



HOME ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

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Introduction

The City of Brownsville will receive 3,324,820 in HOME Investment Partnership Program American Rescue Plan (HOME ARP) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This supplemental funding was allocated by formula to existing Participating Jurisdictions through the HOME program to address the need for homelessness assistance and supportive services. The allocation authorized by the American Rescue Plan of 2021, must primarily benefit individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations at greatest risk of housing instability. HOME ARP allows a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) to establish reasonable preferences among the qualifying populations. During the development of this plan, the city has determined that preferences are not needed and will utilize funding to provide services to the defined qualified populations.

Through the consultation process, as well as the results from the needs assessment and gap analysis led the city's decision that it would be more impactful to more individuals who would be assisted if we used the allocated funds for supportive services and tenant rental assistance. The data collected during consultations, interviews, and survey data it was clear that the needs highlighted time and time again were supportive services and tenant rental assistance.

This plan includes 1) an outline of the completed consultation and public participation processes, 2) a needs assessment of qualifying populations and gaps in local housing and services systems, and 3) planned uses of HOME ARP funds and justification for using funds for social service programs.

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

- Provision of Supportive Services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance)
- Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters: Purchase and Development of Non Congregate Shelter (these structures can remain in use as a non-congregate shelter or can be converted to 1) emergency shelter under the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program; 2) permanent housing under the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program; or 3) affordable housing under the HOME Program)

NOTE

HOME ARP cannot be used for operating expenses for NCS

- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing (such as acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction of affordable housing)
- Non-Profit Operating (5% maximum allocation) (may not exceed the greater of 50 percent of the general operating expenses of the organization for that fiscal year)

- Non-Profit Capacity Building (5% maximum allocation) (may not exceed the greater of 50 percent of the general operating expenses of the organization for that fiscal year)
- Administration and Planning for the HOME ARP Program (15% maximum allocation)

As defined in CPD Notice 21-10 for HOME-ARP funds must be used primarily to benefit individuals or families from the following qualifying populations:

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at the risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability. HUD defines these populations as individuals and households who do not qualify under any of the other Qualifying Populations but meet one of the following criteria
 - Other families requiring services, housing assistance, or to prevent homelessness
 - Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations

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

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

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES: Services that help households maintain housing stability and quality of life. These may include but are not limited to 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, i.e., domestic violence service providers, i.e., veterans' groups, i.e.,
- public housing agencies (PHAs), i.e.,
- public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and i.e., A
- public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities. i.e.,

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

Template:

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

In order to satisfy all consultation requirements, set forth by HUD, the City of Brownsville conducted several meetings with area providers these included one on one consultations, public hearings with groups and organizations who identify as homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans groups, public housing agencies (PHAs), public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities. PJs are not required to consult with every PHA or CoC within the state's boundaries; however local PJs must consult with PHAs and CoCs servicing the jurisdiction.

The City of Brownsville consultation process included reviewing system level data as well as seeking input from community partners regarding their identification of needs and gaps. The Texas Homeless Network (THN CoC) is the Continuum of Care's lead agency. THN provided information from the 2022 Point In Time and Housing Inventory Count.

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Texas Homeless Network	Continuum of Care Lead Agency	Consultation via Teams	<p>Feedback from THN included ways other PJs are choosing activities & different strategies to gather data from stakeholders.</p> <p>Consider the needs identified in our most recent Consolidated plan that can be funded by HOME ARP</p> <p>Strategies to collaborate with housing & service providers that</p>

			would like to partner to provide services to QPs within the HOME ARP funded project
Tropical Texas Behavioral Health	Mental health service agency	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Housing resources are limited in our community. Programs often have limited funding & may include high barrier requirements. Some require criminal & background checks, credit checks, all of which adds to possible barriers that make it harder for some to qualify.
Valley Baptist Legacy Foundation	Health care agency	Consultation via Teams & Survey	Not enough shelter space, not enough transitional housing, no permanent supportive housing, unmet need around wrap around services, maintenance & upkeep of current housing
Harlingen Housing Authority	Public housing agency/Fair Housing	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Supervisor “If I had the funding you have, I would increase the number of housing vouchers to assist the QP.” There is increase demand for affordable housing.
Cameron County Housing Authority	Public housing agency/Fair Housing	via Teams & email survey	Have seen an increase in the waiting list for section 8 and increase in demand for rental assistance.
City of San Benito Housing Authority	Public housing agency/Fair Housing	Interview	More affordable units for bigger families, homeless population and veterans tend to not finish the application process for housing.
City of Harlingen - Community Development	Public Housing Agency/ Fair Housing	Interview	Affordable rental units and increase in supportive services
City of San Benito-Community Development	Public Housing/ Fair Housing	Interview	Increase in affordable housing stock market as the price of housing continues to increase over the past 3 years.
TDHCA Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs	Public Housing/Fair Housing	Interview	Depending on population, case by case need different resources available to meet housing needs.

Housing Authority City of Brownsville	Public housing agency/Fair Housing	Stakeholder Survey	Greatest need: Increase awareness of Fair Housing issues Barriers: Tenants who are unaware of their rights Gaps in service: n/a Feedback/Observation: Fair Housing education and outreach efforts were discussed during our consultation. More Fair Housing education is needed in our community.
The University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley	Public Education	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation
Bishop Enrique San Pedro Ozanam Center Inc	Shelter service provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan
Friendship of Women Inc	Domestic violence service providers & emergency shelter	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Happy to participate. Who can participate in HOME ARP City of Brownsville residents only?
Loaves & Fishes of the Rio Grande Valley	Shelter service provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation
Endeavors	Social service provider	Consultation via Teams & Email	Areas in need: Affordable housing options for high risk persons experiencing homelessness such as criminal background, registered sex offender status, and little to no income. Shelter options for persons experiencing homelessness. Currently there is only one shelter that is at capacity often. Homelessness prevention funding with 80% AMI for all vulnerable populations.
La Posada Providencia	Emergency shelter provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation
Good Neighbor Settlement	Emergency shelter provider	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Affordable housing, looking for apt in the summer the rent was

			\$500 in fall rents were \$800 for the same unit. Currently helping with housing benefits for 6 months. The max is up to one year. No mental health services currently, will be hiring a coordinator soon to assist with mental health referrals and job referrals. Currently, we refer individuals to Tropical Texas mobile crisis unit.
Refugee Services Texas	Emergency shelter provider/human trafficking organization	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	<p>Are participants required to have legal status? Barriers not enough housing & shelter, competition for the funds available by other nonprofit organizations.</p> <p>Gaining trust of individuals because of past trauma any shelter will not work. We offer mental health sessions available with in house counselors.</p>
United Way Southern Cameron County	Social Service Provider	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Director “I would partner with Ozanam to create a non-congregate shelter with existing shelter infrastructure.”
Community Action Corporation of South Texas	Social service provider	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Many individuals will benefit from ARP funds to have a better quality of life. Barriers: individuals not being able to qualify for assistance with weatherization funds due to their homes having structural issues/damage, roof leaks, foundation & electrical problems, animal infestation & mold.
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	Social service provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan
Catholic Diocese of Brownsville	Social service provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan

Westbrook Clinic	Health care service agency	Consultation via Teams	We work with those experiencing homelessness and unstable housing. Some of our clients do not have stable living and go from house to house, we also see a high need of assistance with rental and utilities due to increased cost of living and client's income not being enough to cover all expenses. We have also had situations of those relocating down to the RGV to escape domestic violence
Texas State Technical College	Public Education	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation
Communities in Schools of Cameron County	Public Education	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation
Brownsville School District	Public Education	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Transportation, supportive services such as resources to get id, drivers license, birth certificate, childcare or head start program
US Dept of Housing & Urban Development HUD & US Dept of Veterans Affairs Supported Housing VASH	Veteran Services	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Supportive services, transportation, long term case management, permanent housing support, prevention of eviction funds, utility disconnection & reconnection fees, utility deposit funds, & TBRA.
Cameron County Veterans Services	Veteran Services	Interview & Stakeholder Survey, Presentation	Supportive services, medical & dental funds, & TBRA
Texas Dept of Family & Protective Services	Disability	Consultation & Telephone call	Provided data sources and data sets
Texas Health & Human Services	Disability	Consultation & email	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan

Cameron County Community Development	Social service provider	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan
CASA Cameron & Willacy County	Civil Rights & Fair Housing	Consultation via Teams	Attended Stakeholder consultation & supports plan
Dept of Veteran Affairs	Veterans service	Consultation & Stakeholder Survey	Minimal access or resources that can provide rent and utility assistance. Lack of affordable single occupant housing. Actually, lack of affordable housing.
Cameron County Health Services	Veteran Services	Interview & Stakeholder Survey	Specific needs in our community are gap coverage for increased costs of living. Definitely not enough space, lack of services to assist with transition into these settings.

Summarize feedback received and results of interview style consultation with these entities:

During the community outreach efforts community stakeholders participated in a HOME ARP consultations. The City reached out to community organizations, including organizations serving the homeless, those at risk of being homeless, public housing authorities, and nonprofit agencies. The city developed a citizen survey and a stakeholders survey. Outreach events were organized to engage the community and share the citizen survey; the city collected an estimated 120 citizen surveys during 5 different outreach campaigns. The stakeholder survey was shared during an Endeavors monthly meeting; an estimated 30 local social services agencies participate in this monthly meeting. Additionally the stakeholder surveys were emailed to the local social service agencies and nonprofit agencies. During one to one interviews via Zoom and in person the stakeholder survey was offered to the individual organizations. The City made a great effort to engage many organizations to have a large data set to make decisions on the funding activities and the different activities that would be most appropriate, impactful, and beneficial to the greatest number of community members. The following is a few summaries of the feedback received from a few organizations who wished to participate in the HOME ARP consultation.

Feedback received from the surveys and data sources informed the City what were the best ways to allocate funds, the funding activities and the different activities that would be most appropriate, impactful, and beneficial to the greatest number of community members. The City made a great effort to engage many local social service providers to have a large data set to make the best decision funding activities that would be the most appropriate and beneficial to the greatest number of community members. The following are a few summaries of the

feedback received from some organizations who wished to participate in the HOME ARP consultation process.

Brownsville Independent School District was invited to participate in a HOME ARP consultation via Teams and the Adult Continuing Education Program at BISD agreed to the HOME ARP consultation on Friday, February 21, 2023. After presenting the HOME ARP information including qualifying population and eligible activities, the Director of the Adult Continuing Education Program at BISD informed city staff that his office was interested in collaborating with the city in order to receive the benefits of the HOME ARP funds to assist BISD students in the community. Mr. Rivera stated that students and parents are in need of supportive services, such as transportation, case management to assist with employment documentation such as ids, driver's licenses, birth certificates, childcare or head start programs.

Good Neighbor Settlement House was invited to participate in a HOME ARP consultation via Teams and the Executive Director of Good Neighbor Settlement House agreed to the HOME ARP consultation on Friday, January 20, 2023. After presenting the HOME ARP information including qualifying population and eligible activities, the Executive Director of Good Neighbor Settlement House let city staff know that her office was interested in collaborating with the city in order to receive the benefits of the HOME ARP funds to assist homeless and at risk of being homeless individuals in the community. The director stated that the individuals her organization assists are in dire need of tenant based rental assistance for up to two years and case management for supportive services, such as transportation, job training, adult education, and mental health funds for visits and medications.

The Cameron County Veteran Services office invited city staff as a guest speaker to their team meeting on Friday, February 17, 2023 at 9am. After presenting the HOME ARP information including qualifying population and eligible activities, the director of the Veterans Services office let the city staff know that his office was interested in collaborating with the city in order to receive the benefits of the HOME ARP funds to assist Veterans in the community. The director stated that Veterans need supportive services, medical & dental funds, and TBRA assistance in order to obtain stable long term permanent housing. The director reports on average per month his office received in 2022 incoming phone calls 300+, documents submitted 50+, walk-in/appointments 250.

The US Dept of Housing & Urban Development HUD & US Dept of Veterans Affairs Supported Housing VASH specialists met with the city in person to discuss HOME ARP HOME ARP information including qualifying population and eligible activities. Supported Housing VASH specialists let me know that their office was interested in collaborating with the city in order to receive the benefits of the HOME ARP funds to assist Veterans in the community. They stated that Veterans need Supportive services, transportation, long term case management, permanent housing support, prevention of eviction funds, utility disconnection & reconnection fees, utility deposit funds, & TBRA assistance in order to obtain stable long term permanent housing.

Brownsville Independent School District was invited to participate in a HOME ARP consultation via Zoom and the Director of the Youth Connection Program at BISD agreed to the HOME ARP consultation on Friday, February 21, 2023. After presenting the HOME ARP information including qualifying population and eligible activities, the Director of the Youth Connection Program at BISD let me know that her office was interested in collaborating with the city in order to receive the benefits of the HOME ARP funds to assist BISD students and parents in the community. The director stated that students and families are in need of supportive services, such as transportation, case management to assist parents with employment documentation such as IDs, driver's licenses, birth certificates, childcare or head start programs. In the 2021-2022 school year the director reports 1353 people served through the BISD Youth Connection Program.

Public Participation

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

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

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

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

Template:

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

- ***Date(s) of public notice:*** February 21, 2023
- ***Public comment period:*** start date – February 21, 2023
end date – March 8, 2023
- ***Date(s) of public hearing:*** February 28, 2023

Describe the public participation process:

The HOME ARP plan was developed utilizing extensive feedback from surveys, secondary data sources, and information from other city departments. The Plan establishes strategies to assist individuals and households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or are part of other vulnerable populations. The public comment period for the HOME ARP Allocation Plan began on February 21, 2023 and concluded on March 8, 2023. One Public Hearing was held. The Public Hearing took place on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:00 pm, at the City of Brownsville Public Library. The public comments were solicited at the public hearing and during the Public Comment period. The public could submit their comments on comment cards, sent in writing to the City of Brownsville offices, and through Survey Monkey Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HOMEARPPLAN>

Outreach events were organized to engage the community and share the citizen survey; the city collected an estimated 130 citizen surveys during 7 different outreach campaigns.

Feedback received from the surveys and data sources informed the City what were the best ways to allocate funds, the funding activities and the different activities that would be most appropriate, impactful, and beneficial to the greatest number of community members.

The City made a great effort to engage many local social service providers to have a large data set to make the best decision funding activities that would be the most appropriate and beneficial to the greatest number of community members. The following are a few summaries of the feedback received from some organizations who wished to participate in the HOME ARP consultation process.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

In addition to the Public Notice published in the Brownsville Herald newspaper, the public hearing notice was also posted on all social media platforms used by the City of Brownsville such as Facebook. The HOME ARP allocation plan was also posted on the City of Brownsville website along with the survey for citizens both in English and Spanish.

<https://www.brownsvilletx.gov/2323/HOME-ARP>

Invitations to attend the public hearing were sent via email to over 25 organizations in the Brownsville area inviting them and their members to the Public Hearing. These organizations were composed of local nonprofits, governmental agencies, local faith organizations, and any other organization that works with or assists people who are homeless, at risk of becoming homeless, or are a part of other vulnerable populations.

The City of Brownsville implemented the following actions:

- Included the list of priority needs identified through the consultation process, the proposed HOME-ARP budget and selected activities, and provided directions on how to access accommodation for the hearing impaired who wanted to participate in the public hearing in the public notice

- Included the option to submit comments verbally during the public hearing in writing or verbally
- Offered the ability to participate in the public hearing and to submit comments via email, in person, and by telephone
- Provided links for accessing the full draft plan online
- Included in the printed plan during the public hearing a summary of the overall planning process, needs identified by stakeholders, key data findings from the Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis
- Posted a printed a copy of the City of Brownsville HOME ARP Allocation Plan at the following locations as posted in the Public Comments in the Brownsville Herald on February 21, 2023:

Brownsville Public Library 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville Texas

Brownsville Public Library 4320 Southmost Road, Brownsville Texas

Southmost Community Network Center 2900 Southmost Road, Brownsville Texas

Westside Community Network Center 1763 US Highway 281, Brownsville Texas

Brownsville Housing Authority 24 Elm Street, Brownsville Texas

- Posted the HOME ARP information and survey link on the City of Brownsville Office of Strategic Initiatives Facebook page

Outreach events were organized to engage the community and share the citizen survey; the city collected an estimated 130 citizen surveys during 7 different outreach campaigns.

The following are community outreach events where the Office of Strategic Initiatives staff engaged with the community in order to capture data via the HOME ARP Citizen Survey:

October 6, 2022 10:45am

Food distribution event organized by Iglesia Bautista West Brownsville at 1150 East Adams Street Brownsville Texas 78520, an estimated 20 citizens filled out and submit the HOME ARP Survey

October 7, 2022 9am

Visited Good Neighbor Settlement House at 1254 East Tyler Street Brownsville Texas 78520, an estimated 20 citizens stopped at the OSI table to fill out and submit a HOME ARP Survey

October 12, 2022 9am

Food distribution event organized by Ozanam at 656 N Minnesota Avenue Brownsville Texas 78520, an estimated 20 citizens filled out and submit a HOME ARP Survey

October 13, 2022 5:30pm

CHOICE meeting at Faulk Middle School on 2000 Roosevelt Road Brownsville Texas 78521, an estimated 10 citizens filled out and submit a HOME ARP Survey

October 22, 2022 9am

Market Day at Southern Pacific Linear Park East 6th Street Brownsville Texas 78520, an estimated 10 citizens stopped at the OSI table to fill out and submit a HOME ARP Survey

October 28, 2022 10am

City of Brownsville Health Fair at Brownsville Events Center 1 Events Center Blvd Brownsville Texas 78526, an estimated 10 citizens stopped at the OSI table to fill out and submit a HOME ARP Survey

December 1, 2022 6pm

Market Square Tree Lighting Event at Washington Park 700 East Madison Brownsville Texas 78520, an estimated 25 citizens stopped at the OSI table to fill out a HOME ARP Survey

The City of Brownsville provided for and encouraged citizen participation in the development of the HOME ARP allocation plan. Before submission of the plan for Commissioners meeting, provided residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME ARP allocation plan no less than 15 calendar days. The City of Brownsville followed its adopted requirement for reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment for plan amendments in its current citizen participation plan. In addition the city held on February 28, 2023 a public hearing during the development of the HOME ARP allocation plan prior to submission. to HUD.

As part of the public participation process the City of Brownsville provided an option for non English speakers to get the information in a language they understand. Also a telephone number was provided for the speech and hearing impaired to receive the HOME ARP information. All required accommodations were available for anyone to receive when requested. The following was posted on the Public Notice:

The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. If language assistance is needed for Non-English speaking individuals please contact (956) 548-6167. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at (956) 548-6037. For telephone access for people with speech or hearing loss, please call 1-800-RELAY-TX. Please provide 2-3 days' notice so that proper accommodations can be provided. If you have any questions regarding this publication, please call the Office of Strategic Initiatives at (956) 548-6167

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

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make decisions on the funding activities and the different activities that would be most appropriate, impactful, and beneficial to the greatest number of community members.

The HOME ARP Public Hearing was held on February 28, 2023 at 6pm at the Brownsville Public Library on 2600 Central Boulevard Brownsville, Texas 78521. The City of Brownsville staff received two comment cards from the public who inquired about the HOME ARP Allocation Plan and reviewed the HOME ARP Allocation Plan printed for the public's convenience and review.

One individual filled out a comment card and stated "I like this plan."

A second individual filled out a comment card stating "Very glad these funds are available for our people in need." These comment cards were accepted and will be included as exhibits in the allocation plan.

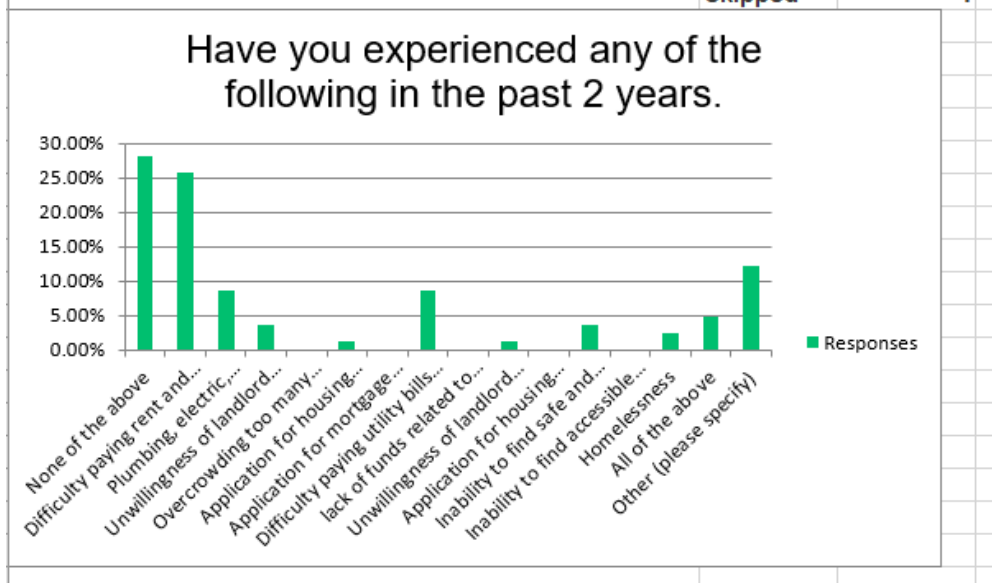
The City of Brownsville considered and accepted all comments, views or recommendations of residents received in writing or orally at the public hearing.

The following are graphs show citizen's responses when asked if they had experienced the following housing problems in the past 2 years: None of the above, Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage, plumbing, electric, appliance, or other items in your home do not work, Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home, Overcrowding too many people living in one home, Application for housing being denied, Application for mortgage loan being denied, Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits, lack of funds related to relocation (security deposits, transportation, moving costs, application fees, etc.), Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home, Inability to find safe and decent housing at affordable costs, Inability to find accessible housing that meets needs of your disability, if any, Homelessness, All of the above, or Other.

The responses in the English version showed that citizens answered None of the above at 28% , second highest answer was Difficulty paying rent and mortgage at 26%, the third highest answer was Other at 12%.

