

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 2021 Annual Action Plan (AAP). The Annual Action Plan details how the annual allocation of federal dollars provided to the City of Aurora will be used to address the priority needs identified within the city's current Consolidated Plan.

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 which will determine the allocation of funding and priorities during the second year (2021) of the 2020-2024 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, and the creation of affordable housing. The programs the City has used to address these needs have been well received by residents and neighborhood organizations. The City's programs have been expanded during the 2020-2024 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 City of Aurora continues to perform at a high level to address the community's needs. During the 2020 program year, the following accomplishments were realized:

- Housing Rehabilitation programs assisted 107 homeowners
- Assisted 5 first-time homebuyers
- Provided Foreclosure, Homebuyer and Reverse Mortgage Counseling to 484 persons
- First-time Homebuyer seminars and Financial Fitness Classes for 1024 persons
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- Completed the renovation of two commercial storefronts and three additional underway
- Completed the construction/paving of four alleys
- Completed renovations on Ability Connections, a low income school providing education services to over 120 low income children
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4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

A Public Notice in both English and Spanish was published in the Aurora Sentinel newspaper, on the City's website, and at six community locations inviting the public to comment on the Draft 2021 Annual Action Plan from June 17, 2021 to July 17, 2021. A second Public Notice in both English and Spanish was published in the Aurora Sentinel on July 22, 2021 inviting the public to attend a meeting on July 29, 2021 where Aurora's 2021 Annual Action Plan would be discussed. The Public Notice stated that the public

was invited to attend the meeting and that citizens would be provided with an opportunity to speak on housing and community development issues and priorities.

The proposed 2021 CDBG, HOME, and ESG budget for Community Development (CD) was presented at the City Council Boards and Commissions meeting on September 8, 2020. The public was invited to comment on the entire City Budget, including the 2021 CD budget, at a City Council meeting on October 5, 2020. The final budget was adopted at the City Council Public Hearing on October 19, 2020.

5. Summary of public comments

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

The 30 day public comment period ran June 17 2021 through July 17 2021. No public comments were received.

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 (2021) of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan:

- Continued low multifamily rental vacancy rates in North Aurora. 3.1% vacancy rates in the 3rd quarter of 2018, with average rents being \$1,454.35. Central Northwest Aurora had the highest vacancy rates at 13.2% with average rents at \$1,236.49. Others areas of Aurora show vacancy rates range from 2.8% to 6.1% with average rents ranging \$1,323.33 to \$1,455.78. Data pulled from the State of Colorado’s Department of Local Affairs, “Apartment Vacancy and Rent 3rd Quarter 2018 Report”.
- In the 2020 Point in Time (PIT), the number of persons experiencing homelessness was 427 persons counted as compared to 389 persons counted in 2019. The Point in Time survey was not performed in 2021 due to COVID restrictions.
- Gap of 11,899 of rental units affordable to 0-30% AMI; (2008-12 American Community Survey data [ACS] - from 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan).
- Cumulative gap of 8,009 units affordable to 0-50% AMI; (2008-12 ACS).
- 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; (2008-12 ACS).

- Another 7,565 renter households at 30-50% AMI were severely cost burdened or cost burdened (2008-12 ACS). In 2014, across the Front Range, 371,000 working Coloradoans paid more than 30% of their pre-tax income to rent and utility bills....released by a national renter's advocacy campaign; 27% increase from 2005 of workers considered to be rent-burdened. Of those more than 2/3 worked at least 35 hours per week.
- Overcrowding and substandard conditions experienced by renters in 0-30% AMI;
- Rising home values and sales prices, make it difficult for renters to move to homeownership; and while there has been some loosening of rental units availability, the rental units are still priced high. The City's programs will continue to expand in 2021 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.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	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 Housing and Community 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. 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 by representatives from public and private housing, health, and social service agencies:

