# City of Corvallis HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Substantial Amendment to Annual Action Plan FY 2021-22

**Public Hearing January 17, 2023** 



#### PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### **CITY OF CORVALLIS**

Each year the City of Corvallis receives federal funding as an entitlement city for the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and as a Participating Jurisdiction for the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program. This funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and is used to support affordable housing construction, acquisition or rehabilitation; public facility and infrastructure development; and social service funding, all for Corvallis residents with low, very low or extremely low incomes. Funding award amounts for the City's fiscal year 2023-24 have not yet been released by HUD. In the current FY 22-23, CDBG funds totaling \$524,016 and HOME funds totaling \$367,796 were awarded to Corvallis and it is likely that the City will receive a similar amount in FY 23-24.

A CDBG and HOME program-related public hearing will be conducted by the Corvallis City Council at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Community members can attend the meeting in person at ADA accessible Council Chambers on the second floor of the Downtown Fire Station, 400 NW Harrison Boulevard or online at <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5580407866422778381">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5580407866422778381</a>. The purpose of this hearing will be for the City Council to obtain citizen views or ideas about:

- The performance of the City of Corvallis during recent years in its use of CDBG and HOME resources to address the needs of low and moderate income residents;
- Community development and housing needs and project or program ideas, especially those that would address the
  needs of low and moderate income persons, which might be assisted with CDBG or HOME funding over the next fiveyear period; and
- Proposed amendment to the FY 2021 CDBG Action Plan to allocate \$1,164,563 of HOME-ARP funds. Proposed activities may include:
  - Development and support of affordable housing
  - Tenant-based rental assistance
  - Provision of supportive services
  - Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units

The information gathered during this hearing will be utilized by the City as it develops a five-year Consolidated Plan and a one-year Action Plan that will describe the projects and activities to receive funding from the Corvallis CDBG and HOME programs in FY 23-24. The amendment for HOME-ARP will allow for the allocation of funds to move forward.

The City Council strongly encourages community members to provide written testimony. Submit written comments by 12:00 pm on the day of the hearing to <a href="mailto:city.recorder@corvallisoregon.gov">city.recorder@corvallisoregon.gov</a> or via U.S. mail to Alex Downing, City Recorder, P.O. Box 1083, Corvallis, OR 97333-1083. To testify orally via computer, telephone, or in-person, register with the City Recorder by 12:00 pm on the day of the hearing at the above email address or via telephone at 541-766-6901 X 3 (for TTY services, dial 7-1-1). Each speaker is limited to three minutes unless otherwise granted by the Mayor. Please contact the City Recorder if you need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting.

A second City Council public hearing will be held at a future date to consider a draft of the new five-year Consolidated Plan and FY 23-24 Action Plan prior to submitting them to HUD for final approval in May 2023.

More information about the CDBG and HOME programs, proposed amendment, and records of the City's past use of these funds are available from the Community Development Department's Housing and Neighborhood Services (HNS) Division. Please contact HNS Division Manager Brigetta Olson at <a href="mailto:Brigetta.Olson@corvallisoregon.gov">Brigetta.Olson@corvallisoregon.gov</a> or call (541) 766-6555 or visit <a href="https://www.corvallisoregon.gov/cd/page/grantee-hud-resources">https://www.corvallisoregon.gov/cd/page/grantee-hud-resources</a>.

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#### **Background**

The passage of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) in Spring 2021 provided additional one-time HOME funds to jurisdictions across the nation to help mitigate the unprecedented housing instabilities brought on or aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

On April 8, 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the allocation of nearly \$5 billion in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to communities across the country through their HOME program. These HOME-ARP funds were intended to assist households experiencing houselessness and other vulnerable populations through the following eligible activities:

- Provide capital investment for permanent rental housing
- Upgrade available stock of shelter to include non-congregate shelter
- Provide tenant-based rental assistance and supportive services

The City of Corvallis was awarded one-time HOME-ARP funds in the amount of \$1,164,563.

**Note:** According to the HOME-ARP rules 85% (\$989,878.55) of the allocated funding needs to be spent on eligible activities while up to 15% (\$174,684.45) of the allocation can be used for administrative and planning costs of the participating jurisdictions and for subrecipients administering all or portion of the grant.

#### **Consultation**

As part of developing its plan, HUD mandates that a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) must consult with the Continuum of Care (CoCs) serving the jurisdiction's geographic area, houseless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities, at a minimum.

#### **Consultation Process Summary**

The City of Corvallis Housing Division conducted the HOME-ARP consultation process with partners and stakeholders in November - December 2022. Consultation invitees were selected based on their affiliation.

In addition, expanded efforts were made to reach additional stakeholders and partners with expertise in providing homeless services and housing to HOME-ARP qualified populations. These groups included; houselessness service providers, local housing authority officials, domestic violence services, Chamber of Commerce, Veterans services, and other sectors.

The consultation process occurred in two phases:

- ➤ Phase 1: Online Survey to organizations serving the needs to low income individuals/families
- ➤ Phase 2: key informant interviews with Continuum of Care, Benton County Health Department, Domestic Violence Shelter and Housing Authority.

#### List the organizations consulted: Please see Attachment B.

#### Phase 1

The results of the survey in Attachment A show that the organizations that participated believe that the qualifying population that should be given priority with these funds is the population currently experiencing houselessness, followed by those at-risk of houselessness, and then those fleeing domestic violence. Staff asked what low-income populations have the highest need but the most difficulty in accessing housing and receiving services. The resulting feedback showed (in order) that people experiencing disabilities, followed by members of the BIPOC community, then seniors, families, and then children specifically and single adults represented those who had the highest need but most difficulty in accessing housing and receiving services.