The responses in the Spanish version showed that citizens answered None of the above at 37% , second highest answer was Difficulty paying rent and mortgage at 30%, the third highest answer was Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits at 29%

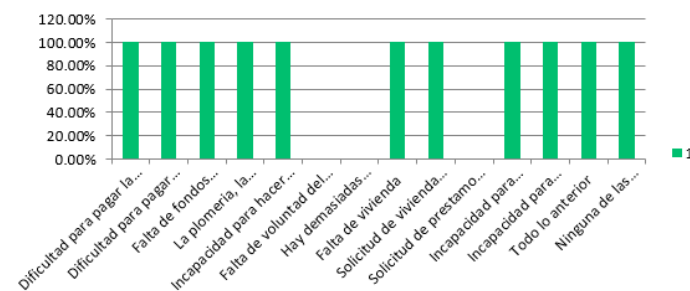
Have you experienced any of the following in the past 2 years.		
Answer Choices	Responses	
None of the above	28.05%	23
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage.	25.61%	22
Plumbing, electric, appliances, or other items in your home do not work	8.54%	7
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improve conditions	3.66%	3
Overcrowding too many people living in one home	0.00%	0
Application for housing being denied.	1.22%	1
Application for mortgage loan being denied	0.00%	0
Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits	8.54%	8
lack of funds related to relocation (security deposits, transportation costs)	0.00%	0
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improve conditions	1.22%	1
Application for housing being denied.	0.00%	0
Inability to find safe and decent housing at affordable costs	3.66%	3
Inability to find accessible housing that meets needs of your disability	0.00%	0
Homelessness	2.44%	2
All of the above	4.88%	4
Other (please specify)	12.20%	10
	Answered	83
	Skipped	4



Ha experimentado alguno de lo siguiente en los ultimos 2 anos?Seleccione todas las que correspondan.

	1	Total		
Dificultad para pagar la renta o la mensualidad de su casa	100.00%	13	13	
Dificultad para pagar servicios publicos o hacer depositos de ser...	100.00%	12	12	
Falta de fondos relacionados con la reubicacion(depositos de se...	100.00%	7	7	
La plomeria, la electricidad, los electrodomesticos u otros articu...	100.00%	4	4	
Incapacidad para hacer las reparaciones o mejoras necesarias e...	100.00%	2	2	
Falta de voluntad del arredador para hacer las reparaciones o m...	0.00%	0	0	
Hay demasiadas personas viviendo en una casa	0.00%	0	0	
Falta de vivienda	100.00%	2	2	
Solicitud de vivienda denegada	100.00%	1	1	
Solicitud de prestamo hipotecario denegada	0.00%	0	0	
Incapacidad para encontrar una vivienda segura y digna a costos	100.00%	2	2	
Incapacidad para encontrar una vivienda accesible que satisfaga	100.00%	1	1	
Todo lo anterior	100.00%	3	3	
Ninguna de las anteriores	100.00%	15	15	
Other (please specify)			1	
	Answered	41		
	Skipped	5		

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

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Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

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

During the HOME ARP consultation & meetings community stakeholders participated in the HOME ARP needs assessment survey. The City of Brownsville reached out to community organizations including organizations serving the homeless, those at risk of homelessness, public housing organizations, housing authority, and civil rights agencies. The survey was conducted online via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HOMEARPstakholder>. A total of 21 surveys were collected during the HOME ARP consultation process. The stakeholder summary from survey data will be added at the end as an appendix for easy access and review.

A brief summary of stakeholder surveys, shown below indicates the current needs in the community. Stakeholders have indicated that there is a need for every area from assistance to moving to assistance with utility deposits. To a different degree some services are more in demand than others such as food assistance, life skills training which include parenting courses and money management courses, and outreach services which include crisis counseling among other services listed below.

HOME ARP Stakeholder survey 2022		
Please identify your priorities related to decent, safe, and affordable housing for low income and vulnerable populations.		
	Very Important	
Assistance with moving costs	38.46%	5
Case Management services	76.92%	10
Childcare	53.85%	7
Education services such as instruction or training in consumer education, health education, substance abuse prevention, literacy, English as a Second Language, and General Development	61.54%	8
Employment Assistance and job training	76.92%	10
Supplemental food assistance	84.62%	11
Housing search and counseling services such as tenant counseling, assisting individuals and families to understand leases; securing utilities; and making moving arrangements	69.23%	9
Legal Services for advice and representation in matters that interfere with ability to obtain and retain housing	46.15%	6
Life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training	84.62%	11
Mental health services such as crisis interventions; counseling ; individual family, or group therapy sessions; assistance with understanding and / or accessing needed medication; and combinations of therapeutic approaches to address multiple problems	76.92%	10
Outpatient health services such as services to assist individuals in understanding their health needs; accessing appropriate medical treatment and medication; and providing preventative care	61.54%	8
Outreach services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and / or services provided within the geographic area	84.62%	11
Substance abuse treatment services such as participant intake and assessment, out patient treatment, group and individual counseling, and drug testing	61.54%	8
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Assistance with utility deposits	69.23%	9

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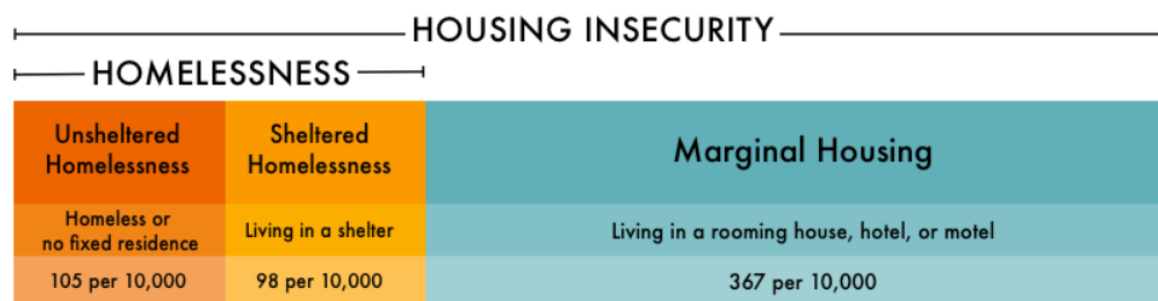


Figure 3. Housing insecurity includes people who are **homeless** as well as those living in **marginal housing**. 570 out of every 10,000 formerly incarcerated people fall into one of these categories, making housing insecurity nearly three times more common than homelessness alone.

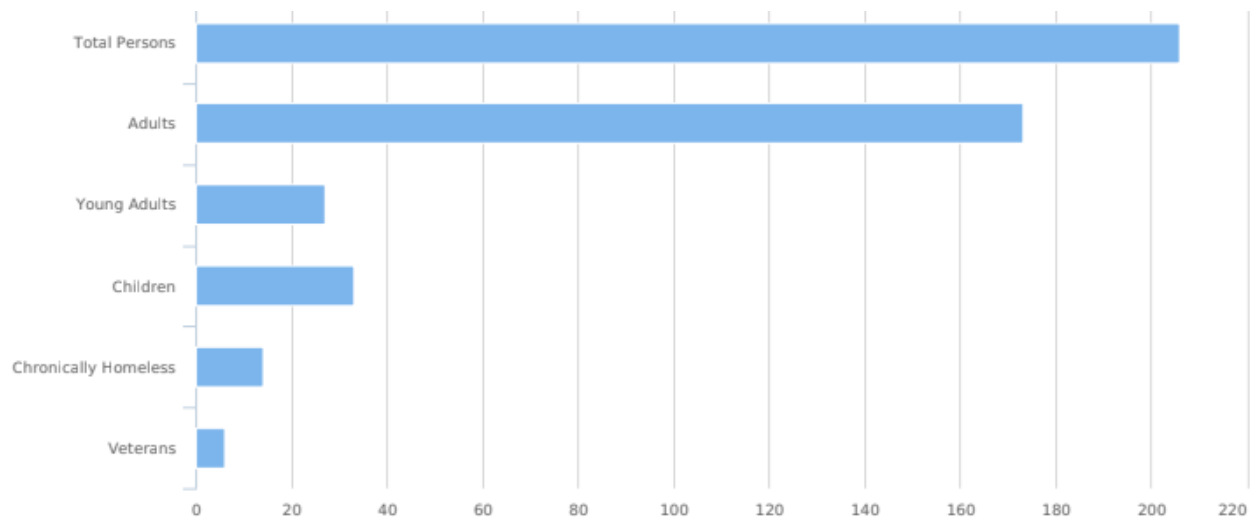
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QP1 Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

According to the 2022 Texas Homeless Network Point-in-Time count listed 206 people as homeless in Cameron County which include the cities of Brownsville, Harlingen, and San Benito. The count includes people that are staying in emergency shelters, residing in transitional housing, and those that are unsheltered. The PIT reports that out of the 206 people who are experiencing homelessness there are 33 individuals under 18 years old and 27 individuals ages 18 to 24. The data shows that there are 14 individuals chronically homeless and 6 individuals self identified as Veterans. The data shows that there are 33 individuals that identified as females, and 16 individuals identified as males. The data indicates that 38 people identified as Hispanic, and 1 person identified themselves as non Hispanic. Regarding race, most of the people from the PIT count indicated that they are White 45, African American 0, Asian 0, Multiple races 0, and American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous 0. Lastly the data shows that in the Adult category 18 individuals identified as experiencing serious mental illness, 14 individuals identified as experiencing substance use disorder, 3 individuals self identified as having HIV/AIDS, 25 individuals self identified as survivors of domestic violence.



QP2 At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The primary purpose of the CHAS data is to demonstrate the number of households in need of housing assistance. This is estimated by the number of households that have certain housing problems and have income low enough to qualify for HUD's programs (primarily 30, 50, and 80 percent of median income). It is also important to consider the prevalence of housing problems among different types of households, such as the elderly, disabled, minorities, and different household types. The CHAS data provide counts of the numbers of households that fit these HUD-specified characteristics in HUD-specified geographic areas.

In addition to estimating low-income housing needs, the CHAS data contribute to a more comprehensive market analysis by documenting issues like lead paint risks, "affordability

mismatch," and the interaction of affordability with variables like age of homes, number of bedrooms, and type of building.

The following graph shows CHAS data for the City of Brownsville. The most up to date information is from 2015 to 2019, no data for 2020 to 2022 is available at this time.

The graph below shows that there are 7,540 renters in the household income bracket of less than 30% HUD Adjusted Median Family Income or HAMFI versus 3,965 of homeowners. As mentioned above this indicates the number of renters are in more need of housing assistance.

The graph below shows that there are 4,460 renters in the household income bracket of 30% to 50% HAMFI versus 4,205 of homeowners. This indicates the number of renters and homeowners are about in the same need of housing assistance.

The graph below shows that there are 2,918 renters in the household income bracket of 50% to 80% HAMFI versus 5,800 of homeowners. This indicates the number of homeowners are in more need of housing assistance.

The graph shows there are 1,590 renters in the household income bracket of 80% to 100% HAMFI versus 3,125 of homeowners. This indicates again that the number of homeowners are in more need of housing assistance.

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") data

Summary Level: City

Created on: December 1, 2022

Data for: Brownsville city, Texas

Year Selected: 2015-2019 ACS

Income Distribution Overview	Owner	Renter	Total	
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Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	4,205	4,460	8,665	
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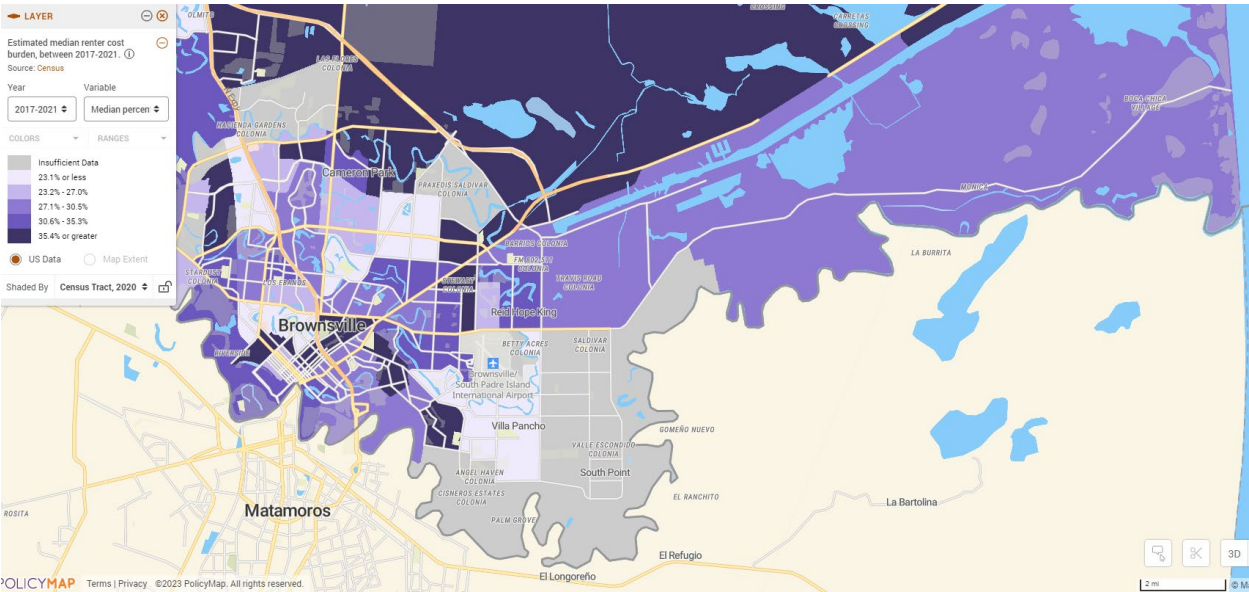


Source: Texas Balance of State Regional Command Center

Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)	
Serious Mental Illness	18
Substance Use Disorder	14
HIV/AIDS	3
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	25

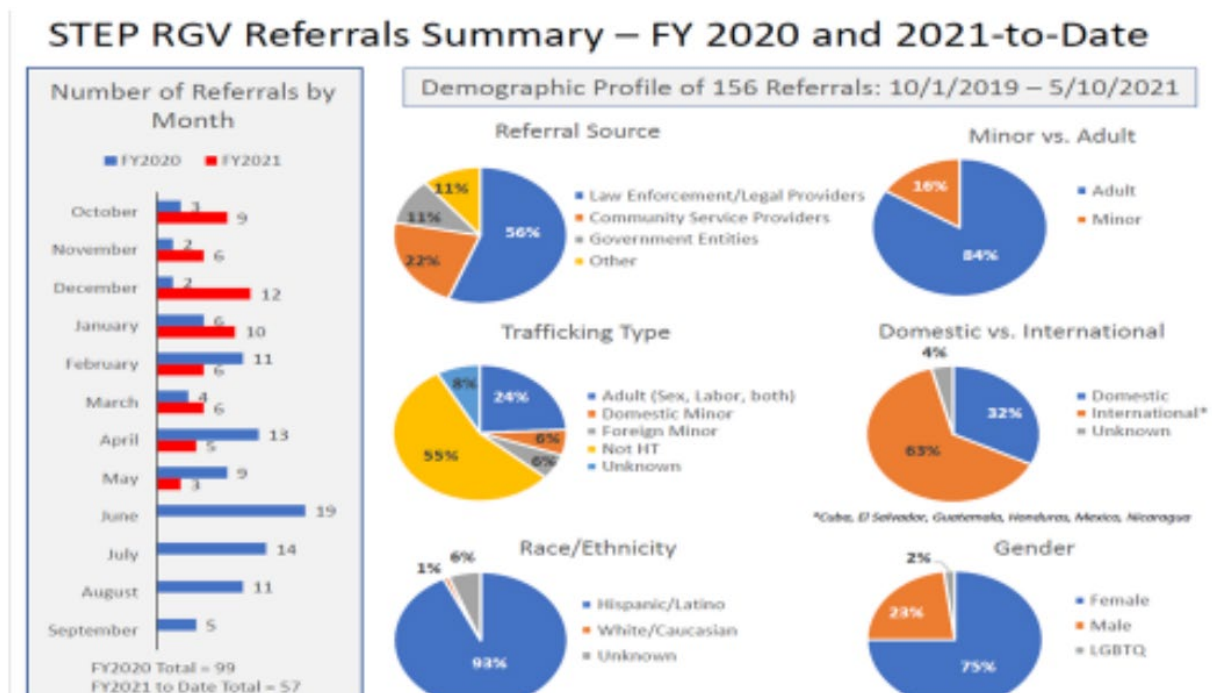


QP3 Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice



Source: PolicyMap

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Refugee Services of Texas serves refugees, asylees, individuals with Special Immigrant Visas, Cuban-Haitian entrants, Central American minors, survivors of human trafficking, and other vulnerable populations. In addition, Refugee Services of Texas works to facilitate partnerships with host communities to build a welcoming environment. Founded in 1978, Refugee Services of Texas (RST) is a social-service agency dedicated to providing assistance to refugees and other displaced persons fleeing persecution based on race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group - as well as to the communities that welcome them. RST

provides services to hundreds of refugees, asylees, survivors of human trafficking, and related vulnerable populations from over 30 different countries of origin each year. Originating in Dallas, RST now has service centers in Amarillo, Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, the Rio Grande Valley, and San Antonio.

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DATA: RST shared the graph above which shows the following data, for FY2020 the organization assisted 99 individuals seeking services versus FY 2021 the organization assisted 57 individuals. The chart indicated the different types of referral resources, 56% of individuals were referred to law enforcement agencies and legal providers. 22% of individuals were referred to social services providers and 11% of individuals were referred to government entities and other organizations. The chart also indicated the majority of individuals seeking services are 84% adults, 16% are minors. The chart also indicated the majority of individuals seeking services are women 75%, 23% are men and 2% identify as LGBTQ+. The majority of individuals seeking services with Refugee Services of Texas were Hispanic/Latino 93% while there was 6% who identified as White/Caucasian, and 1% identified as other

Refugees

Persons who have fled their country of origin and cannot return due to a well-founded fear of persecution due to race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in particular social groups. They are granted refugee status before traveling to the United States.

Asylees

Asylum seekers, or asylees, are persons who have left their home country as refugees and are seeking asylum in another. They must meet the definition of a refugee, but they apply for their status after arrival to the United States. Once granted asylum they are eligible to receive the same benefits as a refugee.

Cuban-Haitian Entrants

The U.S. government has granted special status to Cubans and Haitians who flee their country to live in the United States. Once they arrive in the U.S. they are either granted parole or can apply for asylum, and are eligible for many refugee benefits.

Humanitarian Parolees

Due to the crises in Afghanistan and Ukraine, citizens and residents of these countries are eligible to apply for Humanitarian Parole. This is a temporary status to allow them to take refuge

in the United States. Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees typically come through the Uniting for Ukraine program.

Survivors Of Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking is a crime that involves exploiting a person for labor, services, or commercial sex through force, fraud, or coercion. Survivors of trafficking can be of all ages, genders, ethnicities, and nationalities. Refugee Services of Texas serves survivors of labor and sex trafficking, both adults and minors, domestic and foreign-born.

Special Immigrant Visas (SIV)

This visa is offered to Iraqi and Afghan citizens who are being threatened in their home countries due to their work with the U.S. military or U.S. contractors. For more information about the SIV program, please visit <https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/special-immigrants>

Central American Minors

Central American Minors come to the United States to escape violence and insecurity in their home countries. Most of these children come from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Mexico. Through the refugee resettlement program, these children may lawfully be reunited with their families in the United States.

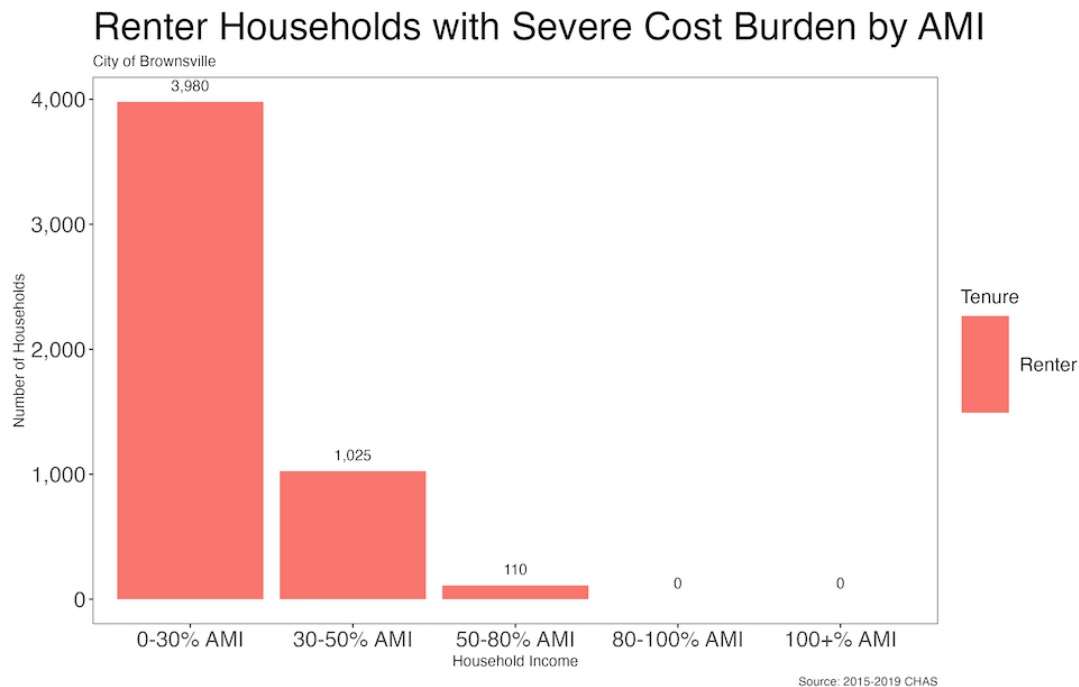
Unaccompanied Children

An Unaccompanied Child (UC) is defined as a child under 18 years of age who has no immigration status and has been separated from their biological parents. While there are UC's from all over the world, children from countries such as Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador have arrived at the Texas border through Mexico in record numbers in recent years. By law, the United States Health and Human Services department must provide for the custody and care of these children unless a sponsor can be found while they go through the immigration process. Less than 10% of UCs receive post release services.

Through consultation with the Refugee Services of Texas, the city was able to acquire the numbers and graphic above showing the number of referrals in 2021 and 2022.

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QP4 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



Because of the great number of renters experiencing severe cost burden by AMI as illustrated on the graph above, individuals are at greatest risk of housing instability and may become homeless. One late payment on rent and/or utilities can mean an eviction notice or a late fee assessed that will add to the burden of paying off the rent or utility for that month, for these reasons HOME ARP funds can assist and minimize the cost burden to many individuals and families experiencing severe cost burden. HOME ARP funds will give stability to an otherwise unstable family that struggles with making their rent payments on time and /or utility bills that are at risk of being disconnected due to late payments.

Another qualifying population that struggles with housing instability are Veterans who have not been able to manage their chronic medical or mental issues. Due to recognized or unrecognized medical and mental disabilities Veterans suffer from housing instability. Individuals that have been released from mental health wards and/or individuals that have been incarcerated also suffer from housing instability. Landlords and apartment managers are reluctant to give these populations a chance to demonstrate that they will be good tenants. As per our HOME ARP consultation with Cameron County Veterans Services Office Veterans will wait until they have an eviction notice or utility disconnection letter to seek assistance. Due to their previous criminal records, eviction records, or mental health status Veterans have difficulty securing permanent affordable housing.