- Ability Connection Colorado - Creative Options for Early Childhood Education
- Adams County Community Development
- Arapahoe County Community Resources
- Arapahoe County Human Services
- Arapahoe/Douglas Works!
- Asian Pacific Development Center
- *Aurora @ Home Collaborative
- Aurora Chamber of Commerce
- Aurora Housing Authority (AHA)
- Aurora Interfaith Community Services (AICS)
- Aurora Mental Health Center (AUMHC)
- Aurora Public Schools (APS)
- Aurora Warms the Night (AWtN)
- *Cherry Creek School District

- Colfax Community Network (CCN)
- Comitis Crisis Center/Mile High Behavioral Healthcare (Comitis)
- Community Housing Partners (CHP - legal name Aurora Housing Corporation)
- Stride (formerly MCPN)
- Gateway Domestic Violence Services (GDVS)
- Childrens Hospital
- Archway Housing & Services Inc.
- Brothers Redevelopment Inc. (BRI)
- Downtown Aurora Visual Arts (DAVA)
- University of Colorado Denver-Anschutz Medical Campus
- Restoration Christian Fellowship
- Family Promise of Greater Denver
- Salvation Army Corps
- Family Tree - GOALS Program
- Brothers Redevelopment Inc. (BRI)

All of the agencies listed above were consulted through an email notice from the Aurora Action Coalition for Community Services (AACCS) during the 30-day comment period. The group maintains an email distribution list of over 100 members.

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 City of Aurora participates in the

Aurora@Home Collaborative. The Collaborative is a ten-year plan to address homelessness. Many of the partners listed above participate with the group.

The Aurora@Home Program began in 2013 and continues to address the needs of all homeless and at-risk populations, with a tiered level of funding to continue to prioritize families with children while pursuing new initiatives to address all populations. Since 2004, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds will be used to address these needs.

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. In addition, the CoC oversees guidelines for the ESG program that Aurora is obligated to follow.

MDHI has developed a Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS) that is called OneHome. OneHome identifies agencies that have available housing program openings.

In 2020 the City hired its newest Homeless Services Manager, who coordinates efforts to address the needs of homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness on a full-time basis. The new manager works to develop relationships with other Regional Homeless Managers. During the COVID pandemic, the increase in funds to assist those who are homeless has been coordinated with the CoC and the State of Colorado. Effort has been made to discuss ways to prevent the duplication of expenditures of funds.

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 receives a direct allocation from HUD for funding for ESG. According to HUD regulations, Aurora must follow Federal Regulations in how the funds are distributed within the City. The overall guidance of the funds is monitored by the Coc - Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI). MDHI conducts periodic meetings with members of the CoC to develop guidelines for the CoC. All members of the CoC are obligated by federal guidelines to follow the final guidelines of the CoC. These guidelines include the uses of the OneHome (Coordinated Assessment System) for Rapid Rehousing

funds and Homelessness Prevention, the use of the MDHI HMIS data entry system, the use of the Sage reporting system, regional policies and procedures, and the use of shared forms. The CoC monitors each member to ensure that Performance Standards are met, likewise, HUD monitors for low-performing CoC's. Aurora is allowed to develop some minor guidance independent of the CoC.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Aurora Action Coalition of Community Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Health Agency Child Welfare Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Other government - County Other government - Local Regional organization Planning organization Business and Civic Leaders

What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Please see below for complete description of agency consultation process.

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. The COC monitors and works with Aurora in aligning Aurora's ESG goals with theirs.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The City of Aurora’s Housing and Community Services Department Community Development Division placed a 30-day Public Notice in an advertisement through the Aurora Sentinel on June 17, 2021. This information was also placed on the Community Development Division’s website for public review. Aurora also publicized the Annual Action Plan comment period via an email to The Aurora Action Coalition for Community Services (AACSS) for distribution to their members. Additionally, a separate ad was run on July 22, 2021 in the Aurora Sentinel for a Public Meeting held on July 29, 2021 at 6 pm. No comments were received for either the 30-day Public Notice, through the website, or during the Public Meeting.