Staff asked what the most important activity would be that these funds could be used for and developing affordable rental housing was the highest feedback response. This was confirmed by the next question when participant feedback stated that new affordable rental housing is more vital in this moment than temporary individual shelter. And overwhelmingly, the feedback we received was that there should be fewer projects with more funding, rather than more projects with less funding. After meeting with the

Housing Operational Committee, it was recommended that we expand the scope of prioritized projects to include non-congregate shelter as well as affordable housing for the qualifying populations.

#### Phase 2

Review of survey results and attendees. Discussion included-

- Such a range of disabilities that impact people so differently; mental illness and substance abuse as their own entity in general have a difficult time securing and maintaining housing.
- Aging population retiring into houselessness and these situations frequently apply to DV survivors as well
- Symposium on the growing issue of housing for seniors. It's one that will continue to have more and more impact. Especially seniors who have a disability on top of that.
- Is it easier for individuals to find the resources than families? Deeper data dive?
- Hidden homeless: kids and family- Doubling up and still unsheltered. For whatever reason, it's not a population that's getting addressed as much as unsheltered men and women

Attendees discussed the prioritization of prioritization-

- If we were to develop more affordable housing, we wouldn't have as much houselessness as we do. When DV survivor ready for independence, the biggest issue is finding housing. They're employed, so they have some income, but they don't have savings for first, last, etc. If those barriers were reduced with increased availability and level of income.
- Shelters, the length of stay is too long. It looks more like transitional housing. This happens because there's nowhere for people to go.
- Hospitals: a lot of times the bed space is limited because they're waiting to transfer people to long term care and that's where the bottleneck happens.
- If they don't have anywhere to go, they can't get out of the shelter.
- Unfortunately developing affordable housing is the slowest change. Until there's more availability it's not going to change.

#### **Public Participation**

HUD mandates that the PJs must provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. Before submitting the HOME-ARP allocation plan to HUD, PJs are required to provide residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME-ARP allocation plan of no less than 15 calendar days. In accordance with this requirement, the City of Corvallis is following the adopted requirements for "reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment" for plan amendments in its <u>Current Citizen Participation Plan.</u>

Further, as required, the City of Corvallis is holding a public hearing on January 17, 2023 to welcome feedback on the draft HOME-ARP allocation plan prior to submitting the plan to HUD. For the purposes

of HOME-ARP, the objective of the public hearing is to make the following information available to the public:

- The amount of HOME-ARP funds the City of Corvallis will receive \$1,164,563
- The range of activities that the City of Corvallis intends to undertake-- Granting funds to applicants developing permanent supportive housing.

The City of Corvallis will accept any comments or views of residents received in writing, or orally at the public hearing, as part of the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. Subsequent sections describe our public participation process, details on the comment period, our efforts to broaden public participation and a summary of the comments and recommendations received through the public participation process.

#### Public participation process:

In November 2022, the City of Corvallis Housing Division staff distributed an online survey to affordable housing and social services organizations serving the needs of low income communities.

City staff also conducted a key informant interview with leadership at the Community Services Consortium, Benton County Health Department and the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence on December 6, 2022.

A summary of the survey results was presented at the December 12, 2022 monthly homeless service provider meeting, followed by requests for feedback.

City staff also reached out to the Linn Benton Housing Authority to seek input on the allocation plan. Their comments included that affordable housing is a huge need along with additional non-congregate shelter. They acknowledge folks do better with supportive services. For those clients that have support, they tend to do well.

A public notice regarding the January 17, 2023 public hearing when the allocation plan would be presented and open for public feedback was placed in the Gazette Times in English and Spanish, published on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

During the January 17, 2023 public hearing. No individuals provided comments.

#### Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

The City of Corvallis Housing Operational Committee meeting on January 5, 2023 was conducted online via Go to Webinar. Community comments were welcomed at the beginning and ending of the meeting.

The Corvallis City Council's public hearing was broadcasted live via Comcast channel 21 and Go To Webinar.

Staff worked to create a feedback loop with homeless service providers summarizing the survey and sending links to the HOME-ARP plan via emails. Staff encouraged participation and comments at the Housing Operational Committee meeting and Council Public Hearing.

Public notice was advertised in the Gazette Times, by email blast to social service/housing providers, and city newsletters. Citizen participation was also encouraged through surveys and comment cards. In accordance with the Citizen Participation plan, the draft HOME-ARP plan was published on the City of Corvallis Housing website.

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

The results of the survey are posted in Attachment A. The Housing Operational Committee recommended that the prioritized projects be expanded to include non-congregate shelter development as an option as well as affordable housing.

Comments and recommendations from the January 5, 2023 Housing Operational Committee meeting included the recommendation that we expand the scope of prioritized projects to include non-congregate shelter as well as affordable housing for the qualifying populations.

There were no public comments from the January 17, 2023 public hearing.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why: There were no public comments.

#### **Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis**

A required part of developing the HOME-ARP allocation Plan, the City must evaluate the size and demographics of qualifying populations within its boundaries and assess the unmet needs of those populations. The City of Corvallis must identify any gaps within its current shelter and housing inventory as well as the service delivery system. Participating Jurisdiction (PJ's) can use data sources like the Point-in-Time (PIT), Housing Inventory County (HIC), or other data available through Continuum of Cares, and consultations with service providers to quantify the individuals and families in the qualifying populations and their need for additional housing, shelter, or services.