The state of Texas is home to more than 1.4 million Veterans, which represents the second largest state Veteran population in the country. Veterans face challenges as they return to civilian life and one organization that assists Veterans is Endeavors.

Endeavors provides rapid rehousing and homeless prevention services to veterans at risk of homelessness or veterans experiencing homelessness. Case management services include healthcare navigation, housing search and placement, information and referral, coordination of state and local benefits, and help with navigating VA benefits and services.

During a HOME ARP consultation with Endeavors the city received the following numbers of people served for 2021 there was a total of 219 veteran families 117 were veterans. In 2022 people served were 177 veteran families, 107 were veterans.

The documented needs and challenges experienced by Veterans in Brownsville is the lack of shelter space, emergency housing, and lack of affordable housing. Affordable housing options for high risk persons experiencing homelessness such as criminal background, registered sex offender status, and little to no income. Shelter options for persons experiencing homelessness. Currently there is only one shelter which is frequently at capacity. Homelessness prevention funding for all vulnerable populations.

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):

Current resources for QP1 (current shelter, housing inventory, and service delivery system)

Currently resources available to QP1 are shelter services, case management, food assistance, legal services, clothing, education services, employment assistance, job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental health services, and transportation. Limited funds for security deposit assistance, furnishings, job searches, assistance accessing benefits, financial literacy, parenting skills.

The housing inventory, currently the homeless needs inventory and gap analysis table shows that there are 30 beds for families and 90 beds for adults only in emergency shelter. Services are provided by local homeless providers in the city such as Ozanam, United Way of Southern Cameron County, Good Neighbor Shelter, Catholic Charities, Friendship of Women.

OZANAM Center, provides temporary shelter and housing to individuals and families who are left on the street, regardless of sex, color, creed, and national origin.

Good neighbor provides client services. Good Neighbor helps transition those experiencing homelessness into permanent, self-sustaining living by building a personal connection with each of these individuals. They aim to improve the individual's housing, health status, and social

support network. They are knowledgeable of the resources and services available in this sector and surrounding regions that are applicable to these individuals and inform them of these opportunities. They also have a street outreach vehicle that allows us to help homeless individuals in Brownsville that are unable to visit their facilities by taking their services to them. Example of services provided: resume building, applying for benefits, case management, job search, hygiene kits, and snack bags. Good Neighbor also provides food services. They provide three nutritious meals per day Monday through Friday to anyone in the Brownsville community at no cost. They strive to create a safe, comfortable, and judgment-free zone to make everyone feel welcome. They also provide a venue for those with resources to share their blessings to people who are in dire need of it. City of Brownsville is a recipient of Emergency Solutions Grants Program and provides only limited resources to Good Neighbor and Ozanam Center.

Friendship of Women is also a recipient from the City of Brownsville ESG Program. Their mission is to provide leadership and comprehensive services to empower and promote safety, health, and the overall well-being of adults and children impacted by family and sexual violence. They offer emergency shelter, Community Outreach, Sexual Assault Program, Supportive housing, among other programs. FOW's emergency shelter serves as a safe haven for women and children fleeing an abusive or unhealthy relationship or following a sexual assault victimization. As part of the emergency shelter services, all clients will be helped with food, clothing, and a confidential safe place. Individualized case management and advocacy is provided by trained staff to provide support through crisis intervention, peer support groups, counseling, child services, and emergency transportation. Men, women, and their children experiencing a crisis because of domestic violence or sexual assault can seek services by visiting our Community Center. We provide individualized services focused on healing and empowerment. FOW's Sexual Assault Program provides free and confidential Crisis Intervention, Advocacy, and Accompaniment to child and youth survivors of sexual violence and adult survivors of stranger and non-stranger sexual assault 24-hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year. FOW is dedicated to empowering victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, and we expand on those needs by taking leadership and incorporating services for the homeless or those at-risk of becoming homeless. Individuals and families can apply for utility deposits, security deposits, and short-term rental assistance. This service is open to anyone in the community and is not limited to victims and survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault. The goal of the Supportive Housing Program is building self-sufficiency by helping to attain stable and affordable housing. FOW receives limited funding from City of Brownsville's ESG Program.

United Way of Southern Cameron County improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of our communities to advance the common good. United way aims to provide services of education, financial stability and health to the communities.

Catholic Charities of Rio Grande Valley (CCRGV); Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley Catholic Charities is the charitable branch of the [Diocese of Brownsville](#). Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley has projects that provide assistance to the poor and most vulnerable population in our community. Some of the services the Catholic Charities Provides are Emergency Assistance Program, Homeless Prevention, Military Relief Project, Food Program, Counseling Program. CCRGV Emergency Assistance Program provides short-term utility assistance, hotel/motel vouchers to assist with temporary shelter for the homeless, emergency assistance program, medical needs vouchers, medical consultation and or prescription assistance for those in need. CCRGV Counseling Program provides short term counseling services to individuals, couples, and families in need of counseling. The Military Relief Project- mission of Catholic Charities is to provide for the needs of our community through selfless service and under the sign of love. Through the Military Family relief Project, we fulfill our mission by reaching out and offering services to military individuals and their families in need of assistance. As a recipient of Brownsville ESG Program, CCRGV funding is limited.

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Current resources for QP2 (current shelter, housing inventory, and service delivery system)

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HOUSING INSECURITY		
HOMELESSNESS		
Unsheltered Homelessness	Sheltered Homelessness	Marginal Housing
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105 per 10,000	98 per 10,000	367 per 10,000

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OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Homeless													
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Transitional Housing	31	9	2	0	0								
Permanent Supportive Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Other Permanent Housing	25	10	1	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						17	93	4	17				
Unsheltered Homeless						1	59	2	8				
Current Gap										0	30	59	0

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The City of Brownsville has a long-standing relationship with its homeless providers and social service agencies. The City actively sits on the Cameron County Homeless Coalition to spearhead collaboration and identify any possible gaps for these vulnerable populations. The following organizations are identified as resources to assist qualifying populations:

- Good Neighbor Settlement House
- Bishop Enrique San Pedro Ozanam Center
- Friendship of Women
- Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley
- CDCB - Come dream come build
- Brownsville Housing Authority
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The unmet needs for homeless individuals, at risk of being homeless, Veterans, and other individuals in vulnerable and unstable housing situations that may lead to homelessness according to the stakeholder surveys and citizen surveys are:

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- *life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training

- *Mental health services such as crisis interventions; counseling; individual family, or group therapy sessions; assistance with understanding and / or accessing needed medication; and combinations of therapeutic approaches to address multiple problems

- *case management

- *supplemental food assistance

- *employment assistance and job training

- *Outreach services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and / or services provided within the geographic area

- *Emergency Shelter for Homeless

The City is still enduring the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Federal, state and local funds were applied to assist residents throughout this time period but those funding streams are ending and cost burden renters are still struggling to remain housed. Brownsville faced high unemployment rates during the pandemic due to the large service industry workforce. The City was also a COVID-19 “hot spot” in June 2020.

In addition to the affordable housing shortage faced nationwide, Brownsville has had additional challenges due to a new economic sector rapidly growing in its city limits. The expansion of a NewSpace economy in the City of Brownsville has provided a change in economic development for the area but in juxtaposition to those changes, it has also impacted unmet housing needs. After a viral social media post from the CEO of SpaceX urging the world to relocate to Brownsville, attention was brought upon the City at an accelerated pace.

Within a year of that post, the housing market felt the decrease in availability and those impacted most profoundly were low-income renters and homebuyers. In March 2022, the months’ supply of homes on the market was 1.5, a 63% decrease from February 2021 (a month prior to the social media post). The median close price was at \$247,950. Cost burdened households felt the impact as rent prices increased regionally to meet the anticipated demands of a space economy workforce. Local stakeholders estimate the gap in housing is higher than data represents due to this situation.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

The types of rental housing, tenant-based rental assistance, shelter and service needs for each QP are listed below.

Unmet needs of qualifying populations

QP1

The types of rental housing, tenant-based rental assistance, shelter and service needs for each QP are listed below.

1.Needs for the homeless populations

- **Tenant Based Rental Assistance**

TBRA could be used by homeless populations, a challenge will be finding apartment managers and landlords willing to take the government assistance program and qualifying population given all the issues this entails, a barrier that was discussed during the consultations. In addition, persons experiencing homelessness may have a greater history of housing instability, which could cause them to be high-risk tenants. The need for landlord incentives will be needed with TBRA.

Consultations for HOME-ARP indicated a need for more affordable rental housing. There was support that such housing needs to be in high opportunity areas so that it was close to transportation, jobs, stores, services, and medical offices and clinics.

- **Supportive Services**

Consultation for HOME ARP service providers requested the use for funds for supportive services, and landlord incentives. The Homelessness Service Providers indicated that it would be important to fund soup kitchens, and focus on long-term supports including homelessness prevention, case management, employment services, and landlord incentives.

QP2

2.Needs for at risk of homelessness population

- **Rental Housing**

Persons at-risk of homelessness demonstrate housing instability, such as living in the home of another because of economic hardship or living in a hotel/motel paid by the household. This population also has extremely low incomes at 30% AMI and lack of resources and support. Availability of affordable rental housing so that they will pay no more than 30% of their income toward rent may assist in decreasing housing instability for this population.

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance

The best use of funds would be for TBRA and supportive services with long contract terms, such as at least a 2-year contract.

- Supportive Services

Services listed in the consultations included, but are not limited to, case management, childcare, education services, employment assistance, job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental health services, and transportation. There was also support for the funds being used for security deposit assistance, furnishings, job searches, assistance accessing benefits, financial literacy, parenting skills and scholarships for trade schools.

QP3

3 Needs for Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking population.

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance

The needs of the domestic violence providers varied, there was interest in keeping the funds flexible. Most speakers felt there are sufficient resources for rental assistance, and there are those in need with vouchers in hand who can't find units; there is particularly a need for the deepest-subsidized units. There was a significant focus during the Consultation with CoCs and domestic violence providers concerning rental housing, specifically on rapid rehousing and bridging folks to permanent housing. RST discussed going from homelessness to housing and not being able to use shelter facilities.

- Supportive Services

Services needed for survivors of domestic violence may be specific case management and support focused on safety. As well as transportation, job placement, job training, adult education, day care, and legal services.

QP4

4 Needs for 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

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance

Persons who were formerly homeless but temporarily housed with assistance may benefit from an option of rental housing that is deeply affordable as a permanent solution. If ongoing assistance to prevent homelessness continues to be needed, permanent rental housing that is affordable may offer a more sustainable option without having to continually apply for and coordinate assistance.

Elevated levels of funding received over the previous 18 months have been focused on homelessness-prevention activities to ensure that households that have lost a job, seen a decrease in hours, lost a home, or are sick with no pay do not fall into homelessness. As can be seen from the analysis of shelter and housing inventory, more affordable rental housing is needed to help house persons with severe cost burden and provide more affordability to those at-risk of homelessness even with incomes up to 50% AMI.

There was interest from several providers for TBRA since other rental funds are starting to end. They also note that accessing rental assistance should not first require having an eviction status which is what is often required from other funding sources.

to use on housing for low-income households and for older persons with disabilities who are waiting for a voucher or other benefits, something that could be an extension of rapid rehousing.

- Supportive services

Extremely low income severely cost burdened households or households at-risk of homelessness with incomes up to 50% AMI need services to increase household income or the assist in reducing frequent moves or overcrowding.

Persons who were formerly homeless and temporarily housed may need service coordination, case management services, job placement, transportation.

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

Gaps within the current shelter, housing inventory, and service delivery system

1. Limited access to affordable rental units. The City of Brownsville is facing a critical situation for its low-income renters. With conditions exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, such as a loss of wages and income, or increased medical expenses or funeral costs for departed loved ones, the low-income population of Brownsville has faced increasingly difficult challenges in obtaining affordable housing. The City of Brownsville has a long-standing relationship with its homeless providers and social service agencies. The City actively sits on the Cameron County Homeless Coalition to spearhead collaboration and identify any possible gaps for these vulnerable populations
2. Conditions of current inventory of rental units are not up to code. Information gathered through data sources and surveys show that many individuals report rental units in bad conditions however due to the lack of affordable housing inventory individuals rent these units to provide shelter for their families. Elevated levels of funding received over the previous 18 months have been focused on homelessness-prevention activities to ensure that households that have lost a job, seen a decrease in hours, lost a home, or are sick with no pay do not fall into homelessness. As can be seen from the analysis of shelter and housing inventory, more affordable rental housing is needed to help house persons with severe cost burden and provide more affordability to those at-risk of homelessness even with incomes up to 50% AMI. There was interest from several providers for TBRA since

other rental funds are starting to end. They also note that accessing rental assistance should not first require having an eviction status which is what is often required from other funding sources to use on housing for low-income households and for older persons with disabilities who are waiting for a voucher or other benefits, something that could be an extension of rapid rehousing.

- 3. Limited job opportunities.** The Texas economy is resilient and employers around the state are currently looking to fill open positions, however the low-income population in Brownsville as a whole has less formal education and have a high percentage of employment. This challenge is hard to overcome, and many individuals are at times without jobs for a long period of time which makes them less likely to be hired. Another challenge is that wages are low compared to the cost of the current economy. According to the Texas Rent Relief Program the rental assistance for 2022 soared to \$1,040,844,733. The rental arrears are calculated at \$935,740,973 for 2022. The utility assistance program totaled \$70,6411,322. The utility arrears program total was \$68,399,862 for 2022. The specific number of households assisted in zip code 78520 was 96 households with total monetary assistance of \$474,074. In zip code 78521 there were 167 households assisted with total monetary assistance of \$824,211. Finally in zip code 78526 was 83 households with total monetary assistance of \$ 613,107. Cameron county is 1,079 which received assistance of \$5,738,001. The breakdown of households assisted by area median income or AMI are 58.14% below 30%AMI, an average of 183,544 households. The breakdown of households assisted by area median income or AMI are 23.98% are 30%-50% AMI, an average of 75,695 households. The breakdown of households assisted by area median income or AMI are 17.88% are 50%-80% AMI, an average of 56,455 households.
- 4. Limited resources for social services.** Social services agencies reported that it often is challenging for agencies to serve individuals due to shortages in funds and restrictions in the use of funds. Agencies at times have a high turnover and the time used in training staff is wasted. Finding organizations that will collaborate with agencies who assist homeless individuals is a challenge. Case managers have difficulty setting up working relationships with property managers and rental managers due to the difficult nature of housing the populations they work with.
- 5. Limited units at the current shelter.** The Annual point in time count was conducted on Jan 23, 2022 the needs inventory and gap analysis table a gap of available units in the shelter. The housing inventory, currently the homeless needs inventory and gap analysis table shows that there are 30 beds for families and 90 beds for adults only in emergency shelter. Services are provided by local homeless providers in the city such as Ozanan, Good Neighbor Shelter, Friendship of Women.

Shelter and Housing Inventory

Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Programs Housing Inventory Count Reports provide a snapshot of a CoC's HIC, an inventory of housing conducted annually during the last ten days in January, and are available at the national and state level, as well as for each CoC. The reports tally the number of beds and units available on the night designated for the count by program type, and include beds dedicated to serve persons who are homeless as well as persons in Permanent Supportive Housing.

Texas Balance of State 2023 Point in Time Count -unsheltered

Data from PIT reports 118 unsheltered persons, 109 adults, 8 young adults, and 1 child. From the 109, 27 reported having serious mental illness, 19 have substance use disorder, 18 are survivors of domestic violence and 4 veterans. HIC and PIT reporting outlines the need for additional bed/units to shelter the 118 unsheltered persons.

The following activities were identified gaps by the CoC in the current system.

1. Provide social services
2. Collaborate with other agencies to refer individuals to the resources available such as housing vouchers and/or TBRA funds

It has been noted that increasing access to existing resources for eligible populations to ensure that they receive benefits will help address the overall need of stability for qualifying populations. Steps to increasing access include the following actions:

1. Educating the community on the availability of SNAP, Medicaid and Family Care
(Including Children's Health Insurance Program/CHIP), EITC, Child Care Tax Credits, etc.)
2. Providing resources to the community that will be beneficial such as educational & employment services, food assistance, medical & mental health resources.

The gap within the current shelter is the need of additional supportive services such as childcare, employment assistance and job training, legal services, counseling, critical life management trainings, and financial assistance. As for the housing inventory, there is a great need to increase affordable housing, homelessness prevention resources, and short-term emergency shelter for people with disabilities and/or medical needs.

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

The City does not plan to formally adopt a definition of “other populations”.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

QP1

QP1 according to the survey data gathered this QP face the following barriers to find permanent housing in the city and have experienced or observed the lack of affordable housing options available only in certain areas, bad conditions of housing units, unemployable due to being homeless & no professional development working skills, lack of housing near areas of opportunity. QP1 does not have reliable transportation of their own. At times due to past criminal history landlord’s unwillingness to rent to tenant is a big problem. A challenge to rent units due to bad or no credit. No security deposit for rent and utilities is another barrier.

The homeless--both sheltered and un-sheltered--are in need of permanent, affordable, and decent housing, and may need other supportive services such as food, subsidized childcare, housing search assistance, mental health services, and employment training. Emergency and transitional housing assistance with supportive services are also necessary to meet the growing numbers of homeless individuals and families. Some causes of homelessness have been noted as due to: Unable to pay rent or mortgage, mental illness, alcohol or drug abuse, domestic violence, overcrowded living conditions, or because the household is earning less than 30% of the median income and paying more than 60% of their income on housing expenses.

QP2

QP2 according to the survey data gathered this QP face the following barriers to find good housing in the city and have experienced or observed the cost of housing is too high, affordable housing options available only in certain areas, bad conditions of housing units, not enough jobs, lack of housing near areas of opportunity. A challenge to rent units due to bad or no credit. No security deposit for rent and utilities is another barrier.

Consultation with homeless service providers and CoC leadership identified an immediate need for tenant based rental assistance and supportive services. With eviction court proceedings now resuming after a pandemic moratorium, as well as rising rent prices and economic uncertainty, providers of homeless prevention services see an increased demand for their services to help relocate families who have been evicted and to help maintain stability for families not yet forced to leave. The Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley discussed how the unmet housing and supportive services negatively affect households at risk of homelessness. Further noted in the Comprehensive Housing Affordability those whose income are between 0-30% AMI, 4,960 renters all reported having housing problems. The units available fail to meet

adequate living standards with incomplete kitchen facilities, plumbing facilities. Of these housing problems, more than 1 person per room is another component reported; multi-generational households can be attributed to a higher number of persons living in a rental unit.

QP3

QP3 according to the survey data gathered this QP face the following barrier to find safe permanent housing are no personal documentation. QP3 is fleeing from domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault these individuals leave with no personal belongings. This QP needs to start from scratch they must acquire personal identification documents along with child or children's birth certificates and social security cards. QP cannot apply for state or federal benefits due to the lack of personal identification. This makes a big impact when they want to establish residence and start a job or have their children enrolled in daycare or school.

This QP needs more mental health services than other QPs to ensure they will not become victimized again, they will need to hold a job and budget their household income for their basic needs. This financial education will be required if this individual or household is to succeed.

Friendship of Women is the only shelter for fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking in the area.

QP4

QP4 according to the survey data gathered this QP face the following barriers to find good housing in the city and have experienced or observed the cost of housing is too high, affordable housing options available only in certain areas, bad conditions of housing units, not enough jobs, lack of housing near areas of opportunity. A challenge to rent units due to bad or no credit. No security deposit for rent and utilities is another barrier.

The need to deliver unmet housing and supportive services to the other population critical as described in consultations as those greatest at risk of housing instability since their income to rent ratio is too low; the income requirement for this qualifying is 0-50% AMI. Most community agencies, stakeholders, and direct providers discussed how they are likely to struggle due to the continued rise of cost of living; most of these individuals are on a fix income or their salary is unable to sustain today's expenses. Furthermore, most expressed the need to make rental assistance available with additional supportive services. Veterans and families most of which are single and older male adults are affected as reported by Endeavors during the consultation. The increase witnessed in the last two years for permanent supportive housing is rooted from the pandemic.

After completing the community engagement activities and receiving feedback from citizens and stakeholders, the data shows that TBRA and supportive services are the priority for the community. The qualifying populations' priorities are supportive services and tenant based rental assistance to establish housing stability. The City of Brownsville and the community is in need of rental housing as well but given the limited amount of funding and the priorities from the consultation process the City is prioritizing supportive services and TBRA assistance. The local homeless and service providers are looking forward to collaborating with the city and assisting individuals apply for HOME ARP funds to help them reach their goal of a sustainable and stable housing situation.

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

The Continuum of Care held a Point in Time count in 2021, which assessed the shelter and housing inventory and services delivery systems throughout the County. Additionally, information gathered from surveys and focus groups have helped drive the data and indicate the current needs of the area. Local stakeholders have provided feedback in consultations, sharing the state of affairs within the City of Brownsville.

Through the consultation process with Cameron County Veterans Service Office and other participating agencies and nonprofits the city was able to collect needs and gaps data. One example is the needs and challenges experienced by Veterans in Brownsville. Veterans experience the lack of shelter space, emergency housing, and the lack of affordable housing. Affordable housing options for high-risk persons experiencing homelessness such as criminal background, registered sex offender status, and little to no income. Limited shelter options for persons experiencing homelessness. Currently there is only one shelter which is frequently at capacity. Homelessness prevention funding for all vulnerable populations is another of the unmet needs.

During a consultation with the Department of Family Protective Services or DPFS, the city was able to collect data which shows a need for supportive services and stable permanent housing for individuals, families, disabled adults and children, as well as elderly individuals.

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) works with communities to promote safe and healthy families and protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect, and exploitation. We do this through investigations, services and referrals, and prevention programs. DFPS has five major programs that do this important work:

Adult Protective Services (APS): Protects the elderly and people with disabilities from abuse, neglect, and exploitation through investigations and services.

Child Protective Services (CPS): Protects children from abuse and neglect through services, foster care, and adoption.

Child Protective Investigations: Investigates reports of child abuse or neglect to determine if any child in the family has been abused or neglected. If the children aren't safe, the investigator starts protective services.

Prevention and Early Intervention: Manages community-based programs that prevent juvenile delinquency and child abuse and neglect.

Statewide Intake: Takes reports of abuse, neglect, and exploitation from across the state through its Texas Abuse Hotline (1-800-252-5400) and through the website [TxAbuseHotline.org](https://www.txabusehotline.org) 24-hours a day, every day of the year.

The table below shows the average number of children and families receiving services for 2021 & 2022. As illustrated by the table below, the number of client services in 2021 was 129 for Cameron County, the number of client services for 2022 was 111 for Cameron County.



