



HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

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Introduction

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

For Program Year 2012-2022, the city is proposing to make substantial amendments to our submitted Annual Plan. The purpose for the substantial amendment is to include \$1,865,394 HOME-ARP grant funding allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The purpose of the allocation is to serve households who are at greatest risk of housing instability, including individuals and families experiencing homelessness and/or who are at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Meeting this requirement, our HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is the substantial amendment to the adopted Action Plan FY 2021-2022.

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

- Provision of Supportive Services
- Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters:
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing

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

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Other populations where services would homelessness or risk of housing instability

Definitions

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

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

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

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

Consultation

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

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

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

Before developing the plan, Beaumont engaged in consultation with the required agencies. Staff made every effort to include all relevant stakeholders and consulted with the CoC(s) serving the city's geographic area. These included homeless and domestic violence service providers, Veterans' groups, our public housing agency (PHA), agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations and public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities. Thirty-one agencies were invited to the initial public meeting.

Staff also surveyed the participating agencies at the public meeting. The City of Beaumont received seven written survey responses.

Staff held our first public meeting on 12/12/22 at 801 Main St., City Hall Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. A total of 20 people signed in, representing 11 different agencies. The agencies that were in attendance were as follows: Catholic Charities of SE Texas, Salvation Army, Family Services of SE Texas, Spindletop MHMR, Lone Star Legal Aid, The HOW Center, Senior Y House, Revive Recovery, Harvest for Lost Souls, Legacy Community Development Corp., and Some Other Place / Henry's Place. A journalist from the local newspaper, The Beaumont Enterprise, was also in attendance. A front-page article, detailing the specifics of the meeting, was printed on December 14, 2022.

The agenda included an overview of the requirements, eligible activities and qualifying populations. The CPD Notice 21-10, dated September 13, 2021 was referenced. The 2022 Point in Time (PIT) Count was discussed. Administration/Planning costs, Rental Housing, Tenant Based Rental Assistance, Supportive Services, and Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters were reviewed.

Staff encouraged robust feedback from all stakeholders present. Project ideas and comments were returned to the City by January 15, 2023. In the days following the meeting, efforts were made to reach out to non-profits that were not in attendance to seek additional input. Below is a complete table of participating agencies and their feedback.

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Catholic Charities of SE Texas	Services - homeless	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Commented on the services they perform including case management for homeless people.
Salvation Army	Services - homeless	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	They serve and provide housing for homeless people. They are the only true homeless shelter in the area. They provide both congregate and non-congregate housing.
Family Services of SE Texas	Services – Victims of domestic violence	Phone calls – Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Commented on the need for a new shelter for victims of domestic violence. Their current shelter has experienced severe flooding at least three times over the past 10 years.
Spindletop MHMR	Services and housing – Mental health and substance abuse.	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Provided information regarding the need for services for homeless persons with mental illness and/or substance abuse issues.
Lone Star Legal Aid	Services – Fair housing – eviction / mortgage foreclosure prevention	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Remarked on their success in addressing homelessness through eviction and mortgage foreclosure prevention. Provides legal counsel regarding landlord / tenant issues for low/moderate income persons.
The HOW Center	Services and housing – males recovering from substance/alcohol abuse or recently	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Provided information regarding the unmet need for such a facility for women.

	released from prison		
Senior Y House	Housing – Seniors at high risk of experiencing homelessness	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Provided information related to the number of senior citizens with housing insecurity issues and the need for additional permanent housing solutions in the area. They currently operate a facility that provides very affordable units for this population.
Revive Recovery	Services - persons recovering from substance/alcohol addiction.	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Currently not open. Seeking general information on available grants.
Harvest for Lost Souls	Services – Victims of sex/human trafficking	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Provided information on victims of sex/human trafficking in this area. Because of Beaumont's location along the IH-10 corridor, this is a significant concern. Addressed the need funds to assist these victims.
Legacy Community Development Corporation	Housing – low/moderate income households	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Discussed the need for transitional housing. Provided information regarding how they are prepared to provide transitional housing and services to those that are homeless and/or threatened with homelessness, up to the time that they are prepared for homeownership.
Some Other Place/Henry's Place	Service provider – homeless persons	Public meeting participant (12/12/22)	Provided an update on the number of homeless people they serve. Their services include providing hot lunches, laundry facilities, case management and toiletries. They are essentially a day center for the homeless population.

Habitat for Humanity	Housing – Develops housing for low/moderate income households	Letter - Funding proposal	Submitted preliminary proposal to develop four duplexes (eight units) of permanent supportive housing. They have a strong background in housing development for low/moderate income households.
Texas Homeless Network	Continuum of Care – Lead Agency	Virtual meetings	Provided in-depth technical training regarding the submittal of the HOME ARP. This technical training included how to best determine priorities and how to generate positive community participation during the process. They also provided directions on obtaining information regarding the PIT count, and how to incorporate it into the plan.
Southeast Texas Homeless Coalition	Regional Homeless Coalition	Virtual and in-person meetings	This lead agency for the Continuum of Care coordinated the PIT Count. They hold monthly meetings with stakeholders to discuss various issues and opportunities for the region to address issues concerning homelessness.
Mayor's Homeless Coalition	Local Homeless Coalition	In person meetings	This coalition is specific to Beaumont. It is endorsed by the Mayor and Council. It is spearheaded by a Councilmember. They provided information on specific issues related to Beaumont, as the City strives to address its Homeless citizens in the most effective and inclusive way possible. It

			often includes perspectives from the smaller, lesser-known providers of homeless services and housing.
City of Port Arthur, Texas	HOME ARP Recipient	In person meeting	As a city that has successfully had an approved HOME ARP allocation plan, they provided significant technical assistance from the perspective of a local government. They are located in very close proximity to Beaumont. Port Arthur is also located in Jefferson County. Our cities share challenges regarding homelessness and those at risk of homelessness.
Beaumont Housing Authority	Local Public Housing Agency	Phone Consultation	The Beaumont Housing Authority does not have units specifically set aside for homeless persons or qualifying populations. They currently have a wait list of 2,000 for the Housing Choice Voucher Program and 5,000 for their Public Housing Program.
Veteran's Administration – Beaumont Office	Veteran's Services	Phone Consultation	The VASH program is available to local Veterans. However, one must travel approximately 100 miles to access housing services.
Veterans for Veterans	Veteran's Services	Virtual Consultation	Suggested that there was not adequate housing for homeless Veterans and referenced tiny home communities that have been successful in other cities.