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 Meeting	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	There were no attendees at the July 29, 2021 Public Meeting.	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	

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	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>Internet outreach included posting a notice for the public hearing and the 30 day comment period on the city website and distributing to agencies via an email list. No response received to date.</p>	<p>No comments were received.</p>	<p>No comments were received.</p>	<p>https://www.auroragov.org/residents/community_development</p>

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 Notices in the newspaper for one public hearing and 30 day comment period.	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Email	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Email distribution of English/Spanish Public Notice for the 30-day comment period to Aurora Action Coalition of Community Services (AACCS).	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,808,872	100,000	0	2,908,872	0	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	1,144,967	400,000	0	1,544,967	0	
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	250,674	0	0	250,674	0	

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 continually seeks other public and private resources to address the many needs of its residents. This section describes leveraged resources anticipated for 2021.

HOME Match - HUD requires a local cash match of the HOME allocation of 22.5% (total grant less admin). These funds are provided by the city General Fund. In 2021, \$257,618 is the required match. The resource is not included above in Table 5. The matching funds are used specifically for HOME eligible activities.

ESG Match - HUD requires a local cash match of the ESG grant (100%), currently at \$250,674 for 2021. Agencies funded in 2021 will be expected to provide the required match. In most circumstances, the agencies receive their match dollars from funding provided to them by other city general funds.

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 partner-owned properties that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan:

- 19th & Fitzsimons - APD vehicle storage, on Fitzsimons - City-owned - 0.75 ac
- Idalia & Mexico - Vacant, zoned PD for 54 townhomes - Owner in default to City - 5.0 ac

The Aurora Housing Authority does own parcels that will be redeveloped into publicly-assisted housing.

- 16th & Fulton - Vacant, near Crawford ES, zoned B-2 - 0.75 ac

The following property is owned by Community Housing Partners (formerly Aurora Housing Corporation): 17th & Hanover/Havana - Vacant, zoned R-4, 0.75 ac

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Support CDBG Activities	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Housing Community Development		EXPAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES ADDRESS AND MITIGATE HOMELESSNESS RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITATE URBAN RENEWAL SUPPORT PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS	CDBG: \$581,774	Other: 1 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
2	Support HOME Administration	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing		ADDRESS AND MITIGATE HOMELESSNESS RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL FACILITATE URBAN RENEWAL	HOME: \$154,496	Other: 1 Other
3	Promote Tenant and Homebuyer Knowledge and Awarene	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing		RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL	CDBG: \$260,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 200 Households Assisted Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 3 Households Assisted
4	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Ac	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL	CDBG: \$1,285,000	Rental units constructed: 50 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Revitalize and make Public and Commercial Improvem	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		EXPAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FACILITATE URBAN RENEWAL	CDBG: \$682,198	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 1 Business Businesses assisted: 1 Businesses Assisted
6	Prevent Homelessness	2020	2024	Homeless			HOME: \$200,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 10 Households Assisted
7	Create and Preserve Affordable Rental and Homeowne	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing		RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL	HOME: \$1,448,089	Rental units constructed: 50 Household Housing Unit

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Support CDBG Activities
	Goal Description	
2	Goal Name	Support HOME Administration
	Goal Description	

3	Goal Name	Promote Tenant and Homebuyer Knowledge and Awarene
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Ac
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Revitalize and make Public and Commercial Improvem
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Prevent Homelessness
	Goal Description	
7	Goal Name	Create and Preserve Affordable Rental and Homeowne
	Goal Description	

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Anticipated projects for PY2021 are summarized in the following tables.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	2021 CDBG Administration and Programs
2	2021 HOME Administration and Programs
3	2021 Housing Counseling - HOAP Administration
4	2021 Emergency Repair Program
5	2021 Minor Home Repair Program
6	2021 Home Repair Loan Program
7	2021 Commercial Renovation Program
8	2021 Rehabilitation Programs Administration
9	2021 Neighborhood Infrastructure Projects
10	2021 Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
11	2021 ESG Programs

