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data entry, and will add the 2% (or about \$4,800) to the Aurora @ Home RRH/HP program. For further efficiencies, the City will not fund Comititis under both ESG and CDBG, but will increase Comititis' ESG allocation, while using their CDBG allocation to fund Aurora Mental Health's PATH program for street outreach and other services. The City will continue to annually evaluate efficiencies and take into account standardized performance standards and outcomes.

The City of Aurora, MDHI, and all homeless service providers are developing a coordinated assessment system to capture data on all clients accessing services. Eventually, it is anticipated that MDHI will develop a metro wide centralized and coordinated assessment system that can allow agencies entering information into the HMIS system to share files (not personal data) when agreed upon to enhance service for households served in the community. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is currently being used community-wide and support includes: provision of individual user licenses, technical assistance and training related to HMIS system.

MDHI is piloting a rapid entry computer system which will provide clients with swipe cards so that their individual data does not have to be continuously re-entered. Four shelters in the metro Denver area are part of this pilot program, including the Comititis Crisis Center in Aurora.

**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	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	InnovAge Greater Colorado PACE Program
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Please see below for complete description of agency consultation process. A staff representative from InnovAge attended the July 14, 2015 Public Hearing and did not formally speak, but noted agreement with the proposed funding priorities.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The ARC of Aurora
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities

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<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>Please see below for complete description of agency consultation process. A staff representative from the ARC of Aurora attended the July 14, 2015 Public Hearing and did not formally speak.</p>

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

There were no agency types that were specifically excluded from the consultation process.

**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	Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI)	Point-in-Time (PIT) data informed Homeless analyses and strategies.

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

## **Narrative (optional)**

The Aurora Action Coalition of Community Services (AACCS) maintains an email distribution list of over 100 email addresses of non-profit agencies, groups and organizations, including staff and volunteers, as well as other interested parties and citizens. The Public Notice (English and Spanish) for the Citizens Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development's (CHD's) two Public Hearings on July 14 and 21, 2015 was distributed to the AACCS email list. The two public hearings were to present the City's funding proposals for 2016 CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. The Public Notice stated that the public was invited to attend the meetings and that citizens will be provided with an opportunity to speak on housing and community development issues and priorities.

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There was one attendee at the July 21, 2015 Public Hearing for CHD deliberations and voting. The attendee was a citizen running as a City Council At-Large candidate. The attendee did not formally speak, but asked questions.

The Public Notice inviting the public to comment on the Draft 2016 Annual Action Plan was sent to the AACCS email distribution list when the draft was posted for the 30 day comment period on October 15, 2015.

## **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**

Public Notices for the two Public Hearings on July 14 and 21, 2015, were advertised in both English and Spanish in the Aurora Sentinel and on the city's website, and were posted at six community centers. Additionally, one large email list was notified, as previously described, the Aurora Action Coalition for Community Services (AACCS) list of 100+ community agencies.

As noted previously, there were three attendees at the July 14, 2015 CHD meeting, and one attendee at the July 21, 2015 CHD meeting. There were no formal comments presented; however, attendees were invited to ask questions and many expressed agreement with the funding proposals.



**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	Public Hearing	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/broad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	3 attendees at July 14, 2015 and 1 attendee at July 21, 2015.  Informally in agreement with funding proposals	N/A	N/A	

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	Internet Outreach	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/broad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Internet outreach included posting notices for public hearings and 30 day comment period on City website and distributing to agencies via an email list	N/A	N/A	

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 Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	English/Spanish Public Notice in the newspaper for two public hearings and 30 day comment period.	N/A	N/A	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

Although the U.S. Senate proposed a 93% cut to the HOME program, Congress approved relatively level funding for HOME, as well as CDBG and ESG for the 2016 program year. As the federal allocations are determined by a formula partially based on poverty and other criteria, the percentage of increase/decrease for Aurora often varies from the overall federal increase/decrease. For 2016, Aurora received:

\$2,724,758 in CDBG (an increase of 2.5%),

\$912,330 in HOME (an increase of 10.2%), and

\$239,252 in ESG (a decrease of 1%).

Initial estimates for Program Income and Carry-forward (Prior Year Resources), bring the combined total to **\$4,996,340**, as follows:

CDBG total \$3,144,758,

HOME total \$1,612,330, and

ESG total \$239,252.

With the addition of unexpectedly high Program Income (PI) and carry-forward funding, total funding is anticipated to exceed \$5,000,000 for the second year (2016) of the 2015-2019 period.

Due to rising home values, many single family rehabilitation loans and homeownership down payment assistance loans are being paid off, thus the City is receiving an unexpectedly high amount of money back. The City has received \$2,625,559 in HOME PI from 2013 to 2015, which has been approved to be invested in major rental projects, pending award of competitive 9% LIHTCs or State Tax Credits. Since a major HOME project, 1702 Paris Street, was not awarded 9% LIHTCs in 2015, some of the HOME PI funding will be carried over into 2016 so that the Paris

Street project can re-apply for 9% LIHTCs.

Several other new HOME rental projects have applied for competitive State Tax Credits/non-competitive 4% non-competitive LIHTCs and may be funded in 2016: Alameda View (Chambers and Alameda) and Village at Westerly Creek III (850 S. Ironton). Finally, in addition to Paris Street re-applying for 9% LIHTCs, we are aware of other projects that may also apply for the June 1, 2016 round: Peoria Crossing (30th and Peoria) and the redevelopment of Regatta Plaza (I-225, Parker, and Peoria).

**Priority Table**

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,724,758	70,000	350,000	3,144,758	9,434,274	3,144,758 x 3
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	912,330	450,000	250,000	1,612,330	4,836,990	1,612,330 x 3

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	239,252	0	0	239,252	717,756	239,252 x 3

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 allocates annual funding towards housing and community development goals from many sources other than HUD. The city accomplishes this by continually seeking other public and private resources to address the many needs of its residents. In 2015, leveraged funds totaled \$1,747,135. This section describes resources anticipated for 2016.

**HOME Match** - HUD requires a local cash match of the HOME allocation of 22.5%. These funds are provided by the city General Fund currently at **\$205,275** for 2016. These general funds are used specifically for HOME eligible activities. This brings total HOME and Match funding up to **\$1,817,605** for 2016.

**ESG Match** - HUD requires a local cash match of the ESG of 100%, currently at \$239,252 for 2016. This is more than covered by the city's NEXUS funds (nexus to Law Enforcement) of **\$824,450**:

- Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN) = \$56,595
- Mile High Behavioral Healthcare/Comitis Crisis Center = \$247,940
- Aurora Mental Health Center = \$73,270 + \$5,000 (AWtN) + \$99,450 (Behavioral Healthcare Collaborative) = \$177,720
- SungateKids = \$58,000
- Gateway Battered Women’s Services (GBWS) = \$119,885
- Arapahoe House = \$119,310 + \$45,000 (Behavioral Healthcare Collaborative) = \$164,310

- The city funded the enhanced emergency shelter & day services at Comitis totaling **\$236,800**, allowing the 40 cold weather shelter beds to be used year-round.

- The city funded Aurora @ Home at **\$60,000** for additional capacity and landlord recruitment efforts.

**Other leveraged funding:**

- In the past, the city has also provided additional funding for: alley paving, the Colfax Economic Enrichment Program (CEEP), and projects in the Aurora Cultural Arts District (ACAD).

- Xcel Energy provides and installs alley lights in Original Aurora, covering up to \$810 per light. The match for 2016 is estimated to be \$810 x 41 lights = **\$33,210**.

- The HOAP program received **\$43,800** in 2015: \$2,100 in private grants, \$27,000 from HUD Counseling, and \$14,700 from the National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling (NFMC) Round 9.

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

The following are City owned/or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified:

1. City Owned: 17th & Paris - Vacant, near Paris ES, zoned FBAD, 0.75 ac. The City is working with Brothers Redevelopment to redevelop the property into 39+/- affordable units in 2016.

2. Aurora Housing Authority (AHA) owned: Kentucky & Ironton - Third phase of Village at Westerly Creek - remaining portion of the redeveloped Buckingham Gardens. Proposal for 74 units (50 for families; 24 for seniors) in 2016.
3. Aurora Housing Authority (AHA) owned: 30th & Peoria - Peoria Crossing, Vacant, near I-70 light rail - 5.0 ac. Proposal for the first phase of 75-80 units.
4. Regatta Plaza - the master redevelopment of the Regatta Plaza shopping center plans for a mixed-use development with mixed-income housing. The property is located near the Nine Mile light-rail station, bounded by I-225, Parker and Peoria.
5. Alameda View - Chambers & Alameda, Vacant, near Aurora City Hall, and light rail station. Proposal for 116 units in 2016.

### **Discussion**

See above.



## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	CDBG Administration	2015	2019	Administration	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	N/A	CDBG: \$558,951	Other: 1 Other
2	Voucher Program - Aurora Warms the Night - CDBG	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	CDBG: \$25,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 200 Persons Assisted
3	Aurora@Home-Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES	CDBG: \$22,000 HOME: \$50,000 ESG: \$77,758	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 25 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Comitis Crisis Center - CDBG and ESG	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	ESG: \$56,225	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1500 Persons Assisted
5	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	CDBG: \$350,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1500 Persons Assisted
6	Arapahoe House - ESG	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	ESG: \$38,280	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 150 Persons Assisted
7	Gateway Battered Women's Services - ESG	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	ESG: \$49,046	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 300 Persons Assisted
8	ESG Administration	2015	2019	Administration	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	ESG: \$17,943	Other: 1 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
9	Street Outreach	2015	2019	Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMELESS	CDBG: \$18,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 175 Persons Assisted
10	Housing Counseling - HOAP Program - CDBG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMEOWNERSHIP	CDBG: \$250,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 445 Households Assisted
11	Home of Our Own - HOOO - HOME	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS	HOME: \$0	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 5 Households Assisted
12	Lead Based Paint Program - HOAP - CDBG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMEOWNERSHIP	CDBG: \$0	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 15 Households Assisted
13	HOAP Homeownership Assistance Loans - HOME	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	HOMEOWNERSHIP	HOME: \$100,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 25 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
14	Emergency Repairs Grant Program - CDBG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION	CDBG: \$50,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit
15	Handicap Accessibility Grant Program - CBDG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	SENIORS AND/OR DISABLED SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION	CDBG: \$50,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 8 Household Housing Unit
16	Radon Mitigation Grant Program - CDBG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION	CDBG: \$25,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 15 Household Housing Unit
17	Single Family Rehabilitation Loans - HOME	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION	HOME: \$550,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 15 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
18	Rehabilitation Programs Administration - CDBG	2015	2019	Administration of Rehabilitation of affordable housing, non-housing community development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION URBAN RENEWAL	CDBG: \$281,000	Other: 1 Other
19	Neighborhood Support in NRSA - CDBG	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) CODE ENFORCEMENT	CDBG: \$260,250	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 20000 Household Housing Unit
20	Commercial Renovation Program in NRSA - CDBG	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES URBAN RENEWAL	CDBG: \$300,000	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 2 Business
21	Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) in NRSA - CDBG	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL FACILITIES/PROGRAMS	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 44425 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
22	Northwest Alley Paving in NRSA - CDBG	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	INFRASTRUCTURE	CDBG: \$250,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 7000 Persons Assisted
23	Lighting Program in NRSA - CDBG	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	URBAN RENEWAL INFRASTRUCTURE	CDBG: \$197,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 44425 Persons Assisted
24	HOME Administration	2015	2019	Administration of HOME	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	N/A	HOME: \$136,233	Other: 1 Other
25	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMEOWNERSHIP	HOME: \$136,850	Rental units rehabilitated: 55 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 4 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
26	CDBG Unprogrammed	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES	CDBG: \$157,557	TBD
27	HOME Unprogrammed	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS	HOME: \$844,522	TBD
29	Colfax Economic Enrichment Program(CEEP) NRSA-CDBG	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	INFRASTRUCTURE	CDBG: \$300,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 44425 Persons Assisted

**Table 6 – Goals Summary**

**Goal Descriptions**

<b>1</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	CDBG Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Administration and Planning of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. 20% of the annual CDBG allocation plus CDBG Program Income for current allocation year.

<b>2</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Voucher Program - Aurora Warms the Night - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Aurora Warms the Night provides shelter for Aurora’s men, women and children experiencing homelessness on days of severely cold weather. The program provides vouchers for low-cost motels, as well as food, toiletries and clothing, and refers guests for medical, mental health and dental care, substance abuse treatment, and permanent housing.
<b>3</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Aurora@Home-Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The program will assist 25 families with rental assistance for either rapid re-housing or homelessness prevention, depending upon the need of the family and the adjusting rental market. The program is operating with a community-wide intake and assessment process. The 25 families are provided rental assistance and case management/referral to partner agencies for: employment, education, health care, mental health, substance use, child care, transportation, and housing assistance.
<b>4</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Comitis Crisis Center - CDBG and ESG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Mile High Behavioral Healthcare/Comitis Crisis Center (“Comitis”) provides emergency housing and supportive services to homeless families, individuals, and veterans. There are 139 total beds available for use and arranged according to the populations staying at the shelter: 92 beds for emergency overnight stays (52 beds are for families and 40 are for single adults); 47 beds are for longer-term stays (Arapahoe County TANF families usually 4 to 8 months, veterans and their families up to 2 years under the Veteran Grant Per Diem Program; others).
<b>5</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funding for improvements to the Comitis Crisis Center is planned based on a Capital Needs Assessment (CNA) recently completed. The estimated amount is \$350,000 for the following improvements: boiler, drainage, bathroom renovations, parking improvements, and other necessary capital needs.  Comitis provides emergency housing and supportive services to homeless families, individuals, and veterans. There are 139 total beds available for use and arranged according to the populations staying at the shelter: 92 beds for emergency overnight stays (52 beds are for families and 40 are for single adults); 47 beds are for longer-term stays.



6	<b>Goal Name</b>	Arapahoe House - ESG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Arapahoe House provides substance abuse treatment and prevention services in a continuum of accessible and affordable services for individuals and families with alcohol, drug or other behavioral health problems. Some of the programs and services include: residential, day and outpatient treatment, motivational enhancement treatment, group homes, school-based services, detoxification, cultural outpatient services, substance abusing offender program, housing and employment services, offender monitoring, women's services, and transitional housing.
7	<b>Goal Name</b>	Gateway Battered Women's Services - ESG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This facility provides emergency housing for victims of domestic violence and their children. Gateway currently has 39 beds, not including cribs that are readily available to such families. Of these 39 beds, 24 are for the emergency shelter, and 15 are for the extended stay program of up to 120 days (4 months).
8	<b>Goal Name</b>	ESG Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Administration and Planning of the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program - 7.5% of the annual ESG allocation
9	<b>Goal Name</b>	Street Outreach
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The PATH program at Aurora Mental Health Center provides permanent and transitional housing for individuals with mental health and substance abuse problems. The PATH program connects homeless persons to benefits and services, often reconnecting them with mental health services. The CDBG funding will cover the PATH program, Street Outreach, and other eligible CDBG items/activities.
10	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing Counseling - HOAP Program - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The City's Homeownership Assistance Program (HOAP) provides housing counseling for pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, reverse mortgage counseling, and credit counseling for homeowners, as well as rental counseling, referrals, renter's rights and credit counseling for renters. Additionally, HOAP provides educational seminars for first time homebuyers in English and Spanish.

11	<b>Goal Name</b>	Home of Our Own - HOOO - HOME
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>The City of Aurora coordinates the Home of Our Own (HOOO) Program, which provides one-time housing assistance for the security deposit and/or first month's rent that is targeted, but not exclusive to, families with children under the age of 18, disabled individuals, or seniors living in hotels/motels/shelters/unsheltered move to more stable housing.</p> <p>There is a sufficient amount of funding remaining/carry-forwarded from 2015 for the on-going HOOO program that additional funding is not planned for 2016.</p>
12	<b>Goal Name</b>	Lead Based Paint Program - HOAP - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>The Lead-Based Paint Program provides grants to homeowners for lead reduction work, and allows for: continuing education for staff, contractors and their crews; lead hazard inspections, testing, laboratory evaluations, clearance and all other expenses relating to lead hazard evaluations and reduction, including paint stabilization, repairing defective surfaces, removing loose paint, and applying new paint; interim controls to temporarily control lead based paint hazards; abatement measures; and testing for elevated blood levels in children living in lead hazardous homes where rehabilitation activities are taking place under the Single Family Rehabilitation Program. Funds are also used in the HOAP program to assist income-eligible buyers with mitigation of lead based paint hazards. The average lead based paint risk assessment for a HOAP loan was \$329 per home in 2015, totaling \$1,975. One home received lead hazard repairs, at a cost of \$4,160.</p> <p>There is a sufficient amount of funding remaining/carry-forwarded from 2015 for the on-going Lead Based Paint program that additional funding is not planned for 2016.</p>

13	<b>Goal Name</b>	HOAP Homeownership Assistance Loans - HOME
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP) provides down payment and closing cost assistance loans for the purchase of single-family housing, including single-family dwellings, condominiums and townhomes. Loans up to \$10,000 are available to assist first-time homebuyers. Potential buyers must not earn more than 80% percent of the Area Median Income (AMI) based on family size. The loans are deferred (no monthly payment) and are due and payable upon sale of the property, transfer of ownership, failure on the part of the borrower to maintain the home as principle place of residence, or payment in full of the first mortgage. The interest rate is zero% deferred for 30 years. The HOAP loan program is a valuable resource for prospective homeowners who can qualify for monthly payments, but have been unable to come up with all of the down payment and closing costs. The 2015 amount of HOME loan average was \$7,915 for 26 loans, totaling \$205,800. There is carry-forward funding from previous years.
14	<b>Goal Name</b>	Emergency Repairs Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Emergency Single-Family Home Repair Program provides grants for the emergency repair of owner-occupied single-family homes to address conditions in the home that are hazardous to the occupant's health and safety. The homeowner/applicant must meet low- and moderate-income eligibility requirements. Typical projects include, but are not limited to, furnace and water heater replacement, minor electrical and plumbing repairs, and, especially in the older neighborhoods, clay-pipe sewer repairs or replacement. The funds will be in the form of grants not to exceed \$8,000 for sewer line repairs and \$5,000 for all other repairs. Repairs that exceed these amounts may be covered by a deferred payment loan similar to the Single Family Rehabilitation Program.
15	<b>Goal Name</b>	Handicap Accessibility Grant Program - CBDG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Handicap Accessibility Grant Program is a program designed to assist owner-occupied, income-eligible households for handicap accessibility modifications to their homes. The funds will be in the form of grants not to exceed \$15,000. Handicap-related rehabilitation can include the installation of wheel chair ramps, chair lifts, widening of doorways (exterior and interior), kitchen repairs, bathroom repairs and any other handicap accessibility needs. Although handicap accessibility issues are addressed under the Single-Family Rehabilitation Program, this program allows modifications specific to accessibility, without the requirement to renovate the entire home.