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

Substantial feedback was received from our consultations. Participation during the public meeting was informative. Several organizations submitted surveys. The survey results show that the populations with the highest need for service were families and single adults, followed by Veterans and people with health conditions or impairments.

As a result of the consultations, we found that most of the responding agencies provided support and homeless prevention services. Very few offered permanent housing or fair housing services. There is an unmet need for both temporary housing and non-congregate emergency shelters.

Multiple agencies put forth project ideas to increase the number of beds available for qualifying populations. They included production of both transitional housing and non-congregate shelters. The consultations also reflected the need for increased tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) to support our qualifying populations. This feedback informed the city's selection of activities we plan to fund with our allocation and the distribution of those funds.

Public Participation

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

- **Public Notices:** *3/9/2023 and 3/16/23*
- **Public Comment Period:** *3/9/2023 – 3/30/2023*
- **Public Hearing:** *3/14/2023*

Describe the public participation process:

The city encouraged and provided opportunities for citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. Reasonable notice was facilitated via publication of public notices. The first of these was published in the Examiner on December 1, 2022, inviting the public, non-profits and any other interested agencies to attend a public meeting to review the HOME-ARP allocation. Staff held a work session and public meeting for agencies on December 12, 2022, in our City Hall Council Chambers. Individual invitations were mailed to 31 agencies identified as being instrumental in efforts to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability in Beaumont. We created and distributed a Needs Assessment Survey to collect input and comments. Eleven agencies were represented at the meeting. Seven agencies participated in the assessment surveys.

City staff explained the purpose of HOME ARP, the qualifying populations and eligible activities. Agencies were each asked to share their experiences and observations of clients' greatest needs and to describe the services they offered to assist the qualifying populations.

Per the 15 day minimum requirement, the public comment period for the HOME ARP Allocation Plan and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment began on March 9, 2023, and concluded on March 30, 2023. Two additional Public Notices were published in the local newspaper on March 9th and March 16th and included information regarding the proposed plan, amended 2021 Annual Action Plan Budget and public hearing. Notice was also posted on our website throughout the comment period. The plan draft was made available for review by the public during office hours, by appointment. Comments were encouraged to be submitted via email, phone, or orally during the public hearing, held on March 14, 2023.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

To expand public participation, City staff made efforts to solicit feedback from small, lesser-known, agencies. The city also shared the link to the public hearing on the website and social media to engage the public. Notice was also emailed to membership groups for neighborhood associations and non-profit development center membership. Staff attended neighborhood association meetings and presented information on the HOME ARP allocation. Members of the Community Development Advisory Committee were encouraged to attend the public meeting and/or complete the survey. Agencies or individuals invited to the workshop who did not attend received follow-up communication to encourage feedback. All comments received were considered when preparing our Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment.

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

The comments and recommendations received through the public participation process centered on the need for non-congregate shelters, TBRA and affordable housing. These comments and feedback informed our plan's direction. The survey findings revealed that supportive services are the predominant contribution made by agencies at present. Greatest unmet housing needs identified ranked from families, single adults, Veterans and those with a health condition or impairment according to the survey responses. Unaccompanied youth were the qualifying population with the least reported need.

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

City staff accepted all comments received from the public. There were no comments rejected. While some agencies consulted recommended production of affordable housing, the funding allocation for Beaumont is not sufficient to include all activities listed as eligible. We considered all recommendations and determined that the most efficient use of our funding when selecting activities for our plan.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

To analyze the unmet needs and gaps in housing and shelter inventory, the city referenced multiple data sets. We utilized the most current data, including the 2022 Point in Time Counts, Housing Inventory Counts, Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data, Census Data and demographic composition on each of the four qualifying populations to conduct our Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis. The tables below include relevant data considered. The largest gaps in service, based on the PIT count data, are among adults without children. The homeless populations of households without children at the time of the count exceeded the beds available by 24 beds and 114 units. These assessments were considered in identifying our priorities for the HOME-ARP plan.

Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	48	14	70	0	0								
Transitional Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Permanent Supportive Housing	0	0	20	0	20								
Other Permanent Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						12	17	1	36				
Unsheltered Homeless						0	97	10	#				
Current Gap										36	2	-24	-114

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

Gap Analysis Explanation:

of beds for family (48) less number of homeless households with at least 1 child (12) = gap of 36

of units for family (14) less number of homeless households with at least 1 child (12) = gap of 2

of beds for adults (90) less number of homeless households without children (114) = gap -24

of units for adults (0) less number of homeless households without children (114) = gap -114

Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	21,090		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	3,740		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	4,130		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		3,640	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		2,805	
<i>Current Gaps</i>			100

Data Sources: 1. American Community Survey (ACS); 2. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)
*2015-2019 CHAS

Gap Analysis Explanation:

of units affordable to HH at 30% AMI=3,740 less the # of families at risk of homelessness 3,640 = 100

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

The City of Beaumont's Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) boundaries for HOME-ARP funding are the geographical boundaries of the city. The qualifying populations within our boundaries are described below.

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The 2022 Balance of State CoC Point in Time (PIT) combined count for Beaumont included 162 persons that were experiencing homelessness, on that day, in this area. The count includes people that were staying in emergency shelters, residing in transitional housing, and those that were unsheltered. The PIT count reports that out of the 162 people who were experiencing homelessness, 21 were under 18. Five people were 18 to 24 years of age. There were 24 people who reported they were chronically homeless. These included five adult only Veteran households and two youth households. Eleven total Veterans were counted. 104 people counted identified as female. 87 people counted identified as male. Persons missing a gender identified totaled 42.

Race and ethnicity:

- 107 non-Hispanic or non-Latino
- 15 Hispanic or Latino
- 54 White
- 56 Black or African American.
- 2 Asian
- 4 multiple races

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

According to the Census Data, the poverty rates have increased 1.7% in Jefferson County from 2000 to 2018. In 2018 Jefferson County had 16,519 people living in poverty. In 2021, the 5-year estimate for total people living in poverty in the City of Beaumont totaled 23,524. That is 20.9% of our population. According to current CHAS data, 3,640 households have an income at or below 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. These households are considered at risk of becoming homeless.