Table 7 - Project Information

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

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is lack of resources. Aurora has many aging properties in which low income owners reside; many of these units require significant rehabilitation to be preserved as affordable homes. Much of the City’s naturally occurring affordable housing stock consists of condominiums and townhomes, some of which are challenging for seniors to navigate as they age. The City has also experienced a significant decline in affordable homes for purchase and rent as prices in the Denver metro area have increased and residents have moved out of more expensive cities into the suburbs. Unlike neighboring communities, Aurora has limited capacity and financial resources—both public and private (i.e., foundation support, exactions)—to dedicate to addressing

needs.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	2021 CDBG Administration and Programs
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Support CDBG Activities
	Needs Addressed	EXPAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES ADDRESS AND MITIGATE HOMELESSNESS RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	2021 HOME Administration and Programs
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Support HOME Administration
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
	Project Name	2021 Housing Counseling - HOAP Administration

3	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Promote Tenant and Homebuyer Knowledge and Awareness
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	2021 Emergency Repair Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Access
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
5	Project Name	2021 Minor Home Repair Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Access
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
6	Project Name	2021 Home Repair Loan Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Ac
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
7	Project Name	2021 Commercial Renovation Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Revitalize and make Public and Commercial Improvem
	Needs Addressed	FACILITATE URBAN RENEWAL
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
8	Project Name	2021 Rehabilitation Programs Administration
	Target Area	

	Goals Supported	Support CDBG Activities Revitalize and make Public and Commercial Improvem Preserve Existing Affordable Housing and Expand Ac
	Needs Addressed	RETAIN AND EXPAND AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITATE URBAN RENEWAL
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
9	Project Name	2021 Neighborhood Infrastructure Projects
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Revitalize and make Public and Commercial Improvem
	Needs Addressed	IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
10	Project Name	2021 Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Create and Preserve Affordable Rental and Homeowne
	Needs Addressed	EXPAND INVENTORY OF AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE RENTAL
	Funding	:

	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
11	Project Name	2021 ESG Programs
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Prevent Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	ADDRESS AND MITIGATE HOMELESSNESS
	Funding	:
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Rental assistance for Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention. Day shelter, street outreach and motel/hotel costs.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

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.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - 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 citywide. Even so, the area of greatest need continues to be Original Aurora. The City will continue to target resources in the Original Aurora neighborhoods. Five out of the City's six Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RCAPs) are in this area (see map in Appendices and attached to AP 05).

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The tables below provide the one year goals for affordable housing.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	2,500
Non-Homeless	210
Special-Needs	95
Total	2,805

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	200
The Production of New Units	100
Rehab of Existing Units	50
Acquisition of Existing Units	10
Total	360

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

Discussion

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of the City of Aurora (AHA) has 4 public housing units remaining and provides 1,512 housing choice vouchers.

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

The City of Aurora works closely with the public housing authority in Aurora. The Aurora Housing Authority has four remaining public housing units which are located within a fairly new LIHTC property called Village at Westerly Creek III. Aurora Housing Authority has no plans to create or transfer/convert these units at this time. Actual needs related to these units are few since the property is so new. Ongoing maintenance, property management and resident services will continue as normal now that the COVID pandemic has slowed.

Many multi-family projects developed by the Aurora Housing Authority receive financial support from the HOME program. The City anticipates assisting AHA with opportunities to acquire land and/or construct and rehabilitate new affordable rental projects in 2021.

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

The City of Aurora provides public housing residents with information regarding our Homeownership Counseling Program, Financial Fitness Classes and our Homeownership Assistance Program. Aurora Housing Authority has Resident Councils at all properties where the four public housing units are located. This property is known as Village at Westerly Creek III. All residents are encouraged to participate in the Resident Council monthly meetings and any special meetings. In addition, residents are encouraged to assume formal leadership roles on the Resident Council and informal leadership roles by helping to plan and execute activities. Both onsite property managers and community builders attend all Resident Council meetings to assure residents that their interests are promoted and concerns are addressed. All four public housing units at Aurora Housing Authority are located at a senior (62 years plus) property. As a result, most residents are at a stage of life where they are not interested in or able

to pursue homeownership.

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

Not applicable.

Discussion

See above.

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

Introduction

Addressing homelessness continues to be a top priority for the Aurora City Council. The City Council annually dedicates over \$2 million towards homeless needs via a 2% sales tax on marijuana sales in the city.