According to HUD, Qualifying Populations (QPs) for the HOME-ARP funds includes:

- 1) Homeless (McKinney Act definition- Attachment E)
- 2) At-risk of houselessness (McKinney Act definition- Attachment E)
- 3) Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking
- 4) Other Populations where assistance would:
  - Prevent the family's houselessness; or
  - Serve those with the Greatest Risk of Housing Instability; at Greatest Risk of

Housing Instability means a household that has:

- ➤ Annual income ≤ 30% of area median income and is experiencing severe cost burden (i.e., is paying more than 50% of monthly household income toward housing costs)

  OR
- ➤ Annual income ≤ 50% of AMI and meets one of the conditions of At-risk of houselessness
- 5) Veterans and families including veteran member that meet one of preceding criteria

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

According to the US Census, the estimated population for Corvallis is 59,864 in 2021.

#### Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Oregon and subsequently Corvallis has been in a housing crisis long before the COVID 19 Pandemic took place. Oregon's population is increasing and housing isn't being built fast enough to accommodate the growth. This has created a shortage of housing. Many cities across Oregon, including Corvallis, are facing an affordability and supply crisis. Oregon underbuilt over 150,000 housing units between 2000 and 201. Multiple factors, including but not limited to steep increases in housing costs for renters and for homeowners, income inequality and City public policies that discouraged housing development. Until recently, the City of Corvallis required voter approved annexations. The ensuing Pandemic since March 2020 just made matters worse.

The population experiencing houselessness, who are part of the HUD defined QPs, are amongst the most vulnerable residents of in Corvallis. Homeless needs identified in the current Consolidated Plan include: a need for increased shelter beds and options; increased and improved coordination of the range of services needed by people who are homeless; and increased permanent supportive housing opportunities for people who are homeless or chronically homeless.

In 2022, a Point in Time count for Benton County identified 293 people experiencing houselessness.

Total Homeless Population	293
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Total Homeless	16
Veteran Population	

#### Household Data

Metrics	Unsheltered	Sheltered	Total Count	Percent Unsheltered
Households	164	14	178	92%
Familes (at least 1 adult + 1 Child)	6	4	10	60%
Adults (No Children)	153	98	251	61%
Only Children	1	0	1	100%
Veterans (Without Children	15	1	16	94%
Veteran Familes (at least 1 adult + 1 Child)	0	0	0	0%
Unaccompanied Youths	9	1	10	90%
Parenting Youths	0	0	0	0%

During the 2022 Point in Time count, 55% of people experiencing houselessness were male, 31% were female, approximately 3% were non-binary, less than 1% were transgender, and 10% were missing gender classification. The age demographics showed 96% of those experiencing houselessness were adults, 18+, approximately 3% were children under 18 and 1% did not have recorded age data. The racial demographics showed that 70% of people experiencing houselessness are white, 8% are American Indian, Alaska Native or Indigenous, 3% are Black, African American or African, 4% are multiple races, 14% were missing recorded racial data, and approximately 1% are Asian. The Place in Time count data can be found here with additional measured metrics. Community Services Consortium (CSC) summed up the Point in Time process best as "an exact count is never possible due to the challenging nature and logistics of the endeavor, there was increased difficulty in tandem with other barriers this year. The federally designated timeframe for the count unpredictably took place during the January COVID Omicron surge. This posed an increased challenge as shelters are utilized for the count and were operating with decreased capacities in accordance with state guidance." For example, the Corvallis Daytime Drop-in Center serves 750 individuals annually. The majority of their guests are unhoused individuals. They provide navigation services, food, general welfare, information and referral, and social supports.

#### Information on additional QPs:

- ➤ <u>Disabling conditions</u>: 34% of the homeless population has one or more disabling conditions. The American Community Survey provides information for Benton County and we found that roughly 12,451 (13.7%) of the Corvallis Metro area residents report a disability. Of those, 1,099, (8.5%) report income in the last 12 months at or below the poverty level. ¹
- ➤ <u>Chronic houselessness</u>: 38% of unsheltered meet the definition of chronic houselessness. In 2022, the number of unsheltered chronically homeless individuals was 114.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> American Community Survey 2021: ACS 1-Year Estimates Detailed Tables, census.gov

The 2022 Point in Time count identified that 11% of people experiencing houselessness identify as members of the BIPOC community. This is a 45% decrease from the 2020 Point in Time count.

- ➤ <u>Veterans</u>: The 2022 Point in Time count reported that in Corvallis 5.5% of adults experiencing houselessness are veterans.
- Domestic violence: 12% of the overall homeless population have been affected by domestic violence in 2022. Domestic violence reporting from the Benton County Sheriff's Office and the Corvallis Police Department reported in 2021 that 124 arrests were made for domestic violence, 91 of which were in the city of Corvallis. This is up from the 107 total arrests in 2020, 61 of which were in the city of Corvallis, nearly a 50% increase in a single year. As stated above, 3.4% of the Point in Time houseless population count consisted of unsheltered survivors of domestic violence and 9% consisted of sheltered survivors of domestic violence.

The full 2015-2022 PIT Count can be found at: https://www.corvallisoregon.gov/cd/page/housing-data

#### At Risk of Houselessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

In addition to the population experiencing houselessness, a significant number of households in Corvallis fit the definition of extremely low-income households (Annual Income <= 30% AMI) and being severely cost burdened (i.e., paying more than 50% of monthly household income towards housing costs).