According to the latest available CHAS data for Beaumont, TX, 9,115 households of renters have at least one of four severe housing problems. The severe housing problems include incomplete kitchen and plumbing facilities and more than one person per room, with a greater cost burden than 30%.

The CHAS data also reports a total of 21,090 rental units in Beaumont. Of these, only 3,740 are affordable to households at 30% AMI at risk of homelessness.

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

In 2021, Family Services of Southeast Texas served 1,231 clients. In 2022, they served 1,399 clients. They have 64 beds, not including cots and cribs offered at their women and children's shelter and transitional housing units. Their clients are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking. In 2021, there were 4,466 incidents reported in Jefferson County. The HIC for 2022 lists 36 people counted during the PIT at this shelter, which was a 56% utilization rate on that day.

Twenty-five people counted in the combined PIT Count reported to be survivors of domestic violence.

Beaumont also has within our boundaries two youth agencies that provide transitional housing for homeless children. The clients are referred to these facilities by Child Protective Services. The residents are considered homeless. Girl's Haven serves as a group residence for females ages 6-18. There are 20 beds, and they are at capacity. They were not included in the PIT count. They are considered sheltered.

Boy's Haven provides shelter to males ages 6-18. The facility has the capacity to house 32 male children and currently has five beds in use. They were not included in the PIT count.

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

Information collected during the PIT count identified that several persons reported chronic physical/mental health conditions, physical disabilities and/or developmental disabilities.

Those who have substance/alcohol abuse issues, either separately, or in addition to challenges mentioned above are also at great risk of housing instability.

Addiction and/or mental health issues are a major cause of housing instability that often leads to homelessness. Of those counted, 23 reported a serious mental illness. Substance abuse was reported by 19 of the individuals counted.

The PIT count identified 11 Veterans among the homeless. There is a local Veteran's Administration facility offering services. The local housing services division of the Veteran's Administration is in Lufkin, TX, approximately 125 miles away. Veterans who are experiencing homelessness lack transportation to access this office.

The PHA waiting lists for housing is approximately 5,000 families. This indicates extensive housing instability and unmeasured populations that are at risk of homelessness.

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

The Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data for Beaumont notes that The Salvation Army currently has two non-congregate units for households with children and congregate shelter space that can accommodate 54 persons.

Family Services of Southeast Texas operates a domestic violence shelter. It has 12 non-congregate units for households with children. They have a total of 44 beds for households with children and 20 beds for households without children. Although there were 25 people who reported that they were survivors of domestic violence during the PIT count, the Family Services Shelter had 36 in shelter on the day of the count.

Several agencies offer supportive services for homeless people and those at risk of becoming homeless. Services provided include the following:

1. Henry's Place /Some Other Place is a day shelter for homeless persons. They provide breakfast, lunch, laundry facilities, and facilities for showering and laundry. They typically apply and receive a portion of our CDBG allocation each year, to support the delivery and sustainability of these services.
2. Catholic Charities offers case management services and distribution of perishable and non-perishable food items
3. The Salvation Army provides shelter, hot meals, clothing and toiletries, primarily to homeless people.
4. Spindletop MHMR supports homeless persons by providing behavioral counseling to qualifying populations that are suffering with mental illness and / or substance abuse.

In addition to these agencies, there are numerous churches and organizations that offer meals, toiletries, and clothing to homeless people and those at risk of being homeless on a rotating schedule.

During, and following the COVID 19 pandemic, federal and state funding provided Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), primarily to those who were at risk of losing their rental units due to loss of income and potential eviction. Locally, this funding has

almost been depleted. One agency is administering the last of the TBRA for the County. This agency is Legacy CDC. The waitlist is opened for application quarterly. The City of Beaumont has zero funding left from the COVID TBRA allocation, as those resources were exhausted. The Southeast Texas Regional Planning Commission posted notice of open application for Texas Rent Relief on March 14, 2023. Applications submitted in the first twenty-four hours alone exceeded the total funding allocated and therefore, the portal for application submissions was closed early.

The Beaumont Housing Authority manages 926 affordable rental housing units. They also own 705 units of non-federally subsidized affordable units through the public/private mixed-financed portfolio. They serve over 3,000 families by providing them with affordable rental housing options. Lastly, they administer the Housing Choice Voucher Program. This program offers rental assistance to private landlords impacting more than 1,600 households. Their wait lists are very extensive, as mentioned in their feedback above.

Currently the HCV waiting list is closed and has around 2,000 applications. They plan to open the program for application this summer.

The Public Housing waiting list has approximately 5,000 applicants.

Spindletop MHMR has 14 units specifically for the 811 supportive housing program for people with disabilities. This permanent supportive housing program subsidizes rental housing with supportive services.

The Senior Y House provides 40 units of subsidized housing for Seniors ages 62 and older. These are efficiency style units. Their priority tenants are at risk of becoming homeless.

The HOW Center provides transitional housing. They house males who are recovering from alcohol and/or drug abuse. They have approximately 60 dormitory style beds.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The Salvation Army has one shelter that includes four (4) family rooms (non-congregate), and one congregate space that can accommodate fifty persons. This is the only shelter in Beaumont that does not require that the person be part of a specific population (ex-offender, domestic violence survivor, etc.).

The most recent PIT count for the city identified 162 people as being homeless. Twelve (12) households with at least one child were identified in the latest count. This demonstrates a need three times greater than shelter available.

This metric reveals a substantial gap in the ratio of shelter units available and the number needed. Because Beaumont is located on IH-10, there are consistently a number of transient people passing through the city. The Salvation Army is located on the I-10 corridor near the intersection of 11th Street. The annual traffic count for this intersection is 92,000 vehicles for 2021. These people contribute to the increased need for shelter and housing of homeless persons as defined in 24 CFR 91.5.