16	<b>Goal Name</b>	Radon Mitigation Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Radon Mitigation Program is designed to assist owner-occupied, income eligible households to address mitigation of high levels of radon gas in the home that are hazardous to the occupants. It is a CDBG funded program that is available throughout the City to eligible homeowners. The program funds will be in the form of a grant not to exceed \$2,500 which will cover initial testing, mitigation, and clearance testing of the project
17	<b>Goal Name</b>	Single Family Rehabilitation Loans - HOME
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Single Family Rehabilitation Program is intended to help maintain the existing affordable housing stock in the community for low- and moderate-income homeowners, and to increase the life expectancy of the home and the quality of life in the community. Currently, the Single Family Rehabilitation Program offers a zero% interest, deferred repayment loan (due upon transfer of title, such as death or sale of the home). In order to qualify for the program, the home must be in need of repairs and applicants must be the owner and occupant of the home and meet income eligibility requirements
18	<b>Goal Name</b>	Rehabilitation Programs Administration - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	ADMINISTRATION OF BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS
19	<b>Goal Name</b>	Neighborhood Support in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Neighborhood Support in the Original Aurora area performs community maintenance-directed code enforcement, systematic housing, and commercial/retail inspections, with the goal of being a pro-active link between the City and citizens by fostering a spirit of self-reliance and promoting a positive physical image in Aurora's low- to moderate-income neighborhoods. Neighborhood Support also secures vacant buildings to ensure structural integrity, which diminishes opportunities for criminal activity.

<b>20</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Commercial Renovation Program in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This program provides funding for commercial revitalization efforts for exterior storefront renovation projects. The on-going exterior storefront renovation program offers design services. The terms of the program require a 50% forgivable loan with a 50% ten-year repayable loan. There is a total CDBG investment cap of \$200,000 for any one project, but more if there are multiple projects for a continuous storefront. The loan portion is secured with a Deed of Trust that includes Deed Restrictions to ensure compliance with on-going maintenance requirements, Overlay District design requirements, and use restrictions for a 5-year period. The program is intended to provide incentives to businesses that expand or relocate to Aurora when such businesses create new jobs and improves the NRSA area. Also addresses Slum/Blight in NRSA.
<b>21</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This program provides funds for salaries, benefits and other administrative costs which support community and neighborhood leadership development, diversity training, neighborhood outreach and communication, and community asset building. All activities of the OAR outreach programs seek to identify and pursue resources that will assist in the revitalization of Original Aurora and the NRSA. Some of the programs that OAR administers or helps coordinate are: Tool Lending program, Community Gardens, Free Seed and Transplant program, Fall Fest, Community Pride Clean-up Events, Educational forums, and other programs.
<b>22</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Northwest Alley Paving in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This program will be funded with CDBG to pave approximately four existing alleyways annually in Northwest Aurora (Original Aurora). Only those alleys within the NRSA will be eligible. The number to be paved will be dependent on CDBG funding and construction costs (labor, concrete, etc.).  Four to five alleys may be paved in 2016 based on current material and labor prices that fluctuate

23	<b>Goal Name</b>	Lighting Program in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>In order to improve the Colfax Streetscape and the Aurora Cultural Arts District (ACAD) within Original Aurora, and to increase pedestrian accessibility and safety, a consultant was hired to prepare a lighting design plan for ACAD in 2014-2015. CDBG will fund the installation of the planned lighting to improve the area in 2016 with a combination of \$896,769:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2016 CDBG funds of \$197,000</li> <li>• Carry-forward Colfax Economic Enrichment Program (CEEP)/Colfax Avenue Revisioning (CAR) CDBG funds of \$369,769</li> <li>• Carryforward funds from 2015 CDBG of \$130,000</li> <li>• Re-programmed amendment to 2015 Action Plan of \$200,000</li> </ul>
24	<b>Goal Name</b>	HOME Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Administration and Planning of HOME - up to 10% of HOME allocation and Program Income received for the program year
25	<b>Goal Name</b>	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>A minimum of 15% of the HOME annual allocation will be allocated to certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) to be used for new units, acquisition, and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing, such as rental housing and can combine with Supportive Housing for Homeless.</p> <p>The number of housing units and funding will be dependent on other funding approvals.</p>
26	<b>Goal Name</b>	CDBG Unprogrammed
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Towards high priorities; potentially affordable housing rehabilitation, Comitis Crisis Center improvements, additional shelter capacity, economic opportunities, etc.
27	<b>Goal Name</b>	HOME Unprogrammed
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This funding may be allocated to several high priority affordable housing and/or homeless supportive housing needs

29	<b>Goal Name</b>	Colfax Economic Enrichment Program (CEEP) NRSA-CDBG
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Original Aurora Public Parking Lot will install a new asphalt parking lot to include landscaping, irrigation, and lighting in the Original Aurora NRSA area. A new parking lot will provide up to 50 additional parking spaces available to residents/patrons of Original Aurora. The location will be determined at a later date.

**Table 7 – Goal Descriptions**

**Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):**

The number of households anticipated to be assisted include the following goals for year 2 (2016):

**Rental Assistance:** 0-60% AMI

2016: 30 (25 through Aurora @ Home, 5 with Home of Our Own [HOOO])

**New Construction of multi-family:** 0-60% AMI

2016: 0.

Although the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan anticipated 100-150 units of newly constructed affordable units during the five year period, with 25-30 units produced annually, it takes several years to approve/start up/complete a project. The one new construction project that has been approved and secured all other financing in 2015 is the 177 unit development at 13th and Peoria, known as 13th Avenue Apartments II, or Mt. Nebo II. The City committed \$750,000 in HOME funding in December of 2015, and construction began in early 2016. Completion of the

177 units is anticipated in late 2017.

**Rehabilitation of multi-family: 0-80% AMI**

2016: 55

Greenleaf and/or other apartment renovation project(s). Greenleaf is owned by Archway Housing, a certified Community Housing Development Organization. HOME-CHDO funding was approved prior to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

**Rehabilitation of single-family: 0-80% AMI**

2016: 59 (20 through Emergency Repairs, 8 through Handicap Accessibility, 15 through Radon Mitigation, 15 through HOME's Single Family Rehabilitation, plus 1 group home - 6 beds for Wellness Court, funding was approved as an amendment to the 2015 Action Plan using HOME Program Income)

**Acquisition: 0-80% AMI**

2016: 29 (25 through HOAP loans, plus 4 through the acq./rehab/resale HOME Stabilization Program [HSP] administered through Community Resources & Housing Development Corporation [CRHDC], began in 2015 using HOME Program Income for previous years)

**TOTAL = 173**



## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

### Introduction

The following projects (and in some cases "programs") and programs align with the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan Goals in SP-45 and the 2016 Annual Action Plan Goals in AP-20. Projects will become activities to be set up in IDIS once funded. Programs will have individual activities set up in IDIS for each address (ex., the Single Family Rehabilitation Program will have an activity set up for each address).

#	Project Name
1	Original Aurora Public Parking Lot
2	CDBG Administration
3	Aurora Vouchers - Aurora Warms the Night - CDBG
4	Aurora @ Home - Rapid Rehousing & Prevention - CDBG & HOME
5	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG
6	ESG Program - 3 Shelter, RRH/HP, & Admin
7	Aurora Mental Health Center PATH Program - CDBG
8	Housing Counseling - HOAP - CDBG
9	Home of Our Own (HOOO) Program - HOME
10	Lead Based Paint Program - HOAP - CDBG
11	HOAP Homeownership Assistance Loans Program - HOME
12	Emergency Repairs Grant Program - CDBG
13	Handicap Accessibility Grant Program - CDBG
14	Radon Mitigation Grant Program - CDBG
15	Single Family Rehabilitation Program - HOME
16	Rehabilitation Programs Administration - CDBG
17	Neighborhood Support in NRSA - CDBG
18	Commercial Renovation Program in NRSA - CDBG
19	Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) in NRSA - CDBG
20	Northwest Alley Paving in NRSA - CDBG
21	Lighting Project in NRSA - CDBG
22	HOME Administration
23	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) - HOME
24	CDBG Unprogrammed
25	HOME Unprogrammed
26	Aurora Interfaith Renovations - CDBG

**Table 8 – Project Information**

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

The above projects were established during the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan process through three Public Meetings (the "Money Game" and "Priority Marks"), the Household Survey (with "Priority Marks"), the Agency Survey, the Housing and Community Needs Assessment in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan Sections, previous NRSA plans to revitalize Original Aurora, and the City Council's priorities to improve the Colfax Corridor, address Homelessness, and continue Code Enforcement.

Priority Levels were adjusted as per the other methods described above. Results of the Household Survey differed more from the "Money Game" and the Agency Survey. The largest differences were that local households prioritized Infrastructure and Code Enforcement over Homeless Needs, and local homeowners continued to prioritize Single Family Housing Rehabilitation. Several types of activities within the Priority Needs are not proposed to be funded by CDBG, HOME, or ESG, as there are other federal, state, and local funding sources that are targeted more specifically to these needs: for instance, Economic Opportunities, Senior/Disabled, Public Services, and Recreation.

Although funding is always a challenge to addressing underserved needs, the biggest challenge currently are the all-time low rental vacancy rates, sharp increases in rent, and a low inventory and variety of affordable homes for sale.

## Projects

### AP-38 Projects Summary

#### Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

<b>1</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Original Aurora Public Parking Lot
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Colfax Economic Enrichment Program(CEEP) NRSA-CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	INFRASTRUCTURE
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$300,000
	<b>Description</b>	This project will install a new asphalt parking lot to include landscaping, irrigation, and lighting in the Original Aurora area. A new parking lot will provide up to 50 additional parking spaces available to residents/patrons of Original Aurora. The location will be determined at a later date.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA has an estimated population of 44,425, of which 80.7% is Low-Moderate Income (LMI).
	<b>Location Description</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA. The location will be determined at a later date.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>2</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	CDBG Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	N/A
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$558,951
	<b>Description</b>	Administration and Planning of CDBG Program. 20% of the annual CDBG allocation plus CDBG Program Income for current allocation year.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Aurora Vouchers - Aurora Warms the Night - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Voucher Program - Aurora Warms the Night - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMELESS
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$25,000
	<b>Description</b>	Aurora Warms the Night provides shelter for Aurora's men, women and children experiencing homelessness on days of severely cold weather. The program provides vouchers for low-cost motels, as well as food, toiletries and clothing, and refers guests for medical, mental health and dental care, substance abuse treatment, and permanent housing.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	200 persons, including singles, couples, and families
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A - The office is located at 1544 Elmira Street in Aurora, CO 80010.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Aurora @ Home - Rapid Rehousing & Prevention - CDBG & HOME
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Aurora@Home-Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$22,000 HOME: \$50,000
	<b>Description</b>	The program will assist 25 families with rental assistance for either rapid re-housing or homelessness prevention, depending upon the need of the family and the adjusting rental market. The 25 families are provided rental assistance and case management/referral to partner agencies for: employment, education, health care, mental health, substance use, child care, transportation, and housing assistance. CDBG will cover case management salaries and other public service items. HOME will cover Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA).
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	25 families with children under the age of 18 - a mix of both rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>5</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMELESS
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$350,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Mile High Behavioral Healthcare/Comitis Crisis Center provides emergency housing and supportive services to homeless families, individuals, and veterans. There are 139 total beds available for use and arranged according to the populations staying at the shelter: 92 beds for emergency overnight stays (52 beds are for families and 40 are for single adults); 47 beds are for longer-term stays. Funding for improvements to Comitis are based on a Capital Needs Assessment (CNA) recently completed. The planned improvements for 2016 include: boiler, drainage, bathroom renovations, parking improvements, and other necessary capital needs.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	1,500 to 2,000 persons will be served.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The facility is located at 2178 Victor Street, Aurora, CO 80045, on the Fitzsimons campus. The facility serves Aurora, Arapahoe County, Adams County, as well as the metro Denver region, the State of Colorado, and out-of-staters.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>6</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	ESG Program - 3 Shelter, RRH/HP, & Admin
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY

<b>Goals Supported</b>	Aurora@Home-Rapid Rehousing/Homeless Prevention Comitis Crisis Center Arapahoe House Gateway Battered Women's Services ESG Administration
<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS
<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$239,252
<b>Description</b>	Homeless and supportive services are funded by the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program which allows approximately up to 60% of the total ESG funding for overnight and emergency shelter housing, as well as supportive services and street outreach. The remaining 40% is for: 32.5% is for rapid rehousing/homelessness prevention; and 7.5% is for administration. The three agencies receiving 60% of the ESG shelter funding include: 1) Arapahoe House; 2) Mile High Behavioral Healthcare/Comitis Crisis Center; and 3) Gateway Battered Women's Services. Aurora @ Home receives the funding set-aside for rapid rehousing/homelessness prevention. Homeless individuals and households are presumed to be extremely low income (0-30% of AMI).
<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2017
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	See planned activities below
<b>Location Description</b>	See planned activities below

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	<p>The following Activity IDs will be set up for the five different ESG Program components:</p> <p>64372 - Arapahoe House - Shelter at 1290 S. Potomac Street, Aurora, CO - 150 single persons - \$38,280</p> <p>64393 - Comitis Crisis Center - Shelter at 2178 Victor Street, Aurora, CO - 1,500-2,000 persons in both singles and families with children - \$56,225</p> <p>64394 - Gateway Battered Women's Services - Shelter - Undisclosed location in Aurora - 300 persons in both single women and their families - \$49,046</p> <p>64435 - ESG Administration - 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO - \$17,943</p> <p>64438 - Rapid Rehousing/Homelessness Prevention - scattered sites - 25 families with children under 18 - \$77,758</p>
7	<b>Project Name</b>	Aurora Mental Health Center PATH Program - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Street Outreach
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMELESS
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$18,000
	<b>Description</b>	Projects to Assist in the Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program at Aurora Mental Health Center (AUMHC) provides permanent and transitional housing for individuals with mental health and substance abuse problems. The PATH program connects homeless persons to benefits and services, often reconnecting them with mental health services. The CDBG funding will cover the PATH program, Street Outreach, supplies, and other eligible CDBG items/activities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016



	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	175 persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	The office is located at 1544 Elmira Street in Aurora, CO 80010.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
8	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Counseling - HOAP - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Counseling - HOAP Program - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMEOWNERSHIP
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$250,000
	<b>Description</b>	The City's Homeownership Assistance Program (HOAP) provides housing counseling for pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, reverse mortgage counseling, and credit counseling for homeowners, as well as rental counseling, referrals, renter's rights and credit counseling for renters. Additionally, HOAP provides educational seminars for first time homebuyers in English and Spanish.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 445 households will be served, including all types for rental counseling, pre-purchase counseling, foreclosure prevention counseling, and pre-foreclosure sale counseling. Reverse Mortgage (HECM) counseling will serve senior households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Counseling is provided by Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO 80010.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above

<b>9</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Home of Our Own (HOOO) Program - HOME
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Home of Our Own - HOOO - HOME
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS
	<b>Funding</b>	(Carry-forward)
	<b>Description</b>	The City of Aurora administers the Home of Our Own (HOOO) Program, which provides one-time housing assistance for the security deposit and/or first month's rent that is targeted, but not exclusive to, families with children under the age of 18, disabled individuals, or seniors living in hotels/motels/shelters/unsheltered move to more stable housing.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	5 households living in motels, shelters, or unsheltered will benefit. The program is targeted to families with children under 18, seniors, and disabled persons, but is not limited to these populations. The goal is limited not due to funding, but due to the extremely low vacancy rate for affordable units, making it difficult for clients to find available units.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	There is sufficient carry-forward funding from 2015 so that additional funding is not needed for 2016.	
<b>10</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Lead Based Paint Program - HOAP - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Lead Based Paint Program - HOAP - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMEOWNERSHIP
	<b>Funding</b>	(Carry-forward)