On the rental housing inventory side, we currently have approximately 14,230 rental units in inventory, and Corvallis has approximately 5,135 renters earning less than 30% AMI and another 2,600 renters earing between 31-50% AMI. Additionally, 4,730 renters are currently paying more than 50% of their monthly income toward renting a home, and another 2,915 are paying more than the recommended 30%, all the way to 50% of their income to rent a home, meaning 7,645 renters are rent-burdened. All of this means that over 54% of the rental units in our city inventory are unaffordable to these families.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Oregon Domestic Violence 2021 Annual Report: https://www.oregon.gov/osp/Docs/2021%20Annual%20Domestic%20Violence%20Report.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 2022 PIT Counts Linn Benton Lincoln County.xslx

Non-Homeless					
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis		
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households		
Total Rental Units	14,230				
Renters earning less than 30% AMI	5,135				
Renters earning 31-50% AMI	2,600				
Renter Cost burden 50%+ (they pay more than 50% of their income to rent)		4,730			
Renter Cost burden 31-50% (they pay 31-50% of their income to rent)		2,915			
Current Gaps (total rental units minus # of renter households paying 31%+ of their income to rent)			14,230(Total Rental Units)-2,915 (31- 50%)-4,730 (50%+)		
Current Gaps	7,735	7,645 (54% of units are unaffordable)	14,230 (Total Rental Units)-5,135 (less than 30%)-2,600 (31-50%)		

Data Sources: 1. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy 2015-2019 (CHAS)<sup>4</sup>

From May 2021-August 2022, 1,899 applications were submitted in Benton County for the Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Of those, 1,050 applications were paid, only a 55% success rate for applicants.<sup>5</sup> That program has since ended but there is some rental assistance support through the local Community Action Program, Community Services Consortium.

The area's housing market contributes to the increased risk of houselessness. In November 2022, the area's vacancy rate for rentals was just 2.5% (typical average is 5%). According to Redfin, in November 2022, Corvallis home prices were up 6.9% compared to last year, selling for a median price of \$557K.

<sup>4</sup> Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) as seen in Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table: https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/cp.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Oregon Housing and Community Services- Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2022 https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/oregon.housing.and.community.services/viz/OERAPDashboard2022/Dashboard1

The at-risk population has become even more strained due to the rise in the Consumer Price Index of 9.1%, and the potential of a 14.6% allowable increase in rent in 2023, which will only exacerbate this situation.

#### **Unmet Housing and Service Needs of Qualifying Populations (QP)**

The data clearly demonstrates, the greatest housing need in Corvallis is for affordable housing options. Census and HUD Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data demonstrate that housing cost burden (paying more than 30% of income for housing costs) and severe housing cost burden (paying more than 50%) are by far the City's most frequent and significant housing problems. Although households in all income ranges and tenancy types experience housing cost burdens, the problem becomes increasingly more severe as households with very low and extremely low incomes are considered.

The Participating Jurisdictions (PJ's) decision to use the HOME-ARP funds to support the development or acquisition of affordable housing/permanent supportive housing (PSH) will help the most vulnerable in our community. For the past several years, the shelters have been acting more like transitional housing because there is simply no place for individuals to go due the severe shortage of affordable housing for extremely low income individuals. The development/acquisition of PHS will free up beds in the shelter and allow individuals to have a place to call home.

#### Resources Currently Available to Assist Qualifying Populations (QP)

Regular entitlement resources like Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and HOME are available to fund ongoing facilities, affordable housing/ preservation and public services in Corvallis. In addition, the City has set aside 1.9 million of ARPA funds for social services and received \$1 million of funds from the Oregon legislature that was prioritized by Council to be used to support additional shelter or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds.

Additionally, state, and local resources, such as the affordable housing construction excise tax (AHCET) are being used to continue to add to the supply of affordable units and available to expand shelter facilities and support services.

Although the need is great, there is a record number of affordable developments in the affordable housing pipeline. There are 45 unites of permanent supportive housing in predevelopment and 338 units of affordable rental housing have been either awarded financing or are under construction/in negotiations, and 11 affordable homes have now become available to increase affordable home ownership. These new developments won't

significantly impact the need, but every new affordable home will have a very positive impact on those residing there.

Please see Attachment C.

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

Social service providers have been ramping up emergency shelter facilities and support services amidst the ongoing COVID Pandemic. However, gaps continue to persist for houselessness and individuals/ households continue to remain at great risk of housing instability. In sum, existing facilities and programs remain insufficient to shelter the most vulnerable residents of the community.

Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

	Famil	ly	Adults	Adults Only		nly
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter (CARDV, Unity, JSYS)	16		64		10	1
Transitional Housing (COI, 3 <sup>rd</sup> St/Unity, JSYS)		82		55		10
Permanent Supportive Housing (CHF)				42		
Sheltered Homeless Households	4		99		1	
Unsheltered Homeless Households	6		168		10	
Current Gap	Gap -88		106		-9	

The current gap is based off of Point in Time (PIT) numbers which we know is an undercount. The PIT was conducted during the Omicron surge in January 2022.

As shown in the Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis table, there is a shortage of 106 shelter beds and units. Additionally, the PIT was an undercount of our unhoused population and an exact count is never possible due to the challenging nature and logistics of the endeavor, there was increased difficulty in tandem with other barriers this year. The federally designated timeframe for the count unpredictably took place during the January COVID Omicron surge.

Providers have been increasing transitional housing and supportive services amidst the ongoing COVID Pandemic. However, gaps continue to persist and there continues to be a need for additional shelter beds/ transitional housing. In winter 2019, there was 96 emergency shelter beds and 74 transitional beds. Fall 2022 there was 90 emergency shelter beds, due to distancing, and 147 transitional shelter beds. This is an overall increase of beds by 40%. Attachment C.