While there are numerous service providers that offer supportive services to homeless persons, many of them overlap and target short term needs such as food, clothing, and toiletries. There are limited resources to address long term recovery, including case management, job training, educational opportunities, and counseling services.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Populations at risk of homelessness are often faced with housing instability due to evictions. Jefferson County has three Justice of the Peace precincts specific to Beaumont. In 2023 alone, they are averaging 87 eviction hearings per week, per the Justices' reports.

According to the most recent CHAS data, 9,115 households of renters have at least one of four severe housing problems. Of these, 3,640 households have an income at or below 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. The severe housing problems include incomplete kitchen and plumbing facilities and more than one person per room, with a cost burden greater than 30%. The CHAS data also reports a total of 21,090 rental units in Beaumont. Of these, only 3,740 are affordable to households at 30% AMI (at risk of homelessness). The unmet need for affordable units is a gap of 100 units per the data provided from this lone source.

The total number of students in the Beaumont Independent School District that qualify as "homeless" under section 752(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a(2)), are 741 as of March 19, 2023. The breakdown is as follows:

Those who are staying with someone else, outside their own home total 639. Students living in shelters total 54. There are 42 students living in hotels. Six are unsheltered.

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

Family Services of Southeast Texas is a women and children's non-congregate shelter serving an average of forty-five people per week at their facility. They also offer transitional housing for families, with several units reserved for single women without children. The women and families residing at this shelter are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking.

In 2021, they served 1,213 clients. Last year, they served 1,399. The Texas Department of Public Safety reports that in 2021, there were 4,466 reports of family violence in Jefferson County. This facility, though located in the city limits of Beaumont, serves clients from anywhere. This is the only shelter specific to this qualifying population in our area within an 89 mile radius.

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

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and those at greatest risk of housing instability include those receiving financial assistance via federally subsidized rental housing.

The Beaumont Housing Authority has 926 units of affordable housing. The public housing waiting list has 5,000 families currently. The Home Choice Voucher program is currently closed and will open this summer with 2000 on the current waiting list.

There are 1,448 affordable units in Beaumont that are not managed by the Housing Authority. These are at capacity. This inventory gap in affordable housing units in the city of Beaumont is significant. We clearly have unmet needs in affordable housing, particularly for our cost burdened populations. According to the Census Data, the poverty rates have increased 1.7% in Jefferson County from 2000 to 2018. In 2018 16,519 people in Jefferson County were living in poverty.

The Regional Planning Commission is administering the Texas Rent Relief Program for our three-county region. They received applications for rent and utility assistance in excess of the funding within the first day of notice. The original timeframe to submit applications was March 14, 2023 through March 28, 2023. They announced that the portal would close due to volume on March 16, 2023.

Spindletop MHMR has fourteen (14) units specifically set aside for the 811 Supportive Housing Program for people with health conditions or impairments also at risk of

homelessness. The Point in Time Count listed 23 people with serious mental illness, but this does not account for all disabilities experienced by those who are homeless.

Locally, Veteran resources include the Veterans Administration and several regional non-profits that provide services. Beaumont does not have specific shelters or housing for Veterans. The nearest housing for Veterans is 125 miles away in Lufkin. Local Veterans experiencing homelessness during the point in time count were 11.

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

The City of Beaumont is experiencing tremendous gaps in shelter and housing inventory. The Beaumont Housing Authority has 926 units of affordable housing. The public housing waiting list includes 5,000 families currently. The Home Choice Voucher program is currently closed and will open this summer with 2000 applicants on the waiting list now. This number is more than double the number of existing units.

There are 1,448 affordable units in Beaumont that are not managed by the Housing Authority. These are also at capacity and most have a waiting list. We were unable to collect waiting list totals from each of these properties, but did hear from one developer of affordable senior housing that they currently have 700 people on a waiting list for an undeveloped and upcoming complex. This inventory gap in affordable housing units in the city of Beaumont is significant.

According to the Census Data, the poverty rates have increased 1.7% in Jefferson County from 2000 to 2018. In 2018, 16,519 people in Jefferson County were living in poverty. This number increased to 23,524 in 2021.

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data reflects 9,115 households of renters have at least one of four severe housing problems. Of these, 3,640 households have an income at or below 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. The severe housing problems include incomplete kitchen and plumbing facilities and more than one person per room, with a greater cost burden than 30%. The CHAS data also reports a total of 21,090 rental units in Beaumont. Of these, only 3,740 are

affordable to households at 30% AMI at risk of homelessness. The unmet need for affordable units is a gap of 100 units.

In terms of gaps identified in service delivery systems, we are unable to accommodate the need for rental and utility assistance services at this time.

Spindletop MHMR has 14 units specifically for the 811 Supportive Housing Program for persons with disabilities. The Point in Time Count listed 23 people with serious mental illness, but this does not account for all disabilities that people who are literally homeless or at risk of homelessness may be experiencing.

Veterans are assisted through the Veterans Administration. The local office provides supportive services to them. The nearest housing for Veterans is 125 miles away in Lufkin. Local Veterans experiencing homelessness during the point in time count were eleven (11). We have no specific resources locally to house Veterans and their families.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

Many gaps previously outlined in the sections above have been identified in inventory and services for qualifying populations. Existing shelters of all types are inadequate to support those experiencing literal homelessness. Construction and development of non-congregate shelter units are of highest priority to address this need. Housing instability is identified as the next largest unmet need of our qualifying populations. Tenant based rental assistance can address this priority, however, inventory of affordable housing is limited.

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

Our jurisdiction determined the level of need and gaps in our shelter and housing inventory by comparing the known inventory to the number of people counted at the correlating shelters during the Point in Time Counts. We also considered the other populations included in the count and the known resources available to service those populations to identify deficiencies in availability.

Additionally, we compiled data on affordable public housing in Beaumont and compared those totals to the waitlists for those resources. The CHAS data on affordable units and income information was included in the optional table provided in the template as an additional resource separate and apart from the known public housing properties. This

data demonstrated gaps in the ratio of affordable units to the number of households suffering housing instability and defined as at risk of homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5.

The level of need and known gaps in service delivery systems were determined by assessing the number of families or people who have applied for TBRA that is available to the ETJ and those who have submitted applications for the Texas Rental Recovery regional program as recently as March 2023. The City of Beaumont currently has zero TBRA funding. All available funding is for housing that is outside our jurisdiction but does not exclude residents of Beaumont. There are 310 applications on the waitlist for TBRA and Housing Stability Services in Beaumont currently with the Legacy CDC agency. We also considered the complete lack of Veteran specific housing service agencies locally.