The City and its collaborative partners continue to be active with the Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI), the HUD designated Continuum of Care (CoC) for the region.

In addition to the city's HOME-TBRA and ESG funding of rental assistance programs, the City provides General Funds and Marijuana Tax Funds to help address homelessness in Aurora. Due to the pandemic, additional funds have awarded to the City to assist residents who are unable to work, pay rent or buy food. HUD has awarded COVID CARES funds and COVID funds to existent grants. In 2020, a Temporary Emergency Shelter was set-up in a vacant warehouse. The Temporary Shelter assisted in expanding the number of shelter beds by up to 100 beds. In May 2021, funds will be used to expand services and Shelter beds at the Aurora Day Resource Center. To address the growing population of encampments that grew during the pandemic, there will be a Safe Outdoor Site (SOS) set up at the Salvation Army Shelter in Aurora for tents and vehicles. ESG-CV funds will be used to help operate the SOS location. There will be port-a-potties, a shower trailer, pads for tents and spots for vehicles provided.

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 Aurora@Home collaborative agencies will continue to provide homelessness prevention assistance to families (which includes case management and housing navigation.) Additionally, as described previously, the Aurora Flex Fund program (formerly House Aurora Partnership - HAP) will provide funds to prevent evictions. The AFF program was started as a response to a crisis which occurred at a sub-standard motel. The lack of affordable rentals will continue to be a problem in 2021 and beyond.

The Second Chance Center (SCC) has completed their Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project, called Providence at the Heights Apartments, for disabled homeless persons and those transitioning out of prison. The PSH program fully participates in MDHI's OneHome coordinated entry system. At the Second Chance Center location, ESG-CV funding is used to provide additional services to

house people with barriers to mainstream housing.

With the current rental moratorium expected to expire at the end of July 2021, ESG funds can again be spent to respond to needs in the community. The ESG Annual funds and the ESG-CV funds will be spent in coordination with MDHI through a planned roll-out of funds due to the bottle-neck of assistance created by the rental moratoriums. The goal is to assist households who will need case management and additional resources to recover from the pandemic.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City and the collaborative partners will strategically plan for both short term and long term needs. Comititis will continue to receive ESG funding, Marijuana tax funds and General Funds from the City. The funding covers the 24/7 staffing at the shelter, utilities including personal hygiene, counseling, mental health and substance abuse.

The Mayor of the City of Aurora has brought forth a new program for 2021, which will use marijuana funds for an employment program with emphasis on housing for homeless veterans. This project will be a collaboration with the City, Adams County and Bayaud industries.

Gateway Domestic Violence Services continues to receive ESG funding for their shelter in Aurora. The agency provides emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence and counseling services and resources. The shelter will be completing rehab and renovation during the year 2021.

East Metro Detox and Recovery will receive ESG funding for their shelter. They will provide overnight stays for chronically homeless persons suffering from substance abuse. This program will provide Detox: shelter beds, nourishment, intensive case management services and vocational services.

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

City staff, which will include the Homeless Manager, will continue to plan a pipeline of Permanent Supportive Housing/Affordable Housing projects. Aurora Non-Profit Agencies that work with persons who are homeless will be active members. A Safe Outdoor Spaces Exhibit will be presented by The Restoration Christian Ministries and the City's Homeless Services Team. The purpose of the exhibit is to encourage conversations regarding a variety of housing solutions, particularly for those who are hesitant to be sheltered. As the number of encampments grows, there is the need for intervention towards transitional housing and services.

The City's Homeless Services Division is currently evaluating the practice of master-leasing apartments or houses to provide bridge housing for persons preparing for permanent housing. Bridge housing would serve the needs of the chronically homeless, medically fragile and others who are in temporary situations.

The "Bridge House – Ready to Work" program, developed in 2017, will continue to provide dormitory-style congregate living for single homeless men and single homeless women. Participants can stay for up to a year and they will receive paid on-the-job training, vocational skills and eventually transition to mainstream employment, and then to permanent housing.

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.

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Discussion

Please see above.