There are system level policy plans and improvements underway in Benton County. The Home, Opportunity, Planning and Equity (HOPE) Advisory Board is a joint effort between Benton County and the City of Corvallis to facilitate a comprehensive, coordinated response from the county, cities, and diverse community partners, leaders, and persons experiencing houselessness. The Corvallis City Council has prioritized several of the 12 policy recommendations to focus on including policy recommendation number 6. The sixth recommendations states" Benton County needs a 24/7/365 Emergency Sheltering System for all populations with onsite resources at any shelter location to transition people out of houselessness." In addition, Corvallis Council has also prioritized policy recommendation #10 which focuses on permanent supportive housing. "Increase development or acquisition of affordable housing units for permanent supportive housing (PSH) by 20 new units per year for the next eight years to add at a minimum 160 new units of PSH in Benton County. "New" can be new construction or conversion of existing units to PSH units."

The passage of House Bill 4123, prioritizes a coordinated approach to houselessness solutions. In the next year, the Coordinated Office (Benton County, City's and Community Services Consortium) must develop a five-year strategic plan, addressing funding needs and goals for: increasing or streamlining resources for people at risk of or experiencing houselessness in the service area; incorporating national best practices; eliminating racial disparities within homeless services; and creating pathways to permanent and supportive housing.

#### Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

The priority recommended use of these funds for qualifying populations is the development or acquisition of affordable housing and non-congregate shelters. Given the low income nature of all qualifying populations, priority would be for permanent supportive housing (PSH) as this is a City Council goal identified and a HOPE recommendation (#10). Our community has a sheltering system that is acting more like transitional housing because there simply isn't a place for chronically homeless individuals to go. There are only 42 units of PSH available in Corvallis. We are seeing an aging population within shelters, the mental and physical health needs are great.

#### **HOME-ARP Activities**

HUD requires that the PJ detail method for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, sub-recipients, and/or contractors and whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly.

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

Applications for funding will be solicited through a letter of interest and request for proposal (RFP) process in order to give as much time, notice, and opportunity as possible for applicants to submit their best proposals to meet the needs and fill the gaps in the current shelter and housing and services delivery system as identified in this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

#### Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The City of Corvallis, as the participating jurisdiction, will be responsible for administering the funds and the entirety of the HOME-ARP grant. There will be an open application process in January in which organizations may apply and will be awarded based on the qualifying populations, readiness to proceed, etc.

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:

N/A

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

#### **Use of HOME-ARP Funding**

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ #		
Acquisition and Development of Non- Congregate Shelters	\$#		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ #		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 1,000,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 58,288.15	5 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 58,288.15	5 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 47,986.70	4.12 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,164,563		

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

Based on the feedback we've collected from the organizations and service providers who serve the qualifying populations as described in the 24 CFR 5.2003 statute, the priority needs have been identified affordable housing and non-congregate shelters. This will be our priority focus in the administration of these funds. We have people in the shelters who have been there for years because there's nowhere else for them to go. Developing additional permanent supportive housing is going to free up room in the shelter and support the housing continuum.

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

The characteristics of the shelter and lack of housing inventory, as well as identifying bottlenecks in the service delivery system have illuminated the need for the development of non-congregate shelters and affordable rental housing to both assist people experiencing houselessness, but also to prevent those at-risk of becoming homeless as well as those fleeing domestic and dating violence from becoming homeless.

#### **HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals**

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

With the support of the HOME-ARP allocation, we are estimating that a minimum of 4 units for qualifying populations will be produced/supported.

## 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:

We hope to utilize this HOME-ARP allocation to support our goal for affordable and permanent supportive rental housing production and development to better support the continuum of care for those experiencing houselessness, and support qualifying populations in the at-risk and fleeing domestic and dating violence designations from becoming homeless.

#### **Preferences**

The City intends to give preference to everyone who is on the HUD defined Qualifying Population list based on the nature of the proposed project. There will be no violation of fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements.

### **HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines**

The City does not intend to use the HOME-ARP funds for refinancing existing debt.

#### ATTACHMENT A





## HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)

#### **Developing a Plan For HOME-ARP Resources: Interview and Survey Results**

The City of Corvallis conducted public outreach in the fall of 2022 to understand community perspectives on three key questions:

- Unmet needs and gaps
- Prioritized populations
- Preferred activities

The project conducted interviews and an online survey of housing and social service providers. This report provides a summary of the results.

#### **Background**

Congress, through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, allocated special one-time funds to help provide more affordable housing and support services for people experiencing houselessness, at risk of houselessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, and those at greatest risk of housing instability.

The City of Corvallis will receive \$1,164,563 through the new program to support and increase affordable housing opportunities and non-congregate shelters.

To access the funds, the City of Corvallis must conduct a **needs assessment** of the qualifying populations and the current supply of housing. The City consulted with stakeholders on three primary factors of the needs assessment; unmet needs and gaps, prioritized populations, and preferred activities. Key consultations included:

- · Continuum of Care serving the area
- Homeless and domestic violence service providers and veterans' groups.
- Service providers for vulnerable communities, such as non-profit organizations.
- Public housing agency serving the area (LBHA)
- Public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations

 Public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights and the needs of people with disabilities.

#### **Summary of Consultation Results**

The city held a virtual consultation involving three leadership staff members from organizations and groups that provide social service programs, serve the needs of domestic violence survivors and Benton County Health Department. Led by city staff, the one-hour discussion on TEAMS began with a short overview of the HOME-ARP regulations followed by questions regarding unmet needs and gaps, prioritized populations, and preferred eligible activities for use of HOME-ARP funds. The consensus reached was that the majority of the HOME-ARP funds should go to the development of permanent supportive housing (Affordable housing: 64%, New Temporary Shelter: 36%).