HOME-ARP Activities

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

Pending HUD approval of our HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the City of Beaumont will issue Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for interested and experienced providers of non-congregate shelters, and tenant based rental assistance services. Applications will be reviewed by staff and the Community Development Advisory Council. The committee will make recommendations for funding to City Council. The Council will consider subrecipient contracts for approval.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The PJ will not administer eligible activities directly. Administration of the proposed activities identified in our plan will be conducted by the awarded subrecipients.

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

We will not award any portion of our administrative funds to a subrecipient. The overall administration of our HOME-ARP grant will be conducted internally. The subrecipients

awarded percentages of our allocation activities will allocate a portion of that overall amount to their project budgets.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 0		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 1,572,124	84%	
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 200,000	11%	
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 0		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 93,270	5 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,865,394		

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

The City of Beaumont will distribute HOME-ARP funds in accordance with its priority needs identified in its Needs Assessment and gap analysis. The bulk of our allocation will be distributed to the acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter. We have distributed 84% or \$1,572,124 for this activity. The second priority of tenant based rental assistance received a distribution of 11% of the total allocation or \$200,000. The city has retained 5% of the allocation for administration and planning of HOME-ARP.

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

The characteristics of the inventory, services delivery system and needs identified in the gap analysis provided a clear path for our plan going forward to fund the eligible activities of acquisition and development non-congregate shelter and tenant based rental assistance. Beds and units in the existing shelters available to the qualifying populations are limited and do not meet the need. The quantity of cost burdened families in our city calls for rental assistance services.

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

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

The PJ does not plan to produce any affordable rental housing with our allocation.

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

The PJ will not produce any affordable housing units and therefore, does not have a production goal.

Identify whether the PJ intends to give preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project:

The City of Beaumont does not plan to give preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one more qualifying populations for any eligible activity.

If a preference was identified, explain how the use of a preference or method of prioritization will address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

The PJ has not chosen a preference.

Referral Methods

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

Our jurisdiction intends to have the subrecipients implement a waitlist that is informed by the existing coordinated entry in our area to determine the order of service for qualifying populations.

Enter narrative response here.

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

The PJ does not intend to limit eligibility or produce rental housing.

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

We do not intend to implement a limitation.

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

No limitation was identified.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

The PJ does not propose to rehab and units and refinancing will not be relevant to our plan.

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

This is not relevant to our plan. We are not refinancing and do not propose activities that would require this.

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

The PJ does not plan to produce affordable units. This is not relevant to our plan.

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

The PJ has no activities proposed that relate to refinancing.

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

We will not be conducting activities that use refinancing.

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

The PJ does not propose refinancing and therefore, has no requirements to note. This is not applicable.

HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

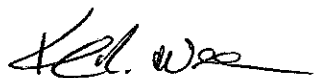
Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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

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

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



Signature of Authorized Official



Date

City Manager

Title

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

*** If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):**

*** Other (Specify):**

*** 3. Date Received:**

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:**

City of Beaumont

*** b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):**

74-6000278

*** c. UEI:**

JELUBU1G59Z9

d. Address:

*** Street1:**

801 Main Street

Street2:

*** City:**

Beaumont

County/Parish:

*** State:**

TX: Texas

Province:

*** Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:**

77704-3827

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Community Development

Division Name:

CDBG/Housing

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

*** First Name:**

Jes

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:**

Prince

Suffix:

Title:

CDBG/HOME Manager

Organizational Affiliation:

City of Beaumont

*** Telephone Number:**

409-980-7270

Fax Number:

*** Email:**

jes.prince@beaumonttexas.gov

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*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

*** Other (specify):**

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

Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME-ARP

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

*** Title:**

HOME-ARP

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

City of Beaumont Substantial Amendment HOME-ARP

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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* a. Applicant TX 2nd

* b. Program/Project TX 2nd

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 06/01/2023

* b. End Date: 06/01/2030

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	1,865,394.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	1,865,394.00

*** 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☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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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 18, Section 1001)

☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr.

* First Name: Kenneth

Middle Name: R.

* Last Name: Williams

Suffix:


* Title: City Manager

* Telephone Number: 409-880-3716

Fax Number:

* Email: kenneth.williams@beaumonttexas.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:



* Date Signed:

8-11-22

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1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION City of Beaumont	DATE SUBMITTED 3-21-23

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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.
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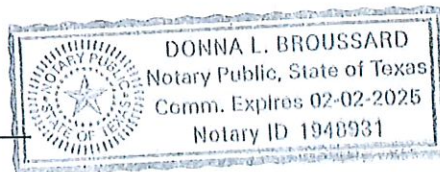
I, Don J. Dodd, being duly sworn on my oath that I am the Publisher/CEO of The Examiner Newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation in Jefferson, Orange, Hardin, Galveston (Bolivar Peninsula), Chambers, Jasper, Newton, and Tyler counties, Texas, and that the attached Legal Notice(s) was placed by **Tina Broussard, City Clerk, City of Beaumont, TX** in regard to **Public Notice of Consolidated Grant Program Amendment to the Original Budget** in the following issue(s):

Volume 27, Issue 52 – March 9th, 2023 – March 15th, 2023

Don J. Dodd
Publisher

*SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public for the State of Texas, on this **9th** day of **March 2023**, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.*

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Texas



Beaumont, Owner, Beaumont, Texas. Bids will be opened and publicly read in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The City reserves the right, after opening bids, to reject any or all bids or to make award to accept any bid or combination of bids deemed advantageous to it.

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<https://bit.ly/3KJSTQO>
+1 903-405-2009
Passcode: 860 728 7088

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Please make sure to reference to Bid Number: PW1223-05.

CITY OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS, OWNER
By: Tina Broussard
City Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of GERALDINE GUILLOREY (FORMALLY GERALDINE MARSHALL),

Deceased, were issued on November 3, 2022, in Cause No. P19384, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: JERRY LEE MARSHALL.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

JERRY LEE MARSHALL
13028 Hwy. 12
Orange, TX 77632

DATED the 22nd day of February, 2023.