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

Introduction:

Aurora completed an Assessment of Fair Housing in 2018 and 2019, as part of a regional effort. That study examined a range of barriers to housing choice, including the negative effects of public policies on development of affordable housing.

The focus groups with stakeholders that were conducted as part of this Plan also helped to inform the barriers analysis.

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

The analysis conducted for the regional AI found that, for barriers overall, Aurora ranked the same as the Denver Metro region in the housing challenges as measured by responses to a housing survey.

The two areas where Aurora residents face the most barriers are in:

- Displacement caused by investors selling rental units. This was much higher than in the region and in any other jurisdiction; and
- Concerns about safety in affordable housing communities and surrounding neighborhoods.

In focus groups, private sector developers expressed challenges with moving development proposals through the zoning and permitting processes and noted that streamlining the development approval process could potentially lower the price of newly constructed starter homes. Private multifamily developers did not express an interest in incentives for providing affordable housing.

Nonprofit and affordable developers said the primary barrier to creating housing for very low income renters is lack of funding. One developer who serves persons with disabilities has eleven different funding sources for one medium-size development project. Because federal funding has been limited for years and is unlikely to increase, it is imperative that funding to support affordable housing be contributed from local, private, and foundation sources to support the renters that the private sector does not serve.

Specific action items that have been developed to address the fair housing barriers identified in the AI study include:

- Add affordable housing to the market. Prioritize housing that accommodates families (larger

units).

Action items: Implement policies that produce 100 affordable housing units from HOME funds on an annual basis. Collaborate with housing developers to ensure they have strong affirmative fair housing marketing plans and accommodate families and seniors.

- Continue to fund rehabilitation and accessibility improvements for low income homeowners to preserve existing affordable housing.

Action items: Continue to fund the City's Home Improvement Loan Program that helps low-income homeowners and property owners. Assist no less than 76 units annually with rehabilitation and improvements through the City program and/or minor home repair programs.

- Create a program to "buy down" the cost of Market Rate units created by the private market and which are not affordable to persons at or below 60 percent Area Median Incomes

Action items: In 2021, the HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance program will give low income residents access high economic opportunity environments. Assist approximately 8-10 households annually.

Discussion:

Please see above.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The city will also take other actions to fulfill its goal in this plan.

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 Original Aurora and across the city that have been described, the following activities carried out by the City and its various community partners address underserved needs:

Neighborhood Support Division code officers provide monthly training 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 Original Aurora. 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. Finally, officers conduct code enforcement presentations to NANO meetings, Del Mar Neighborhood meetings, and attended Del Mar Association Neighborhood Watch meetings.

Community Liaisons Division. Aurora is a majority-minority city. Over half of Colorado's refugees live in the North Aurora area. There are over 160 languages spoken in Aurora Public Schools. Aurora's Housing and Community Services community liaisons advocate 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 the following groups:

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

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.

The City has allocated \$1.1 million in general fund budget for affordable housing. More than \$600,000 has been committed to Elevation Land Trust to acquire 8 homes in Aurora and make them permanently affordable through the use of land lease transactions. Other efforts will continue to address the affordable housing issue plaguing the City and all of metro Denver.

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 Home Repair Loan 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 the Home Repair Loan Program, Minor Home Repair Program, and the Emergency Repair Program, 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

The City of Aurora anticipates continuing its current programs to assist in reducing the number of poverty level families. Those currently consist of a set of programs that "proactively" provide 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 Tenant-Based Rental Assistance program. Other initiatives are described throughout the Action Plan.

The City also works with many local agencies that work to reduce the number of people living in poverty through the Aurora@Home program. In addition to the programs described above, the City also administers a set of programs to assist 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

At the time this plan was produced, the Community Development (CD) Division of Aurora’s Housing and Community Services Department, the designated Lead Agency responsible for administering programs covered by this new Five-year Plan and associated Action Plans, was in transition with staffing. During the current program year, the department will hire a new director and program staff. These staff will coordinate closely with nonprofit, housing, and supportive service partners to evaluate and overcome gaps in institutional structure and enhance coordination.