Agency/Organization Consulted	туре Туре	Method of Consultation	Feedback
1. Community Services Consortium	Continuum of Care, Service Provider	Consultation	Preferred Use: Develop affordable rental housing. Not enough housing available for families, seniors, people with disabilities, Veterans. Concerns that the aging population is retiring into houselessness. Shelters are often having to serve as transitional housing because there's not enough permanent supportive housing to transition shelter residents to. The gap at CSC is money to help people already experiencing houselessness.
2. Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence	Domestic violence service provider	Consultation	Preferred Use: Develop affordable rental housing. There's not enough housing and there is such a range of disabilities that impact people so differently and frequently apply to CARDV survivors as well. When a survivor is ready to move along the continuum, the biggest issue is finding housing. They're employed so they have some income, but they don't have savings for deposits, etc. If those barriers were reduced with increased availability and level of income.
3. Benton County Health Department	Homeless service provider, Public or private organization that addresses fair	Consultation	Preferred Use: Agreed that if we were to develop more affordable housing, we wouldn't have as much houselessness as we do. It's creating a bottleneck. For instance in hospitals,

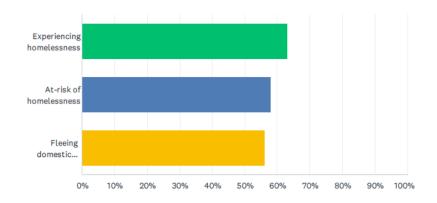
	housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	a lot of bed space is limited because they're waiting to transfer people to long-term care and people in long-term care who are ready to transition into affordable housing, can't because there's not enough affordable housing.
4.Linn Benton Housing Authority	Public housing agencies serving the jurisdiction (including statewide or regional PHAs)	Their comments included that affordable housing is a huge need along with additional non-congregate shelter. They acknowledge folks do better with supportive services. For those clients that have support, they tend to do well.

#### **Summary of Survey Results**

The division also developed an online survey to distribute to organizations and agencies involved in affordable housing and social services for very low income communities. The survey was initially distributed to over 60 emails representing 47 groups, with the request to complete the survey and forward on to others. The final survey results represent the perspectives of 57 individuals affiliated with over 35 housing and social service agencies, organizations and businesses. A full list of the organizations that received and/or responded to the survey is below. 100% of participants completed the survey, and the average completion time was 4.5 minutes.

Question: These federal funds focus on the following very low-income "qualifying populations." In your opinion, which population(s) should receive priority? (check all that apply)

- Individuals and families experiencing houselessness
- Individuals and families at-risk of houselessness
- Individuals and families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking

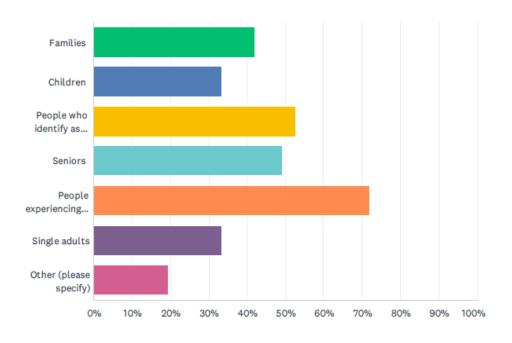


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Experiencing homelessness	63.16%
At-risk of homelessness	57.89%
Fleeing domestic violence	56.14%

Question: What very low-income populations do you think have the highest need and most difficulty in accessing housing or receiving services? (check all that apply)

- Families
- Children
- People who identify as Black, Indigenous, or a person of color
- Seniors
- People experiencing disabilities
- Single adults
- Other (please specify)

Note: The bulleted lists of survey answers were randomized in the online survey.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Families	42.11%
Children	33.33%
People who identify as Black, Indigenous, or a person of color	52.63%
Seniors	49.12%
People experiencing disabilities	71.93%
Single adults	33.33%
Other (please specify)	19.30%

Regarding the "Other" category, here is a summary of the 11 open-ended responses:

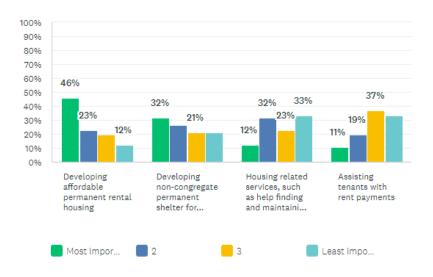
- LGBTQIA+ (3 comments)
- People with mental health and substance abuse issues (2 comments)
- Single moms
- · Everyone who needs housing
- People with high mental and/or physical needs
- People with "sex offender" in their records
- · Rely on data and information from service providers to answer this
- College students

Question: The eligible activities of the federal funds are listed below. Please rank the importance of each activity: (1=most important, 4=least important)

- · Developing affordable permanent rental housing
- Assisting tenants with rent payments

- Developing non-congregate permanent shelter for people experiencing houselessness (for example, converted motels or buildings with individual rooms)
- · Housing related services, such as help finding and maintaining housing

Note: The bulleted lists of survey answers were randomized in the online survey.