CATT LAW
/s/ M. Catt
MICHAEL CATT
Attorney for Jerry Lee Marshall
State Bar No. 00796324
1705 16th Street
Orange, TX 77630
Telephone: (409) 883-2107
Facsimile: (409) 883-2108
deb@catlawfirm.com

THE STATE OF TEXAS

No. C-0242883
BRENDA YEBRA
VS.
JAVIER VENEQAS

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

317th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

To: JAVIER VENEQAS

by serving at:

AND TO ALL IT MAY CONCERN,
JAVIER VENEQAS
RESPONDENT

NOTICE: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after the date this citation was issued, a default judgment may be taken against you, the answer date being at or before 10 o'clock A.M. on Monday, April 3, 2023. Said answer may be filed by mailing same to: District Clerk's Office, 1001 Pearl St., 2nd Floor, Beaumont, TX 77701, or by bringing it to the office. The Petition of:

BRENDA YEBRA
was filed in the 317th Family District Court of Jefferson County, Texas on the 7th day of February 2023 against

JAVIER VENEQAS
RESPONDENT
numbered 242715 and entitled 'In the Interest of:

JAVIER SANTOS VENEQAS
CHILD

The suit requests

ORIGINAL PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF CHILD

The date of birth of the CHILD who is the subject of the suit is as follows.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and the seal of said court, at office, this 16th day of February 2023.

The court has the authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the 's interest will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the 's adoption.

JAMIE SMITH,
DISTRICT CLERK
JEFFERSON COUNTY,
TEXAS
BY *B. Garsee*, Deputy
B. Garsee, Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN MAJOR PITRE, JR., DECEASED

GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in the City of Beaumont, Jefferson County, Texas, at or before 10:00 A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the date of publication of this citation by filing a written answer to a petition filed in said Court on February 22, 2023, in Cause No. 129109, styled,

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN MAJOR PITRE, JR., DECEASED

A brief statement of the nature of the petition is as follows, to-wit:

TO DETERMINE THE HEIRS AND THEIR PERCENTAGE OWNERSHIP IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN MAJOR PITRE, JR., (DECEASED)

as is more fully shown by the petition on file in this cause.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. If this citation is not served within (90) days after day of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Beaumont, Texas, on February 23, 2023.

Roxanne Acosta-Hellberg,
County Clerk
Jefferson County, Texas

By *Suzette Johnson*, Deputy
(SUZETTE JOHNSON)

LEGAL NOTICE

Advertisement for Request for Proposals

March 7, 2023

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be accepted by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department for Request for Proposals (RFP 23-018/MR), FEMA Grant Management and Insurance Advisory Services for Jefferson County, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326.

Specifications for this project may be obtained from the Jefferson County website, <https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/>, or by calling 409-835-8593.

Proposals are to be sealed and addressed to the Purchasing Agent with the proposal number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. Proposals shall forward an original and five (5) hard copies of their proposal to the address shown below. Late proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposals will be publicly opened and only the firm name will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Engineering Conference Room (5th Floor, Historic Court House) 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701 at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing Proposers and maintains the confidentiality of the proposals during negotiations. Proposals will be open for public inspection after the award of the contract, except for trade secrets and confidential information. Proposers are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

PROPOSAL NAME: FEMA Grant Management and Insurance Advisory Services for Jefferson County, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326

PROPOSAL NUMBER: RFP 23-018/MR

DUE DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM CT, Wednesday, April 12, 2023

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Purchasing Department
1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor
Beaumont, Texas 77701

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to Misty Reeves, Assistant Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or misty.reeves@jcofcok.us. If no response in 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or deb.clark@jcofcok.us.

Jefferson County encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs), and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) to participate in the bidding process. Jefferson County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment, or the provisions of services. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact our office at least seven (7) days prior to the bid due date at 409-835-8593.

All interested firms are invited to submit a proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this bid.

Proposers are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire invitation, as failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being

declared as non-responsive.

Deborah Clark
Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent
Jefferson County, Texas

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code that **Swabi Enterprises LLC dba China Market** has filed for a **Wine - Only Package Store Permit** to be issued at **229 N. Broadway, China, Jefferson County, Texas.**

Managers: Wasem Abid, Managing Member
Abdur Rahim, Managing Member
Waqas Ahmad, Managing Member

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Joyce L. Wert - Manager
Gary L. Turner - Manager

NOTICE
CONSOLIDATED GRANT PROGRAM
AMENDMENT TO THE ORIGINAL BUDGET

TO: All interested agencies, groups or persons

Please be informed that on March 21, 2023, the Beaumont City Council will adopt the Amendment to the 2021 One Year Action Plan, which is part of the 2021 HUD consolidated Grant Program.

Copies of the Action Plan will be available for inspection at Beaumont City Hall, 801 Main Street, 2nd Floor Community Development Department. Days and times of availability are:

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Citizens will have 5 days from the date of this publication to review and comment on the plan from March 21, 2023, to March 25, 2023. On March 31, 2023, the Amendment to the Action Plan will be forwarded to HUD for approval.

2021 Amended Budget for One Year Action Plan

Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter \$1,572,124

Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$200,000

Community Development Block Grant Administration \$93,289

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The City of Beaumont Affirmatively Furthers Fair Housing and is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and may need auxiliary aids or services, are requested to contact Kaltrina Minick, prior to the meeting at (409) 880-3777.

People who need language translation services, who plan to attend this meeting, are requested to contact Marisa Arceneaux, prior to the meeting, at (409) 880-3717.

For more information, please contact the Grants Administration Division, City of Beaumont at (409) 880-3763.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Martin Edward Howard, Deceased, were issued on July 6, 2023, in Cause No. 127552, pending in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to: Joseph Ray Howard and Troy Martin Howard.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: R. Dean Brinkley
The Brinkley Law Firm, PC
2905 Toccoa Road

Beaumont, Texas 77703
DATED the 1st day of March 2023.