Child Protective Services (CPS): Average Monthly Children & Families Receiving Purchased Client Services

Region (All)

County (All)

Fiscal Year 2021

Chart Type

- ☐ Map
- ☐ Ranking
- ☐ Trends
- ☒ Table

Geography

- ☐ All Texas
- ☐ Regions
- ☒ Counties

Metric

- ☒ Total Children
- ☐ Children Living at Home
- ☐ Children in Sub Care
- ☐ Children: Post-Adoption
- ☐ Adults
- ☐ Children & Adults

2021

Geography	Average Monthly Total Children Receiving PCS
Baylor	4.1
Bee	21.3
Bell	317.6
Bexar	1,020.5
Blanco	3.2
Bosque	9.0
Bowie	17.5
Brazoria	94.3
Brazos	76.5
Brooks	2.0
Brown	43.3
Burleson	13.8
Burnet	31.9
Caldwell	21.6
Calhoun	8.9
Callahan	1.6
Cameron	129.0
Camp	7.0
Carson	1.2



Child Protective Services (CPS): Average Monthly Children & Families Receiving Purchased Client Service:

Region (All) ▼

County (All) ▼

Fiscal Year 2022 ▼

Chart Type

- ☐ Map
- ☐ Ranking
- ☐ Trends
- ☒ Table

Geography

- ☐ All Texas
- ☐ Regions
- ☒ Counties

Metric

- ☒ Total Children
- ☐ Children Living at Home
- ☐ Children in Sub Care
- ☐ Children: Post-Adoption
- ☐ Adults
- ☐ Children & Adults

2022

Geography

Average Monthly Total Children Receiving PCS

Baylor	1.6
Bee	14.4
Bell	222.3
Bexar	899.3
Blanco	3.3
Bosque	8.1
Bowie	20.5
Brazoria	61.1
Brazos	85.8
Brooks	1.2
Brown	39.1
Burleson	12.9
Burnet	21.0
Caldwell	19.3
Calhoun	1.8
Callahan	4.6
Cameron	111.3
Camp	6.2
Carson	0.3

ABOUT THIS CHART

APS may provide non-purchased services or purchased services. The chart compares these two types of services.

Non-purchased services can include services provided directly by APS staff or services provided by other entities, including social casework, legal actions, or services provided by other government agencies or community organizations.

APS may purchase services for clients using Purchased Client Services (PCS) funds. Purchased services may include short-term shelter, food, medication, health services, financial help with rent or utilities, transportation, and minor home repair. All other available resources must be used where feasible before purchased client services are initiated.

The table below shows the average number of adults receiving services for 2021 & 2022. As illustrated by the table below, the number of client services in 2021 was 8,064 for Cameron County, the number of client services for 2022 was 9,055 for Cameron County.



APS Services Provided: Service Type

Region (All) ▼

County (All) ▼

Fiscal Year 2021 ▼

Chart Type

- ☐ Map
- ☐ Ranking
- ☐ Trends
- ☐ Demographics
- ☐ Gender Balance
- ☒ Table

Geography

- ☐ All Texas
- ☒ Regions
- ☐ Counties

Metric

- ☒ # Services
- ☐ Per 1,000 Adults

2021

Geography	Services	Purchased Services	Non-Purchased Services	Services /1,000 Adults
1-Lubbock	5,454	1,456	3,998	8.0
2-Abilene	4,419	1,094	3,325	10.2
3-Arlington	11,962	869	11,093	1.9
4-Tyler	4,935	205	4,730	5.5
5-Beaumont	2,086	221	1,865	3.4
6-Houston	15,636	1,077	14,559	2.7
7-Austin	7,783	331	7,452	2.8
8-San Antonio	13,524	641	12,883	5.6
9-Midland	1,652	379	1,273	3.1
10-El Paso	2,443	379	2,064	3.7
11-Edinburg	8,064	419	7,645	4.8
Out of State	41	3	38	0.0
Grand Total	77,999	7,074	70,925	3.5

FILTERS

Purchased
(All) ▼

Client Age Group
(All) ▼

Client Gender
(All) ▼

Client Race/Ethnicity
(All) ▼



APS Services Provided: Service Type

Region (All) ▼

County (All) ▼

Fiscal Year 2022 ▼

Chart Type

- ☐ Map
- ☐ Ranking
- ☐ Trends
- ☐ Demographics
- ☐ Gender Balance
- ☒ Table

Geography

- ☐ All Texas
- ☒ Regions
- ☐ Counties

Metric

- ☒ # Services
- ☐ Per 1,000 Adults

2022

Geography	Services	Purchased Services	Non-Purchased Services	Services /1,000 Adults
1-Lubbock	6,294	1,131	5,163	9.2
2-Abilene	5,052	1,026	4,026	11.6
3-Arlington	12,671	715	11,956	2.0
4-Tyler	7,341	288	7,053	8.2
5-Beaumont	2,755	358	2,397	4.5
6-Houston	18,685	985	17,700	3.2
7-Austin	7,514	268	7,246	2.6
8-San Antonio	13,359	629	12,730	5.5
9-Midland	2,086	439	1,647	3.8
10-El Paso	3,848	308	3,540	5.8
11-Edinburg	9,055	457	8,598	5.3
Out of State	40		40	0.0
Grand Total	88,700	6,604	82,096	3.9

FILTERS

Purchased
(All) ▼

Client Age Group
(All) ▼

Client Gender
(All) ▼

Client Race/Ethnicity
(All) ▼

These tables illustrate the need for more services in 2022 versus 2021. The DPFS data shows that individuals in Cameron County need social casework, legal actions, or services provided by other government agencies or community organizations. DPFS clients are also in need of short-term shelter, food, medication, health services, financial help with rent or utilities, transportation, and minor home repair. This population is at high risk of being homeless and HOME ARP funds would assist this population resources to prevent homelessness.

Some individuals in this population are at high-risk persons experiencing homelessness due to their living situations, such as family neglect, family abuse, living within poverty and low to no education. Homelessness prevention funding for all vulnerable populations is another of the unmet needs.

After capturing survey data from the public and completing consultations with local social service agencies and other stakeholders who wished to participate, the city determined that the most impactful and useful way to use HOME ARP funds was to fund supportive services and tenant based rental assistance.

HOME ARP funds will prevent people from becoming homelessness. Advocates and local homeless prevention programs will also assist individuals and families who struggle to afford permanent housing. Strategies and policies must be put in action to help with anti-poverty prevention, access to health care including mental health, child welfare, and affordable housing programs. HOME ARP funds will allow the city to support populations in need of much needed assistance. This assistance gives people hope that they will be able to maintain and sustain their families once the HOME ARP funds are no longer available.

The cause of anyone 's homelessness is not a single factor but multiple events and conditions happening at the same time. From one lens homelessness can be seen as an economic problem caused by unemployment or underemployment, foreclosure, or poverty. From another viewpoint homelessness could be an issue of health, many individuals struggle with one or more conditions like mental illness, physical disability, or substance abuse. Looking at the problem in another way homelessness comes about due to a social problem, such as domestic violence, low or no education. In closing homelessness is caused by all these issues or one or two issues affecting one individual or family.

The top services provided by local agencies in the are area are supplement food assistance at 85%, life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training at 85%, outreach services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and / or services provided within the geographic area at 85% as is illustrated in the chart below

As illustrated in the graph below, when asked “Have you experienced any of the following in the past 2 years? 26% of survey respondents answered difficulty paying rent and or mortgage. 8% of survey respondents answered that plumbing, electric, appliances or other items in your home do not work. 8% of survey respondents answered difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits. 6% of survey respondents answered all of the above which are difficulty paying rent and or mortgage, plumbing, electric, appliances or other items in your home do not work, unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home, overcrowding too many people living in one home, application for housing being denied, difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits, lack of funds related to relocation such as security deposits, transportation, moving costs, application fees, unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home, application for housing being denied, inability to find accessible housing that meets needs to your disability, and homelessness.

The following survey responses highlight the most prominent needs listed by the community. As a result of the data and feedback received the city determined that TBRA and supportive services would be most beneficial and impactful to the community at large.

Q10: Have you experienced any of the following in the past 2 years.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	28.05%	23
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage.	25.61%	21
Plumbing, electric, appliances, or other items in your home do not work	8.54%	7
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home	3.66%	3
Overcrowding too many people living in one home	0%	0
Application for housing being denied.	1.22%	1
Application for mortgage loan being denied	0%	0
Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits	8.54%	7
Lack of funds related to relocation (security deposits, transportation, moving costs, application fees, etc.)	0%	0
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home	1.22%	1
Application for housing being denied.	0%	0
Inability to find safe and decent housing at affordable costs	3.66%	3
Inability to find accessible housing that meets needs of your disability, if any	0%	0
Homelessness	2.44%	2
All of the above	4.88%	4
Other (please specify)	12.20%	10
TOTAL		82

Responses to the Other option: 12.20% or 10 responses

Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits	
11/30/2022 15:30	
Application for mortgage loan being denied	
11/30/2022 15:23	
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage & homelessness	
11/30/2022 15:20	
House in need major repairs water damage disabled elderly mother	
11/30/2022 15:14	
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage	
11/30/2022 15:10	
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage	
11/30/2022 14:59	
Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits	
11/30/2022 14:54	
Inability to find safe & decent housing at affordable costs	
11/7/2022 9:47	
difficult to apply for social security	
10/14/2022 11:29	
personal loan denied because of low income	
10/11/2022 15:40	

The following survey responses highlight the most prominent needs listed by the community. As a result of the data and feedback received the city determined that TBRA and supportive services would be most beneficial and impactful to the community at large.

As illustrated in the graph below, when asked “What are the barriers to finding good housing in your city that you have experienced or observed? 40% of survey respondents answered the cost of housing. Cost was cited more frequently than housing conditions, landlord participation in subsidy programs, and geographic limitations. 24% of survey respondents answered that they have experienced or observed, all combined barriers cost of housing, refusal of landlords to accept rental assistance, condition of housing units, accessibility for people with disabilities or disabling conditions, lack of housing near area of opportunity, affordable housing options in certain areas, lack of diversity of housing options.

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Q11: What are the barriers to finding good housing in your city that you have experienced or observed?

Answered: 84 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	11.90%	10
Cost of housing	39.29%	33
Refusal of landlords to accept rental subsidy assistance	1.19%	1
Condition of housing units	3.57%	3
Accessibility for people with disabilities or disabling conditions	0%	0
Lack of housing near areas of opportunity (employment, services, education, etc.)	2.38%	2
Affordable housing options available only in certain areas	7.14%	6
Lack of diversity of housing options (such as single-family houses, apartments, and townhouses)	1.19%	1
All of the above	23.81%	20
Other (please specify)	9.52%	8
TOTAL		84

Responses to the Other option: 9.52% or 8 responses

Condition of housing units
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Not enough jobs that pay well
11/30/2022 15:20
Cost of housing
11/30/2022 15:14
Affordable housing options available only in certain areas
11/30/2022 14:57
Cost of housing
11/30/2022 14:54
Lack of diversity of housing options
11/7/2022 10:02
Lack of housing near areas of opportunity
11/7/2022 9:52
Affordable housing options available only in certain areas
11/7/2022 9:47

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

The service providers in the city work closely together to provide a continuum of services in response to needs identified through survey of homeless persons and general observations of the providers. Providers in the city are particularly strong in the areas of supportive services. Gaps exist in shelter capacity. There are not enough units for families and there are not enough units of beds for adults on a typical night. Another gap is the coordination of service centers through the lack of universal participation of providers in the HMIS system. All homeless providers who participate in federal funding programs are enrolled in the HMIS system.

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HOME ARP Stakeholder survey 2022

Please identify your priorities related to decent, safe, and affordable housing for low income and vulnerable populations.

	Very Important	
Assistance with moving costs	38.46%	5
Case Management services	76.92%	10
Childcare	53.85%	7
Education services such as instruction or training in consumer education, health education, substance abuse prevention, literacy, English as a Second Language, and General Development	61.54%	8
Employment Assistance and job training	76.92%	10
Supplemental food assistance	84.62%	11
Housing search and counseling services such as tenant counseling, assisting individuals and families to understand leases; securing utilities; and making moving arrangements	69.23%	9
Legal Services for advice and representation in matters that interfere with ability to obtain and retain housing	46.15%	6
Life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training	84.62%	11
Mental health services such as crisis interventions; counseling ; individual family, or group therapy sessions; assistance with understanding and / or accessing needed medication; and combinations of therapeutic approaches to address multiple problems	76.92%	10
Outpatient health services such as services to assist individuals in understanding their health needs; accessing appropriate medical treatment and medication; and providing preventative care	61.54%	8
Outreach services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and / or services provided within the geographic area	84.62%	11
Substance abuse treatment services such as participant intake and assessment, out patient treatment, group and individual counseling, and drug testing	61.54%	8
or repairs	46.15%	6
Assistance with utility deposits	69.23%	9

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

According to the National Low Income Housing Coalition report, in Texas the average minimum wage job pays \$7.25 per hour. Each week an individual needs to work 104 hours to afford a modest

1 bedroom rental home at Fair Market Rent. The Fair Market Rent for a 0 bedroom or efficiency is \$890 per month. The Fair Market Rent for a 1 bedroom apartment is \$977 per month. The Fair Market Rent for a 2 bedroom apartment is \$1172 per month. The annual income needed to afford a zero bedroom is \$34,583. The annual income needed to afford a 1 bedroom is \$39,078. The annual income needed to afford a 2 bedroom is \$46,889. As mentioned before in Texas the average minimum wage job pays \$7.25 per hour the rent affordable for a full time worker at minimum wage is \$377.

The following is rent affordable at different income levels, income level at 30% of area median income or AMI is \$648. Income level at 50% of area median income or AMI is \$1,081 and income level at area median income or AMI is \$1,200. A sample of occupations and total employment numbers with median hourly wages are:

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Total Employment</u>	<u>Median Hourly Wage</u>
Waitress/waitresses	171,060	\$10.62
Fast food/counter workers	353,500	\$11.17
Home health/personal care aides	306,410	\$11.45
Office Clerks	235,230	\$17.31
Construction Laborers	103,870	\$18.06
Customer Service Representatives	291,260	\$18.49

<https://nlihc.org/oor/state/tx>

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Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

For homeless populations, priority needs to include rapid rehousing and supportive services to achieve housing stability.

For extremely low-income households, priority needs to include the creation of additional rental units affordable to families with less than 30% of area median income and permanent supportive housing.

For low-income households and households at risk of homelessness, priority needs to include increased homeless prevention services such as tenant-based assistance in addition to supportive service to help achieve housing stability.

In terms of supportive services, general needs for all types of qualifying populations include transportation to meet basic needs, such as food and health care. The continuum of care also noted a need for more resources to treat mental health issues and substance abuse.

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:

Focus groups, the City supplemented this information with the required consultations, including the Housing Authority of Brownsville and other local stakeholders.

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

HOME-ARP Activities

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

Pending HUD approval of its HOME ARP allocation plan, the City of Brownsville will issue a Notice of Funding Availability NOFA (RFP) for interested and experienced operators of tenant based rental assistance and supportive services. Preceding the issuing of the Request for Proposals (RFP) the City will host an advertised pre-solicitation workshop to advise prospective applicants of the process, HOME ARP guidelines and regulations, documents, and supportive bid materials that will be required as part of the solicitation. After the submission of the proposals a reviewing committee will review and select the recommended application based on an established criterion. Final approval of subrecipients will be given by the city commission.

The agencies (subrecipient) selected through the request for proposal RFP will then be contracted to move forward with supportive services and tenant based rental programs for qualified populations and the city will provide oversight, monitoring, and reporting.

The City of Brownsville will comply with all local, State and Federal requirements to solicit applications for subgrantees through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Proposals will be evaluated based on predetermined objective criteria and the responsible subrecipients will be selected to provide services. These subrecipients will follow federal, state and local procurement requirements in their vendor selection.

The goal is to assist individuals (all 4 QPs) with tenant based rental assistance and supportive services such as, case management, food assistance, legal services, clothing, education services, child care, education services, employment assistance, housing search and counseling services, job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental & health services, outreach services, substance abuse treatment services, credit repair, mediation, land/tenant liaison, services for special populations, financial assistance costs, and transportation.

The goal of this plan recommendation is to provide housing and stability for all people in Brownsville experiencing a long length of stay in homelessness and/or chronic homelessness, population fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability, and/or veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet one of the preceding criteria.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance combined with Supportive Services addresses the needs of people experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless, victims of domestic violence and human trafficking, and other populations in need of assistance. Additionally, our consultations and unmet needs reports from multiple stakeholders demonstrate a need for Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA). These populations (4Qps) are also desperate need of education, transportation services, medical assistance, and transitional housing opportunities.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

PJ will directly oversee, monitor, and report on activities only. PJ will solicit and award subrecipient for HOME ARP activities.

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:

No funds will be provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan.

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Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 1,413,048.50	42.5%	
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ #		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 1,413,048.50	42.5%	
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ #		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 498,723.00	# %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 3,324,820.00		

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

Table above shows the proposed HOME-ARP budget, which indicates the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible HOME-ARP activity type including administrative costs which is within HOME-ARP statutory limits. Designated funding amounts in the allocation table are estimated based on needs demonstrated in the plan. The City at its discretion and subject to the selected projects in the request for proposal process, will determine final allocation of funds based on City Commissioner's approval.

After capturing survey data from the public and completing consultations with local social service agencies who wished to participate, the city determined that the most impactful and useful way to use HOME ARP funds was to fund supportive services and tenant based rental assistance.

The rent data illustrated below and the inventory availability chart justifies the determination. According to the Texas Rent Relief Program the rental assistance for 2022 soared to \$1,040,844,733. The rental arrears are calculated at \$935,740,973 for 2022. The utility assistance program totaled \$70,6411,322. The utility arrears program total was \$68,399,862 for 2022. The specific number of households assisted in zip code 78520 was 96 households with total monetary assistance of \$474,074. In zip code 78521 there were 167 households assisted with total monetary assistance of \$824,211. Finally in zip code 78526 was 83 households with total monetary assistance of \$ 613,107. Cameron county is 1,079 which received assistance of \$5,738,001. The breakdown of households assisted by area median income or AMI are 58.14% below 30%AMI, an average of 183,544 households. The breakdown of households assisted by area median income or AMI are 23.98% are 30%-50% AMI, an average of 75,695 households.

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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 City of Brownsville considered characteristics of its shelter and housing inventory, supportive services need identified in the gap analysis, and feedback from stakeholders, to determine funding priorities for the HOME-ARP grant funding. The City of Brownsville has been able to identify, with the development of the gap analysis and stakeholder meetings, activities that will assist the qualifying populations in the city. The results of the gap analysis show there is need for Supportive Services, Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), and increased capacity of the nonprofit/advocate network to responds to families and individuals from the most vulnerable qualified populations, such as homeless, at risk of being homeless, attempting to flee or fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking.

After capturing survey data from the public and completing consultations with local social service agencies who wished to participate, the city determined that the most impactful and useful way to use HOME ARP funds was to fund supportive services and tenant based rental assistance.

Data analysis shows a great need for both shelter and rental housing inventory to serve the eligible population with HOME ARP funds. The homelessness needs inventory and gap analysis table count shows a homeless population that is greater than the share of the emergency shelter and transitional housing units. While PSH can help to address these gaps, the turnover in permanent supporting housing is much lower than emergency shelter and transitional housing by design, and therefore not as widely available. This demonstrates a need for more PSH along with emergency shelter, transitional housing, and general rental housing.

In addition, the Renter Household with Severe Cost Burden B AMI shows that more than 80% of renters with incomes between 0-30% AMI and with incomes >30-50% AMI are cost burdened. Cost burden is an issue that the HOME-ARP tenant-based rental is able to address, since QPs will may only 30% of their income toward rent, eliminating the burden. The great number of renters experiencing severe cost burden by AMI as illustrated on the graph above, individuals are at greatest risk of housing instability and may become homeless. One late payment on rent and/or utilities can mean an eviction notice, or a late fee assessed that will add to the burden of paying off the rent or utility for that month, for these reasons HOME ARP funds can assist and minimize the cost burden to many individuals and families experiencing severe cost burden. Community Survey results for the residents of Brownsville show how many experience difficulties to pay their rent.

Supportive services were the highest rated need identified by the needs assessment survey and feedback from the stakeholders. Supportive Services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, rental deposits, and rent assistance) help to prevent homelessness before the family or individual becomes homeless. These services can also be paired with Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to help vulnerable populations achieve self-sufficiency. The City of Brownsville will fund activities that will increase the capacity of nonprofit organizations to provide these services and increase the amount and diversity of social services provided.

Q10: Have you experienced any of the following in the past 2 years.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	28.05%	23
Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage.	25.61%	21
Plumbing, electric, appliances, or other items in your home do not work	8.54%	7
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home	3.66%	3
Overcrowding too many people living in one home	0%	0
Application for housing being denied.	1.22%	1
Application for mortgage loan being denied	0%	0
Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits	8.54%	7
Lack of funds related to relocation (security deposits, transportation, moving costs, application fees, etc.)	0%	0
Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home	1.22%	1
Application for housing being denied.	0%	0
Inability to find safe and decent housing at affordable costs	3.66%	3
Inability to find accessible housing that meets needs of your disability, if any	0%	0
Homelessness	2.44%	2
All of the above	4.88%	4
Other (please specify)	12.20%	10
TOTAL		82

Q11: What are the barriers to finding good housing in your city that you have experienced or observed?

Answered: 84 Skipped: 2

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HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

Template

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP Program

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:

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP Program

Preferences

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For HOME-ARP rental housing projects, Section VI.B.20.a.iii of the HOME-ARP Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility or give a preference to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation or preference is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan. Adding a preference or

limitation not previously described in the plan requires a substantial amendment and a public comment period in accordance with Section V.C.6 of the Notice (page 16).

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

The City of Brownsville will not have any preferences. All qualifying populations will be assisted such as:

individuals that are homeless and are at risk of being homeless

individuals who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault stalking, or human trafficking

and Veterans or a family which includes a Veteran as a family member

The City will open up an application period for all homeless providers, veteran advocate agencies, and victim service providers to apply for HOME ARP funds. Once the review and selection process is complete, agencies will receive award letters and subrecipient contracts. This process will be administered by the City of Brownsville Office of Strategic Initiatives. At this point individuals will be served as first come first serve as they apply with the different service providers who applied for HOME ARP and were approved to participate by the City. Reimbursement invoices will be reviewed for compliance and be paid with HOME ARP funds. The City will reimburse providers on a monthly basis.

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:

N/A

Referral Methods

PJs are not required to describe referral methods in the plan. However, if a PJ intends to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals to a HOME-ARP project or activity, the PJ must ensure compliance with Section IV.C.2 of the Notice (page10).