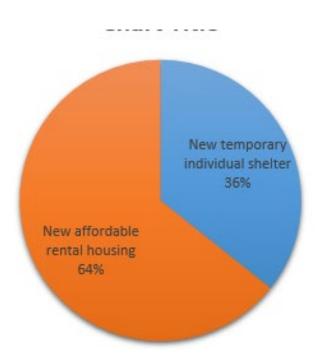


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<ul> <li>Developing affordable permanent rental housing</li> </ul>		46% 26	23% 13	19% 11	12% 7	57	3.02
<ul> <li>Developing non-congregate permanent shelter for people experiencing homelessness (for example, converted motels or buildings with individual rooms).</li> </ul>		32% 18	26% 15	21% 12	21% 12	57	2.68
<ul> <li>Housing related services, such as help finding and maintaining housing</li> </ul>		12% 7	32% 18	23% 13	33% 19	57	2.23
<ul> <li>Assisting tenants with rent payments</li> </ul>		11% 6	19% 11	37% 21	33% 19	57	2.07

		SCORE ▼
•	Developing affordable permanent rental housing	3.02
•	Developing non-congregate permanent shelter for people experiencing homelessness (for example, converted motels or buildings with individual rooms).	2.68
•	Housing related services, such as help finding and maintaining housing	2.23
•	Assisting tenants with rent payments	2.07

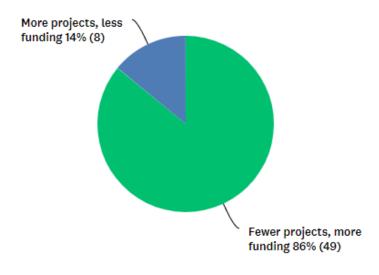
Question: How much support should go towards developing new affordable rental housing and how much to develop new temporary individual shelter?

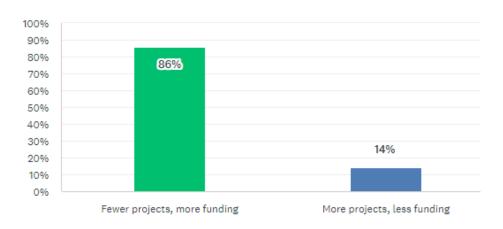
New Affordable Rental Housing	New Temporary Individual Shelter
0-50	51-100
# of Votes	# of Votes
37	20



Question: How do you think the federal funds should be distributed?

Options	# of Votes	%
Fewer Projects, More Funding	49	85.96%
More Projects, Less Funding	8	14.04%





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#### ATTACHMENT B

Agency/Org Consulted		
Corvallis Daytime Drop-In Center	Homeless service provider	Survey
Mental Health Association Benton County	Homeless service provider, Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
<b>Unity Shelter</b>	Homeless service provider	Survey
Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis	Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
Benton Habitat for Humanity	Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
Casa Latinos Unidos	Domestic violence service provider	Survey
Corvallis Multicultural Literacy Center	Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
NAACP	Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
Jackson Street Youth Services	Homeless service provider	Survey
Benton County Health Department	Homeless service provider, Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey
Samaritan Health Services	Homeless service provider	Survey
Community Outreach Inc.	Homeless service provider, Veterans' group	Survey
Community Services Consortium	Continuum of Care(s) serving the jurisdiction's geographic area	Survey
We Care	Homeless service provider	Survey
Corvallis School District	Public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations	Survey
Corvallis Housing First	Homeless service provider	Survey
DevNW	Public or private organization that addresses fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	Survey

Oregon Cascades	Veterans' group, Public agency that addresses	Survey
West Council of	the needs of the qualifying population	
Governments		
Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Developer	Survey
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Corvallis Chamber	Business community	Survey
of Commerce	Business community	Survey
	Public or private organization that addresses	Cumyou
League of Women	1 0	Survey
<b>Voters- Corvallis</b>	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
	persons with disabilities	
Linn-Benton	Public housing agencies serving the	Survey
Housing Authority	jurisdiction (including statewide or regional	
	PHAs)	
Fair Housing Council	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
of Oregon	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
	persons with disabilities	
The Arc of Benton	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
County	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
	persons with disabilities	
Green Light	Affordable Housing Developer	Survey
Development		
Secure Housing and	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
Food for All- Church	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	Burvey
Group	persons with disabilities	
Work Unlimited	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
Supported Living	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	Survey
Supported Living	persons with disabilities	
Pathfinder	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
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Clubhouse	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
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Vina Moses Center	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
011110110	persons with disabilities	
Old Mill Center for	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
Children and	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
Families	persons with disabilities	
South Corvallis Food	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
Bank	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
	persons with disabilities	
OSU Basic Needs	Public or private organization that addresses	Survey
Center	fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of	
	persons with disabilities	
Center Against Rape	Domestic violence service providers	Survey
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#### **Online Survey Feedback**

#### **Affordable Housing Preference**

Access to affordable housing should be a priority. Our organization can support new affordable housing projects through wraparound support to residents.

Long term nothing will impact houselessness more than developing more housing options for people.

As much as shelter is needed, moving upstream to housing is necessary to stop the flow into houselessness.

The market is the problem and not the solution. We need housing that is off the market that people can access with a third of their income regardless of income. We need permanent long term housing that is the same housing integrated with the whole community (houses, apartments. private rooms). We should invest in housing that allows people to fully participate in the community, not refugee camps, camps, congregate shelters, microshelters, or other segregated substandard living situations. We need tax incentives and disincentives to use housing for housing people, not making profits and being a residence not an investment. Incentivize the use of all available vacant units of housing.

Shelters matter but it is so important that the plan involves creating permanent supportive housing as the priority. Additionally, see survey responses below

Focusing on nonprofit/grass-roots community housing dev over giant corp housing dev please! First of, thank you for the help that you do! My organization has been receiving a lot of housing referrals and majority of them are unhoused.

What is the overall regional need for housing (by type, by price point, by format, etc) and what other amenities are critical to supporting complete community development?

There are existing programs and funds for some of the need groups listed. We are seeing more challenges for the single homeless individual and hard to house families with children falling through the cracks of existing subsidies. Preventing houselessness should be a priority or the homeless problem will continue to spiral out of control. Families are having a difficult time paying the current rents. Section 8 Vouchers limited and require long waiting time and there is immediate need for those families barely hanging onto their rentals.

Affordable housing that we build with funds should not go back to market at a later time.