During the development of this Consolidated Plan, a focus group with partners identified the following challenges with institutional structure and delivery of services:

- Inadequate safety net for people who are on the edge of poverty and homelessness;
- Lack of resources to address the significant needs of very low income residents;
- Limited participation and interest by the private sector (largely landlords) in addressing needs;
- Overburden that service providers face in “addressing problems that are created by others.”

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 related to rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention. The Governing Board has completed a revised strategic plan in 2016 for future actions and now includes all homeless and at-risk populations.

As previously described, the City's Homelessness Programs Director will coordinate initiatives to address homelessness and those at-risk of homelessness utilizing over \$2 million in annual marijuana sales tax funding.

Discussion:

See above.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

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	100,000
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	100,000

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.	85.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

The City 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:

The City of Aurora uses HOME funds to provide down payment and closing cost assistance to first-time, income qualified homebuyers. No funds from the 2021 program year will be allocated to the activity however, funds from previous program years may be used to assist homebuyers. The following describes the guidelines:

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.

See Attachments:

1. HOAP webpage information
1. Procedure L for HOME Recapture Provisions for HOAP Loans.

Resale restrictions in keeping with § 92.254 of the HOME rule are imposed upon newly constructed for-sale housing. No single family new construction is planned for 2021.

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. An example on Fair Return is described below:

Original Purchase:	\$100,000
Eligible Improvements:	\$10,000
Appreciation of Property:	\$10,000
New Sale Value:	\$120,000
Less 1st Mortgage Pay-off	(90,000)
Less 2nd Mortgage Pay-off	(10,000)
Balance Net Proceeds =	\$20,000
Less Eligible Improvements:	(10,000)
Remaining Net Proceeds:	\$10,000
50 % to Seller:	(5,000)
50% to the City:	(5,000)
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 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 (and follows all current updates to the rules). In accordance with HEARTH, the City has written the attached Policies and Procedures for the Aurora@Home "Rapid Rehousing" (RRH) and "Homelessness Prevention" (HP) 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 (CoC) that has established a Coordinated Assessment and Housing Placement System (CAHPS) and has named this system "OneHome". The system has begun by utilizing the VI-SPDAT tool for chronically homeless individuals and veterans. (VI-SPDAT is gradually being modified for other homeless populations, such as youths and families with children.) The CoC has also begun community meetings to define ESG RRH written standards to be used for the "OneHome" (CAHPS) system. Once completed, referrals can be streamlined for access to ESG subrecipient programs. Starting in 2018 RRH programs funded with ESG funds began using the OneHome system.

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 City of Aurora uses Model 1 for selecting subrecipients: annually, the City accepts formal applications from previously funded subrecipients. Every two-three years a formal Request for Application (RFA) process takes place. The formal process involves advertising in the community for new applicants and posting the application on the City's website. Applicants must be able to show capacity to perform ESG activities, have experience in the community and be willing to collaborate with the City's Homeless Plan, "Aurora@Home".

In 2020 the City of Aurora began adapting a process of selecting subrecipients every two years. The

City's annual ESG grant for the year 2021 and 2021 HOME TBRA funds will be included in the 2021 application process along with the City's contribution of marijuana sales tax funds.

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 jurisdiction reaches out, consults and attends various Homeless Community Meetings with homeless or formerly homeless individuals which currently take place at the City's Shelter and various non-profits which directly serve the homeless. The City also encourages all ESG subrecipients to have homeless participation on their boards, further ensuring homeless input into the subrecipient level.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The City has preliminarily adopted HUD's 2014 Objectives for evaluating ESG performance standards. 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.

The Regional ESG members of MDHI are currently developing objectives and performance standards for the CoC. Meetings are underway to discuss written standards to evaluate performance through HMIS.

The Aurora@Home Program uses the four standards above as a guide for program outcomes. The

program continues to serve families with children through rapid rehousing (RRH) and homelessness prevention (HP) for at-risk families.

All these families share one common barrier to remaining stably housed and that is lack of a supportable 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 accompanies the navigator on home visits.