	<b>Description</b>	The Lead-Based Paint Program provides grants to homeowners for lead reduction work, and allows for: continuing education for staff, contractors and their crews; lead hazard inspections, testing, laboratory evaluations, clearance and all other expenses relating to lead hazard evaluations and reduction, including paint stabilization, repairing defective surfaces, removing loose paint, and applying new paint; interim controls to temporarily control lead based paint hazards; abatement measures; and testing for elevated blood levels in children living in lead hazardous homes where rehabilitation activities are taking place under the Single Family Rehabilitation Program. Funds are also used in the HOAP program to assist income-eligible buyers with mitigation of lead based paint hazards. The average lead based paint risk assessment for a HOAP loan was \$329 per home in 2015, totaling \$1975. One home received lead hazard repairs at a cost of \$4160.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	15 homes may need lead based paint assessments, for a variety of homebuyer household types. Given the recent real estate market and the maximum HOME purchase value currently at \$238,000, many homebuyers can only consider purchasing condos and townhomes. This attached type of housing typically was built after 1978 and LBP assessments are not required.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	There is sufficient remaining funding from 2015 so that additional funding is not needed for 2016.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOAP Homeownership Assistance Loans Program - HOME
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	HOAP Homeownership Assistance Loans - HOME
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMEOWNERSHIP
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$100,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP) provides down payment and closing cost assistance loans for the purchase of single-family housing, including single-family dwellings, condominiums and townhomes. Loans up to \$10,000 are available to assist first-time homebuyers. Potential buyers must not earn more than 80% percent of the Area Median Income (AMI) based on family size. The loans are deferred (no monthly payment) and are due and payable upon sale of the property, transfer of ownership, failure on the part of the borrower to maintain the home as principle place of residence, or payment in full of the first mortgage. The interest rate is zero% deferred for 30 years. The HOAP loan program is a valuable resource for prospective homeowners who can qualify for monthly payments, but have been unable to come up with all of the down payment and closing costs. The 2015 amount of HOME loan average was \$7,915 for 26 loans, totaling \$205,800.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	25 households of varying types.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above. There is carry-forward funding from previous years.
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Emergency Repairs Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Emergency Repairs Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Emergency Single-Family Home Repair Program provides grants for the emergency repair of owner-occupied single-family homes to address conditions in the home that are hazardous to the occupant's health and safety. The homeowner/applicant must meet low- and moderate-income eligibility requirements. Typical projects include, but are not limited to, furnace and water heater replacement, minor electrical and plumbing repairs, and, especially in the older neighborhoods, clay-pipe sewer repairs or replacement. The funds will be in the form of grants not to exceed \$8,000 for sewer line repairs and \$5,000 for all other repairs. Repairs that exceed these amounts may be covered by a deferred payment loan similar to the Single Family Rehabilitation Program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	20 homeowners of varying types.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>13</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Handicap Accessibility Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Handicap Accessibility Grant Program - CBDG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	SENIORS AND/OR DISABLED SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Handicap Accessibility Grant Program is a program designed to assist owner-occupied, income-eligible households for handicap accessibility modifications to their homes. The funds will be in the form of grants not to exceed \$15,000. Handicap-related rehabilitation can include the installation of wheel chair ramps, chair lifts, widening of doorways (exterior and interior), kitchen repairs, bathroom repairs and any other handicap accessibility needs. Although handicap accessibility issues are addressed under the Single-Family Rehabilitation Program, this program allows modifications specific to accessibility, without the requirement to renovate the entire home.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	8 homeowners - disabled households
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Radon Mitigation Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Radon Mitigation Grant Program - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$25,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Radon Mitigation Program is designed to assist owner-occupied, income eligible households to address mitigation of high levels of radon gas in the home that are hazardous to the occupants. It is a CDBG funded program and is available throughout the City to eligible homeowners. The program funds will be in the form of a grant not to exceed \$2,500 which will cover initial testing, mitigation, and clearance testing of the project. It is anticipated that a minimum of 15 projects will be completed in 2016.

	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	15 homeowners of varying type.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
15	<b>Project Name</b>	Single Family Rehabilitation Program - HOME
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Single Family Rehabilitation Loans - HOME
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$550,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Single Family Rehabilitation Program is intended to help maintain the existing affordable housing stock in the community for low- and moderate-income homeowners, and to increase the life expectancy of the home and the quality of life in the community. Currently, the Single Family Rehabilitation Program offers a zero% interest, deferred repayment loan (due upon transfer of title, such as death or sale of the home). In order to qualify for the program, the home must be in need of repairs and applicants must be the owner and occupant of the home and meet income eligibility requirements.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	15 homeowners in varying household types.

	<b>Location Description</b>	The program in administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>16</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Rehabilitation Programs Administration - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation Programs Administration - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHABILITATION URBAN RENEWAL
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$281,000
	<b>Description</b>	ADMINISTRATION OF BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	These programs are administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010



	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above. Anticipated rehabilitation: Commercial renovations = 2 Residential programs = 58: 15 single family rehabilitations 15 radon mitigations 8 handicapped accessibility projects 20 emergency repairs
17	<b>Project Name</b>	Neighborhood Support in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Neighborhood Support in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) CODE ENFORCEMENT
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$260,250
	<b>Description</b>	Neighborhood Support in the Original Aurora area performs community maintenance-directed code enforcement, systematic housing, and commercial/retail inspections, with the goal of being a pro-active link between the City and citizens by fostering a spirit of self-reliance and promoting a positive physical image in Aurora's low- to moderate-income neighborhoods. Neighborhood Support also secures vacant buildings to ensure structural integrity, which diminishes opportunities for criminal activity.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	20,000 housing and other inspections in the Original Aurora NRSA
	<b>Location Description</b>	Original Aurora NRSA

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
18	<b>Project Name</b>	Commercial Renovation Program in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Commercial Renovation Program in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES URBAN RENEWAL
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$300,000
	<b>Description</b>	This program provides funding for commercial revitalization efforts for exterior storefront renovation projects. The on-going exterior storefront renovation program offers design services. At the end of 2013, the terms of the program changed to require a 50% forgivable loan with a 50% ten-year repayable loan. There is a total CDBG investment cap of \$200,000 for any one project, but more if there are multiple projects for a continuous storefront. The loan portion is secured with a Deed of Trust that includes Deed Restrictions to ensure compliance with on-going maintenance requirements, Overlay District design requirements, and use restrictions for a 5-year period. The program is intended to provide incentives to businesses that expand or relocate to Aurora when such businesses create new jobs and improve the NRSA area. Also addresses Slum/Blight in NRSA.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	2 businesses
	<b>Location Description</b>	Original Aurora NRSA – Colfax Corridor between 14th & 16th Ave., Montview Blvd., and Dayton Corridor. The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above

<b>19</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL FACILITIES/PROGRAMS
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000
	<b>Description</b>	This program provides funds for salaries, benefits and other administrative costs which support community and neighborhood leadership development, diversity training, neighborhood outreach and communication, and community asset building. All activities of the OAR outreach programs seek to identify and pursue resources that will assist in the revitalization of Original Aurora and the NRSA. Some of the programs that OAR administers or helps coordinate are: Tool Lending program, Community Gardens, Free Seed and Transplant program, Fall Fest, Community Pride Clean-up Events, Educational forums, and other programs.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA has an estimated population of 44,425, of which 80.7% is Low-Moderate Income (LMI).
	<b>Location Description</b>	The program is administered by the Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010, located in the NRSA.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>20</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Northwest Alley Paving in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Northwest Alley Paving in NRSA - CDBG

	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	INFRASTRUCTURE
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$250,000
	<b>Description</b>	This program will be funded with CDBG to pave approximately four existing alleyways annually in Northwest Aurora (Original Aurora). Only those alleys within the NRSA will be eligible. The number to be paved will be dependent on CDBG funding and construction costs (labor, concrete, etc.).
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA has an estimated population of 44,425, of which 80.7% is Low-Moderate Income (LMI).
	<b>Location Description</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above. Typically four alleys located in different census tracts/block groups - estimated 7,000 persons.
<b>21</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Lighting Project in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Lighting Program in NRSA - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	URBAN RENEWAL INFRASTRUCTURE
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$197,000

	<b>Description</b>	The lighting program in the NRSA covers two lighting programs: 1. In order to improve the Colfax Streetscape and the Aurora Cultural Arts District (ACAD) within Original Aurora, and to increase pedestrian accessibility and safety, a consultant was hired to prepare a lighting design plan for the Colfax Area around ACAD in 2014-2015. CDBG will fund the installation of the lighting plan in 2016 with: 2015 CDBG, 2015 CDBG Re-programmed, 2016 CDBG, previous years Colfax Economic Enrichment Program (CEEP) and Colfax Avenue Re-visioning (CAR) program. 2. Xcel Energy installs alleyway lights in the NRSA, covering up to \$810 per light. The OAR Specialist administers the program. 41 more lights are planned for 2016, bringing the total to 569 and closing out the alleyway lighting program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA has an estimated population of 44,425, of which 80.7% is Low-Moderate Income (LMI).
	<b>Location Description</b>	The Original Aurora NRSA, specifically including the Aurora Cultural Arts District (ACAD) along Colfax Avenue.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
<b>22</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	HOME Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	N/A
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$136,233
	<b>Description</b>	Administration and Planning of HOME - up to 10% of HOME allocation and Program Income received for the program year.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	The HOME program is administered by Community Development Division staff at 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
23	<b>Project Name</b>	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) - HOME
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMEOWNERSHIP
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$136,850
	<b>Description</b>	A minimum of 15% of the HOME annual allocation will be allocated to certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) to be used for new units, acquisition, and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing, such as rental housing and can combine with Supportive Housing for Homeless.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Anticipated:  1. The renovations to Archway Housing's 55-unit Greenleaf apartments will be completed in 2016. HOME CHDO funding was approved prior to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan period. Archway is a certified CHDO.  2. Four or more homes will be acquired/rehabilitated/resold through the HOME Stabilization Program (HSP) by Community Resources and Housing Development Corporation (CRHDC). HOME Program Income and CHDO funding was approved in 2015 - Amendment to the 2015 Action Plan. CRHDC is a certified CHDO.

	<b>Location Description</b>	See above: 1. Greenleaf Apartments is located at 1571 Beeler Street, Aurora, CO 80010. 2. HSP homes will be located throughout the city. Three homes have been acquired so far, and renovations are underway.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above
24	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG Unprogrammed
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	CDBG Unprogrammed
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$32,557* (see Planned Activities below)
	<b>Description</b>	Towards high priorities; potentially affordable housing infrastructure or rehabilitation, Comitis Crisis Center improvements, additional shelter capacity, economic opportunities, etc.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	TBD
	<b>Location Description</b>	TBD

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	*The original amount of CDBG Unprogrammed was \$157,557. An Amendment to the 2016 Action Plan was approved for \$125,000 for the Aurora Interfaith Building Renovations at 1553 Clinton Street at a Publicly Open meeting on January 12, 2016. The 30 day Public Notice period expired on February 28, 2016 and no comments were received. The remaining amount in CDBG Unprogrammed is \$32,557.
25	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Unprogrammed
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	HOME Unprogrammed
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	RENTAL HOUSING (APARTMENTS, ETC.) HOMELESS
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$839,803
	<b>Description</b>	Towards high priorities; potentially affordable housing or rehabilitation, Aurora @ Home Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), etc.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	TBD
	<b>Location Description</b>	TBD
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	TBD
26	<b>Project Name</b>	Aurora Interfaith Renovations
	<b>Target Area</b>	ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Facilities/Improvements - CDBG
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	HOMELESS PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES



<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$125,000
<b>Description</b>	Renovations to the Aurora Interfaith Community Services (AICS) Food and Clothing Bank Building at 1553 Clinton Street. The renovations include: roof replacement, heating/air conditioning (HVAC) replacement, electrical repairs and if funding permits, concrete ramps and other necessary infrastructure improvements. This was approved by the City's Citizens Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development (CHD) at their January 12, 2016 meeting and has been properly noticed in the newspaper through February 28, 2016 with no comments received. This is an Amendment to the 2016 Action Plan, but is included now, as the 2016 Action Plan is to be submitted in March of 2016.
<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2016
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Aurora Interfaith provides emergency services to approximately 4,000 or more homeless or low-moderate income clients annually. These emergency services include: a food bank, a clothing bank, utility assistance, bus tokens, prescriptions, school supplies, diapers, personal hygiene items, and other goods. AICS also provides case management, follow-up services and referrals for all new households receiving assistance.
<b>Location Description</b>	The AICS building is located at 1553 Clinton Street, Aurora, CO, 80010, in the Original Aurora NRSA area.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	See above



## 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

As seen in the Appendices by the Low Moderate Income Area (LMA) census tract map, there are many areas of need throughout the City of Aurora. In general, the programs that the City of Aurora directly implements will be made available to all income eligible individuals and households throughout the City.

The City will seek to continue targeting programs within the Original Aurora area, which is also Aurora's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA). The general boundaries of Original Aurora are Yosemite Street on the west, I-225 on the east, East 6th Avenue on the south, and the City border on the north (see map in Appendices).

### Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
ORIGINAL AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY	27

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The programs funded and implemented by the Community Development Division, especially the Housing Rehabilitation and Home Ownership Assistance Programs (HOAP), are available to assist income eligible households city-wide. Even so, the area of greatest need continues to be Original Aurora. The City will continue to target resources in the Original Aurora neighborhoods, in pursuit of the goals and objectives set forth in the established Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy. Seven out of the City's nine Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RCAPs) are in this area (see map in Appendices).

### Discussion

The City has six goals for the Original Aurora NRSA with anticipated resources noted below for 2016. These total an estimated **\$1,357,250** for programs/projects specific to the area, as well as the many in-house housing programs that are targeted to the area, which are not estimated at this time, but will be reported in subsequent annual reports. Therefore, at this time it is known that about 27% of the estimated **\$4,996,340** in CDBG, HOME and ESG funding over the next year will be allocated to the NRSA for specific projects, but an even greater amount flows in through individual HOAP loans and

rehabilitation projects.

**Foster a Supportive Business Environment:**

- Commercial Renovation - \$300,000

**Promote Homeownership**

- A portion of the HOAP loans and HOME Stabilization Program (HSP), as well as HOME funds will be targeted to the area.

**Improve the Housing Stock**

- A portion of the Single Family Rehabilitation programs (Emergency Repairs, Handicap Accessibility, Radon Mitigation, and Major HOME rehabilitation), as well multi-family housing renovations will be targeted to the area.
- Neighborhood Support Team (Code Enforcement) - \$260,250

**Improve the Neighborhood Setting**

- Alley Paving - \$250,000
- Lighting program - \$197,000

**Strengthen the Economic Vitality of the Community**

- Original Aurora Public Parking Lot - \$300,000

**Engage and Empower the Community**

- Original Aurora Renewal (OAR) outreach staff - \$50,000

# Affordable Housing

## AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

### Introduction

The number of households anticipated to be assisted include the following goals for year 2 (2016):

#### **Rental Assistance:** 0-60% AMI

2016: 30 (25 through Aurora @ Home - 15 for Rapid Rehousing and 10 for Homelessness Prevention, 5 with Home of Our Own [HOOO])

#### **New Construction of multi-family:** 0-60% AMI

2016: 0.

Although the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan anticipated 100-150 units of newly constructed affordable units during the five year period, with 25-30 units produced annually, it takes several years to approve/start up/complete a project. The one new construction project that has been approved and secured all other financing in 2015 is the 177 unit development at 13th and Peoria, known as 13th Avenue Apartments II, or Mt. Nebo II. The City committed \$750,000 in HOME funding in December of 2015, and construction began in early 2016. Completion of the 177 units is anticipated in late 2017.

#### **Rehabilitation of multi-family:** 0-80% AMI

2016: 55

Greenleaf and/or other apartment renovation project(s). Greenleaf is owned by Archway Housing, a certified Community Housing Development Organization. HOME-CHDO funding was approved prior to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

#### **Rehabilitation of single-family:** 0-80% AMI

2016: 59 (20 through Emergency Repairs, 8 through Handicap Accessibility, 15 through Radon Mitigation, 15 through HOME's Single Family Rehabilitation, plus 1 group home - 6 beds for Wellness Court, funding was approved as an amendment to the 2015 Action Plan using HOME Program Income)

#### **Acquisition:** 0-80% AMI

2016: 29 (25 through HOAP loans, plus 4 through the acq./rehab/resale HOME Stabilization Program [HSP] administered through Community Resources & Housing Development Corporation [CRHDC],

began in 2015 using HOME Program Income for previous years)

**TOTAL = 173**

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b>	
Homeless	20
Non-Homeless	145
Special-Needs	8
Total	173

**Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b>	
Rental Assistance	30
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	114
Acquisition of Existing Units	29
Total	173

**Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type**

## **Discussion**

See above

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

There are no new Public Housing projects planned by the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora (AHA). Although AHA has two planned affordable housing development proposals, neither are proposed to be financed through Public Housing funding.

AHA had only one remaining public housing project, Buckingham Gardens which had 65 senior/disabled units. With the completion of the redevelopment of Buckingham Gardens into the Village at Westerly Creek Phases I and II, all residents have been relocated within the newly constructed units, and the remaining Buckingham Gardens has been demolished.

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

### **Discussion**

N/A

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

### **Introduction**

The Aurora City Council continues to prioritize addressing homelessness as one of its top ten priorities, and with its collaborative partners, continues to grow and expand homelessness initiatives and programs.

The City and its collaborative partners are active with Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI), the HUD designated Continuum of Care (CoC) for the region. MDHI is participating in HUD's 25 Cities Initiative to identify through a Vulnerability Index (VI) tool the most vulnerable persons to connect with vouchers and to house. 25 Cities is helping to guide the development of a Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS). Aurora Mental Health-PATH has noted that chronically homeless individuals from Aurora have had great success in being matched with vouchers and units; they've had more clients placed in the past year than in the previous 3-4 years combined.

The City is also expanding its role by taking a lead role in the Metro Mayors Caucus (MMC): the Mayor of Aurora is the chair on the Homeless and Hunger committee, and city staff actively participates and coordinates research for the committee.

Aurora @ Home also made great strides in 2015. In addition to the city's CDBG and ESG funding of the rental assistance program, the city provided \$60,000 in General Funds to Aurora @ Home. For 2016, the City will continue the \$60,000 in General Funds and add \$50,000 for rental assistance. The Governing Board undertook a strategic planning process in 2015 to assess the Pilot program, and determine the future direction. The Board broadened Aurora @ Home to include all homeless and at-risk persons with a three tiered priority for funding.

The Education and Advocacy Subcommittee was formed, in order to develop homeless awareness programs for the public and create a unified message. This committee was able to secure a Denver Foundation grant. Challenges to finding affordable units continued. In an effort to assist households in finding apartments, a contract Landlord Recruitment Specialist position was created and a person was hired in early 2016.

Aurora @ Home has developed a close relationship with Arapahoe County services and all families that are eligible to receive TANF are doing so at this time. In September, Arapahoe County assigned an employment specialist from "Arapahoe/Douglas Works!" to work with the program for 2.5 days per week. A VISTA member joined the team in November and will be devoting a year to focus on infrastructure needs in the Aurora @ Home program.