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

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

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

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

Template:

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):
N/A

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

process, or the method by which all qualifying populations eligible for the project or activity will be covered. (Optional):

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

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

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

Limitations

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:

City of Brownsville will not have any limitations.

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:

N/A

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

N/A

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

- ***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.***

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

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

Not Applicable to the City's HOME ARP program

**Publication, Comment Card, and City Commission
Approval**



CERTIFICATE OF CITY SECRETARY

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE §

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES that the City Commission of the City of Brownsville, Texas (the City), convened on March 21, 2023, in a regular session at 5:00 p.m., at its Regular Meeting place on the Second Floor of City Hall of the City of Brownsville, Texas, and via WebEx Teleconference Meeting, of the City of Brownsville, Texas; the duly constituted officers and members of the City Commission being as follows:

Trey Mendez
John Cowen, Jr.
Rose M. Z. Gowen, M.D.
Nurith Galonsky Pizafña
Jessica Tetreau-Kalifa
Roy De los Santos
Pedro Cardenas

Mayor
City Commissioner, At-large "A"
City Commissioner, At-large "B"
City Commissioner, District 1
City Commissioner, District 2
City Commissioner, District 3
City Commissioner, District 4

and said people, with the exception of Commissioner John Cowen Jr. who attended the meeting virtually, were present at the Meeting, thus constituting a quorum. Among other business, the following action was introduced for the consideration of the City Commission:

Consideration and ACTION to approve the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) Allocation Plan in the amount of \$3,324,820.

Commissioner Roy De los Santos moved that the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) Allocation Plan in the amount of \$3,324,820, be approved. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jessica Tetreau and carried unanimously.

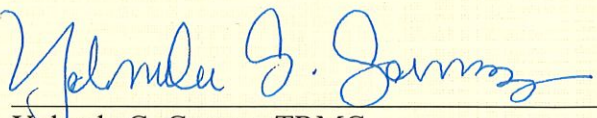
7 voted "For"; 0 voted "Against"; 0 "Abstained",

as will be shown in the official minutes of the City Commission Meeting minute book.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and affixed the seal of the City on this 22 day of March 2023.

(seal)




Yolanda G. Gomez, TRMC
City Secretary

BROWNSVILLE The Herald

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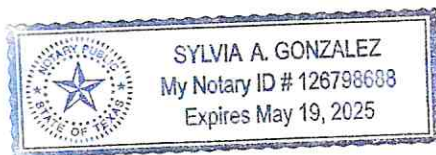
Date: February 19, 2023


Acct: 40018933-City of Bro. Off Of Grants

Ticket: 30226999- Public Notice Request For Public Comments
Home American Rescue Plan


SALLY RODRIGUEZ

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 28th day of February 2023




Notary Public, Cameron County
State of Texas

BROWNSVILLE The Herald

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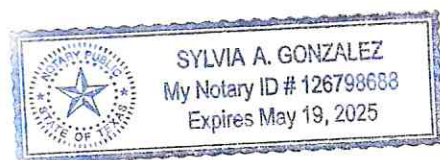
Date: February 19, 2023


Acct: 40018933-City of Bro. Off Of Grants

Ticket: 30227001- Aviso Publico
Solicitu De Comentarios Publico
Home Plan De Rescate Americano


SALLY RODRIGUEZ

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 28th day of February 2023




Notary Public, Cameron County
State of Texas



AVISO PÚBLICO SOLICITUD DE COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS

CIUDAD DE BROWNSVILLE HOME PLAN DE RESCATE AMERICANO

Período de comentarios: 21 de febrero de 2023- 8 de marzo de 2023

La Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense asignó \$ 5 mil millones para proporcionar vivienda, servicios y refugio a personas sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables. Estos fondos se asignaron por fórmula a jurisdicciones que calificaron para recibir financiamiento a través del Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME (Programa HOME) del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD). Esta ronda especial de financiamiento se llama el programa "HOME-ARP".

El Plan de Asignación es requerido por HUD para que la Ciudad reciba fondos federales de subvención HOME-ARP. El Plan de Asignación de HOME-ARP es un plan estratégico que detalla la asignación de fondos para ayudar a las personas o los hogares que se encuentran sin hogar, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables, proporcionando viviendas asequibles, asistencia para el alquiler, servicios de apoyo y servicios no colectivos, refugio, para reducir la falta de vivienda y aumentar la estabilidad de la vivienda. El Plan de Asignación define el uso de los fondos federales de subvención HOME-ARP para abordar estas necesidades.

La Ciudad de Brownsville fue premiada y anticipa una asignación de \$3,324,820 en Home Investment Partnerships Grant – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) para ayudar a crear viviendas y servicios asequibles para personas sin hogar, personas en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar, personas que huyen de la violencia doméstica y otras poblaciones vulnerables.

HOME ARP Presupuesto Propuesto

	Monto de financiamiento
Servicios de apoyo	\$1,413,048.50
Asistencia de alquiler basada en inquilinos TBRA	\$1,413,048.50
Administración y Planificación	\$498,723.00
Asignación total de HOME ARP	\$3,324,820.00

Una descripción completa del Plan HOME ARP listado estará disponible para cualquier parte interesada durante el período de comentarios de 15 días. Se alienta a las partes interesadas a presentar comentarios por escrito sobre el Plan HOME ARP propuesto por un período de 15 días que comienza el **martes 21 de febrero de 2023** y termina a las **5:00 p.m. Miércoles 8 de marzo de 2023**. El público puede enviar su comentario electrónico utilizando el siguiente enlace de Survey Monkey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HOMEARPPLAN>. Cualquier parte interesada también puede enviar sus comentarios por escrito al Sr. Efrén Trujillo Jr., Subdirector de la Oficina de Iniciativas Estratégicas, RE: HOME ARP Draft Plan Input, 1150 E. Adams Street, 3rd Floor, Brownsville, TX 78520; Teléfono: (956) 548-6167; e-mail: efren.trujillo@brownsvilletx.gov; fax: (956) 548-6161. El Plan HOME ARP 2022-2023 se puede ver en línea en <https://www.brownsvilletx.gov/2323/HOME-ARP> y está disponible en las siguientes ubicaciones:

- Biblioteca Pública de Brownsville, 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Biblioteca Pública de Southmost, 4320 Southmost Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Southmost Community Network Center, 2900 Southmost Road, Brownsville, TX
- Westside Community Network Center, 1763 U.S. Highway 281, Brownsville, TX
- Autoridad de Vivienda de Brownsville, 24 Elm Street, Brownsville, TX.

Audiencia pública

Además del período de comentarios de 15 días, se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública sobre el Plan APR HOME:

- 28 de febrero de 2023 (6:00 PM.) Biblioteca Pública de Brownsville, 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, Texas 78520

La Ciudad de Brownsville no discrimina por motivos de discapacidad en la admisión, acceso, tratamiento o empleo en sus programas, actividades o reuniones públicas. Si se necesita asistencia lingüística para personas que no hablan inglés, comuníquese con (956) 548-6167. Se recomienda a cualquier persona con una discapacidad que necesite una adaptación que se comuniquen con el Coordinador de la ADA al (956) 548-6037. Para acceso telefónico para personas con pérdida del habla o auditiva llame al 1-800-RELAY-TX. Por favor, proporcione un aviso



PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

CITY OF BROWNSVILLE HOME AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

Comment Period: February 21, 2023- March 8, 2023

The American Rescue Plan Act appropriated \$5 billion to provide housing, services, and shelter to individuals experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable populations. These funds were allocated by formula to jurisdictions that qualified for funding through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME Program) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This special round of funding is called the "HOME-ARP" program.

The Allocation Plan is required by HUD for the City to receive federal HOME-ARP grant funds. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is a strategic plan detailing the allocation of funding to assist individuals or households who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing affordable housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability. The Allocation Plan defines the use of federal HOME-ARP grant funds to address these needs.

The City of Brownsville was awarded and anticipates an allocation of \$3,324,820 in Home Investment Partnerships Grant – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) to help create affordable housing and services for homeless persons, people at risk of homelessness, persons fleeing domestic violence, and other vulnerable populations.

HOME ARP Proposed Budget

	Funding Amount
Supportive Services	\$1,413,048.50
Tenant Based Rental Assistance TBRA	\$1,413,048.50
Administration & Planning (15%)	\$498,723.00
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$3,324,820.00

A full description of the listed HOME ARP Plan draft will be made available to any interested party throughout the 15-day comment period. Interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments on the proposed HOME ARP Plan for a 15-day period beginning **Tuesday, February 21, 2023 and ending at 5:00p.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2023**. The public may submit their electronic comment using the following Survey Monkey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HOMEARPPLAN>. Any interested party may also submit their written comments to Mr. Efrén Trujillo Jr., Assistant Director of Office of Strategic Initiatives, RE: HOME ARP Draft Plan Input, 1150 E. Adams Street, 3rd Floor, Brownsville, TX 78520; Phone: (956) 548-6167; e-mail: efren.trujillo@brownsvilletx.gov; fax: (956) 548-6161. The 2022-2023 HOME APR Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.brownsvilletx.gov/2323/HOME-ARP> and is available at the following locations:

- Brownsville Public Library, 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Southmost Public Library, 4320 Southmost Blvd., Brownsville, TX
- Southmost Community Network Center, 2900 Southmost Road, Brownsville, TX
- Westside Community Network Center, 1763 U.S. Highway 281, Brownsville, TX
- Brownsville Housing Authority, 24 Elm Street, Brownsville, TX.

Public Hearing

In addition to the 15-day comment period, one Public Hearing on the HOME APR Plan will take place:

- February 28, 2023 (6:00 P.M.) Brownsville Public Library, 2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, Texas 78520

The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. If language assistance is needed for Non-English speaking individuals please contact (956) 548-6167. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at (956) 548-6037. For telephone access for people with speech or hearing loss, please call 1-800-RELAY-TX. Please provide 2-3 days' notice so that proper accommodations



PUBLIC COMMENT CARDS

PUBLIC HEARING- HOME ARP Allocation Plan

City of Brownsville

Office of Strategic Initiatives

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Main Public Library

2600 Central Blvd Brownsville, TX 78521

NAME:

ADDRESS:

ORGANIZATION:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL:

SUBJECT OF COMMENT:

I like the plan.



PUBLIC COMMENT CARDS

PUBLIC HEARING- HOME ARP Allocation Plan

City of Brownsville

Office of Strategic Initiatives

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Main Public Library

2600 Central Blvd Brownsville, TX 78521

NAME:

ADDRESS:

ORGANIZATION:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL:

SUBJECT OF COMMENT:

Very Glad these funds are available for our people in need.



PUBLIC COMMENT CARDS

PUBLIC HEARING- HOME ARP Allocation Plan

City of Brownsville

Office of Strategic Initiatives

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Main Public Library

2600 Central Blvd Brownsville, TX 78521

NAME:

Maria Cardero

ADDRESS:

1128 Sandy Fork

ORGANIZATION:

NITA

PHONE NUMBER:

956-459-4135.

EMAIL:

alyona@yost.com

SUBJECT OF COMMENT:

It like the plan.



PUBLIC COMMENT CARDS

PUBLIC HEARING- HOME ARP Allocation Plan

City of Brownsville

Office of Strategic Initiatives

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Main Public Library

2600 Central Blvd Brownsville, TX 78521

NAME:

Andrea A. Williams

ADDRESS:

1711 Taff St.

ORGANIZATION:

PHONE NUMBER:

956-312-2788

EMAIL:

SUBJECT OF COMMENT:

Very Glad these funds are available for
our people in need.

SF 424 and Certifications

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:**

03/23/2023

4. Applicant Identifier:

M-21-MP-48-0501

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 Brownsville

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

74-6000422

*** c. UEI:**

DCJTF4NGTW78

d. Address:

*** Street1:**

1150 E Adams Street 3rd floor

Street2:

*** City:**

Brownsville

County/Parish:

*** State:**

TX: Texas

Province:

*** Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:**

78520-9845

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

City Manager's Office

Division Name:

Office of Strategic Initiative

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

Prefix:

Mr.

*** First Name:**

Efren

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:**

Trujillo

Suffix:

Jr.

Title:

Assistant Director of OSI

Organizational Affiliation:

City of Brownsville

*** Telephone Number:**

956-548-6118

Fax Number:

*** Email:**

efren.trujillo@brownsvilletx.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

M-21-MP-48-0501

* Title:

HOME ARP

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

Add Attachment

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

City of Brownsville M-21-MP-48-0501

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Add Attachments

Delete Attachments

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

34

* b. Program/Project

34

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

Add Attachment

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

10/01/2021

* b. End Date:

09/30/2030

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal

3,324,820.00

* b. Applicant

* c. State

* d. Local

* e. Other

* f. Program Income

* g. TOTAL

3,324,820.00

* 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

Add Attachment

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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:

Ms.

* First Name:

Helen

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Ramirez

Suffix:

* Title:

City Manager

* Telephone Number:

956-548-6007

Fax Number:

* Email:

helen.ramirez@brownsvilletx.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:



* Date Signed:

3/24/2023

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

3/24/2023

Date

City Manager

Title

ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

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

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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. 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.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. 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 handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 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.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. 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.
10. Will comply, if applicable, 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.
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12. 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.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. 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."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
19. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE City Manager
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION City of Brownsville	DATE SUBMITTED 3/29/2023

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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

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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title, or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with 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 progress 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. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE City Manager	
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION City of Brownsville		DATE SUBMITTED 3/24/2023

Survey for Citizen and Stakeholders

HOME ARP Citizen

To address the need for homelessness assistance, Congress appropriated \$5 billion in ARP funds to be administered through HOME to perform four activities that must primarily benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations.

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- (1) development and support of affordable housing,**
- (2) tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA),**
- (3) provision of supportive services; and**
- (4) acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units.**

* 1. Which best describes your living situation?

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| <input type="radio"/> Own | <input type="radio"/> Live with others |
| <input type="radio"/> Rent | <input type="radio"/> Live in a shelter |
| <input type="radio"/> Public housing complex | <input type="radio"/> Homeless |

* 2. How many people are in your household, including yourself?

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3 - 5
- ☐ 6 or more

* 3. What is the total annual income of your household(before taxes)?

- ☐ \$0 - \$14,999
- ☐ \$15,000 to \$ 24,999
- ☐ \$25,000 to \$44,999
- ☐ \$45,000 or more

* 4. What is your age?

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| <input type="radio"/> Less than 18 | <input type="radio"/> 45 to 54 |
| <input type="radio"/> 18 to 24 | <input type="radio"/> 55 to 64 |
| <input type="radio"/> 25 to 34 | <input type="radio"/> 65 to 74 |
| <input type="radio"/> 35 to 44 | <input type="radio"/> 75 or older |

* 5. Have you ever served on active duty in the US Armed Forces, Military Reserves, or National Guard?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

* 6. Do you have a disability or disabling condition?

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 7. Are you at risk of being homeless due to the COVID-19 pandemic or other circumstances?

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 8. Are you under employed or unemployed?

☐ Yes

☐ No

9. Have you experienced domestic or dating violence?

☐ Yes

☐ No

10. Have you experienced any of the following in the past 2 years.

☐ Difficulty paying rent and or mortgage.

☐ Plumbing, electric, appliances, or other items in your home do not work

☐ Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home

☐ Overcrowding too many people living in one home

☐ Application for housing being denied.

☐ Application for mortgage loan being denied

☐ Difficulty paying utility bills or making utility deposits

☐ Other (please specify)

☐ None of the above

☐ lack of funds related to relocation (security deposits, transportation, moving costs, application fees, etc.)

☐ Unwillingness of landlord to make needed repairs and or improvements to your home

☐ Inability to find safe and decent housing at affordable costs

☐ Inability to find accessible housing that meets needs of your disability, if any

☐ Homelessness

☐ All of the above

11. What are the barriers to finding good housing in your city that you have experienced or observed?

- ☐ Cost of housing
 ☐ Affordable housing options available only in certain areas
- ☐ Refusal of landlords to accept rental subsidy assistance
 ☐ Lack of diversity of housing options(such as single-family houses, apartments, and townhouses)
- ☐ Condition of housing units
 ☐ All of the above
- ☐ Accessibility for people with disabilities or disabling conditions
- ☐ Lack of housing near areas of opportunity (employment, services, education, etc.)
- ☐ Other (please specify)
- ☐ None of the above

12. Please rate the necessity of the following projects:

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant
Assistance with moving cost.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Case Management Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education services such as instruction or training in consumer education, health education, substance abuse prevention, literacy, English as a Second Language, and General Development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment Assistance and job training.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Supplemental food assistance.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing search and counseling services such as tenant counseling, assisting individuals and families to understand leases; securing utilities; and making moving arrangements.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal Services for advice and					

representation in matters that interfere with ability to obtain and retain housing.

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Life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training.

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Mental health services such as crisis interventions; counseling ; indivual family, or group therapy sessions; assistance with understanding and / or accessing needed medication; and combinations of therapeutic approaches to address multiple problems.

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Outpatient health services such as services to assist individuals in understanding their health needs; accessing appropriate medical treatment and medication; and providing preventative care

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Outpatient services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the

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housing and / or services provided within the geographic area.

Substance abuse treatment services such as participant intake and assessment, out patient treatment, group and individual counseling, and drug testing.

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Provision of transportation to and from medical care, employment, childcare, or other services; assistance with care maintenance or repairs

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Assistance with utility deposits

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Development of affordable housing

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Rental Assistance

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Acquisition / development of non-congregate units(i.e., emergency shelter provided an individual rooms rather than a traditional homeless shelter)

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Tenant based rental assistance

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Emergency / Shelter for homeless

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13. Please include other priorities not listed or any comments.

Thank you for your participation. The information within is kept confidential.



HOME ARP Stakeholder survey 2022

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**The City of Brownsville was awarded
\$3,300,00.00**

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1. What is your organization's mission statement and / or focus?

2. How long has your organization been operating in the service area?

3. Which type of organization below best describes the group with which you are affiliated with?

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| <input type="radio"/> Homeless service provider | <input type="radio"/> Organization serving people with disabilities |
| <input type="radio"/> Domestic violence service provider | <input type="radio"/> Organization serving people with HIV |
| <input type="radio"/> Veteran's group | <input type="radio"/> Other organization addressing the needs of a people experiencing risk of homelessness , people fleeing domestic |
| <input type="radio"/> Fair Housing organization | |

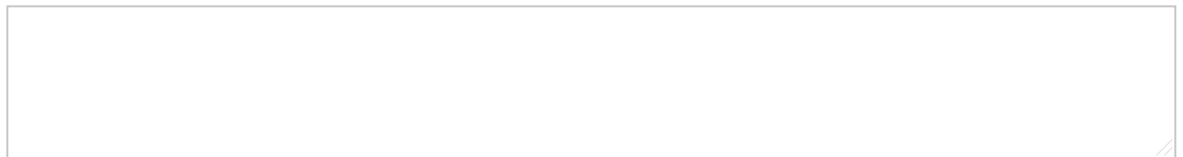
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assault, stalking, or
human trafficking.

4. What unmet housing & services needs do you see among qualifying populations (people experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or otherwise at high risk of housing instability within our community).



5. What gaps do you see within the current shelter & housing inventory, as well as the service delivery system in our community.



6. How will people be able to rank these uses?

- ☐ Development of affordable housing
- ☐ Rental Assistance
- ☐ Services (i.e., case management, legal services, moving cost assistance)

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- ☐ Acquisition / development of non-congregate units
(i.e., emergency shelter provided an individual
rooms rather than a traditional homeless shelter)

7. For development of affordable housing, what specific needs do you see in our community? How do you think HOME ARP funds could be used to address those needs?

8. For rental assistance, what specific needs do you see in our community? How do you think HOME ARP funds could be used to address those needs?

9. For non-congregate shelter, (i.e., emergency shelter, provided an individual rooms rather than a traditional homeless shelter) what specific needs do you see in our community? How do you think HOME ARP funds could be used to address those needs?

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10. Do you offer supportive services to your clients, such as:

- ☐ Case Management
- ☐ Legal Services
- ☐ Moving cost assistance
- ☐ Employment assistance
- ☐ Educational assistance
- ☐ Development of affordable housing
- ☐ Rental Assistance
- ☐ , Acquisition / development of non-congregate units(i.e., emergency shelter provided an individual rooms rather than a traditional homeless shelter)
- ☐ Tenant based rental assistance
- ☐ Emergency Shelter for homeless
- ☐ Other (please specify)

11. How do you assist individuals who are under employed or unemployed?

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12. How do you assist individuals who have experienced domestic violence?

13. How does your organization provide services to your intended population?

14. What strategies or experiences have you found successful in engaging with your community?

15. Please identify your priorities related to decent, safe, and affordable housing for low income and vulnerable populations.