/s/ R. Dean Brinkley
R. Dean Brinkley
Attorney for Joseph Ray Howard and Troy Martin Howard
State Bar No.: 00793388
2905 Toccoa Road
Beaumont, Texas 77703
Telephone: (409) 835-5800
Facsimile: (409) 835-5880
E-mail: rbrinkley@tclaw.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of John M. Blackwell, Deceased, were issued on May 3, 2022, in Cause No. 127415, pending in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to: Gerald Phillip Blackwell and Richard Edson Blackwell.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: R. Dean Brinkley
The Brinkley Law Firm, PC
2905 Toccoa Road
Beaumont, Texas 77703

DATED the 3rd day of March 2023.

/s/ R. Dean Brinkley
R. Dean Brinkley
Attorney for Gerald Phillip Blackwell and Richard Edson Blackwell
State Bar No.: 00793388
2905 Toccoa Road
Beaumont, Texas 77703
Telephone: (409) 835-5800
Facsimile: (409) 835-5880
E-mail: rbrinkley@tclaw.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Linda D. Smith, Deceased, were issued on October 31, 2022, in Cause No. 128211, pending in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to: Weldon C. Smith.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Weldon C. Smith
c/o: Chadwick G. Robison
Attorney at Law
805 Henderson Ave.
Orange, TX 77630

DATED the 2nd day of March 2023.

/s/ Chadwick G. Robison
Chadwick G. Robison
Attorney for Weldon C. Smith
State Bar No.: 24065985
805 Henderson Ave.
Orange, TX 77630
Telephone: (409) 883-2423
Facsimile: (409) 886-5926
E-mail: chad@setexaslaw.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JAMES L. HURLEY, III AKA JAMES

HURLEY, III, Deceased, were issued on January 3, 2023, in Cause No. 127995, pending in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to: VELMA PATRICIA WEISE.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Velma Patricia Weise,
Independent Administrator of the Estate of James L. Hurley, III aka James Hurley, III
c/o ANITA F. PROVO,
Attorney at Law
1815 McFaddin
Beaumont, Texas 77701

DATED the 27th day of February 2023.

/s/ Anita F. Provo
ANITA F. PROVO
Attorney at Law
1815 McFaddin
Beaumont, Texas 77701
Telephone: (409) 835-0005
Facsimile: (409) 835-1370

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LETTER OF INTENT TO BID for

United States Army Corps of Engineers
PAV03 In Port Arthur, Texas



Webber, LLC intends to bid on the Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Coastal Storm Risk Management and Ecosystem Restoration, Port Arthur and Vicinity Hurricane Flood Protection Project, Jefferson County, Texas, PAV03A Floodwall and Levee Improvements. You can learn more at [Port Arthur Floodwall and Levee Improvements](https://portarthurfloodwall.com) and [Port Arthur Project](https://portarthurproject.com) (acls.com).

The project scope includes levee and floodwall improvements in Port Arthur, Texas including fronting protection three pump stations, earthen levee raise, concrete floodwall replacement, installation of sheet pile cut-off walls, stone riprap armoring protection, and associated road work.

USACE has affirmed their commitment to engaging Small and Local contractors and complying with their Small Business Proposal program by partnering with Small, Women, Veteran, Service Disabled Veteran and HUBZone Businesses for successful completion of this project. On an expansion project of this size, there will be opportunity for nearly every trade in the Heavy Civil and Marine industry.

Webber, LLC would like to begin corresponding with each of you that are interested in teaming and bidding possibilities on this project. Please complete and return the information sheet to Federabids@webber.com Under business certifications, please inform that you are certified for work with the federal government, particularly through HUB-



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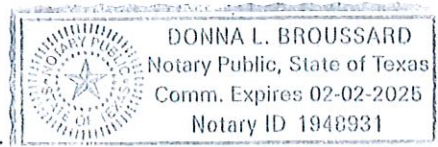
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Volume 28, Issue 1 – March 16th, 2023 – March 22nd, 2023

Don J. Dodd
Publisher

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NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Texas



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Joyce L Wert – Manager
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LEGAL NOTICE
Advertisement for Bids

March 9, 2023

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be accepted by the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department for (IFB 23-002/KJS) Term Contract for Herbicides for Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6. Bidders are invited to attend the sealed bid opening.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to the Chief Business Officer with the bid number and name marked on the outside of the envelope. Bidders shall forward an original and three

(3) copies of their bid to the address shown below. Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 does not accept bids submitted electronically. Late bids will be rejected as non-responsive. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Boardroom at the time and date below. Bidders are invited to attend the sealed bid opening.

BID NAME: Term Contract for Herbicides
BID NO: IFB 23-002/KJS

DUE DATE: 2:00 PM, March 23, 2023

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department 6550 Walden Rd, Beaumont, Texas 77707

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to Karen J. Stewart, Chief Business Officer, at 409-842-1818 or kstewart@dd6.org.

Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities and to take whatever action is in the best interest of the District.

All interested vendors are invited to submit a bid in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this bid.

RESPONDENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE ENTIRE INVITATION.



Karen J. Stewart, MBA, CTC/DCTCM
Chief Business Officer
Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE
Advertisement for Bids

March 9, 2023

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be accepted by Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 for (IFB 23-004/KJS) Ditch 117 Box Culverts and Concrete Mats. Specifications for this project may be obtained from the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 website <https://dd6.org/departments/purchasing/notices-for-bid/>.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 and marked "Sealed Bid" on the outside of the envelope. Bidders shall forward an original and two (2) copies of their bid to the address shown below. The District does not accept bids submitted electronically. Late bids will be rejected as non-responsive. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 main facilities at the time and date below. Bidders are invited to attend the sealed bid opening.

BID NAME: Ditch 117 Box Culverts and Concrete

Mats

BID NUMBER: IFB 23-004/KJS

DUE DATE/TIME: 2:00 PM, March 30, 2023

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 6550 Walden Rd, Beaumont, Texas 77707

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LEGAL NOTICE

Advertisement for Request for Proposals

March 14, 2023

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Proposals are to be sealed and addressed to the Purchasing Agent with the proposal number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. Proposals shall forward an original and three (3) hard copies of their proposal to the address shown below. Late proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposals will be publicly opened and only the firm name will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Engineering Conference Room (5th Floor, Historic Courthouse) 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701 at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing Proposers and maintains the confidentiality of the proposals during negotiations. Proposals will be open for public inspection after the award of the contract, except for trade secrets and confidential information. Proposers are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

PROPOSAL NAME: Re-Bid Automated Teller

Machines (ATM) Installation and Operation for Jefferson County

PROPOSAL NUMBER: RFP 23-023/MR

DUE DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM CT, Wednesday, April 12, 2023

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Purchasing Department 1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor Beaumont, Texas 77701

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to Misty Reeves, Assistant Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or mistyreeves@jeffco.us. If no response, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or deb.clark@jeffco.us.