For the first time ever, MDHI's CoC 2015 SuperNOFA funds were awarded directly to a program in Aurora. On behalf of Aurora @ Home, Aurora Mental Health Center (AUMHC) in partnership with AHA was awarded \$359,640 to serve 20 additional families. The grant funds will be available in late summer



2016 and covers rental assistance and an additional Navigator.

**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 will fund Aurora Mental Health's PATH program which does street outreach to unsheltered persons with CDBG. Comitis, funded by ESG, also conducts street outreach to youth. Colfax Community Network (CCN) does outreach to families living in motels. The Aurora Community Outreach Team (ACOT) van will continue to drive around on cold weather nights to help unsheltered persons come in from the cold, or if services are refused, provide supplies.

**Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

The City and the Aurora @ Home collaborative will strategically plan for both short term and long term needs. The City plans to fund more capital need improvements to Comitis for a boiler, drainage, bathroom renovations, and parking improvements with \$350,000 in CDBG. Comitis will also continue to receive \$236,000 in General Funds for 40 additional beds for single men and women to be open 24/7, year-round. The funding covers the 24/7 staffing plus limited day drop-in services, including personal hygiene, counseling, mental health and substance abuse.

Comitis has been operating at or above capacity almost every night since opening the converted beds. On cold weather nights, overflow has been accommodated within the facility, and the city has just opened up a nearby vacant Fitzsimons building for an additional 15-20 cots. Aurora Warms the Night has continued to work in tandem with these activations with motel vouchers. The Aurora Community Outreach Team (ACOT) bus helps to transport people to shelter and to provide basic supplies.

The Aurora City Council recently approved \$1,500,000 annually in proceeds from the Marijuana sales tax for a three year period, totaling \$4,500,000, be allocated towards homeless needs. City Council also approved the creation of a Homelessness Programs Director position to be funded with city General Funds.

**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**

The city and the Aurora @ Home collaborative will continue to plan a pipeline of developing Permanent Supportive Housing/Affordable Housing projects, continue the Aurora @ Home program of rapid rehousing/homelessness prevention, participate with MDHI in the 25 Cities Initiative and Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS), as well as MDHI's current landlord recruitment strategy, and plan for bridge housing until more units come on-line. The City donated \$10,000 to the MMC/MDHI landlord recruitment campaign led by Brothers Redevelopment, to establish a liability and incentive fund for landlords to rent to participants in 25 Cities.

The City's new "Wellness" Mental Health Court and AUMH's Triage program are underway to address:

- Housing for Municipal court clients with mental illness
- Housing for frequent users of the health care system and mental health facilities with mental illness

A group home, funded with 2015 HOME, to address the Wellness Court clients is expected to come on line in 2016, and City Council has recommended funding the operations of the group home with City general funds.

Additionally, the FUP vouchers will continue to help youth exiting foster care. Finally, meetings have begun to address the discharge of medically fragile homeless persons on the Fitzsimons/Anschutz Medical Campus - University of Colorado.

**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.**

Aurora @ Home will continue to provide homelessness prevention assistance to families with case

management and navigation.

**Discussion**

<b>One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for: The City does not receive HOPWA</b>
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family
Tenant-based rental assistance
Units provided in housing facilities (transitional or permanent) that are being developed, leased, or operated
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds
Total

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

### **Introduction**

An Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) was prepared for Aurora by a consultant, EVStudio, in 2014, prior to the 2015-2019 Consolidated planning process in order to better inform the City on potential impediments before beginning the Housing Needs Assessment. The AI was then updated with the most recent housing data found in this 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan after the Consolidated Plan was finalized, in the summer of 2015, and will be submitted to HUD with this 2016 Action Plan. Staff awaited consultation comments from the National Fair Housing Association (NFHA) and the Denver Metro Fair Housing Center (DMFHC) before submitting it to HUD with this 2016 Action Plan.

The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and 2016 Action Plan are addressing four of the impediments throughout the Plans. Impediment 5 is discussed in the next Section.

### **IMPEDIMENT 1: LACK OF SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL UNITS FOR VERY LOW INCOME POPULATIONS** (discussed throughout plans)

### **IMPEDIMENT 2. THE AFFORDABLE UNITS ARE SUBSTANDARD AND LOCATED IN LESS DESIRABLE NEIGHBORHOODS**

The city has continued to prioritize consistent funding for its core housing rehabilitation programs. The city also began a Radon Mitigation program, one of the first of its kind in the country to address this health issue. The city has also funded renovations for multi-family rental projects, and has several more planned to be completed during the 2015-2019 period.

### **IMPEDIMENT 3. NEED FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR COUNSELING ON REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN HOUSING FOR AT RISK POPULATIONS**

HOAP homebuyer seminars provide information to participants regarding the home-buying process, including a session pertaining to Fair Housing rights. Participants of the HOAP seminars receive a copy of the Fair Housing Guide and class instruction on who to call with a complaint.

HOAP staff has been expanding into rental counseling for at-risk populations: the number of clients provided rental counseling in 2015 grew in 2015 to 577 (more than double from the 277 in 2012). HOAP staff also provided financial fitness classes in 2015, open to homeowners, homebuyers, and renters.

### **IMPEDIMENT 4: LACK OF VARIETY OF HOUSING OPTIONS FOR AT-RISK POPULATIONS, AS WELL AS LOW TO MODERATE INCOME POPULATIONS** (discussed throughout plans)

**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**

**IMPEDIMENT 5. REGIONALLY AND UNIVERSALLY, GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS AND FEES ARE IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE FOR VERY LOW, LOW AND MODERATE INCOME POPULATIONS**

**Strategy 1.** Continue to support projects that provide a variety of new affordable units for very low, low and moderate-income populations by providing development incentives, lowering development fees and allowing higher density, such as the City's recent water tap fee reduction and the park impact fee reduction for multi-family units in the TOD zoning district.

**Strategy 2.** Continue to consider waiving or reducing design requirements for projects that create affordable units, such as the City's reduction to the exterior masonry requirement from 50% to 15%, while still retaining quality and long-term livability.

**Strategy 3.** Continue the implementation of flexible zoning districts, such as the Sustainable Infill and Redevelopment (SIR) and the TOD zoning districts which modify density, lot and other requirements for projects that create or retain affordable units. As evidenced on maps in the AI there is substantial land area potentially dedicated to these zoning districts.

**Actions taken in 2015 and planned for 2016:**

In 2014, the city's Planning and Development Department began a comprehensive update of the City's Zoning Code. The city hired Clarion Associates for this comprehensive update which is being rolled out over 2015-2016. Community Development staff has provided recommendations and strategies from the 2015/2016 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice and will provide input throughout the update process. CD staff has also held discussions with Planning and other city staff on waivers to lower development costs for specific projects.

City CD staff met twice with the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA) to discuss modifications that could be made to the proposed Paris Street Apartments for re-submittal for 9% LIHTCs in 2016, as well as to coordinate with CHFA on other future projects in the city's robust pipeline. The meetings have been very productive in terms of discussing specific waivers, such as reducing parking requirements to 1:1 and waiving balcony requirements in urban/in-fill areas. The meetings have also been important for the city to develop a relationship with CHFA and to keep them abreast of the city's highest priorities.

**Discussion**

See above.

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction**

The city will continue to implement the actions previously described for the following areas:

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

In addition to all of the housing, homeless/at-risk services, and community development efforts in the Original Aurora NRSA already described, the following activities carried out by the city and its various community partners address underserved needs:

#### **Neighborhood Support Division**

Code officers provide monthly trainings at the city's HOAP seminars on city ordinances related to new property ownership.

Code Officers from Team One perform code enforcement and systematic multi-family housing inspections, mobile home inspections, site plan inspections, and zoning inspections within the Original Aurora NRSA. The team provides organizational development assistance in the NRSA. They also secure vacant buildings in order to ensure integrity, diminish opportunities for criminal activity, and to enhance neighborhood safety working alongside with the Aurora Police Department, Aurora Fire Department and the Building Department. Additionally, officers perform the following actions to improve the area:

- Remove illegally dumped tires, trash and debris
- Represent the city at neighborhood clean-up events
- Provide code enforcement presentations to NANO meetings, Del Mar Neighborhood meetings, and attended Del Mar Association Neighborhood Watch meeting.

#### **Community Relations Division**

Aurora is a majority minority city. Over half of Colorado's refugees live in the North Aurora area. There are over 130 languages spoken in Aurora Public Schools. The Community Relations Division advocates the effective use of available human, community and social service resources, by providing cultural awareness training, translator/interpreter services, information, referrals and resources; and coordinating programs to meet the needs of Aurora's diverse community. They also conduct diversity

training and facilitated:

- 1) Aurora Community of Faith
- 2) Aurora Human Relations Commission and Aurora Immigrant & Refugee Task Force
- 3) Key Community Response Team to assist in times of potential civil disorder
- 4) Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration
- 5) Multicultural Program
- 6) Veteran's Affairs Commission.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

Actions are discussed throughout the plan. The city will also research if there are any expiring tax credit or other properties that may revert to market-rate. If any are found, the city will discuss potential options with the owners on keeping these properties affordable.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

Community Development program lead-based paint activities include the following:

- Continuing education for Community Development staff, contractors and their crews to use safe work practices and other protections that reduce the risk of creating lead-based paint hazards during housing rehabilitation;
- Lead Hazard inspections, laboratory evaluations, clearance, testing materials, and all other expenses relating to lead hazard evaluations;
- Lead Hazard Reduction, including, but not limited to paint stabilization, repairing defective surfaces, removing loose paint and applying new paint; interim controls to temporarily control lead-based paint hazards; standard treatments as defined by Title X of the regulation, and; abatement measures to permanently control lead based paint or lead-based paint hazards; and
- Testing for elevated blood levels in children living in lead hazardous homes where rehabilitation activities are taking place under the Single Family Rehabilitation Program, when determined necessary by Community Development Division staff.

According to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) elevated blood levels of 10 or above are considered high and would require additional testing, and levels of 40-45 would require medication. Due to State of Colorado privacy laws, the CDPHE cannot release specific addresses

to local jurisdictions.

The City of Aurora Rehabilitation Programs, including Single-Family, Emergency Repair, and Handicapped Accessibility, and the Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP) use CDBG and HOME grant funding for lead hazard containment and removal in properties assisted through the programs. These programs provide lead screening in pre-1978 properties and lead removal and/or containment in the properties that tested positive for high levels of lead.

Aurora's Rehabilitation specialists have received training relating to lead-based paint and are aware that lead in paint becomes a hazard when it is released through deterioration on outside walls, through abrasion on windows, floors, and stairs, through impact from the motion of doors, or through disturbance during rehabilitation. The Rehabilitation Specialists have also taken part in HUD-sponsored training seminars on lead-based paint and are Colorado State Certified Risk Assessors.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

In 2016, the City of Aurora will continue reducing the number of poverty level families through its community development programs that focus on providing decent and safe housing. The City administers a set of programs that "proactively" provides financial opportunities and knowledge for poverty level families to come out of poverty. They include the Pre-Purchase Counseling, Educational Seminars, Homeownership Assistance Loans, and the Home of Our Own Program (HOOO - Tenant-Based Rental Assistance), and many more previously described new initiatives.

In addition to the programs described above, the City also administers a set of programs that assists those families that are in danger of falling into poverty by providing useful information and intermediary services with lenders and creditors. They include Foreclosure Prevention Counseling, Pre-Foreclosure Sale Counseling, Reverse Mortgage Counseling, and Educational Seminars.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The Community Development Division of Aurora's Neighborhood Services Department is the designated Lead Agency responsible for administering programs covered by the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and associated Action Plans. The CD Division ensures compliance with program and comprehensive planning requirements, as well as coordinates the public outreach.

CD maintains a hierarchy of staff who are responsible for meeting all federal, state and local regulations with respect to their individual program responsibilities. The manager, program supervisors, financial analyst, planner, and administrative technician meet at least twice per month to discuss these issues. Checklists, duplicate reviews and established policies and procedures are integrated into each project.

Aurora continues to implement priorities, objectives, and tasks outlined in the Consolidated and Action Plans with extensive consultation between citizens, the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora, housing



and human service providers, and other city agencies. The agencies and organizations that coordinate activities and programs that address housing and community development needs support and complement each other in a proactive manner in order to overcome gaps in institutional structure and enhance coordination.

City agencies, including the CD Division, Development Services Division, Aurora Business Development Center and Neighborhood Support (Code Enforcement) Division, routinely participate in public forums to get resident feedback on neighborhood issues and concerns. These on-going outreach efforts assist in the development of community priorities, identify neighborhood concerns and issues, and allow city departments to market their programs and inform the public about city code and other policies.

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

The Aurora @ Home Collaborative partners will continue to expand the coordination of housing and services that was tested in the rapid rehousing/homelessness prevention pilot program. The Governing Board has completed a revised strategic plan for future actions. The revised plan now includes all homeless and at-risk populations.

The city is providing Aurora @ Home \$60,000 in General Funds for 2016 for staffing and building capacity. Aurora @ Home is using a portion of the General Funds for a part-time contract Landlord Recruitment Specialist.

### **Discussion**

See above

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction

The City receives CDBG, HOME and ESG and follows the specific program requirements as follows:

#### 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.

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	111,454
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
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>111,454</b>

#### Other CDBG Requirements

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.	70.00%

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**  
**Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

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

The City does not administer any other forms of investment that are not described in § 92.205(b) of the HOME Rule.

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:

A portion of 2016 HOME will be used for the Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP), which provides down payment and closing cost assistance to first-time, income qualified homebuyers.

Loan amounts less than \$15,000 in HOME funds require a five (5) year affordability period that relate to the resale/recapture of the property. The City uses the recapture method for HOAP loans. In accordance with § 92.254 of the HOME rule, the method of recapture of these funds will be through loan repayment by the borrowers of the entire amount of the HOME investment through sale or conveyance of the property that previously received the HOME investment, subject to available Net Proceeds. Net Proceeds is defined as the Sales Price minus the Superior non-HOME debt minus Closing Costs.

Resale restrictions in keeping with § 92.254 of the HOME rule are imposed upon newly constructed for-sale housing developed by Habitat Community Housing Development, Inc. (HCHD), a previously certified CHDO for the City of Aurora. HCHD records a covenant that provides them the first option to repurchase the property if, within the HOME affordability period, the home ceases as the primary residence of the buyer. HCHD is then responsible for selling the home at an affordable price to another HOME-qualified low-income owner/occupant.

***Fair Return on Investment Definition:*** If a homeowner sells the subject property at any time during the contractually obligated HOME Resale Affordability Period, the City of Aurora, Community Development Division, will establish a standard of fair return as a percentage of the change in median sales prices over the period of ownership based on comparable sales in the vicinity (neighborhood) of the subject property.

The city's policy determines that a fair return to the seller would be their initial out of pocket investment plus the cost of documented eligible upgrades, such as installation of new 90% efficiency furnace, new E-star rated windows and additions to the homes square footage, plus 50% of the remaining net proceeds available after the City recovers the initial down payment and closing cost

subsidy. An example is described later.

The City of Aurora considers that a reasonable range of low-income eligible buyers would in the 0-80% median income range. In order to ensure affordability for the next buyer of the HOME Resale property, the City of Aurora may provide down payment or second mortgage assistance, first mortgage interest write downs or other mechanisms that enhance affordability, assuming that these programs still exist in their current form at the time of the resale activity.

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:

See above, plus an example on Fair Return is described below:

Original Purchase:	\$100,000
Eligible Improvements:	\$10,000
Appreciation of Property:	<u>\$10,000</u>
New Sale Value:	\$120,000
Less 1st Mortgage Pay-off	(90,000)
Less 2nd Mortgage Pay-off	<u>(10,000)</u>
Balance Net Proceeds =	\$20,000
Less Eligible Improvements:	<u>(10,000)</u>
Remaining Net Proceeds:	\$10,000
50 % to Seller:	(5,000)
50% to the City:	<u>(5,000)</u>
Balance:	\$0.00

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 Aurora does not use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME funds. Therefore, no refinancing guidelines are



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### Housing & Community Resources

- Down Payment Assistance
- Foreclosure Assistance
- Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP)**
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)
- Reverse Mortgages
- Seminars for Homeowners
- Homelessness Assistance Programs
- Keep Aurora Clean
- Neighborhood Resources
- Other Utilities
- Parking & Mobility Program
- Pets & Wildlife
- Property Information
- Public Safety
- Road, Park & Tree Upkeep
- Residential Property Maintenance
- Senior Resources
- Trash & Recycling
- Water
- Youth Resources

## Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP)

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- *Would you like a better understanding of the purchase process?*
- *Do you need assistance with the down payment and closing costs?*
- *Are you in default on your mortgage loan?*
- *Are you a senior homeowner looking for extra income from your home?*



Aurora's Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP) offers a variety of housing-related counseling services as well as educational seminars and financial assistance to help qualified, first-time homebuyers.

Other programs include: commercial and home rehabilitation, emergency repair, handicap accessibility, and various public facilities projects.

Since 1985, HOAP has been dedicated to making home ownership a reality for Aurora's low and moderate-income families. As a HUD-approved counseling agency, the HOAP program offers free pre-purchase, foreclosure, pre-foreclosure sale, and reverse equity mortgage counseling, as well as financial assistance to homebuyers. The HOAP staff conducts educational seminars to first-time homebuyers (in English and Spanish), which covers the process of buying and owning a home. It is *mandatory* to attend a HUD-approved homebuyer seminar prior to applying for financial downpayment assistance. HOAP staff also acts as a referral service for residents to other service providers within the community.