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Somewhat Unimportant
Assistance with moving costs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Somewhat Unimportant
Case Management services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education services such as instruction or training in consumer education, health education, substance abuse prevention, literacy, English as a Second Language, and General Development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment Assistance and job training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Supplemental food assistance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Housing search and counseling services such as tenant counseling, assisting individuals and families to understand leases; securing utilities; and making moving arrangements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal Services for advice and representation in matters that interfere with ability to obtain and retain housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Life skills training such as budgeting of resources and money management household management, conflict management, shopping for food and other needed items, nutrition, the use of public transportation, and parent training

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Outpatient health services such as services to assist individuals in understanding their health needs; accessing appropriate medical treatment and medication; and providing preventative	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Outreach services including crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and / or services provided within the geographic area

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Substance abuse treatment services such as participant intake and assessment, out patient treatment, group and individual counseling, and drug testing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provision of transportation to and from medical care, employment, childcare, or other services; assistance with care maintenance or repairs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assistance with utility deposits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Please rate the necessity of the following projects:

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Development of affordable housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Supportive housing services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acquisition & development of non- congregate shelter units	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Services for battered and abused spouse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emergency Shelter for Homeless	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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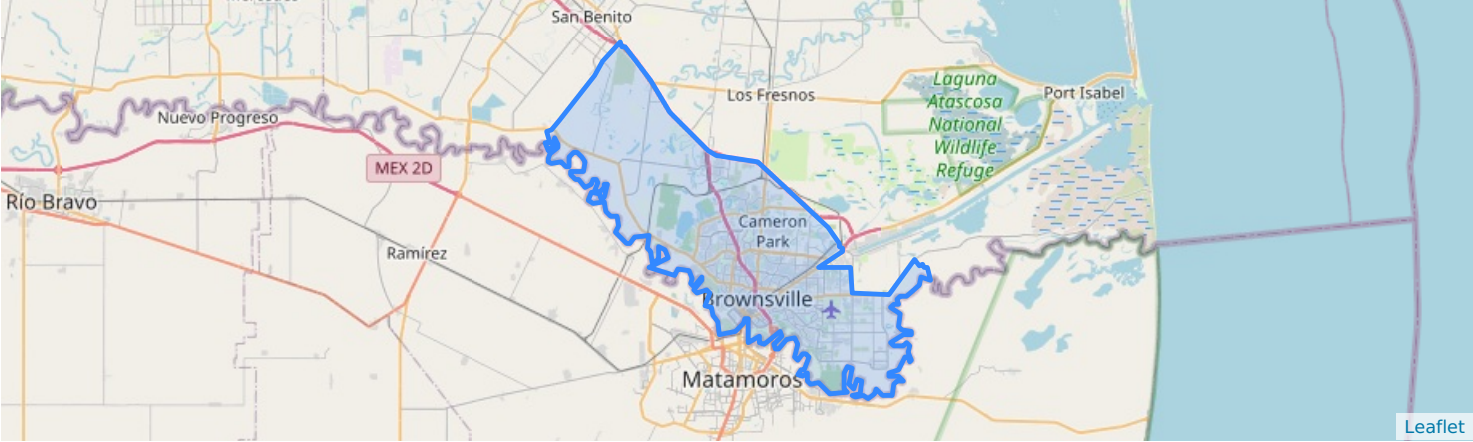
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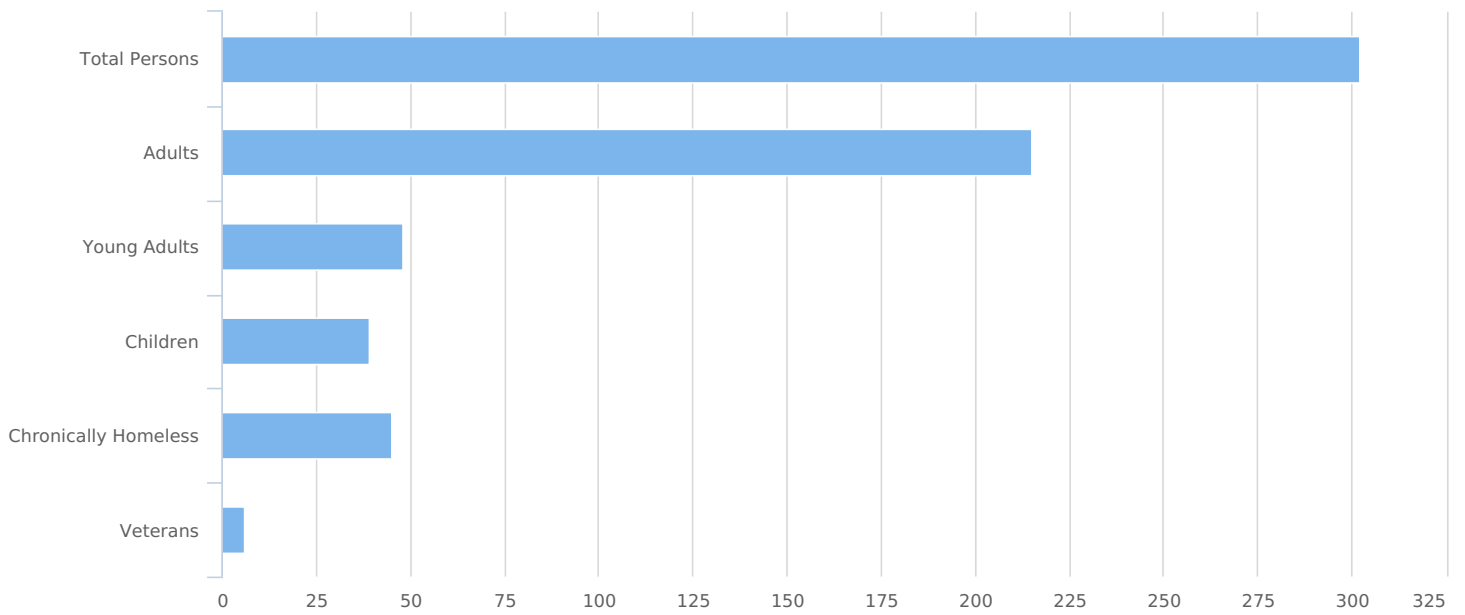
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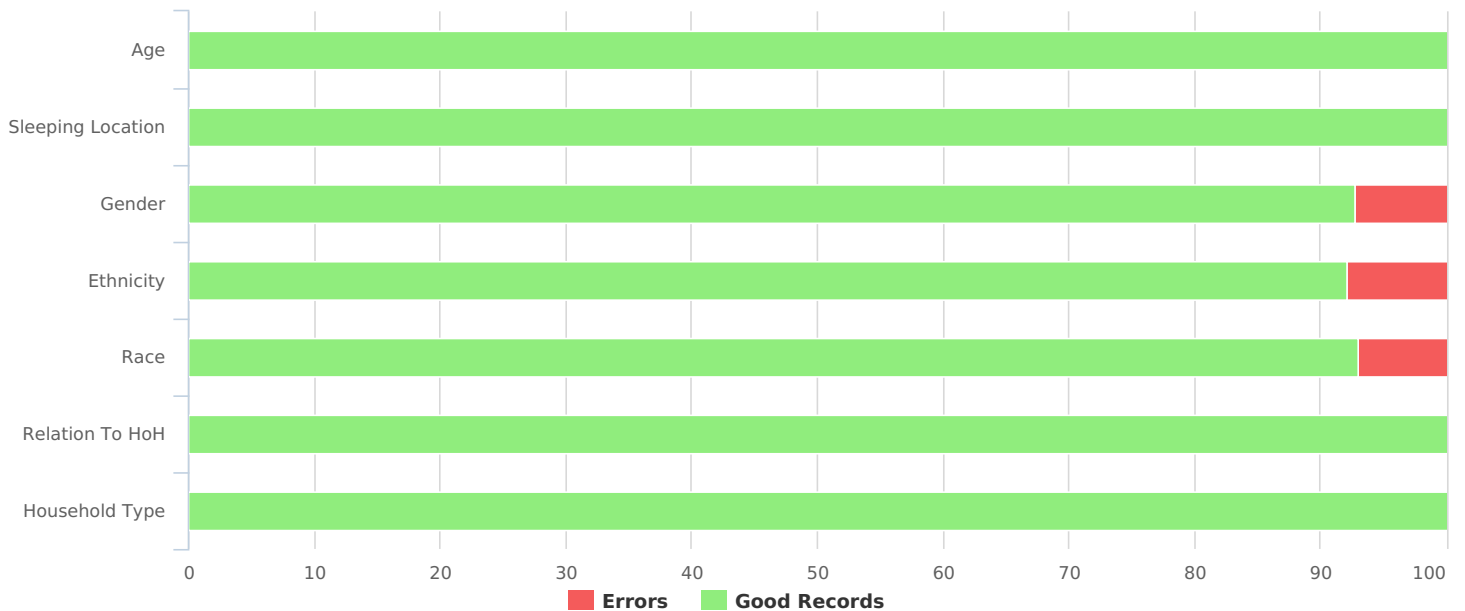


Total number of persons	302
Number of children (under age 18)	39
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	48
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	78
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	51
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	39
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	26
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	21
Observed age 25 or older	0
Unknown Age	0
Chronically Homeless	45
Veterans	6



Data Quality Checks

Persons Missing Age Information	0
Persons Missing Sleeping Location	0
Persons Missing Gender	22
Persons Missing Ethnicity	24
Persons Missing Race	21
Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



All Households

Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	22
Total number of persons	73
Number of children (under age 18)	39
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	10
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	16
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	8
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	0
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	0
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	0
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	45
Male	28
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	72

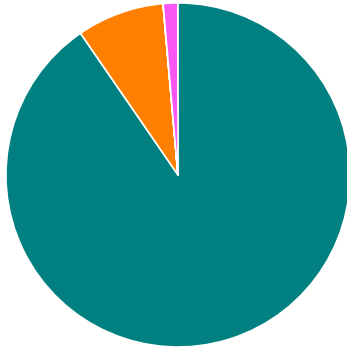
Race

White	66
Black, African American, or African	6
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	1

Chronically Homeless

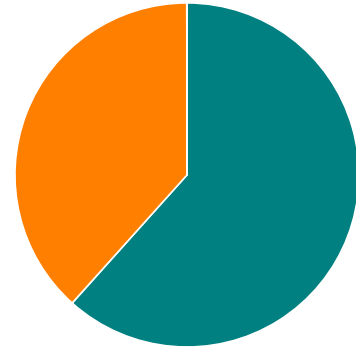
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Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	225
Total number of persons	229
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	38
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	62
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	43
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	39
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	26
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	21
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	53
Male	153
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	1
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Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	29
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	176

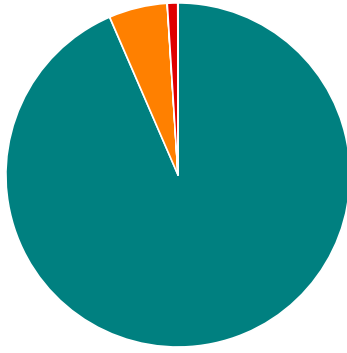
Race

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

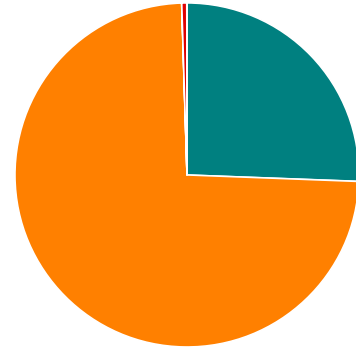
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Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households with Only Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of children (persons under age 18)	0

Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	0
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Race

Gender



Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0
Total number of Veterans	0

Gender (veterans only)

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (veterans only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race (veterans only)

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race

Gender

■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Veteran Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	6
Total number of persons	6
Total Number of Veterans	6

Gender (veterans only)

Female	1
Male	5
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
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Ethnicity (veterans only)

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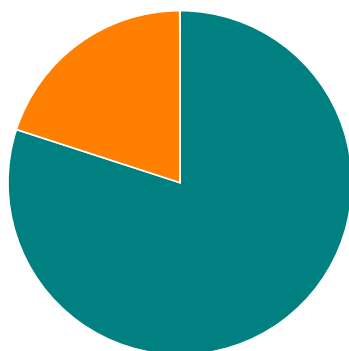
Race (veterans only)

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Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

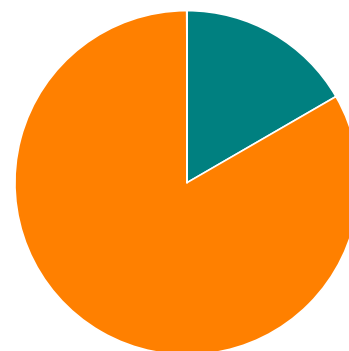
Total number of households	3
Total number of persons	3

Race



■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

Gender



■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of unaccompanied youth households	37
Total number of unaccompanied youth	37
Number of unaccompanied youth (under age 18)	0
Number of unaccompanied youth (age 18 to 24)	37

Gender (unaccompanied youth)

Female	11
Male	23
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	1
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Ethnicity (unaccompanied youth)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	32

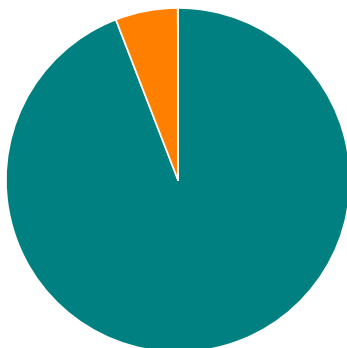
Race (unaccompanied youth)

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American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

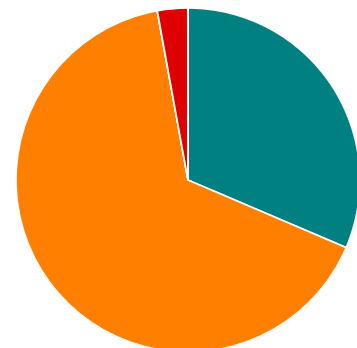
Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	2
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Race



Gender



■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of parenting youth households	3
Total number of persons in parenting youth households	9
Total Parenting Youth (youth parents only)	4
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	5
Number of parenting youth under age 18	0
Children in households with parenting youth under age 18	0
Number of parenting youth age 18 to 24	4
Children in households with parenting youth age 18 to 24	5

Gender (youth parents only)

Female	3
Male	1
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (youth parents only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	4

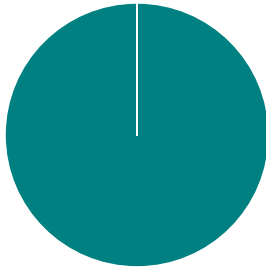
Race (youth parents only)

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Asian or Asian American	0
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Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

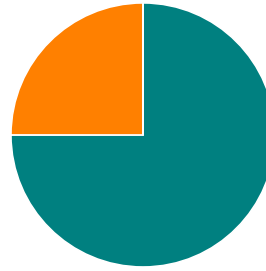
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Total number of persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

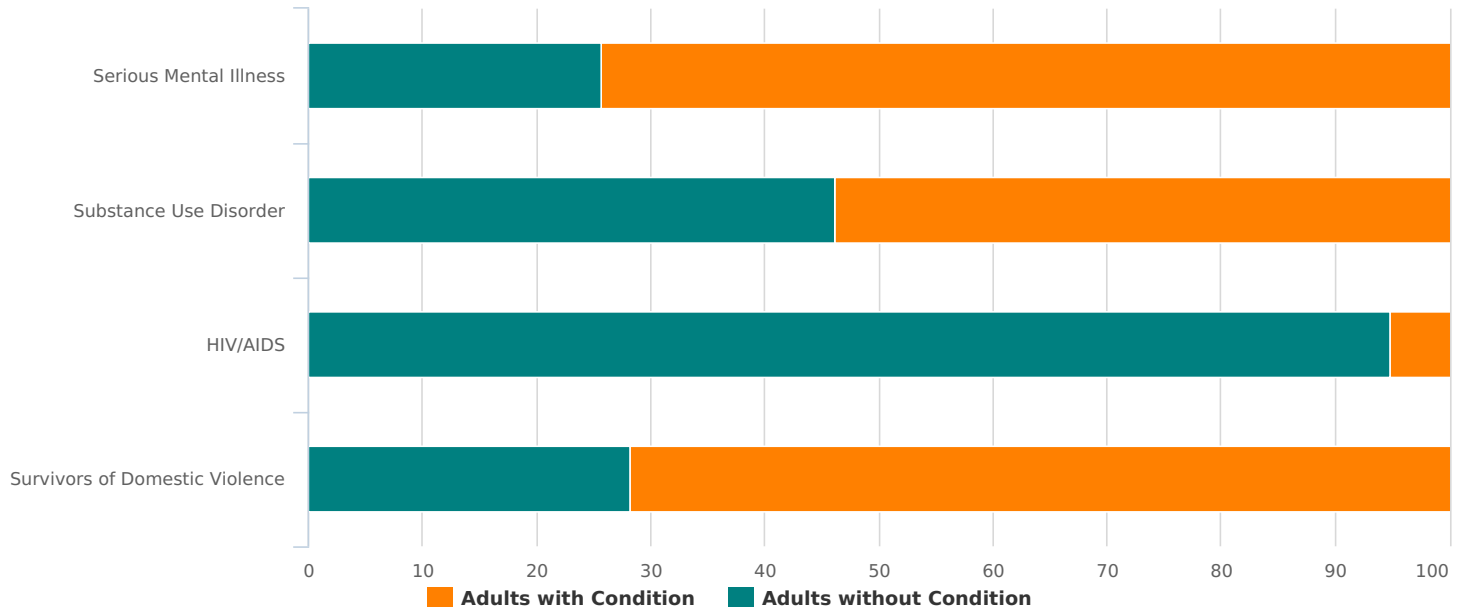
Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

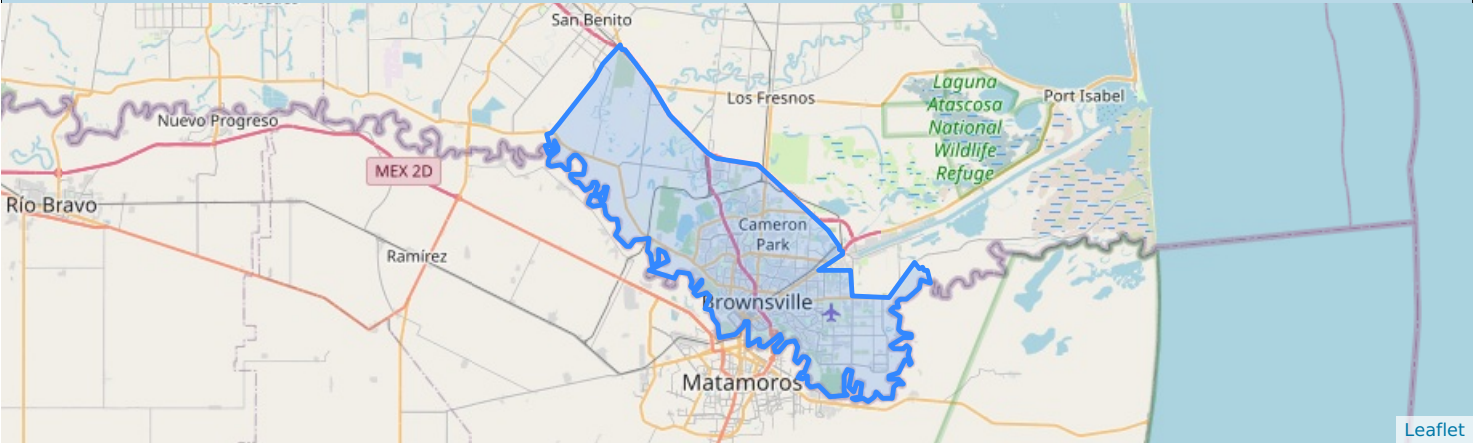
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Adults with a Serious Mental Illness	29
Adults with a Substance Use Disorder	21
Adults with HIV/AIDS	2
Adult Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	28

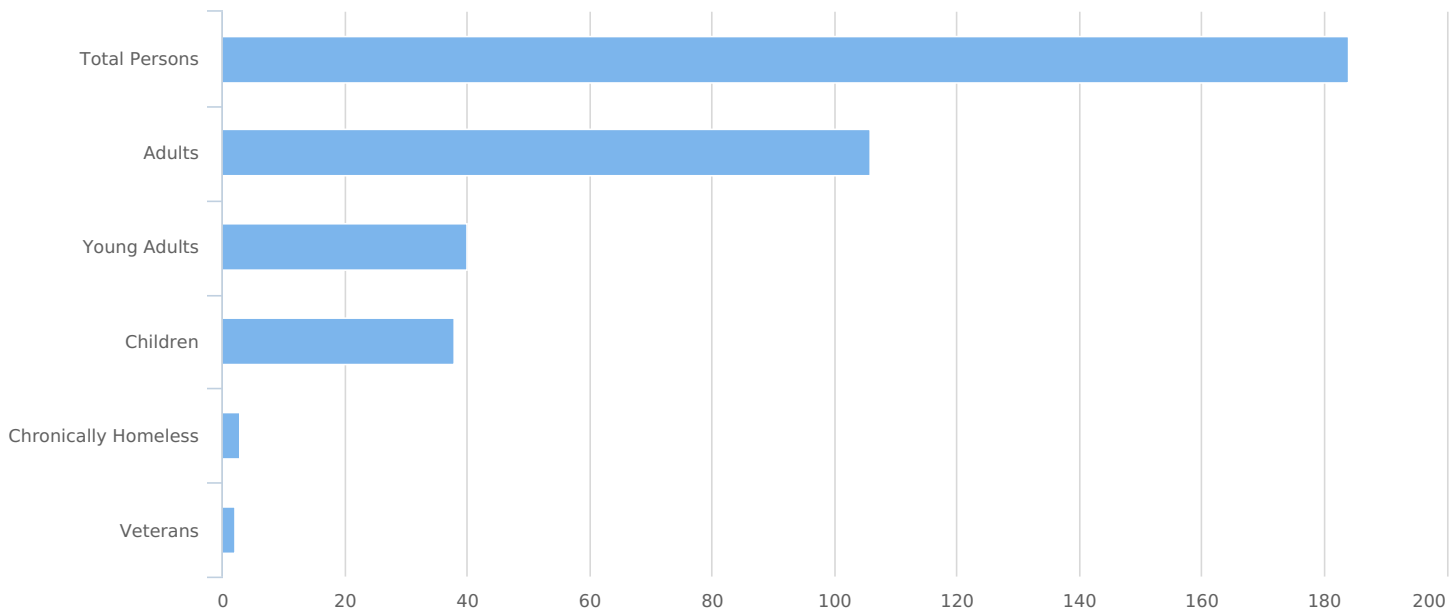


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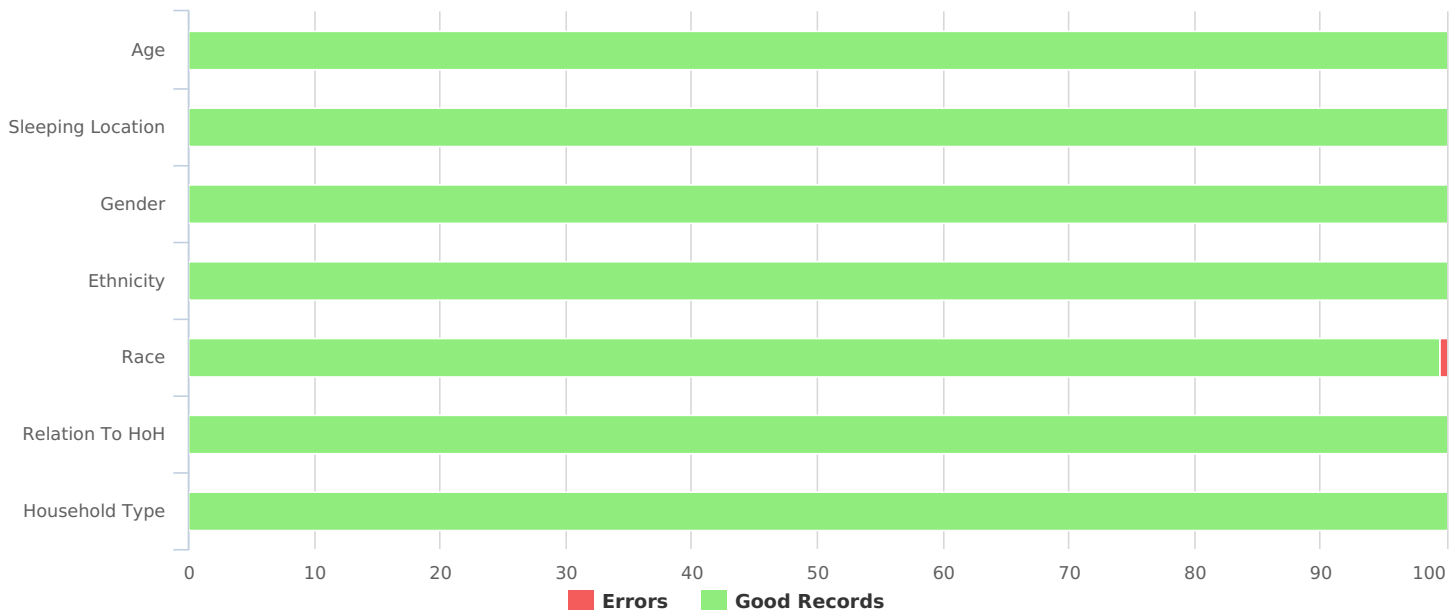