Please see above.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

Public Comment

There were no public comments on Aurora, Colorado's 2021 Annual Action Plan received during the 30-day public comment period.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

OMB Number: 4010-0004
Expiration Date: 12/31/2022

CDBG

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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* f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:					
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Middle Name: <input type="text"/>					
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Hilton"/>					
Suffix: <input type="text" value="Jr."/>					
Title: <input type="text" value="Manager, Community Development Division"/>					
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14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment </div>	
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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant: * b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: * b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="2,896,872.00"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12972 Process?

a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12972 Process for review on

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12972 but has not been selected by the State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12972.

* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications" and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances" and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, Section 1001)

** I AGREE

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
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* 3. Date Received: <input type="text" value="07/14/2021"/>	4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text" value="89-600056"/>	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>	5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text" value="M-21-00-01-0201"/>	
State Use Only:		
6. Data Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* 8. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="City of Aurora"/>		
* 8. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="E4-6200564"/>	* 8. Organizational OIGES: <input type="text" value="6234055090800"/>	
d. Address:		
* Street: <input type="text" value="15151 E. Alameda Pkwy"/>	Street2: <input type="text"/>	
* City: <input type="text" value="Aurora"/>	County/Parish: <input type="text"/>	
* State: <input type="text" value="CO; Colorado"/>	Province: <input type="text"/>	
* Country: <input type="text" value="093; UNITED STATES"/>	* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text" value="80012-1555"/>	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text" value="Housing and Community Services"/>	Division Name: <input type="text" value="Community Development Division"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Rocney"/>	
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Hilton"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text" value="Jr."/>	Title: <input type="text" value="Manager, Community Development Division"/>	
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text" value="Local Government"/>		
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="303-733-7924"/>	Fax Number: <input type="text" value="303-739-7191"/>	
* Email: <input type="text" value="rochilton@aurora.gov"/>		

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Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/>	
* Other (specify): <input type="text"/>	
* 10. Name of Federal Agency: <input type="text" value="U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)"/>	
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: <input type="text" value="14.539"/>	
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* Title: <input type="text" value="N/A"/>	
13. Competition Identification Number: <input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text"/>	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment </div>	
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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant: * b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

17. Proposed Projects:

* a. Start Date: * b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="1,144,967.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="400,000.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="1,544,967.00"/>

* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?

a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

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Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation, and attach

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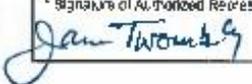
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* Zip/Postal Code: 80012-1535		
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Housing and Community Services		Division Name: Community Development Division
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Mr.		* First Name: Rodney
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>		
* Last Name: Milton		
Suffix: Jr.		
Title: Manager, Community Development Division		
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202: Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)			
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* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="250,674.00"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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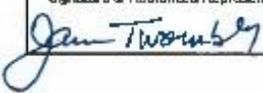
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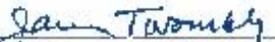
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2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4726-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 18 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
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10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1886), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-266), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-618), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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[Redacted Signature]	City Manager - City of Aurora
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	 DATE SUBMITTED 7-27-21
City of Aurora	[Redacted]

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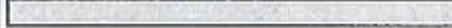
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3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4726-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 800, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4601 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1944 (42 U.S.C. §§290a-3 and 290a-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-548) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1601-1606 and 7324-7326) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 175(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1956, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§4693-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED 7-27-21
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CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

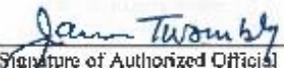
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this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

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

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

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

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (11 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.


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

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

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

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed 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 CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2020, 2021, 2022 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

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

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

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

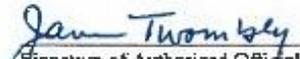
Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

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

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

Compliance with Laws – It will comply with applicable laws.



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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.



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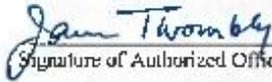
Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

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

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

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


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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient 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 recipient 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 recipient 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 recipient 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 as the recipient 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 recipient 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 these individuals.

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

Confidentiality – The recipient 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 recipient 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 recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient 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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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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