### HOAP Housing Counselors provide:

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### \* PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

#### CITY OF AURORA - HOME OWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Founded in 1984, the City of Aurora's Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOAP) is dedicated to making affordable housing a realization for low to moderate-income families in Aurora. **This is a one-time assistance per family program.**

### NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR CLOSINGS OCCURRING ON/AFTER 04-01-2016:

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 19 **Financial Fitness**  
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May 17 **Financial Fitness**  
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- TO RESERVE HOAP FUNDING BUYER MUST PRESENT A FULLY SIGNED CONTRACT ALONG WITH A SIGNED COPY OF THE SELLER'S OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATION FORM.
- BUYER MUST HAVE VERIFIABLE SAVINGS EQUAL TO 2 MONTHS ESTIMATED PITI + HOA SHOWING ON 2 MOST RECENT CONSECUTIVE BANK STATEMENTS. SEASONED FUNDS MAY INCLUDE EARNST MONEY DEPOSIT, CREDIT REPORT, APPRAISAL AND INSPECTION FEES.
- BUYER MUST HAVE VERIFIABLE AND CONTINUOUS 2 YEAR WORK HISTORY.
- BUYER MUST PROVIDE 2 MONTHS BANK STATEMENTS AT APPLICATION WITH NO INSUFFICIENT FUNDS CHARGES EVIDENT.
- CREDIT REPORTS WILL BE USED TO VERIFY BUYER'S DEBT OBLIGATIONS.
- DEBT TO INCOME RATIOS: 31% (P+I ONLY) FRONT AND 50% BACK END WILL BE ENFORCED.
- ALL INSPECTION CONDITIONS / REPAIRS MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO LOAN CLOSING - NO FHA 203K LOANS ACCEPTED.

Buyer Eligibility

- The program will follow the above underwriting criteria for all prospective home buyers in accordance with the 2013 HOME Final Rule. Program underwriting will include Debt Ratios, Monthly Budget, Seasoned Savings and Sustainable Income Sources.
- Buyer meets HUD maximum income restrictions by household size: (This is defined as the number of people residing in the home including, but not limited to, all minor children, spouses, fiancés, roommates, relatives.)

1.....	\$44,750	5.....	\$69,050
2.....	\$51,150	6.....	\$74,150
3.....	\$57,550	7.....	\$79,250
4.....	\$63,900	8.....	\$84,350

- Buyer needs to qualify for the first mortgage according to the financial institutions guidelines. Purchase price limit currently \$228,000.
- Buyer must be under 80% of median income (as shown above). The City of Aurora projects out income for a 12 month period based on both pay stubs and VOE's. We will project the income based on future raises if stated on the Verification of Employment. Please feel free to call us to go over specific situations.
- Borrowers are allowed to have limited reserves (\$15,000).
- Buyer may not have owned a home within the past (3) years, as evidenced by providing copies of at least three (3) years tax return transcripts.

BORROWER REQUIREMENTS

- **The borrower is required to attend a one on one counseling session with housing counselor.**
- **The borrower needs to attend a MANDATORY free seminar held once a month.** A counseling certificate is issued by the City of Aurora when the borrower has completed the seminar. **A certificate is required in order for the borrower to receive funds from the City of Aurora.**
- HOAP reserves the right to refuse any loan based on any reason management deems appropriate. Written notice of loan denial will be provided.

Property Eligibility/Seller Requirements

- Property must be located within the City of Aurora.
- Property must be a Single Family Residence, Condominium or Townhome.

**A full written inspection report is required on all properties.** We will review this inspection for all health and safety items. Proof of repairs is required (receipts, etc.) prior to closing. In other words, we are unable to accept inspection conditions at the closing table. Community Development will ensure a 5 year certification of major systems through checking the AMANDA building permit system for the subject property along with a determination of the age of the furnace, water heater, plumbing, electrical and windows. If the major system cannot be certified as safe or is too old, Community Development will require replacement.

- Market value/purchase price is set through the financial institution's appraisal.
- A lead hazard screen is required on all pre-1978 properties.
- Due to HUD Regulations, (Handbook 1378, Tenant Assistance, Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Chapters 2 and 3), the City of Aurora Home Ownership Assistance Program cannot assist if the property is renter occupied. In other words, **THE PROPERTY NEEDS TO BE OWNER OCCUPIED OR VACANT AT THE TIME THE CONTRACT IS WRITTEN. IF VACANT, SELLER MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT THE TENANT WAS NOT DISPLACED. HOAP CANNOT ASSIST IF THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY TENANT OCCUPIED BECAUSE OF HIGH TENANT RELOCATION COSTS.**

- **The Voluntary Acquisition Letter** must be signed and dated by all sellers at least **24 hours prior to closing**. **In other words, we are unable to accept the Acquisition letter at the closing table.**

In accordance with HUD Regulations Handbook 1378, Chapter 5, Section 1, the City of Aurora must inform the seller that the City of Aurora **will not use its power of eminent domain to acquire the property if negotiations fail to result in an amicable agreement. Prior to the closing of the sale, the City of Aurora will provide the seller with a written estimate of the fair market value of the property.**

#### Program Guidelines

- The program offers Financial Assistance for the minimum required down payment, depending on the loan program (a maximum of 5% for conventional loans), and all allowable closing costs under HOAP guidelines up to a **maximum of \$10,000**. We do not pay for buy-downs or points. **We will not reimburse nor advance appraisal or credit report fees**. Please note that if borrower is able to put more than the minimum required down beyond allowable reserves, HOAP is unable to assist.
- Buyer participation in down payment/closing costs will be required based on the total loan package and buyers ability to pay their contribution of 1% of the purchase price towards the transaction. **HOAP will assist up to a maximum of 5% down payment.**
- The term of the second mortgage is thirty years, with simple interest of zero percent (0%). No monthly payments are required.
- Principal is due and payable in full upon sale of the property, with cash out refinance, transfer of ownership, failure on the part of the borrower to maintain home as principal place of residence, or payment in full of the first mortgage.
- There is no prepayment penalty. We also do not accept monthly or partial payments.
- A document recording fee of \$21 is charged, but there are no other discount points, origination fees or processing fees under this program.
- **In order to reserve funds, the borrower must have had a one on one counseling sessions as well as a fully executed contract.**

\*\*\*Program subject to funding availability and conditions are subject to change without notice.

**It is unlawful to discriminate in housing based on Race, Color, National Origin, Religion, Sex, Familial Status or Handicap.**

#### HOW TO RECOGNIZE HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

Under the Fair Housing Act, it is against the law to:

- Refuse to rent or sell you housing
- Tell you that housing is unavailable when in fact it is available
- Show you apartments or homes only in certain neighborhoods
- Set different terms, conditions, or privileges for property sale or rental
- Provide different housing services or facilities
- Advertise housing to preferred groups of people only
- Refuse to provide you with information regarding mortgage loans, deny you a mortgage loan, or impose different terms or conditions on a mortgage loan
- Deny you property insurance
- Conduct property appraisals in a discriminatory manner
- Refuse to make reasonable accommodations for persons with a disability if the accommodation may be necessary to afford such person a reasonable and equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling
- Fail to design and construct housing in an accessible manner
- Harass, coerce, intimidate, or interfere with anyone exercising his / her fair housing rights

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## Procedure L

### **Subject:** HOME Recapture Provisions for HOAP Loans

- The original 2nd “Deed of Trust” and “HOME Affordability Agreement” are left with the title company for notarization and filing with the county and the \$16.00 filing fee is added to the closing costs. After filing, it is mailed to the Community Development office and is to be put in the office safe.
- Copies of HOAP Note, Deed, HOME Affordability Agreement, Truth in Lending Statement and First Mortgage Note, Deed-of-Trust, HUD 1 Settlement Statement, and HOME Voucher Request are placed in the client(s) file in the Closing Data & Legal Documents section.
- After the accounting department draws down funds from the HUD IDIS Funding System after the project is closed, the HOAP processor / administrative assistant will notify each borrower via regular mail what the appropriate affordability period is and when it will end. The letter will remind borrowers that they must live in the property the entire affordability period or sell the property so that City of Aurora, Community Development Division may recapture loan funds based on net proceeds.
- Every year during the 5-year HOME affordability period, the Community Development Division will mail principle residence certification documents to all HOME assisted borrowers to verify that they are still occupying the property. These documents must be returned to Community Development in the postage paid envelopes provided or be considered in non-compliance with HUD HOME Regulations.
- When a homeowner is non-compliant with the initial principle residency certification mailing, it is necessary the 2<sup>nd</sup> Demand Notice is sent 1<sup>st</sup> Class mail with return postage paid allowing 30 days for the homeowner’s response. If there is no response to the second mailing, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Notice of Demand is sent certified mail (return receipt requested) offering another 30 day response period to the homeowner.
- If there is no client response to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Demand Notice, Community Development Staff will attempt a physical inspection of the subject premises. If contact is made with the homeowner the occupancy certification will be signed at that time and placed in the client file. If there is no response after the physical inspection the file will be referred to the Community Development Director for further legal action.

Several points must be emphasized to clarify certain aspects of the HOME funding requirements:

- Every HOME-funded loan requires that the borrower must reside in the property until the 5-year HOME affordability period has expired.
- The 5-year HOME affordability period begins when the HOME funds are drawn down from the U.S. Treasury after completion of the loan funding and the project is closed, not from the date of the loan closing. HOAP will issue a letter after closing specifying the exact dates of the affordability period.



- During the 5-year HOME affordability period the borrower must reside in the property and submit to annual occupancy verification.
- If the owner leaves the property during the 5-year HOME affordability period, or if the borrower fails or refuses to provide the annual occupancy verification, they would be considered in non-compliance and would be required to **move back into the property** or **sell the property** so that the City of Aurora may recapture the loan subject to available Net Proceeds.
- Net Proceeds = Sales Price minus Superior non-HOME debt minus Closing Costs
- Net proceeds, if any available, will be accepted as a final settlement of the HOME debt.

## EXHIBIT A – Scope of Services / New Construction for Homeownership

- C. **Project Affordability Period.** The CHDO shall insure that all affordable units identified in Paragraph 4A of this Scope of Service continue to be used to provide owner-occupied housing for low-income persons and/or families for TEN (10) years from the date of project closeout in HUD's Integrated Disbursement & Information System (IDIS). The City will issue a letter confirming IDIS close out and establishing the start of the Affordability Period.
- D. **Affordability Enforcement / Resale.** Purchase price and beneficiary income requirements must be enforced by deed restriction or covenants running with the land. Affordability restrictions apply without regard to the term of any loan or mortgage or transfer of ownership and may terminate only upon foreclosure or transfer in lieu of foreclosure or assignment of an FHA insured mortgage to HUD. The affordability restrictions shall be revived according to the original terms if, during the original affordability period, the owner of record before the termination event, or any entity that includes the former owner or those with whom the former owner has or had family or business ties, obtains an ownership interest in the project or property.

The CHDO shall submit documents to be used to enforce the HOME Resale Restrictions to the City for approval prior to execution and close of initial sale.

### 5. **PROPERTY STANDARDS.**

#### A. **Code Requirements**

**New Construction Projects:** At the time of completion, all new construction projects assisted with HOME funds must meet all applicable state and local code, ordinance, and zoning requirements. If no state and local codes apply, at a minimum the project must meet one of the following national model codes: ICBO, BOCA, SBCCI, CABO or FHA Minimum Property Standards. Additionally, all new construction projects must meet International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) requirements AND handicapped accessibility requirements, where applicable.

- B. **Fair Housing Act and Section 504.** HOME-assisted construction must also meet the accessibility standards of the Fair Housing Act and Section 504. For multi-family housing projects, including new construction or substantial rehabilitation projects with 15 or more units, Section 504 requires that at least five percent of units (or at least one, whichever is greater), be made handicap accessible according to the uniform Federal Accessibility Standards. An additional two percent of the units in such a project shall be accessible for persons with hearing or vision impairments. To the maximum extent feasible, these units are to be evenly distributed throughout the project site and be sufficient range of size when compared to other units. The owner or manager of the housing units must make available information regarding the availability of handicap accessible units to eligible individuals.

- 6. **TIME OF PERFORMANCE.** The Project shall commence upon the full and proper execution of this Contract and the completion of the appropriate environmental review, and shall be completed on or before December 31, 2012. However, the project time of performance may be extended by unilateral amendment, subject to mutual agreement of the City and CHDO. To initiate the extension process, the CHDO shall submit a written request to the City at least 60 days prior to December 31, 2012 and shall include a full justification for the extension.

- 7. **PROJECT BUDGET.** The Development and Sources and Uses budgets for this project are attached to this Agreement as Exhibit B. All HOME funds under this agreement shall be applied strictly to acquisition, asbestos abatement, and demolition.

- 8. **PAYMENT SCHEDULE.** HOME PROGRAM funds shall be made available to the CHDO subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement, and documentation evidencing the propriety of the proposed use of HOME PROGRAM Funds with each draw-down request. HOME PROGRAM Funds shall be disbursed to the CHDO in the following manner described:

**DECLARATION OF DEED RESTRICTION AND COVENANT**

**THIS DECLARATION OF DEED RESTRICTION AND COVENANT** is made this 23rd day of September 2009, by \_\_\_\_\_ ("Homeowner"), the fee simple owner of certain property further described herein.

**RECITALS:**

**WHEREAS**, Homeowner is the beneficiary of expenditure of federal funds pursuant to the Home Investment Partnership Program ("HOME Program"), which were used for the purchase of the following described real property in the County of Adams, State of Colorado (the "Property"):

CITY OF AURORA, COUNTY OF ADAMS, STATE OF COLORADO.

Also known as:

**WHEREAS**, the Homeowner, as the beneficiary of the expenditure of HOME Program funds, has agreed to record a deed restriction and covenant that runs with the Property to ensure that certain affordability and occupancy requirements are met.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the following is established as a deed restriction and covenant running with the Property:

1. **Affordability Requirements.** The use of the Property shall comply with the affordability requirements established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), which are currently set forth in 24 CFR Section 92.254, including, as follows:

A. **Occupancy Limitations.** The Property must be the principal residence of Homeowner and Homeowner's family throughout the period of affordability, unless the property is resold pursuant to Section B. below.

B. **Resale Restrictions.** In the event of any resale prior to the expiration of the period of affordability, the Property shall be sold only to a buyer whose family qualifies as a low-income family and such family must use the Property as its principal residence unless the period of affordability has expired. A family is considered low income if the household income is at or below 80% of the median income for the Denver area as determined by HUD (adjusted annually) at the time of contract to purchase.

The price at resale shall provide the Homeowner (or subsequent owner) a fair return on investment (including the owner's investment and any capital improvement) and ensure that the housing will remain affordable to a reasonable range of low-income homebuyers.

2. **Term.** The affordability requirements stated in this Deed Restriction and Covenant shall encumber the Property from September 23, 2009 through and including September 23, 2019 ("the period of affordability") and shall not be amended or modified without the express written consent of the City of Aurora, Community Development Division.

3. **Enforcement.** The provisions of this Deed Restriction and Covenant may be enforced by City of Aurora and/or HUD, or appropriate representatives thereof.

Homeowner, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF COLORADO )  
DENVER COUNTY *Denver* ) ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2009.

Witness my hand and official seal.  
My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_.



\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



required pursuant to § 92.206(b) of the HOME Rule.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)  
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

The City follows the December 5, 2011 HUD Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) rules and standards for providing ESG assistance. In accordance with HEARTH, the city has written the attached Policies and Procedures for the Aurora @ Home "Rapid Rehousing" and "Homelessness Prevention" activities.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

The Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) is the Continuum of Care that has begun to establish a Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS); however, it has not been completed. MDHI is participating in HUD's 25 Cities Initiative and is testing a tool called the VI-SPADT which uses a Vulnerability Index for prioritizing services and housing. This VI-SPADT tool is specific for chronically homeless individuals and veterans. The VI-SPADT is being used as a model, and all or portions of it may be adapted or modified for other homeless populations, such as youth and families with children.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

The attached memo describes the process for making sub-awards and how the ESG is allocated to non-profits. All non-profits allocated ESG funding must have staff capacity to meet the HMIS data entry requirements of ESG.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City of Aurora's Collaborative Ten Year Plan to address homelessness, called the Aurora @ Home Plan, has one member on the Operations Committee that is formerly homeless. Additionally, the 2015-2019 Consolidated Planning process specifically targeted and engaged homeless participants during the evening Focus Group.

## 5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The City has adopted HUD's 2014 Objectives for evaluating ESG performance standards. These standards are attached. Of the seven HUD Objectives, four are applicable to measuring participants in the Aurora @ Home Rapid Rehousing/Homelessness Prevention program for families with children:

- Increase the percentage of participants remaining in CoC-funded permanent housing projects for at least six months to 80% or more.
- Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC funded projects that are employed at program exit to 20% or more.
- Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC funded projects that obtain mainstream benefits at program exit to 56% or more.
- Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC-funded projects that obtained or increased income from other sources (i.e. cash benefits) at program exit to 54% or more.

### Discussion

The Aurora @ Home Program uses the four standards above standards as a guide for program outcomes. In 2015, the program served 24 families with children. Sixteen families were in the rapid rehousing (RRH) program for homeless families, and 8 families in the homelessness prevention (HP) program for at-risk families. The average family includes 1 adult with 3 children; 15 out of the 16 RRH families are female headed households.

**Outcomes:** Ten participants were employed and were working either part-time or full-time. Of these, three participants increased their income. One person will begin their job in 2016. Two are exempt from working due to verified disability. One family lost their income, due to no longer working. All families that are eligible to receive Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) are doing so at this time.

Compliance to Program Guidelines was a challenge for two households. One participant reported she was working and upon verification it was discovered she was not. The housing navigator is working on re-defining her goals and determining her rental portions. The second household was being referred to a Substance Abuse treatment program with one of the Collaborative agencies.

All these families share one common barrier to remaining stably housed and that is lack of income. The families either lack employment and/or are underemployed (employed part time and/or paid at a rate that does not allow them to be self-sufficient). Other barriers include mental health issues, substance use issues, and lack of child care. In response to the largest barrier, lack of employment/underemployment noted above, Arapahoe County assigned an employment specialist from Arapahoe/Douglas Works! to work with the program participants half-time. This employment specialist will be accompanying the navigator on home visits. A VISTA member joined the team in November of 2015 and will be devoting a year to focus on educational and infrastructure needs for the program.