Total number of persons	184
Number of children (under age 18)	38
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	40
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	62
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	27
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	8
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	5
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	4
Observed age 25 or older	0
Unknown Age	0
Chronically Homeless	3
Veterans	2



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Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



All Households

Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	21
Total number of persons	71
Number of children (under age 18)	38
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	10
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	16
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	7
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	0
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	0
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	0
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	44
Male	27
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	70

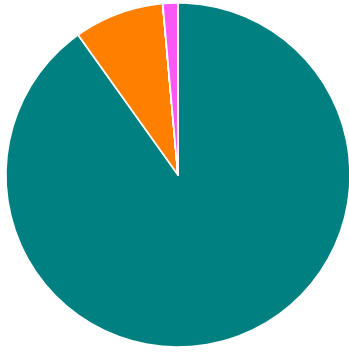
Race

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	1

Chronically Homeless

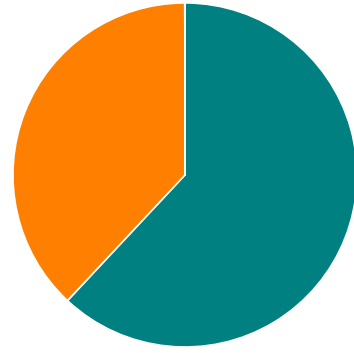
Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	112
Total number of persons	113
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	30
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	46
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	20
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	8
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	5
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	4
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	29
Male	83
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	1
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	11
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	102

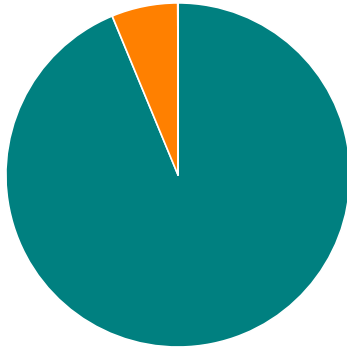
Race

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

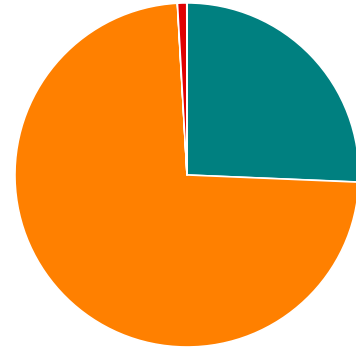
Total number of persons	3
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Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households with Only Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of children (persons under age 18)	0

Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	0
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Race

Gender



Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0
Total number of Veterans	0

Gender (veterans only)

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (veterans only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race (veterans only)

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race

Gender

■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Veteran Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	2
Total number of persons	2
Total Number of Veterans	2

Gender (veterans only)

Female	1
Male	1
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (veterans only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race (veterans only)

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Black, African American, or African	1
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
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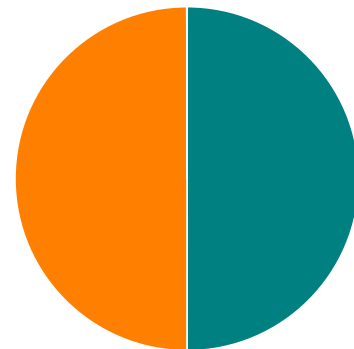
Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	1
Total number of persons	1

Race



Gender



■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of unaccompanied youth households	29
Total number of unaccompanied youth	29
Number of unaccompanied youth (under age 18)	0
Number of unaccompanied youth (age 18 to 24)	29

Gender (unaccompanied youth)

Female	7
Male	21
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	1
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (unaccompanied youth)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	28

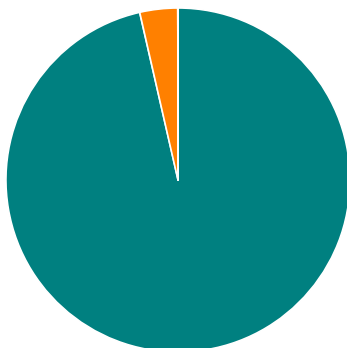
Race (unaccompanied youth)

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Black, African American, or African	1
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

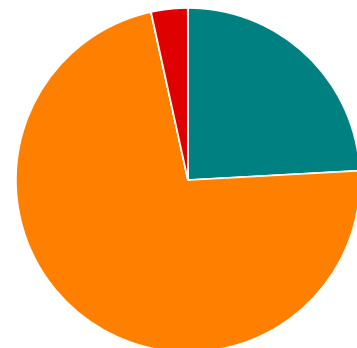
Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	0
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Race



Gender



■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly female or male
 ■ Questioning

Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of parenting youth households	3
Total number of persons in parenting youth households	9
Total Parenting Youth (youth parents only)	4
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	5
Number of parenting youth under age 18	0
Children in households with parenting youth under age 18	0
Number of parenting youth age 18 to 24	4
Children in households with parenting youth age 18 to 24	5

Gender (youth parents only)

Female	3
Male	1
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (youth parents only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	4

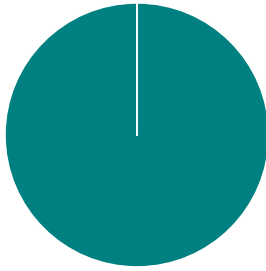
Race (youth parents only)

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

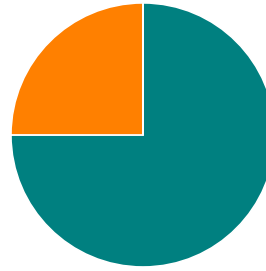
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Total number of persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

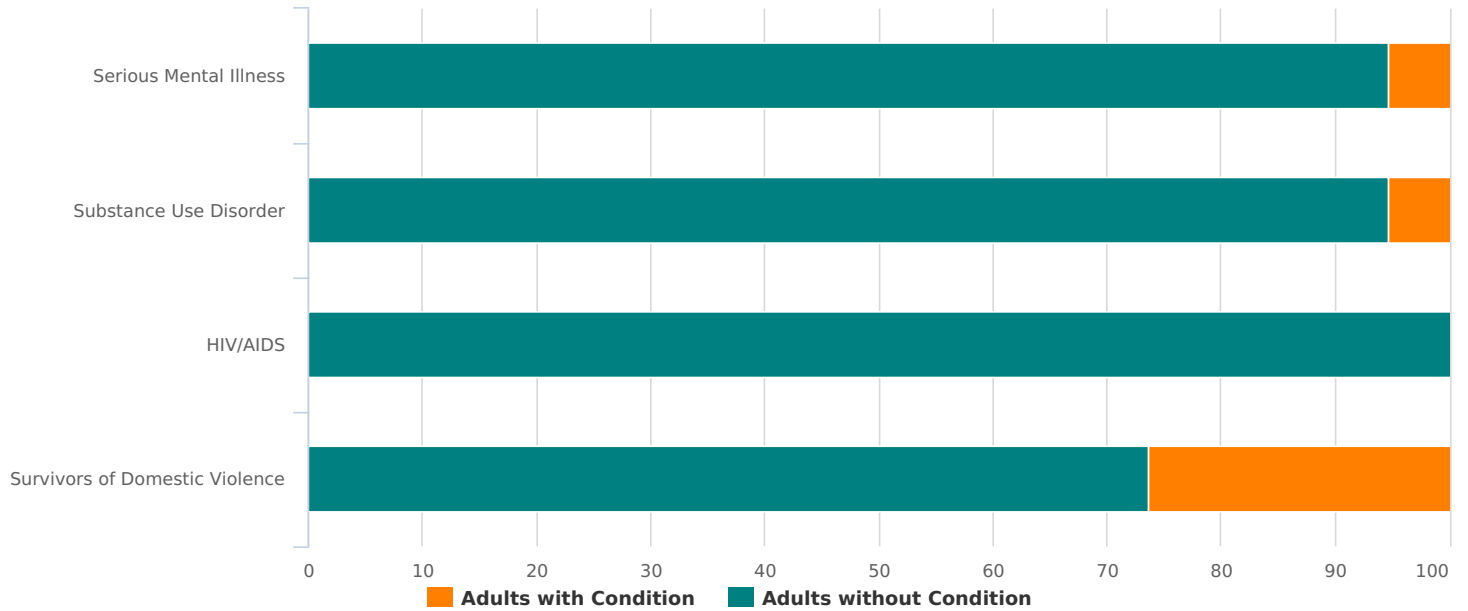
Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

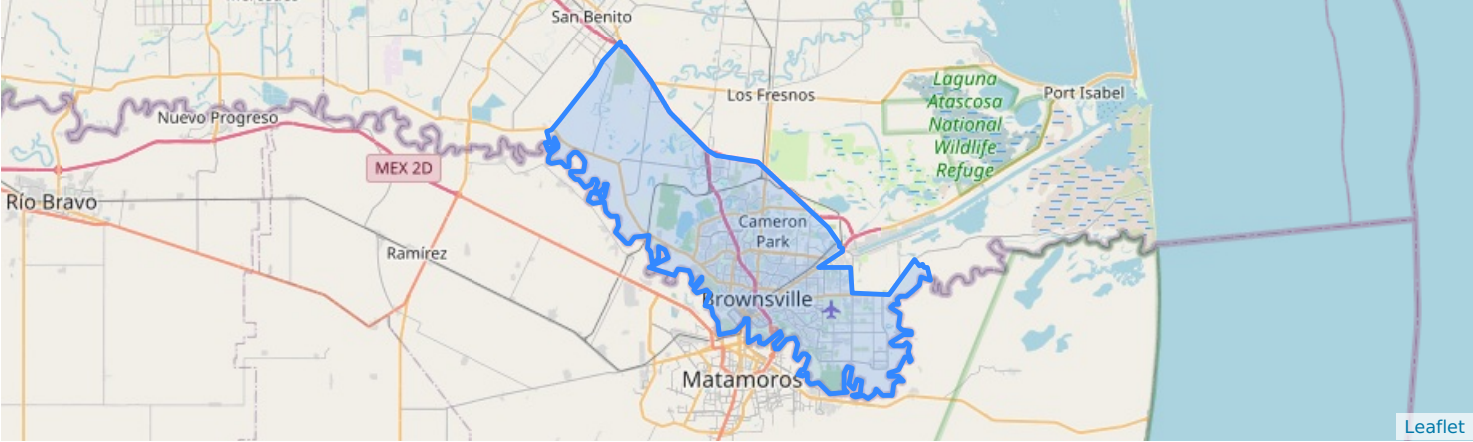
Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)

Adults with a Serious Mental Illness	2
Adults with a Substance Use Disorder	2
Adults with HIV/AIDS	0
Adult Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	10

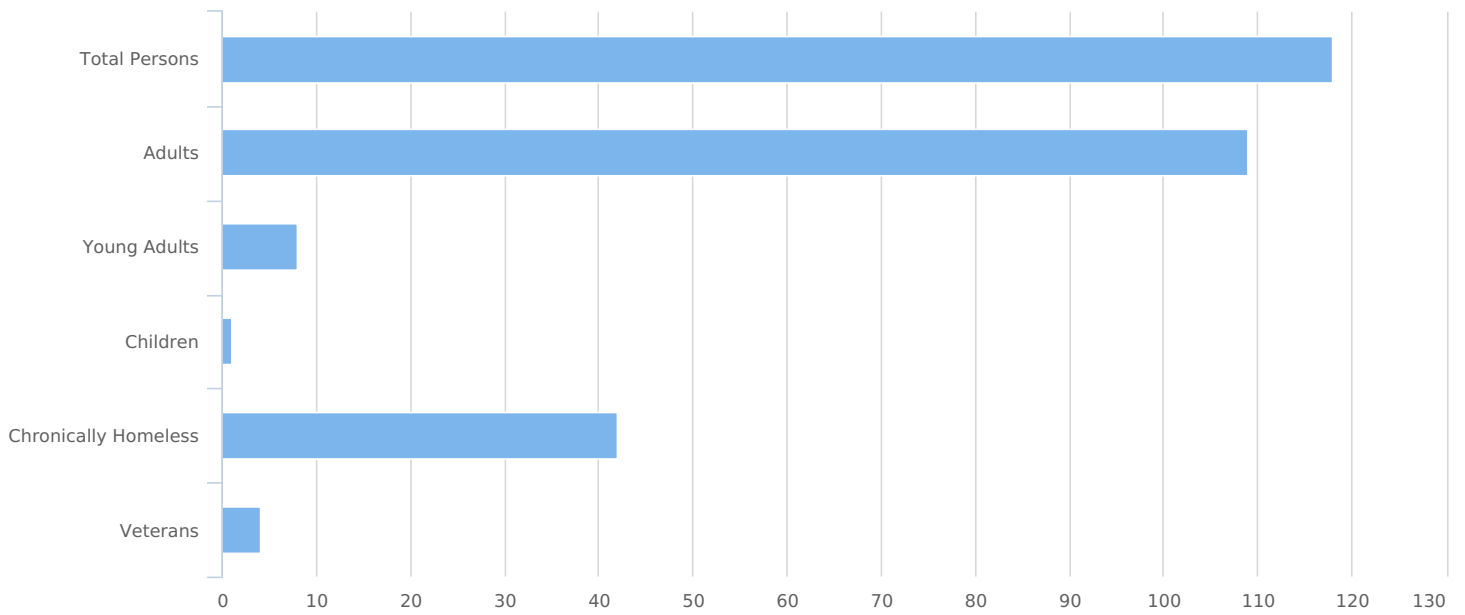


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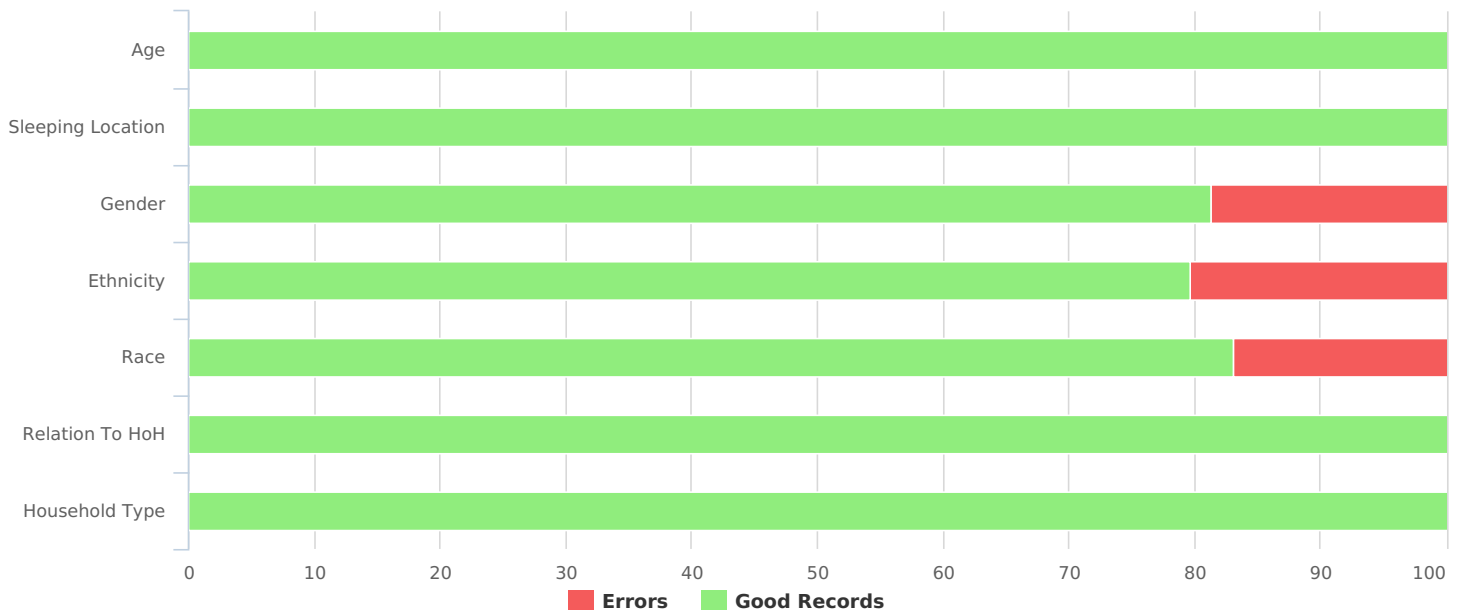


Total number of persons	118
Number of children (under age 18)	1
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	8
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	16
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	24
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	31
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	21
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	17
Observed age 25 or older	0
Unknown Age	0
Chronically Homeless	42
Veterans	4



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Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



All Households

Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	1
Total number of persons	2
Number of children (under age 18)	1
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	0
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	0
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	1
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	0
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	0
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	0
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	1
Male	1
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	2

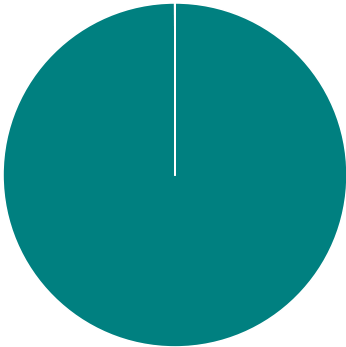
Race

White	2
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	113
Total number of persons	116
Number of youth (age 18 to 24)	8
Number of adults (age 25 to 34)	16
Number of adults (age 35 to 44)	23
Number of adults (age 45 to 54)	31
Number of adults (age 55 to 64)	21
Number of adults (age 65 or older)	17
Observed age 25 or older	0

Gender

Female	24
Male	70
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	18
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	74

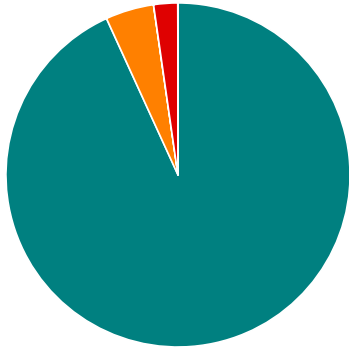
Race

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Black, African American, or African	4
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

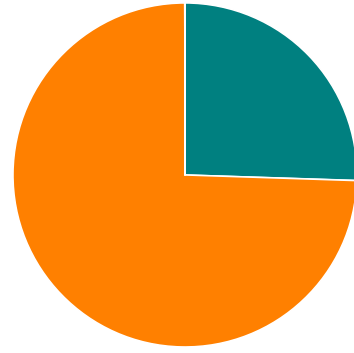
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Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households with Only Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of children (persons under age 18)	0

Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	0
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Race

Gender



Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0
Total number of Veterans	0

Gender (veterans only)

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (veterans only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race (veterans only)

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race

Gender

■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Veteran Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of households	4
Total number of persons	4
Total Number of Veterans	4

Gender (veterans only)

Female	0
Male	4
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (veterans only)

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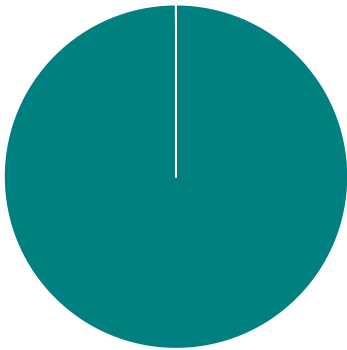
Race (veterans only)

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

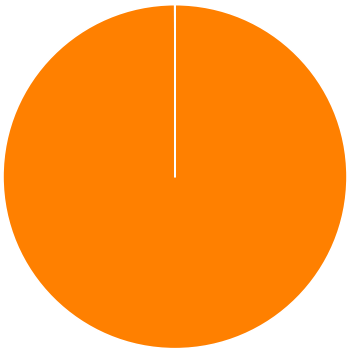
Total number of households	2
Total number of persons	2

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of unaccompanied youth households	8
Total number of unaccompanied youth	8
Number of unaccompanied youth (under age 18)	0
Number of unaccompanied youth (age 18 to 24)	8

Gender (unaccompanied youth)

Female	4
Male	2
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (unaccompanied youth)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	4

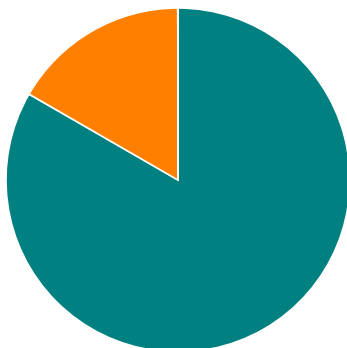
Race (unaccompanied youth)

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Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

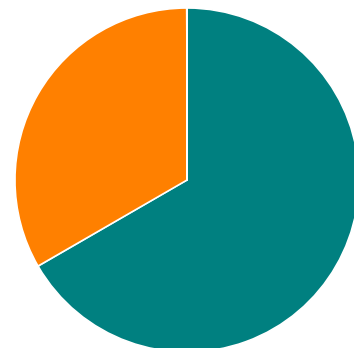
Chronically Homeless

Total number of persons	2
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Race



Gender



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 ■ Multiple

■ Female
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 ■ Transgender
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 ■ Questioning

Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown

Total number of parenting youth households	0
Total number of persons in parenting youth households	0
Total Parenting Youth (youth parents only)	0
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	0
Number of parenting youth under age 18	0
Children in households with parenting youth under age 18	0
Number of parenting youth age 18 to 24	0
Children in households with parenting youth age 18 to 24	0

Gender (youth parents only)

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., non-binary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity (youth parents only)

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race (youth parents only)

White	0
Black, African American, or African	0
Asian or Asian American	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total number of households	0
Total number of persons	0