#### **Shelter Services Comments**

I believe that our community would benefit from a clear and timely process by which individuals may receive assistance navigating from unsheltered -> temp sheltered -> permanent supportive housing.

You need to also provide supportive services for the homeless who are interested in receiving them. Jackson Street Youth Services TLP Program is a good example of housing support and services.

The statistics are not being fairly represented. Many of our most recent increase of houselessness are due to being evicted. Those populations are from DV, POC, HIV, severely disabled, not addictions or MH. The real criminals are the landlords who are never held accountable for their biases and the sheriff's office who reaps in revenue for serving and evicting people. People who have no way to fight the system. I have the numbers. I've done the research. We know who are treating our citizens unfairly and who are getting away with it.

Long term permanent housing is a great goal, in the meantime, people are dying in the streets and the eviction rate is exploding.

Certainly preventing houselessness is important, but we are already in a houselessness crisis. If people with DD receive accommodations, they are less likely to end up homeless.

Where the focus for funding support should be placed hopefully will change over time. Right now there is a desperate need to get people out of the elements and no shelter capacity. Short term shelter needs to be addressed immediately and simultaneously planning for long term housing solutions. The only way out of this crisis is more affordable housing units.

#### **General Feedback Comments**

The questions ask us to make choices that exclusively favor one group over another, when all groups need help. For example, in response to question #1. In providing rental assistance my agency almost always gives top priority to someone escaping domestic violence. However, the larger population we see are the working poor at risk of houselessness. We also serve people who are homeless, but our resources do not allow us to address the magnitude of their need. Who should receive priority? All of them deserve some priority.

Appreciate the opportunity to give voice to needs in the community.

I am biased, of course, but I have a hard time choosing between more shelter and more housing. We need both! I would see if you could leverage funds for both types of projects. It is difficult to weigh the need of one use or one group over another when the need is so great. I would hope that funds could be as flexible as possible to align with existing and ready resources and partners to expedite addressing the need.

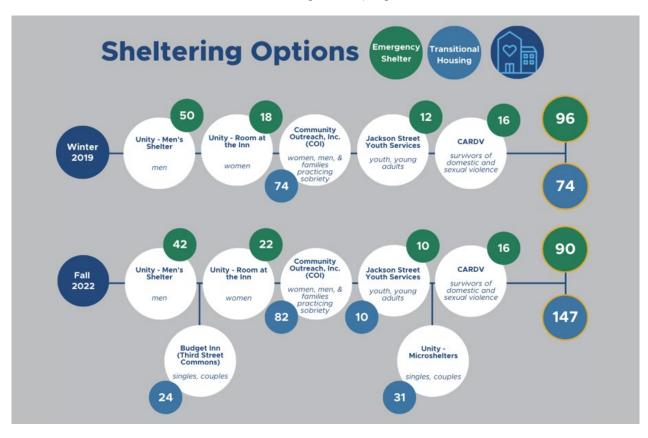
argh, hard to choose! All need funding and no idea how much would help! That is be completed or just 'initiate' and trust others to support...

Even though I believe the homeless population should be the priority I do believe that the at risk of houselessness population is just as important and if not managed will increase the number of homeless.

If you give me a choice to say all of them, I'm going to say all of them!

I didn't clear my responses with leadership so I'm not authorized to speak representatively- this is just my opinion given my window on things.

#### ATTACHMENT C



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#### ATTACHMENT E

SEC. 103. [42 USC 11302]. GENERAL DEFINITION OF HOMELESS INDIVIDUAL.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this Act, the term "homeless", "homeless individual", and "homeless person" means—
  - (1) an individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence;
  - (2) an individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
  - (3) an individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including hotels and motels paid for by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations, congregate shelters, and transitional housing);
  - (4) an individual who resided in a shelter or place not meant for human habitation and who is exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided;
  - (5) an individual or family who—
    - (A) will imminently lose their housing, including housing they own, rent, or live in without paying rent, are sharing with others, and rooms in hotels or motels not paid for by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations, as evidenced by—
      - (i) a court order resulting from an eviction action that notifies the individual or family that they must leave within 14 days;
      - (ii) the individual or family having a primary nighttime residence that is a room in a hotel or motel and where they lack the resources necessary to reside there for more than 14 days; or
      - (iii) credible evidence indicating that the owner or renter of the housing will not allow the individual or family to stay for more than 14 days, and any oral statement from an individual or family seeking homeless assistance that is found to be credible shall be considered credible evidence for purposes of this clause;
    - (B) has no subsequent residence identified; and

- (C) lacks the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing; and
- (6) unaccompanied youth and homeless families with children and youth defined as homeless under other Federal statutes who--
  - (A) have experienced a long term period without living independently in permanent housing,
  - (B) have experienced persistent instability as measured by frequent moves over such period, and
  - (C) can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse, the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or multiple barriers to employment.

#### For purposes of this title:

- (1) AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS.—The term 'at risk of homelessness' means, with respect to an individual or family, that the individual or family—
  - (A) has income below 30 percent of median income for the geographic area;
  - (B) has insufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability; and
  - (C)(i) has moved frequently because of economic reasons;
    - (ii) is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
    - (iii) has been notified that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated;
    - (iv) lives in a hotel or motel;
    - (v) lives in severely overcrowded housing;
    - (vi) is exiting an institution; or
    - (vii) otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness.

Such term includes all families with children and youth defined as homeless under other Federal statutes.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

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

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
- Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General
  of the United States and, if appropriate, the State,
  the right to examine all records, books, papers, or
  documents related to the assistance; and will establish
  a proper accounting system in accordance with
  generally accepted accounting standards or agency
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- 3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
- Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
- 5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
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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:

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

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Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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