# AURORA@HOME PLAN PILOT PROCEDURES

## Introduction

### **Purpose and Use:**

These Program Guidelines have been developed to facilitate the efficient and effective operation of the variety of grant funds that will facilitate the Aurora@Home (A@H) Pilot project.

### **Current Grant funding Sources:**

Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) is currently administered by the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora (AHA). The funding grantor is Arapahoe County Community Development.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) is currently administered by Community Housing Partners. The funding grantor is the City of Aurora.

Current Aurora@Home Plan Pilot Administrator is the Aurora Housing Authority.

### **Primary Objective:**

The primary objective of the Aurora@Home is to assist participants in securing decent, safe and sanitary housing in the private rental market in the portion of the City of Aurora that is located in Arapahoe County, Colorado for the TBRA program and for the ESG program the portions of Adams and Arapahoe County that are within the City of Aurora. This program allows families with dependent children 17 yrs or younger to choose a neighborhood that meets the needs of the families and complies with guidelines of the specific funding sources.

### **Secondary Objective:**

The secondary objective of Aurora@Home is to empower families to achieve the goal of self-sufficiency and to break the cycle of homelessness. Self-sufficiency is defined as the ability of a family to be self-supporting through income derived from employment or other steady income and to maintain stable, decent and safe housing. In order to qualify for the Aurora@Home all participating adults will sign a Self Sufficiency Agreement that he/she will diligently pursue an educational or training program designed to maximize the participants' income or, when feasible, will pursue employment that will allow the participant to acquire permanent or long term housing. The terms of the agreement will be mutually designed and agreed upon by the participant and the Aurora@Home Navigator. The terms of the agreement will include but are not limited to: a specified time period with defined milestones, the type of education/training to be acquired, responsibilities of various parties including outside resources to be utilized, and a statement of understanding of consequences if a "diligent effort" is not made to comply.

While economic independence and self-sufficiency is the stated objective of the program, the Partner Agencies of Aurora@Home understand that alterations to the agreement may be required during the agreement's term and that a "diligent effort" may be made without achieving the goal of economic independence. Whenever possible, partner agencies in the A@H collaborative will be utilized. Participant progress will be monitored by the Aurora@Home Navigator.

Wherever applicable Policies and Procedures from the Aurora Housing Authority will be adopted for the Aurora@Home Pilot program.

## Program Design

### **Use of HOME (TBRA) Funds:**

The Aurora@Home TBRA Program is limited to very low income participants. Very Low income is defined as at or below 60% of the Area Median Family Income.

### **Partner Agencies:**

- The following partner agencies are eligible to make referrals Aurora@Home TBRA
- Arapahoe Douglas Works!

- Arapahoe County Human Services
- Arapahoe House
- Aurora Housing Corporation
- Aurora Mental Health Center
- Aurora Public Schools
- Aurora Warms the Night
- Center for Work Force Development at the Community College of Aurora
- Colfax Community Network
- Housing Authority of the City of Aurora
- Metro Community Provider Network
- Mile High Council/Comitis

**Eligible Units:**

Tenants who receive assistance from the Aurora@Home can choose from any housing unit as long as that dwelling unit is:

1. Located in the portion of the City of Aurora that is in Arapahoe County, Colorado;
2. Meets Section 8 Housing Quality Standards (HQS);
3. Rents for a reasonable amount, compared to unassisted dwelling units as defined by AHA;
4. And privately or publicly owned rental property that does not receive project based rental subsidies.
5. Aurora@Home funds cannot be used in public housing or Section 8 New Construction of Substantial rehabilitation projects.
6. Cooperative units are not eligible units.

**Use of ESG Funds:**

The Aurora@Home ESG Program is limited to very low income participants. Very Low income is defined as at or below 30% of the Area Median Family Income.

**Partner Agencies:**

The following partner agencies are eligible to make referrals Aurora@Home ESG

- Arapahoe Douglas Works!
- Arapahoe County Human Services
- Arapahoe House
- Aurora Housing Corporation
- Aurora Mental Health Center
- Aurora Public Schools
- Aurora Warms the Night
- Center for Work Force Development at the Community College of Aurora
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- Metro Community Provider Network
- Mile High Council/Comitis

**Eligible Units:**

Tenants who receive assistance from the Aurora@Home can choose from any housing unit as



long as that dwelling unit is:

1. Located in the portion of the City of Aurora that is in Adams or Arapahoe County, Colorado;
2. Meets Section 8 Housing Quality Standards (HQS);
3. Gross Rent of proposed unit is not higher than the fair market rental (FMR) amounts set by HUD, nor higher than the rent reasonableness of compared units in the targeted community;
4. And privately or publicly owned rental properties that does not receive project based rental subsidies.
5. Aurora@Home funds cannot be used in public housing or Section 8 New Construction of Substantial rehabilitation projects.
6. Cooperative units are not eligible units.
7. Lead Based paint visual assessment is required any time a child under the age of 6 will be living in the unit and it was constructed before 1978.

#### **Definitions:**

Includes the following:

*A family is in **substandard housing if the dwelling unit:***

- *does not have indoor plumbing;*
- *does not have a usable flush toilet inside the dwelling unit for the exclusive use of a family;*
- *does not have a usable bathtub or shower inside the dwelling unit for the exclusive use of a family; does not have electricity, or has inadequate or unsafe electrical service;*
- *does not have a safe or adequate source of heat;*
- *should but does not have a kitchen;*
- *or has been declared unfit for habitation by an agency or unit of government.*

*A family is living in **dilapidated housing if the dwelling unit:***

- *does not provide safe and adequate shelter, and in its present condition endangers the health, safety, or well-being of a family,*
- *has one or more critical defects, or a combination of intermediate defects in sufficient number or extent to require considerable repair or rebuilding. The defects may result from original construction, from continued neglect or lack of repair or from serious damage to the structure.*

*A family is **homeless** when it:*

- *Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and*
- *Has a primary nighttime residence that is:*
  - *A supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations including congregate shelters, and transitional housing or,*
  - *An institution that provides a temporary residence for persons intended to be institutionalized; or a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.*

**Domestic Violence:** *Is defined as actual or threatened physical violence directed against one or more members of the applicant family by a spouse or other member of the applicant's household.*

A family is displaced by **domestic violence** when:

- The applicant has vacated a housing unit because of domestic violence.
- A family is involuntarily displaced because of domestic violence when the Referring Agency determines that the domestic violence occurred recently or is of a continuing nature.

The applicant must certify that the person who engaged in such violence will not reside with the family unless the PHA has given advance written approval. If the family is admitted, the PHA may terminate assistance to the family for breach of this certification.

#### **Living in Overcrowded Housing:**

A family is considered to be living in an overcrowded unit if:

- The family is separated from its child (or children) and the parent (s) are living in an otherwise standard housing unit, but, after the family is re-united, the parents' housing unit would be overcrowded for the entire family and would be considered substandard; OR
- The family is living with its child (or children) in a dwelling unit that is overcrowded for the entire family. For purpose of this paragraph the GJHA defines overcrowding as more than two persons per bedroom.

#### **TBRA Households - McKinney-Vento Homeless Youth:**

(A) Individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence (within the meaning of section 103(a) (1)); and

(B) includes--

(i) children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement;

(ii) children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (within the meaning of section 103(a)(2)(C));

(iii) children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and

(iv) migratory children (as such term is defined in section 1309 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

#### **ESG – Homelessness Prevention Households:**

**AT-RISK-OF HOMELESSNESS** means as the term is defined in the HEARTH Act, HUD Final Rule, §576.2 (2), (3) and (4):

- (2) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:
- (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for

- homeless assistance;*
- (ii) *No subsequent residence has been identified; and*
  - (iii) *The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing;*
- (3) *Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:*
- (i) *Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e–2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)) or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);*
  - (ii) *Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;*
  - (iii) *Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and*
  - (iv) *Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment; or*
- (4) *Any individual or family who:*
- (i) *Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;*
  - (ii) *Has no other residence; and*
  - (iii) *Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.*

**ESG – Homeless Households:**

**HOMELESS** means as the term is defined in the HEARTH Act, HUD Final Rule, §576.2 (1), (3) and (4):

- (1) *An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:*
- (i) *An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;*
  - (ii) *An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or*
  - (iii) *An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation*

- immediately before entering that institution;*
- (3) *Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:*
- (i) *Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)) or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);*
  - (ii) *Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;*
  - (iii) *Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and*
  - (iv) *Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment; or*
- (4) *Any individual or family who:*
- (i) *Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;*
  - (ii) *Has no other residence; and*
  - (iii) *Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.*

**Eligible Household:**

Income Criteria – Applicant's incomes cannot exceed HUD guidelines for very low income (60% or less of the Median Family Income) for the TBRA program and 30% or less of the Median Family Income for the ESG program.

Residency Requirement – Applicants must be current residents of Aurora, in Arapahoe County for the TBRA program, or for the ESG program, current residents of Aurora in either portions that are located in Adams or Arapahoe County.

Self-Sufficiency Agreement – Aurora@Home will be limited to those applicants who are willing to participate in an intensive self-sufficiency program which entails case management, services to overcome barriers, life skill programs and other forms of wrap around services based on the need of each family.

Partner Agency Participant - Applicants must participate with Aurora@Home partner agencies as determined through case management. See attachment "A" AHA and Aurora@Home Partner Agency MOU.

**TTP:**

Is the greater of 30% of the household's monthly adjusted gross income or the \$100 minimum rent.

**Subsidy Limits:**

Maximum Subsidy: The maximum monthly subsidy that the Aurora@Home Plan Pilot may pay to assist any given household is the difference between 30% of the household's adjusted monthly income or the \$100 minimum rent and the HUD-established Payment Standard.

**Minimum Rent – Hardship Waiver**

If after verifying the family's income and assets, the Aurora@Home program finds that the family does not have the ability to pay the minimum rent, the family may request a waiver concerning this requirement.

**Payment Standards/ Rental Subsidy:**

Payment standards will be set in accordance with the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora's Housing Choice Voucher Program and will be reviewed annually for the TBRA program. For the ESG program payments standards will be set in accordance with the ESG requirements for ESG households. ESG Homelessness Prevention households will be certified every 3 months, ESG Rapid ReHousing families will be certified annually. For the household to remain eligible for the ESG program, the income cannot exceed 30% AMI.

**Security Deposits:**

Aurora@Home TBRA funds can be used for security deposits for eligible applicants and cannot exceed the amount of one month's contract rent. For the ESG program, the security deposit cannot exceed two months' rent. The Landlord will refund the security deposit to the participant in accordance with Colorado Law. Aurora@Home TBRA and ESG Housing Program funds cannot be used to pay pet deposits. Families will only be assisted with their first security deposit. ESG funds can be used to pay the Last Months' rent amount in addition to the security deposit.

**Contract Limitations/Period of Eligibility:**

TBRA applicants will be briefed that the Aurora@Home subsidy contracts cannot exceed two years. Although there is a possibility that the coupon could be extended, this is dependent on the availability of HOME funds and no guarantee of funding exists.

ESG applicants will also be briefed that the Aurora@Home subsidy contracts cannot exceed two years. Applicants will not be promised a specific length of time for their subsidy, applicants will need to recertify and follow program guidelines for the subsidy to continue.

Once an applicant receives an Aurora@Home coupon (? What's this? Housing Choice Voucher?), assistance will continue, subject to funding availability and tenant eligibility. At the discretion of the Aurora@Home Coupon holders will be encouraged to apply for permanent subsidized housing as it becomes available from the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora. Those families who have completed Aurora@Home. Families will be required to complete the appropriate forms.

**Re-certification:**

TBRA: The income of tenants receiving Aurora@Home assistance will be recertified at least annually.

ESG: Tenants in the **Rapid ReHousing program** will be certified annually.

Tenants who are in the **Homelessness Prevention** program will be re-certified every three months and income changes reviewed at that time.

### **Interim Re-certifications:**

The Aurora@Home Navigator will process interims due to an increase in Earned income for the TBRA households. Annually for the ESG Rapid Rehousing households and every three months for the ESG Homelessness Prevention Households.

The following are examples of interims for the TBRA program that WILL be processed:

**Aurora@Home families who have reported 0 income and begin to receive any type of earned income. Families who have reported no earned income but receive benefits such as child support, TANF, unemployment, worker's compensation, etc., and who become employed.**

**The family will be given a fifteen (15) day notice prior to the first of the month for an increase in their tenant rent portion. Families that have new earned income, the increase in the tenant rent portion will take effect on the first day of the third month following the month the change has been reported with the exception of households that have failed to report income in a timely manner.**

**FAMILIES IN THE TBRA PROGRAM ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT ALL INCOME CHANGES IN WRITING WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE CHANGE.**

**FAMILIES IN THE ESG HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT ALL INCOME CHANGES AT EVERY QUARTERLY RE-CERTIFICATION AND AT ANNUAL RE-CERTIFICATION.**

### **Occupancy Standards:**

The Housing Authority of the City of Aurora Housing Choice Voucher occupancy guidelines will be used to determine the size of the dwelling unit for which the household qualifies. This is the dwelling unit size used to compute the tenant's subsidy. A tenant may select a larger dwelling unit but the Aurora@Home subsidy will not be increased. Tenants may select a smaller dwelling unit if it does not violate local codes or pose a serious overcrowding problem, however, the smaller subsidy standard will apply.

### **Waiting List Administration for Acceptance into the Aurora@Home Pilot**

#### **Referral Process:**

- A. The Aurora@Home Navigator will receive certification in writing that the family being referred meets the definition of homeless (for the grant program funding for specific applicant) as described on pages 3-6. Referrals to Aurora@Home will be accepted within specific publicly announced time frames. Each referring agency will complete the Aurora@Home initial screen. If families meet the basic criteria on the initial screen, the initial screen will be forwarded to the Aurora@Home Navigator. The Aurora@Home Navigator will then work with referred families to complete an initial assessment and to understand what basic documentation they will need to provide to the Aurora@Home Navigator to verify their housing eligibility.
- B. The original certification (that the family meets the criteria) and the completed Aurora@Home eligibility application should be delivered to the Aurora@Home Navigator. The Aurora@Home Navigator will enter the family on the Aurora@Home Waiting List according to their preference. The Aurora@Home Navigator, will schedule an eligibility appointment (if immediate space is available) for each family according to their ranking order and date and time of application.
- C. All adult family members must attend the appointment with the Aurora@Home Navigator before being issued an Aurora@Home Coupon (why using the term "coupon"?)(is this an acceptance

letter?). A Family will not be issued an Aurora@Home Coupon without a written certification from the Aurora@Home Navigator that all adult household members attended the initial intake and were approved.

- D. The referring partner agency will be notified if any adult family member fails to cooperate with the Aurora@Home Navigator and partner agencies, or is otherwise deemed ineligible.
- E. Families who are denied eligibility to the program are entitled to a review of this decision. Members representing the Aurora@Home collaborative will be convened to perform the review in accordance with Housing Choice Voucher Program policies. The family will receive written notice of the final decision. The Housing Authority of the City of Aurora's Review Policy, will be used for A@H, see Attachment "B".

### **Applications:**

The applicant must complete an application and provide the required documentation in order to be screened for eligibility in Aurora@Home . Applications and referrals must be obtained from the Aurora@Home Navigator.

### **Review Panel:**

A review panel consisting of members representing the partner agencies of the Aurora@Home pilot, will meet regularly to review applications.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

To qualify for housing assistance an applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Be income eligible at the time of program eligibility and lease up. Applicants must be at 60% or below Area Median Income (AMI) for TBRA program and 30% or below Area Median Income (AMI) for ESG programs.
2. Must be referred by a participant in one of the referring Partner Agency's programs.
3. Must have a child attending school that is 17 years or younger.
4. Must sign a contract and agree to participate in a self-sufficiency program with Aurora@Home. See Attachment "C", Aurora@Home Case Management Participation Procedures.
5. Must not owe money to a Public Housing Authority (PHA) or to any other housing assistance program. Applicants may be given the opportunity to arrange a payment plan for the money owed, prior to receiving housing assistance in the A@H pilot program. The nature of the charges and seriousness of the housing violations will be taken into consideration by the review panel.
6. An applicant that has been terminated from any AHA program or any other local housing program may be denied. The seriousness of the housing violation and the applicant's current situation will be taken into consideration by the review panel.
7. Must be in good standing with all partner agencies participating in Aurora@Home. Applicants who have been terminated from a partner agency program may be denied based on the seriousness of the non compliance. These applicants will be reviewed by the panel for admission.
8. Applicants that have any felony or misdemeanor charges in the past 3 years may be denied. A panel review will take place and the referring Partner Agency will present the applicants case history and progress since the charges. These applicants will be screened by the panel for admission.
9. Lifetime registered sex offenders are not eligible for the program under any circumstances.
10. Applicants with evictions or arrests for the production/manufacturing of methamphetamine are

not eligible for the program under any circumstance.

11. No adult in the home may have three or more alcohol related offenses in the past two years and not have completed an approved alcohol treatment program. Adults who have not completed an approved alcohol treatment program, for three or more alcohol related offenses, may not be approved.
12. Applicants and participants must comply with all aspects of the Aurora@Home Contract of Participation and all case management expectations.
13. Applicants must provide all eligibility documentation as required by the Aurora@Home for the specific housing programs.

Applicants who are denied admission, will be entitled to an appeal review. The appeal review will be conducted in accordance with Attachment “B” Housing of Authority of City of Aurora’s Review Policy.

**Subsidy Calculations:**

See the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora’s Housing Choice Voucher rental calculation guidelines.