Race

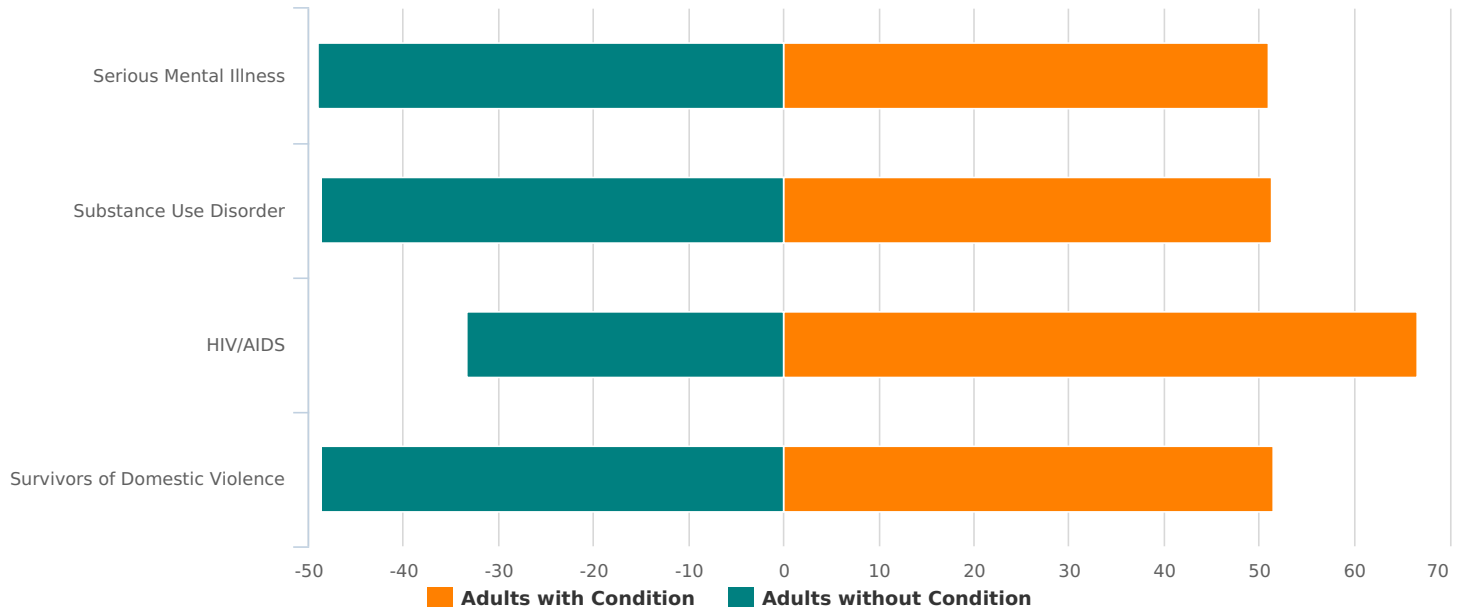
Gender

White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

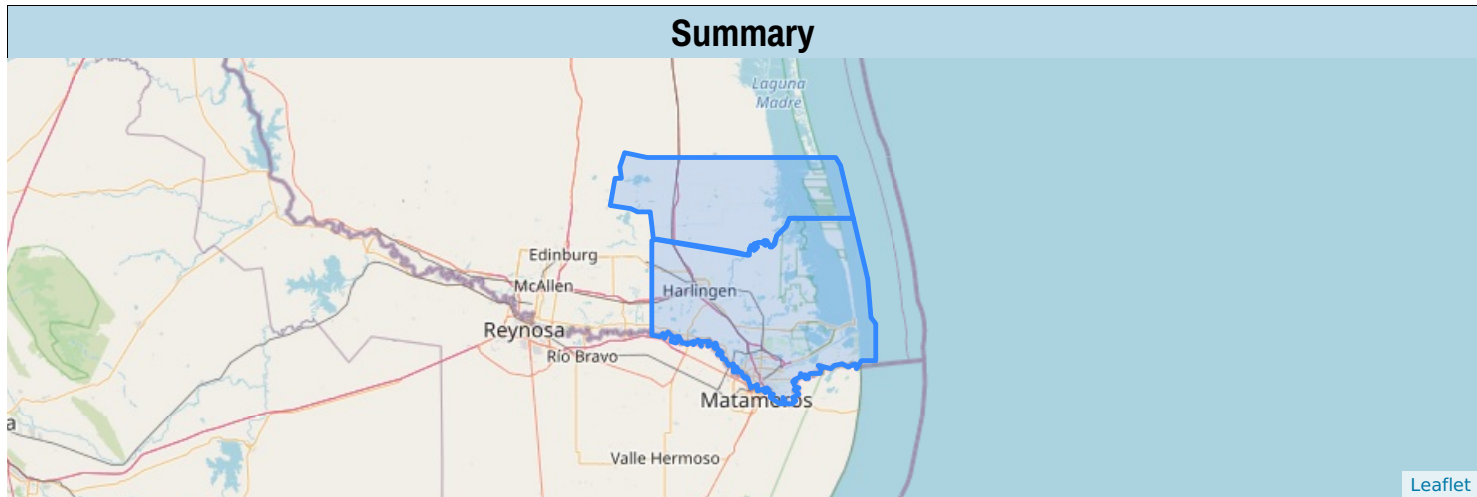
Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)

Adults with a Serious Mental Illness	27
Adults with a Substance Use Disorder	19
Adults with HIV/AIDS	2
Adult Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	18

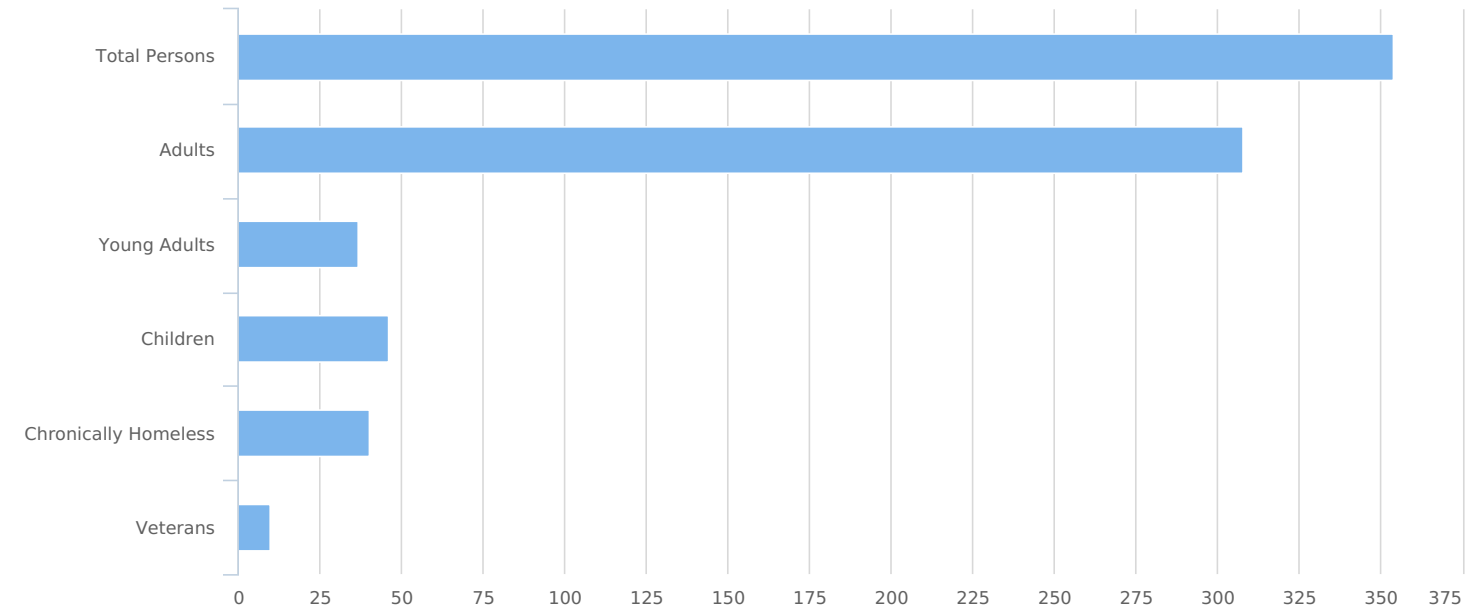


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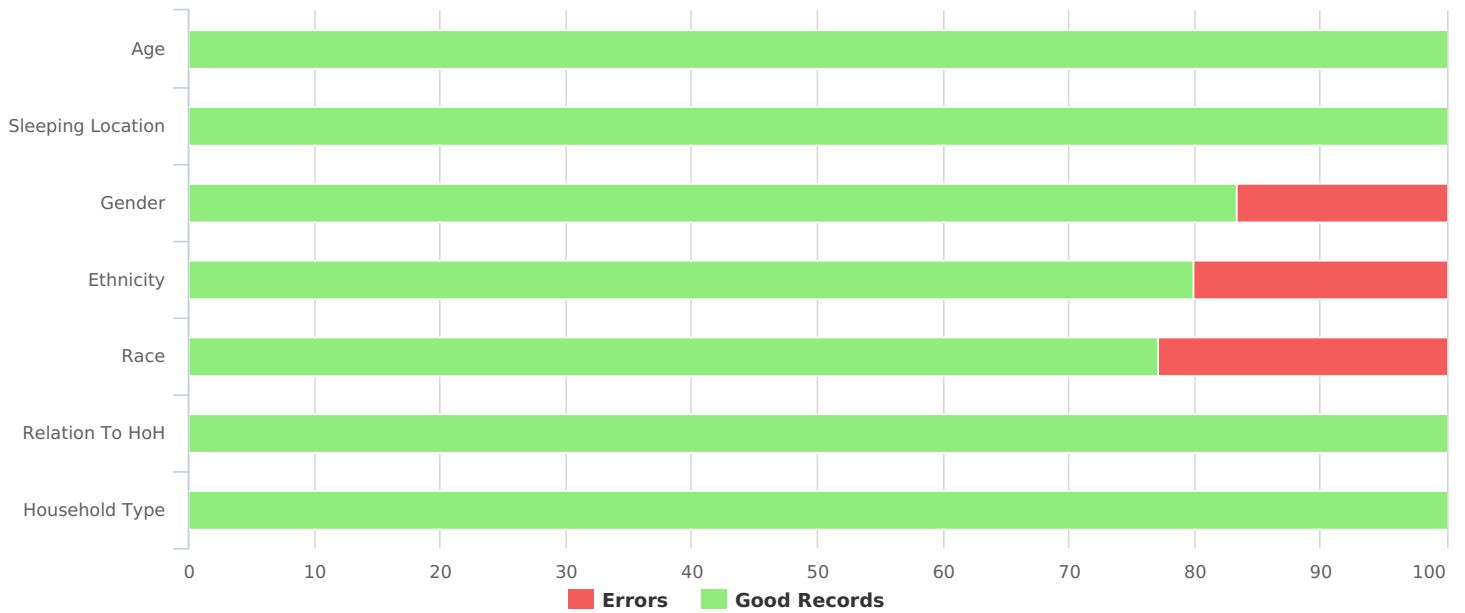


Total Persons	354
Adults (age 18 or older)	308
Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	37
Children (under age 18)	46
Unknown Age	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Adult	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Young Adult (18-24)	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Adult (25+)	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Child	0
Chronically Homeless	40
Veterans	10



Data Quality Checks

Persons Missing Age Information	0
Persons Missing Sleeping Location	0
Persons Missing Gender	59
Persons Missing Ethnicity	71
Persons Missing Race	81
Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



All Households

Households with at Least one Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	23
Total Number of Persons	72
Number of Children (under age 18)	45
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	3
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	24

Gender

Female	43
Male	25
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	3
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	55

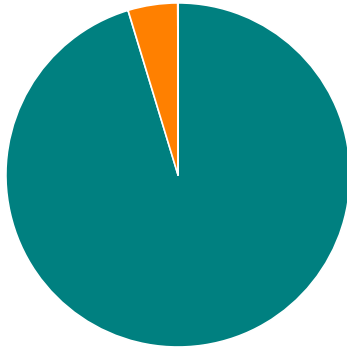
Race

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Black, African American or African	3
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

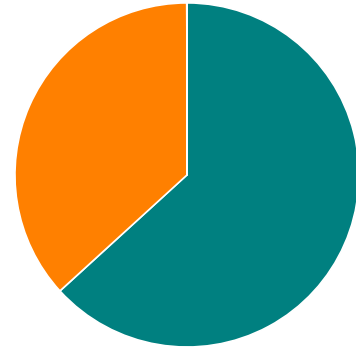
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	281
Total Number of Persons	281
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	34
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	247

Gender

Female	47
Male	174
Transgender	1
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	4
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	25
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	191

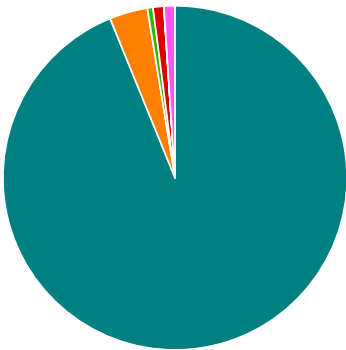
Race

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Black, African American or African	7
Asian	1
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	2

Chronically Homeless

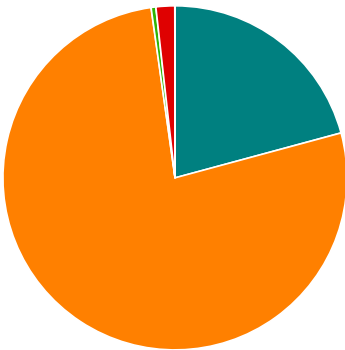
Total Number of Persons	40
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Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Households with Only Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	1
Total Number of Children	1

Gender

Female	0
Male	1
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	1

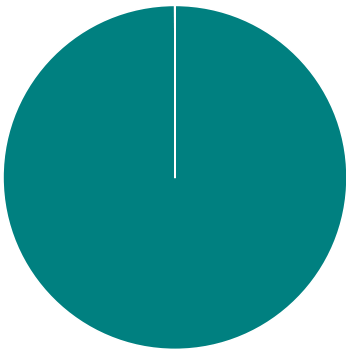
Race

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Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

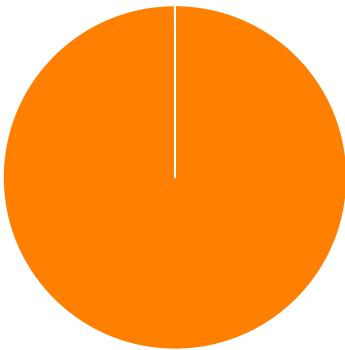
Total Number of Persons	0
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Race



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American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
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Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
Total Number of Veterans	0

Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race

Gender

■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Veteran Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	10
Total Number of Persons	10
Total Number of Veterans	10

Gender

Female	1
Male	9
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	8

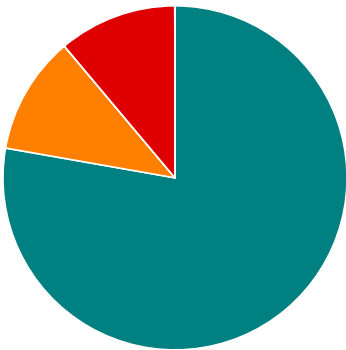
Race

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Black, African American or African	1
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

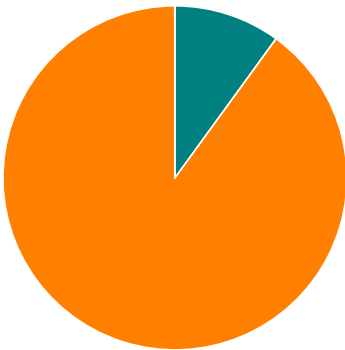
Total Number of Households	4
Total Number of Persons	4

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth Households	35
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth	35
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	1
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (18 to 24)	34

Gender

Female	7
Male	25
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	30

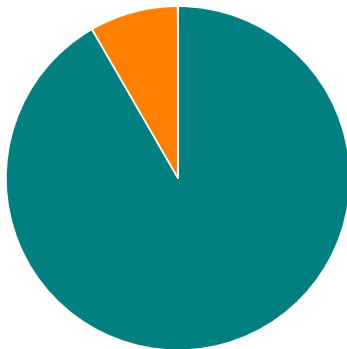
Race

White	22
Black, African American or African	2
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

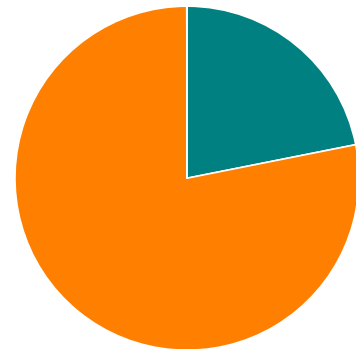
Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Persons	1
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Race



Gender



■ White
 ■ Black or African American
 ■ Asian
 ■ American Indian
 ■ Native Hawaiian
 ■ Multiple

■ Female
 ■ Male
 ■ Transgender
 ■ A gender other than singularly...
 ■ Questioning

Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Parenting Youth Households	1
Total Number of Persons in Parenting Youth Households	2
Total Parenting Youth	1
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	1
Number of Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Children in Households with Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Number of Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1
Children in Households with Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1

Gender

Female	1
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	1

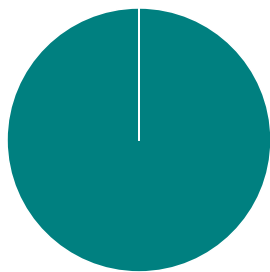
Race

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Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless

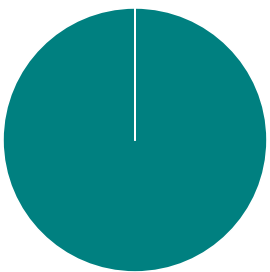
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race



White Black or African American Asian
American Indian Native Hawaiian Multiple

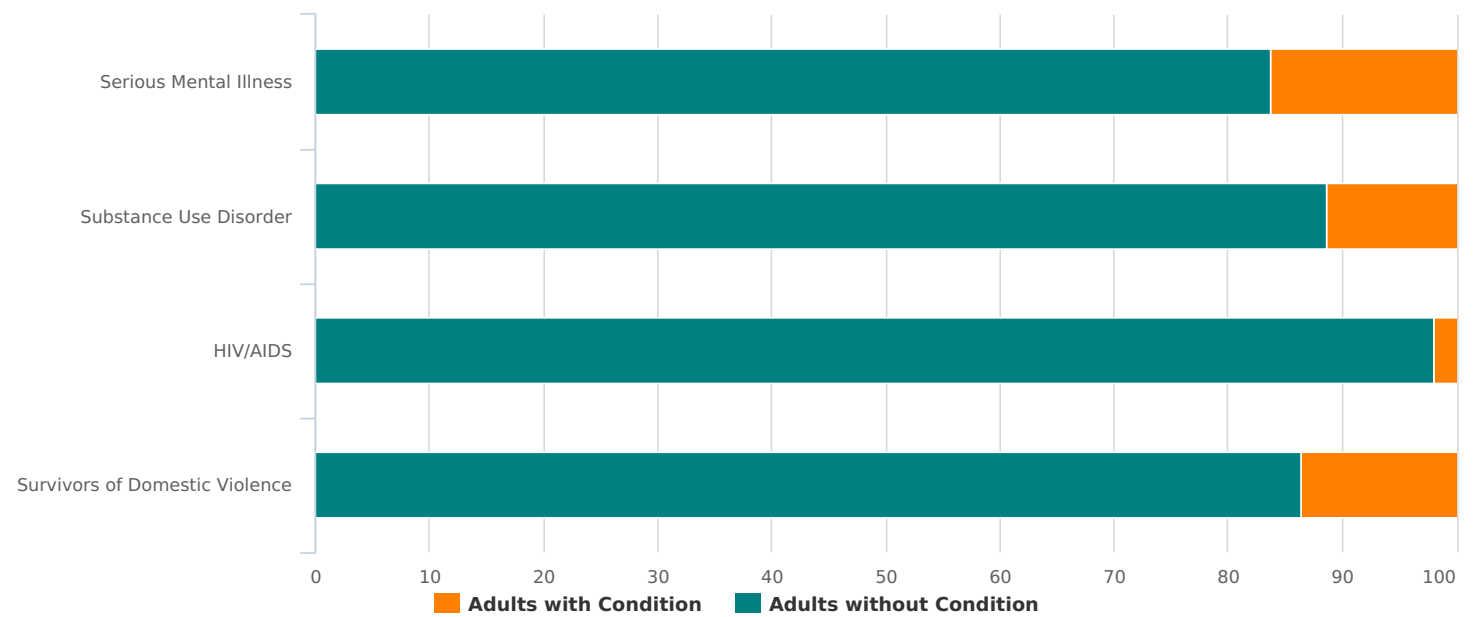
Gender



Female Male Transgender
A gender other than singularly... Questioning

Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)

Serious Mental Illness	50
Substance Use Disorder	35
HIV/AIDS	6
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	42



Personal Information

Do you identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer (LGBTQ+) ?

Yes	9
No	244
Don't Know	7
Refused	1
Total	261

Have you been told or do you believe you have a chronic/ ongoing health condition that affects your ability to support yourself/family or live independently?

Yes	54
No	188
Don't Know	2
Refused	1
Data Not Collected	0
Total	245

Have you been told or do you believe you have a physical disability that affects your ability to support yourself/family or live independently?

Yes	46
No	196
Don't Know	2
Refused	1
Data Not Collected	0
Total	245

Have you been told or do you believe you have a developmental disability?

Yes	26
No	215
Don't Know	3
Refused	1
Data Not Collected	0
Total	245

Experience with Homelessness

Where are you sleeping tonight?

Abandoned building/structure	39
Bus, train station, airport	0
Outdoor encampment	4
Park	10
Street or Sidewalk	40
Under bridge/overpass	5
Vehicle	12
Total	110

Is this the first time you've been homeless?

Yes	187
No	63
Don't Know	1
Refused	0
Total	251

How old were you when you first became homeless?

Under 5 years old	3
5-12 years old	2
13-17 years old	9
18-24 years old	13
25-54 years old	30
55-61 years old	3
62+ years old	1
Total	61

How many months did you stay in shelter or on the streets over the past 3 years?

0 to 3 months	19
4 to 6 months	5
7 to 11 months	3
1 to 2 years	13
2 to 3 years	5
3 years or more	18
Total	63

How many separate times have you stayed in sheltered or on the streets in the past 3 years?

Fewer than 4	37
4 or more times	20
Don't Know	4
Refused	3
Total	64

How many months have you been homeless this time?

0 to 3 months	124
4 to 6 months	37
7 to 11 months	13
1 to 2 years	28
2 to 3 years	9
3 years or more	37
Total	248

Observation Surveys

Number of surveys: 56

Age Range

Under 5 years old	0
5-12 years old	1
13-17 years old	1
18-24 years old	4
25-34 years old	13
35-44 years old	11
45-54 years old	16
55-61 years old	8
62+ years old	2
Total	56

What made you believe the person was experiencing homelessness?

Activity (Panhandling. Sleeping outside. Sleeping in vehicle. Etc.)	27
Appearance (Carrying personal belongings/ clothing that wouldn't protect from the elements)	18
Prior interactions/known to be unhoused	7
They are accessing services for those experiencing homelessness	11
They informed me they are unhoused	10
Total *multiple answers can be selected*	73

Where did you encounter this individual?

Abandoned building/structure	4
Bus, train station, airport	2
Outdoor encampment	0
Park	5
Service Provider (soup kitchen, day shelter, etc.)	12
Street or sidewalk	32
Under bridge/overpass	1
Vehicle	0
Total	56