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Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent
Jefferson County, Texas

NOTICE

CONSOLIDATED GRANT PROGRAM AMENDMENT TO THE COMMENT PERIOD FOR HOME ARP PLAN

TO: All interested agencies, groups or persons

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS
BID NO. PW0123-07

Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Beaumont, 801 Main Street, Room 125, Beaumont, Texas, until 2:00 p.m. (CST), **THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023**, for furnishing all plans, administration, superintendence, labor, services, materials, tools, equipment, supplies, transportation, utilities, and all other items and facilities necessary therefore, as provided in the Contract Documents for the construction of:

CITY OF BEAUMONT
FY23 CITYWIDE DITCHING PROGRAM PHASE 1B
BID NO. PW0123-07

together with all appurtenances thereto, being improvements for the City of Beaumont, Owner, Beaumont, Texas. Bids will be opened and publicly read in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The City reserves the right, after opening Bids, to reject any or all bids or to

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<https://beaumonttexas.gov/departments/purchasing/bid-information/>

Complete electronic sets of said Contract Documents may be downloaded from Civcastusa.com. Complete sets of said Contract Documents may be purchased at White Reprographics (409) 832-8451 or Triangle Blueprint (409) 835-6810 in Beaumont, Texas. No refund will be made of any charges for sets of Contract Documents. Complete sets of said Contract Documents may be viewed at the Public Works Counter, City Hall, 801 Main St., Suite 200, Beaumont, Texas and at the office(s) of Associated General Contractors, American Marketing Co., and F.W. Dodge.

Please make sure to reference to Bid Number: PW0123-07

CITY OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS, OWNER
By: Tina Broussard
City Clerk

NOTICE OF ADDENDUM
CITY OF BEAUMONT

PINE STREET 48-INCH RAW WATER LINE

BID NO. WU1023-01

Addendum 1 for the subject project will be posted on the City's website and CIVCAST

on Thursday, March 16, 2023. This project is funded in part by CDBG-DR Contract # 20-085-144-C843.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the City's website:

<https://beaumonttexas.gov/departments/purchasing/bid-information/>

Complete sets of said Contract Documents are on file at www.civcastusa.com. There is no cost to view the plans, and printing can be done through the website. Sets of hard copies of bidding Documents will not be sold. Complete sets of said Contract Documents may be reviewed at Water Utilities Office, 1350 Langham Road, Beaumont, Texas 77707 and at the office(s) of Associated General Contractors, American Marketing Co., and F.W. Dodge.

Please make sure to reference to Bid Number: WU1023-01

CITY OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS, OWNER
By: Tina Broussard, TRMIC
City Clerk

CITY OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS, OWNER
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEAUMONT ON:

OATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: City Council Chambers, City Hall, 801 Main Street

The meetings will also be broadcast on the City's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq6nK87XZuM61zbuwEg>

TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: Annex the south half of the right-of-way of Spindletop Avenue. Planning Division File: PZ2022-524.

FILED BY: City of Beaumont

ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: The south half of the right-of-way of Spindletop Avenue starting from the intersection of S. Martin St., Suite 200, Beaumont, Texas and at the office(s) of Associated General Contractors, American Marketing Co., and F.W. Dodge.

"Equal Housing Opportunity" THE MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

PLANNING COMMISSION
Chris Boone, Assistant City Manager, Community Services

NOTICE

CONSOLIDATED GRANT PROGRAM PRELIMINARY BUDGET

TO: All interested agencies, groups or persons

Please be informed that on

March 21, 2023, the Beaumont City Council will adopt the 2023 One Year Action Plan, which is part of the 2023 HUD consolidated Grant Program. Copies of the Action Plan will be available for inspection at Beaumont City Hall, 801 Main Street, 2nd Floor Community Development Department. Days and times of availability are:

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. by appointment only.

Citizens will have 30 days from the date of this publication to review and comment on the plan before the final Action Plan is forwarded to HUD for approval.

2023 Budget for One Year Action Plan

Clearance and Demolition \$300,000

Public Facilities and Improvement \$100,000

Special Projects to be determined \$220,400

Public Services \$200,000

Community Development Block Grant Administration \$263,118

Program Income \$ 2,000

Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Administration \$ 62,972

Community Housing Development Organization CHDO Operating \$26,466

CHDO Reserve \$79,458

Entitlement \$370,807

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JEFF W. BOYD, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary were issued in the Estate of JEFF W. BOYD, in Cause No. 128854, in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to JOSHUA BOYD.

The address of such Letters Testamentary is:

c/o Allen Parker
1720 Nederland Avenue
Nederland, Texas 77627

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them with in the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

JOSHUA BOYD,
Independent Executor of the Estate of JEFF W. BOYD, Deceased

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LOUIS HOWARD EDWARDS, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary were issued in the Estate of LOUIS HOWARD EDWARDS, on January 23, 2023, in Cause No. 128743, in the County Court of Jefferson County, Texas, to EDNA EDWARDS.

The address of such Letters Testamentary is:



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Amendment to the 2021 Consolidated Grant Program

When: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 1:30PM

Where: Council Chambers, 801 Main Street, Beaumont, TX 77701

Beaumont City Council will hear public comment on matters related to the Amendment to the 2021 One Year Action Plan, which is part of the 2021 HUD consolidated Grant Program. On **March 21, 2023**, the Beaumont City Council will vote on adoption of an Amendment to the 2021 One Year Action Plan.

Copies of the Action Plan will be available for inspection at Beaumont City Hall, 801 Main Street, 2nd Floor Community Development Department by appointment only from 8:00AM – 5:00PM.

Public comment will last from now until March 30, 2023, but we encourage making oral comments at the March 14, 2023 public hearing. You may submit comments online at www.beaumonttexas.gov/publiccomment.

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