**Application Process**

**Marketing:**

Aurora@Home and AHA will invite Landlords to make units available to eligible applicants in accordance with Fair Housing regulations. Aurora@Home and AHA will maintain a list of area housing owners who are willing to rent to clients on an ongoing basis and will make list available for review by applicants. Efforts to inform community leaders, housing owners, social service agencies, and other interested parties will be made through formal and informal meetings and other methods. See Attachment “D”, which states the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora’s non-discrimination policy which has been adopted by the A@H pilot.

**Eligibility and Income Calculations:**

Aurora@Home will use the definitions of income established in Section 8 Program at 24 CFR Part 813, Section 1, 2 & 3 and Income will be verified in the following ways.

**Verification Requirements:**

*Verifications will be handled the same as the Housing Choice Voucher Program:*

Third Party Verifications: Request for written income verification from the tenant's employer or other income source. Upfront income information may also be used including: Colorado Department of Labor Systems, Colorado Benefit Management System and Enterprise Income Verification.

Review of Documents: Documents include but are not limited to benefit award letters, pay stubs, bank statements, and income tax returns.

Personal Certification: This is the least preferred method, but may be used if no other sources are available.

**Program Briefing:**

Upon establishing eligibility of assistance, a staff member will brief program coupon recipients of their rights and responsibilities. The briefing will be conducted individually or in group sessions in order to



ensure participant understanding. The briefing will include:

1. Responsibilities of Aurora@Home staff.
2. Responsibilities of the tenant.
3. Responsibilities of the Landlord.
4. Duration of assistance.
5. Termination of assistance.
6. Payment standards, eligible dwelling units, HQS, lead-based paint hazards and fair housing issues.
7. Formal and informal reviews and hearings.
8. Occupancy standards.
9. Total tenant payment and rent calculations.
10. Must comply with all Aurora@Home Contract of Participation and other case management requirements. See Attachment "C", Aurora@Home Case Manager Participation Procedures.

Materials to be distributed at the briefing include:

1. Aurora@Home TBRA or ESG coupon and program form which describes the participants, Landlords and Aurora@Home and staff's responsibilities.
2. Request for Unit Approval (to be submitted by the tenant to request unit approval).
3. Lease Addendum, which notifies the Landlord of the rental subsidy.
4. Current utility allowances.
5. Fair housing pamphlet.
6. Lead-based paint brochure (HUD 1993-351-568).
7. List of Landlords willing to participate in the program and information on Landlords willing to give rent concessions.

**Coupon (what are these coupons?) Issuance:**

When an Aurora@Home Coupon is available, Aurora@Home with the collaborating agencies will select the applicant who has been on the waiting list for the longest period of time at the highest ranking points. A letter will be sent to their last known address and the referring caseworker will be notified that the applicant has been selected for eligibility. If the applicant does not respond within ten days, their name will be removed from all Aurora@Home waiting lists.

**Coupon Issuance and Time Period for Use:**

Once an eligible program applicant is selected to receive assistance, Aurora@Home staff will issue an Aurora@Home Coupon enabling the participant to search for an appropriate dwelling unit.

The recipient of the Coupon will have thirty days in which to locate an acceptable dwelling unit, but may request an extension of up to thirty days (total of 60 with extension). Once a dwelling unit has been located, the participant will be required to submit a signed Request for Unit Approval to the Aurora@Home program.

**Approving Units and Rents:**

Units identified by the program participant must be acceptable under the Aurora@Home guidelines. The following guidelines apply:

1. Rent Reasonableness: The Aurora@Home Navigator will insure that the subsidized rent and unsubsidized rents charged for comparable dwelling units are similar in accordance with the AHA's rent reasonableness policy and with specific grant requirements.
2. Housing Conditions: HQS will be applied to all dwelling units assisted with HOME TBRA and ESG funds.
3. Size Requirement: Aurora@Home will use AHA's Housing Choice Voucher Occupancy Standards in determining dwelling unit size for each household.
4. Lease Approval: The lease must comply with the requirements in 24 CFR 92.253 (Tenant and Participants Protection).

The Aurora@Home Navigator will schedule initial inspections with Landlord's upon receiving and approving a completed and signed Request for Unit Approval from the participant and Landlord. Landlords will be told of the inspection findings in writing. If Landlords are not willing to make the dwelling unit ready for move-in, the participant will be given a new Request for Unit Approval.

Once a dwelling unit meets HQS, the Landlord must provide a copy of the proposed lease to Aurora@Home Navigator and the lease will be reviewed by the housing authority to approve it before it is signed.

**Execution of the TBRA, ESG Coupon Contract, Lease and Lease Addendum:**

Once Aurora@Home has verified the dwelling unit is acceptable and the lease has been approved, AHA staff will execute the Aurora@Home Coupon Contract with the owner, and authorize the tenant and the Landlord to execute the lease and lease addendum.

**Ongoing Aurora@Home Program Responsibilities:**

1. Monitor eligibility of participating households.
2. Monitor HQS standards. Dwelling units will be inspected at least once a year.
3. Owners will receive prompt and accurate payments.
4. Aurora@Home with AHA will review rents annually. Annual rent adjustments will be granted in accordance with HUD's HOME and ESG regulations.
5. Aurora@Home with AHA will review payment standards annually.
6. All program tenants will be re-certified annually. Notices to re-certify tenants will be sent ninety days in advance. Interim re-certifications will be reviewed on an individual basis, quarterly re-certifications are required for the ESG Homelessness Prevention grant. Unless this coupon means something else entirely....like a housing choice section 8 voucher
7. Aurora@Home with AHA will maintain a waiting list. If it becomes clear that families on the waiting list will not be served within the awarded two year funding contract, the waiting list may be closed.
8. Aurora@Home with AHA will host meetings with all referring agencies not less than quarterly. These meetings will be used to determine how the process is working and if changes need to be made.

**Lease Enforcement and Termination of Tenancy:**

Neither Aurora@Home nor collaborating agencies are parties to the tenant/Landlord lease and will not be obligated to enforce or intervene in a tenant/Landlord dispute.

Neither Aurora@Home nor collaborating agencies are parties to the eviction process. If the household is legally evicted for cause, the Aurora@Home program will terminate assistance to the participant.

**Termination of Assistance:**

Assistance may be terminated if:

(See Application Addendum and Standard Operating Procedures, Attachment)

1. The participant no longer qualifies, based on income eligibility, for assistance at annual Re-certification.
2. The household assistance contract expires.
3. Aurora@Home with AHA determines that the housing assistance has been obtained fraudulently.
4. The household has been evicted for cause.
5. The participant is no longer complying with the case management aspect of the program.
6. The dwelling unit fails to meet HQS due to discontinuation of utility service.
7. Failure to appear for two scheduled appointments.
8. Failure to report a change in household composition.
9. When participants receiving assistance due to domestic violence, allow the abuser to reside in the unit.
10. See attached Housing Choice Voucher criminal activity policy.
11. Participant family or guest damages a dwelling unit beyond normal wear and tear.

Participants who are terminated from the program are entitled to a hearing. Hearings will be conducted in accordance with Aurora@Home's Procedure . See Attachment "E" AHA's informal hearing policy.

**Repayment Agreements:**

If it has been determined that the participant is required to repay any subsidy amount the AHA on behalf of Aurora@Home Housing Choice Voucher Repayment policy will be followed.

**Moves with Continued Assistance:**

A participant family may move with continued assistance one time per year. This policy is meant to encourage families to become stable and consistent. Families that wish to move before their one year lease is completed will be required to provide documentation as to why they wish to move. Some examples include:

- Proof of domestic violence (Police reports, court documents)
- Evidence that Landlord has violated the lease

Families who are approved to move to a new unit, during their initial lease, must get a mutual lease rescission form signed and must leave the unit in good condition.

Families will only be assisted with their first deposit. Prior to being allowed to move the Aurora@Home for AHA will verify with the Landlord that the family left the unit in good condition.

## **How does ESG work?**

As of 2011, the Emergency Shelter Grant is now called the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The five eligible program components are: street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention/rapid rehousing assistance, HMIS (homeless management information systems) and necessary administrative costs. HUD expects this funding to help provide and strengthen services for the continuum of care to homeless/at-risk of homelessness persons.

The following percentages are set by HUD: up to 60% of the total funds can be used for street outreach/emergency shelter and 7.5% of the budget can be used for administration. The remaining 32.5% of the funds can be used for homelessness prevention/rapid rehousing, and HMIS costs. The City of Aurora has set aside these percentages in the following way:

- 6% Street Outreach (PATH program through Aurora Mental Health Center)
- 54% Emergency Shelters (1. Arapahoe House – detox, 2. Mile High Behavioral Healthcare/Comitis Crisis Center – Emergency Shelter, and 3. Gateway Battered Women’s Services – domestic violence shelter and crisis intervention)
- 7.5% Administrative costs (this helps fund Community Development staff to manage the program)
- 30.5% Homelessness Prevention and Rapid ReHousing (Aurora@Home Pilot Program)
- 2% HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) Aurora uses these funds to help agencies with high HMIS data entry needs.

## **How are funds allocated?**

The funding to the three Aurora Emergency Shelters has remained proportionately the same since 2004. Initially the State of Colorado allocated the funds and the City of Aurora has followed the same funding pattern since that time. No emergency shelters have been added to Aurora’s inventory since 2005, so the same three agencies have remained sub recipients.

With the advent of increased funds (funds added in 2012) and guidance from HUD to expand activities to include Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Homelessness Prevention (HP), the City had created an RFP process in 2012 to increase the number of agencies receiving ESG funds. The RFP was for the activities of RRH, HP and Street Outreach. One agency applied on behalf of a collaborative of Aurora agencies for the RRH and HP. A second agency applied for the Street Outreach funds. There has been some re-assigning of funds from the original sub recipient for the Street Outreach funds, to more appropriate agencies who are skilled in doing Street Outreach. There has been a learning curve for Aurora and the sub recipients in adjusting to how to efficiently use the new funds.

## **How can funds be used? And who is eligible for the funds?**

- 1) Street Outreach – ESG funds may be used for costs of providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency

shelter, housing, or critical services; and **provide urgent, non-facility-based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility.** Engagement with people at motels, parks, on the street, or wherever homeless individuals reside. Persons must be literally on the street or unsheltered and 30% AMI or below. ESG funds can cover activities that are provided “on the street”: engagement, personal care items, resource and referral, transportation (bus tokens), Motel vouchers (if no shelter beds are available). Services to Special Populations: homeless youth, families with minor children, victims of domestic violence and related crimes/threats, and/or people living with HIV/AIDS who are literally homeless. Street Outreach providers receiving ESG funds are required to enter their participant data into the HMIS system.

- 2) Emergency Shelters** – Any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide a temporary shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless, and which does not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements. *Emergency Shelters include; Victim service providers.* A private nonprofit organization whose primary mission is to provide services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. *Services for substance abuse treatment services* to the extent that other appropriate substance abuse treatment services are unavailable or inaccessible within the community. ESG funds can cover the cost of operating the shelter, the staff providing day to day shelter operations (maintenance, cooking), counseling staff, food costs.
- 3) Homelessness Prevention** – for households that are at risk of becoming homeless. The individual or family must have an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, they do not have sufficient resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph. The household: Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance; Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals; Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau; Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient’s approved consolidated plan. Funds can be used for case management, short term rental assistance, medium term assistance, last month’s rent, security deposits, rental application fees, utility deposits, utility payments, moving costs, , housing search and placement, life skills counseling, and budget counseling. Programs receiving ESG funds are required to enter their participant data into the HMIS system. In Aurora, Clients are referred through the Aurora@Home collaborative partner agencies to the Housing Navigator.

- 4) **Rapid ReHousing** – ESG funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. This assistance, referred to as rapid re-housing assistance, may be provided to program participants who have no appropriate subsequent housing options, lack sufficient resources and support networks to retain housing. Households need to be below the 30% AMI and must have exhausted all other possible housing solutions. Funds can be used for case management, short term rental assistance, medium term assistance, last month's rent, security deposits, rental application fees, utility deposits, utility payments, moving costs, , housing search and placement. Programs receiving ESG funds are required to enter their participants data into the HMIS system. In Aurora, Clients are referred through the Aurora@Home collaborative partner agencies to the Housing Navigator.
- 5) **HMIS** - As part of any ESG contracted activities, information about participating households and the ESG-funded services that participants receive will be entered into Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) on a regular and timely basis.
- 6) **Administrative Costs** – administrative costs have been retained by the City of Aurora Community Development Division in order to manage the ESG program.

#### **Can Funds be used for Aurora Warms the Night (AWtN)?**

- 1) **AWtN would need to use the funds in the manner of Street Outreach and given the requirements for that program, they were invited and the board chose to decline in both 2013 and 2014 to submit an application for the funds, due to:** reporting, monitoring and compliance burdens for the ESG funding and more restrictions on the use of the funds. (Note: emails are available from and to AWtN regarding these conversations)
- 2) **Basic Guidelines for use of ESG Street Outreach funds Street Outreach** – ESG funds may be used for costs of providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and provide urgent, non-facility-based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility. Engagement with people at motels, parks, on the street, or wherever homeless individuals reside, (a staff person would need to be going out to these locations and providing services, case management). **Persons must be literally on the street or unsheltered when engaged** and 30% AMI or below. ESG funds can cover activities that are provided “on the street”: engagement, personal care items, resource and referral, transportation (bus tokens), **Motel vouchers can only be used if no shelter beds are available**. Services to Special Populations: homeless youth, families with minor children, victims of domestic violence and related crimes/threats, and/or people living with HIV/AIDS who are literally homeless. **Street Outreach providers receiving ESG funds are required to enter their participant data into the HMIS system.**

## EXHIBIT C – REQUIREMENTS & STANDARDS - ESG FY 2014

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### Written Standards, Performance Standards, Centralized and/or Coordinated Assessment System, Homeless Participation, and Monitoring

#### WRITTEN STANDARDS

The Subrecipient must maintain or develop written standards required by the HUD Final Rule 576.400(b), (c), and (e)(1) & (3) as follows:

**Written standards** will include:

- Policies and procedures for **coordination** among emergency shelter providers, essential services providers, homelessness prevention, and rapid re-housing assistance providers; other homeless assistance providers; and mainstream service and housing providers (see § 576.400(b) and (c) for a list of programs with which ESG-funded activities must be coordinated and integrated to the maximum extent practicable);
- Standard policies and procedures for evaluating individuals' and families' **eligibility** for assistance under ESG;
- Standards for **targeting and providing essential services** related to **street outreach**;
- Policies and procedures for determining and **prioritizing** which eligible families and individuals will receive rapid re-housing assistance ("Selection policies");
- Standards for determining ("Method for determining **assistance levels**"):
  - **what percentage or amount** of rent and utilities costs each program participant must pay while receiving rapid re-housing assistance;
- Standards for determining ("Method for determining **terms of assistance**"):
  - **how long** a particular program participant will be provided with rental assistance and **whether and how the amount** of that assistance will be adjusted over time;
  - **the type, amount, and duration** of housing stabilization and/or relocation services to provide to a program participant, including **the limits**, if any, on the assistance that each program participant may receive, such as, the maximum amount of assistance, maximum number of months the program participant may receive assistance, or the maximum number of times the program participant may receive assistance;
- Method for **terminating** assistance to program participants;
- **Case management and follow-up policies**, as per 576.401:
  - **(a) Evaluations.** The Subrecipient must conduct an initial evaluation to determine the eligibility of each individual or family's eligibility and the amount and types of assistance the individual or family needs to regain stability in permanent housing.
  - **(b) Re-evaluations.** (1) The Subrecipient must re-evaluate the program participant's eligibility and the types and amounts of assistance the program participant needs not less than once annually. At a minimum, each re-evaluation of eligibility must establish that:
    - (i) The program participant does not have an annual income that exceeds 30% of the area median income (AMI), as determined by HUD; and



(ii) The program participant lacks sufficient resources and support networks necessary to retain housing without ESG assistance.

(2) The Subrecipient may require each program participant to notify the Subrecipient regarding changes in the program participant's income or other circumstances (e.g., changes in household composition) that affect the program participant's need for assistance under ESG. When notified of a relevant change, the Subrecipient must re-evaluate the program participant's eligibility and the amount and types of assistance the program participant needs.

- **(c) Annual income.** When determining the annual income of an individual or family, the Subrecipient must use the standard for calculating annual income under 24 CFR 5.609.
  - **(d) Connecting program participants to mainstream and other resources.** The Subrecipient must assist each program participant, as needed, to obtain:
    - (1) Appropriate supportive services, including assistance in obtaining permanent housing, medical health treatment, mental health treatment, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living; and
    - (2) Other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available to assist the program participant in obtaining housing stability, including those listed in 576.401(d)(2)
  - **(e) Housing stability case management.**
    - (1) While providing assistance to a program participant, the Subrecipient must:
      - (i) Require the program participant to meet with a case manager not less than once per month to assist the program participant in ensuring long-term housing stability; and
      - (ii) Develop a plan to assist the program participant to retain permanent housing after the ESG assistance ends, taking into account all relevant considerations, such as the program participant's current or expected income and expenses; other public or private assistance for which the program participant will be eligible and likely to receive; and the relative affordability of available housing in the area.
- Administrative policies.

**Minimum Standards** include, but are not limited to the following:

- Eligibility:
  - Must follow the new definition of "homeless" as described in §576.2, (attached), and serve only those meeting the definition of homeless under the bolded paragraphs (1) and (4) per the ESG Rapid Re-housing Assistance Component (§576.104). As per this definition, a family or individual is not eligible for rapid re-housing assistance until they are officially evicted and out of the unit, as this is only eligible under paragraph (2) of §576.2. However, participants may be screened before they are out of the unit, but the official application date must be after they are out of the unit.
  - Must follow HUD Income Criteria for this program (below 30% of the Area Median Income [AMI]);
- Assistance Levels:
  - Clients should pay no more than 30% of their income towards their rent while in the program;

- Terms of Assistance:
  - No more than 24 months of assistance can be provided. (Short-term rental assistance to be up to 3 months and medium-term rental assistance to be up to 24 months.) ;
- Case management and follow-up policies:
  - Must meet with clients receiving assistance at least once per month;
  - Must re-evaluate annually for continued assistance;
  - Housing Case Management must be focused to include:
    - ❖ Follow-up and survey for clients exiting the program for a minimum of six (6) months. The survey will be completed and information will be forwarded to the City and utilized in an effort to determine the effectiveness of service delivery.
    - ❖ Coordination with mainstream resources.
- Administrative policies:
  - Require participation in the centralized and/or coordinated assessment system, once it is implemented by the Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative Continuum of Care (CoC); and
  - Require participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

## **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**

In accordance with 576.400(a), the City will consult with the Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) Continuum of Care (CoC) in developing the performance standards for, and evaluating the outcomes of, projects and activities assisted by ESG funds. The CoC seeks to meet HUD's most current Objectives. The most current are the seven applicable 2014 HUD Objectives:

- 1: Create new permanent housing beds for chronically homeless persons.
- 2: Increase the percentage of participants remaining in CoC-funded permanent housing projects for at least six months to 80% or more.
- 3: Increase the percentage of participants in CoC-funded transitional housing that move into permanent housing to 80% or more.
- 4: Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC-funded projects that are employed at program exit to 20% or more.
- 5: Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC-funded projects that obtained or increased mainstream benefits at program exit to 56% or more.
- 6: Increase the percentage of participants in all CoC-funded projects that obtained or increased income from other sources (i.e. cash benefits) at program exit to 54% or more.
- 7: Decrease the number of homeless households with children.

The City will coordinate with the CoC to meet new applicable HUD Objectives when released by HUD. The CoC shall seek to accomplish HUD's Objectives as an average for the whole CoC; individual CoC-funded projects are not required to accomplish the Objectives individually. The Subrecipient shall seek to meet the most current HUD Objectives to the maximum extent practical. The CoC will use the HMIS system to measure these outcomes.

## **CENTRALIZED AND/OR COORDINATED ASSESSMENT SYSTEM**

Once the CoC has developed a centralized assessment system or a coordinated assessment system, the Subrecipient must use that assessment system. The City and the Subrecipient must work with the CoC to ensure the screening, assessment and

referral of program participants are consistent with the written standards required by §576.400(d).

### **HOMELESS PARTICIPATION**

Per §576.405 (c), to the maximum extent practicable, the Subrecipient must involve homeless individuals and families in providing services assisted under ESG. This involvement may include employment or volunteer services. The City highly encourages that the Subrecipient recruit one or more homeless, or formerly homeless individuals to the Governing Board and/or Subcommittees.

### **MONITORING**

The City will monitor the Subrecipient which will include, but not limited to, assurance of compliance with new ESG definitions, utilization of the centralized and coordinated assessment system, fiscal integrity and accounting of utilization of funds as required by HUD, and entry of data into HMIS. To meet the requirements outlined for the use of ESG funds, quarterly meetings will be held with the Subrecipient to assess whether or not the milestones identified in the contract (e.g., number of clients to be served) and the ESG guidelines and regulations are met.

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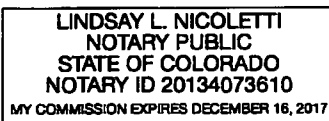
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City of Aurora's Citizen's Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development (CHD) will hold two Public Meetings on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 and Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. on Housing and Community Development priorities and funding proposals for the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs.

The first Public Meeting to hear proposals will be held:

Tuesday, July 14, 2015  
8:00 p.m.  
Martin Luther King Library Building  
Akron / Clinton Rooms  
9898 E. Colfax Avenue  
Aurora, CO 80010

The second Public Meeting to review proposals and provide funding recommendations will be held:

Tuesday, July 21, 2015  
8:00 p.m.  
Martin Luther King Library Building  
Akron / Clinton Rooms  
9898 E. Colfax Avenue  
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The public is invited to attend these meetings and citizens will be provided with an opportunity to speak on Housing and Community Development issues and priorities.

The facility is accessible and can accommodate persons with disabilities. Please call the Community Development Division Staff at (303) 739-7938 at least 48 hours in advance if you require language translation services or need special accommodations for these Public Meetings, as well as for written documents. For hearing or speech impaired residents, please call 7-1-1 for the Colorado Relay Number.

For more information on the Community Development Division and the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs, please visit the City's website at: <https://www.aurora.gov.org/LivingHere/HousingandCommunityResources/index.htm>

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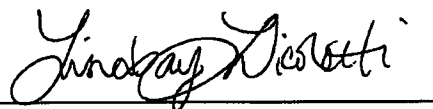
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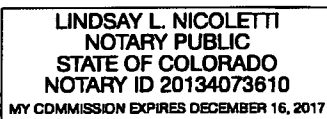
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AVISO DE AUDIENCIAS PUBLICAS

La Ciudad de Comité Asesor de Ciudadanos de Aurora sobre Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario (CHD) celebrará dos reuniones públicas el Martes 14 de Julio de 2015 y Martes, 21 de Julio 2015 a las 6:00 pm sobre las prioridades y propuestas de financiamiento para los siguientes programas: 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME) y Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

La primera reunión pública para escuchar las propuestas se llevará a cabo:

Martes, Julio 14, 2015  
6:00 p.m.  
Edificio Martin Luther King Library  
Habitaciones Akron / Clinton  
9898 E. Colfax Avenue  
Aurora, CO 80010

La segunda reunión pública para examinar las propuestas y formular recomendaciones de financiación se llevará a cabo:

Martes, Julio 21, 2015  
6:00 p.m.  
Edificio Martin Luther King Library  
Habitaciones Akron / Clinton  
9898 E. Colfax Avenue  
Aurora, CO 80010

El público está invitado a asistir a estas reuniones y los ciudadanos se le proporcionará la oportunidad de hablar sobre los problemas y prioridades de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario.

La instalación es accesible y puede acomodar a las personas con discapacidad. Por favor, llame al personal de la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al 303-799-7938 por lo menos 48 horas de anticipación si necesita servicios de traducción o necesita adaptaciones especiales para estas reuniones públicas, así como para los documentos escritos. Para residentes con discapacidad de audición o el habla, por favor llame al 7-1-1 para el Número de Relé Colorado.

Para obtener más información sobre la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad y de los programas CDBG, HOME, ESG, por favor visite el sitio web de la Ciudad en: <https://www.aurora.gov/LivingHere/HousingandCommunityResources/Index.htm>

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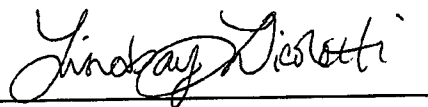
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I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 15 day of October.



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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DECEMBER 16, 2017

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Aurora's Draft 2016 Annual Action Plan will be available for public review and comment for a 30 day period from October 16 to November 14, 2015.

The Final 2016 Action Plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by November 16, 2015.

The 2016 Action Plan is the second year of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and serves as the City of Aurora's formal application to HUD for CDBG, HOME and ESG funding proposals for 2016. The City anticipates that these projects will not cause displacement of existing households. The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan is designed to create a link between the identified needs of Aurora's low to moderate-income and special needs populations and the resources of HUD's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding and other public/private investments. The Five Year Plan establishes objectives and strategies to address the needs over the next five years in three areas: provide decent housing, provide a suitable living environment, and provide expanded economic opportunities.

The 2016 Action Plan will be available for review at the City of Aurora's Community Development Division on the second floor of 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, Colorado, 80010, and in the lobby of the Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Library on the first floor of the same facility address. The facility is accessible and can accommodate persons with disabilities. Please contact Signy Mikita of the Community Development Division Staff at (303) 739-7938 or smikita@auroragov.org if you require language translation services or need special accommodations, as well as for written documents. For hearing or speech impaired residents, please call 7-1-1 for the Colorado Relay Number. The plan will also be posted on the City's website at: <https://www.auroragov.org/LivingHere/HousingandCommunityResources/index.htm>.

All comments should be submitted in writing by November 14, 2015 to Signy Mikita, City of Aurora, Community Development Division, 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, Colorado, 80010; or smikita@auroragov.org. For questions and additional information please contact Signy Mikita at the above address or call (303) 739-7938.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development (CHD) for the City of Aurora held its Public Hearings on the proposals for the 2016 Action Plan on July 14, 2015 and subsequent decision making meeting on July 21, 2015. The CHD presented its final funding recommendations to the Aurora City Council at a meeting open to the public on September 16, 2015. The CHD recommended the following estimated funding amounts for the 2016 Action Plan to the Aurora City Council:

2016 HUD CDBG Funding:	\$2,657,770
2016 CDBG Program Income:	\$70,000
2016 HUD HOME Funding:	\$827,149
2016 HOME General Fund Match:	\$186,109
2016 HOME Program Income:	\$450,000
2016 HUD ESG Funding:	\$241,713
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED</b>	<b>\$4,432,741</b>
<b>2016 FUNDING:</b>	<b>\$4,432,741</b>

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AVISO PÚBLICO

El Plan de Acción Preliminar 2016 de la Ciudad de Aurora estarán disponibles para su revisión y comentarios públicos durante un periodo de 30 días a partir del 16 Octubre otra vez del 14 Noviembre, 2015.

El Plan de Acción Final 2016 se presentarán al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de los Estados Unidos el 16 de Noviembre de 2015. El Plan de Acción 2016 es el segundo año del Plan Consolidado 2015-2019 y sirve como la solicitud formal de la Ciudad Aurora propuestas de financiación a HUD para CDBG, HOME y ESG para el 2016. La ciudad anticipa que estos proyectos no causarán el desplazamiento de los hogares existentes. El Plan Consolidado 2015-2019 está diseñado para crear un enlace entre las necesidades identificadas de la población de Aurora de ingresos bajos a moderados y poblaciones con necesidades especiales y los recursos de la Comunidad para el Desarrollo de HUD (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME) y fondos de Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) y otras inversiones públicas / privadas. El plan quinquenal establece objetivos y estrategias para hacer frente a las necesidades en los próximos cinco años, en tres áreas: proporcionar una vivienda digna, proporcionar un ambiente de vivienda adecuado, y proporcionar mayores oportunidades económicas.

El Plan de Acción 2016 estarán disponibles para su revisión en la Ciudad de la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad de Aurora en el segundo piso de 8898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, Colorado, 80010, y en el vestíbulo del Centro Martin Luther King, Jr. Biblioteca (MLK) en el primer piso de la misma dirección de instalación. La instalación es accesible y puede acomodar a las personas con discapacidad. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Signy Mikita del personal de la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al (303) 739-7938 o smikita@auroragov.org si necesita servicios de traducción o necesita adaptaciones especiales, así como para los documentos escritos. Para residentes con discapacidad de escuchar o residentes con problemas para hablar, por favor llame al 7-1-1 para obtener el Número de Relé de Colorado. El plan también se publicará en la página web de la Ciudad en: <https://www.auroragov.org/LivingHere/HousingandCommunityResources/index.htm>.

Todos sus comentarios deben ser presentados por escrito el 14 de Noviembre del 2015 y a Signy Mikita, Ciudad de Aurora, División de Desarrollo Comunitario, 8898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, Colorado, 80010; o [smikita@auroragov.org](mailto:smikita@auroragov.org). Para cualquier duda o información adicional, por favor póngase en contacto con Signy Mikita en la dirección arriba o llame al (303) 739-7938.

El Comité de Asesoramiento del Ciudadano de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario (CHD) para la ciudad de Aurora celebró su audiencias pública sobre las propuestas para el Plan de Acción 2016 el 14 de Julio 2015 y el encuentro subsecuente para hacer decisiones el 21 de Julio 2015. La CHD presentó su última recomendaciones de financiación al Consejo de la Ciudad de Aurora en una reunión abierta al público el 16 de Septiembre de 2015. La CHD recomendó las siguientes cantidades de financiación estimadas para el Plan de Acción 2016 para el Consejo de la Ciudad de Aurora:

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I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 28 day of January.



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The City of Aurora is required to publish notice concerning any substantial changes or amendments to its Action Plans of the 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Original Aurora Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy. Citizens shall have 30 days from the date of this publication to respond to any of the proposed changes. The City will then consider any such comments and if deemed appropriate, modify the changes when amending the Action Plan. The amended Action Plan will then be forwarded to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The City proposes to ADD the following project to its 2016 Action Plan:

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):**

Aurora Interfaith Community Services (AICS) – Facility Improvements, to include roof replacement, heating/air conditioning (HVAC) replacement, electrical repairs and concrete ramps, for 1553 Gilton St. .... \$125,000

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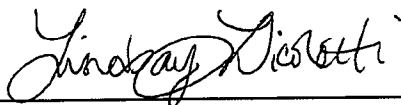
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I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 28 day of January:



Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in the County of Arapahoe, State of Colorado, this 28 day of January A.D. 2016.



Notary Public

LINDSAY L. NICOLETTI  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF COLORADO  
NOTARY ID 20134073610  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DECEMBER 16, 2017

**AVISO PÚBLICO**

A la Ciudad de Aurora se le es requerida de publicar un aviso relativo a cualquier cambio sustancial o enmiendas/modificaciones a sus planes de acción de los Cinco Años del Plan Consolidado 2015-2019 y la Estrategia de Revitalización Original del Ciudad de Aurora. Los ciudadanos tendrán 30 días desde la fecha de esta publicación para responder a cualquiera de los cambios propuestos. La Ciudad entonces considerará dichos comentarios y, si se considera oportuno, modificar los cambios cuando se modifique el Plan de Acción. El Plan de Acción modificado será entonces enviado al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de EE.UU. (HUD).

La Ciudad propone añadir el siguiente proyecto a su Plan de Acción 2016:

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program / Comunidad desarrollo Block Grant (CDBG):**

servicios Aurora Interreligioso de la Comunidad (AICS) -. Mejoras en las instalaciones, que incluyen reemplazo del techo, calefacción / aire acondicionado (HVAC) de repuesto, reparaciones eléctricas y las rampas de concreto, para 1553 Clinton St. .... \$125,000

El Plan de Acción 2015 está disponible para los ciudadanos a petición y se puede acceder a la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad en el segundo piso de la Biblioteca Martin Luther King Jr. en 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, Aurora, CO, 80010. Las instalaciones de la División de Desarrollo de la Comunidad son accesibles y puede acomodar a las personas con discapacidad.

Por favor, póngase en contacto con la División del Desarrollo Comunitario, si es que necesita servicios de traducción de idiomas u otras acomodaciones especiales. Para la audición o el habla residentes con discapacidad, por favor llame al 7-1-1 para el Número de Helé Colorado. Preguntas y comentarios de los Ciudadanos se pueden dirigir a:

Ciudad de Aurora  
División del Desarrollo Comunitario  
City of Aurora  
Community Development Division  
9898 E. Colfax Avenue  
Aurora, CO 80010  
Signy Mikita  
Community Development Planner  
(303) 739-7938  
smikita@auroragov.org

Para obtener más información sobre la División del Desarrollo Comunitario, por favor visite el sitio web de la Ciudad en: <https://www.auroragov.org/LivingHere/HousingandCommunityResources/index.htm>

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<b>* 3. Date Received:</b> 03/14/2016	<b>4. Applicant Identifier:</b> 84-730555-K
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<b>* Last Name:</b> Burkhardt	_____
<b>Suffix:</b>	_____
<b>Title:</b> Community Development Manager	
<b>Organizational Affiliation:</b> _____	
<b>* Telephone Number:</b> 303-739-7924	<b>Fax Number:</b> 303-739-7925
<b>* Email:</b> aburkhardt@auroragov.org	

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\* Other (specify):

**\* 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:**

14.218

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants

**\* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

CDBG

\* Title:

Community Development Block Grant

**13. Competition Identification Number:**

Title:

**14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):**

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\* a. Start Date:

\* b. End Date:

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="2,724,758.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="70,000.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="2,794,758.00"/>

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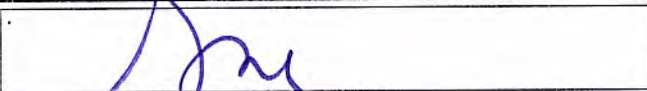
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06/09/2016

4. Applicant Identifier:  
84-730555-K

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:  
N/A

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M-16-MC-08-0201

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**8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

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6234059090000

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Prefix: Ms. \* First Name: Anita  
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\* Last Name: Burkhart  
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Title: Community Development Manager

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:**

14.230

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnership Act/Entitlement Grants

**\* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

HOME

\* Title:

HOME Investment Partnership Act

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Title:

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* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="912,330.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
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14.231

CFDA Title:

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

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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, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

**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, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

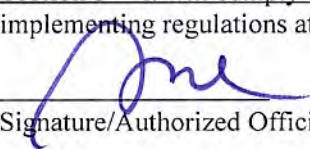
**Anti-Lobbying** -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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;
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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.

**Consistency with plan** -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

**Section 3** -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

  
Signature/Authorized Official

3-15-16  
Date

## Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement 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 housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

**Following a Plan** -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) 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 certifies that it has developed its 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 activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a 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);
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2016 , 2018 (a period specified by the grantee consisting 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.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, 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 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 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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Signature/Authorized Official

3-15-16  
Date

City Manager  
Title

### Specific HOME Certifications

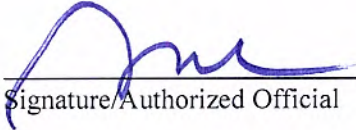
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance** -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

**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.

**Appropriate Financial Assistance** -- 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 than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

  
Signature/Authorized Official

3-15-16  
Date

City Manager  
Title

## ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

**Major rehabilitation/conversion** – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

**Essential Services and Operating Costs** – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

**Renovation** – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

**Supportive Services** – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services ( including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

**Matching Funds** – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

**Confidentiality** – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

**Homeless Persons Involvement** – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

**Consolidated Plan** – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction’s consolidated plan.

**Discharge Policy** – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from

publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

  
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Signature/Authorized Official

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City Manager  
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Title



## APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

### INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

#### A. 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.