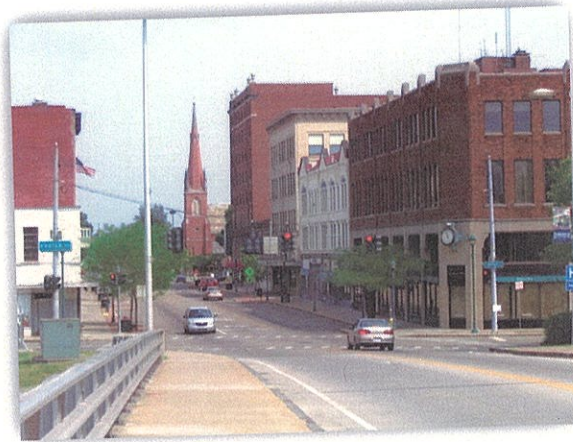




# ***CITY OF ELMIRA, NEW YORK***



**Helping to Build a Vibrant Community and Neighborhoods by Reversing the Trends of Blight and Poverty through Partnership**

## ***HOME ARP- PLAN***

**Prepared for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

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## Introduction

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. These grant funds are administered through HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). The City of Elmira is receiving a total of \$1,118,725 in HOME ARP funding.

All guidance for this plan came from HUD's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan template. This template, including questions and tables, reflect requirements for the HOME-ARP allocation plan, as described in Notice CPD-21-10: *Requirements of the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, unless noted as optional. References to "the ARP" mean the HOME-ARP statute at section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2).

## Consultation

In accordance with Section V.A of the Notice (page 13), the City of Elmira was required to conduct community outreach and review with the following:

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

The Department of Community Development conducted both in-person interviews and a general survey to gain input from the community and service providers.

A survey for general response was posted on the City of Elmira's Facebook page on June 7<sup>th</sup> announcing the survey. The Survey Monkey platform was used and hard copies were made available at the City Clerk's office. A total of 258 responses were received. The survey was open from **June 7- August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

The local news agency WETM ran an online story and a tv segment on **July 8<sup>th</sup>** about the HOME- APR funds and the availability of a survey for community input.

Additionally, a public meeting was held on **July 27<sup>th</sup>** from Noon-1 PM at the Steele Memorial Library. A total of eighteen people attended the meeting. This included both service providers from nonprofit and community-based organizations as well as concerned citizens.

The Director of Community Development presented to the NY-501 Continuum of Care board about the HOME-ARP funds and discussed the preliminary responses to the Survey at the **July 28<sup>th</sup>** board meeting. The CoC includes representatives from governmental and nonprofit services providers working towards ending homelessness. The board discussed potential uses of funds and opportunities.

Staff from the Department of Community Development also conducted interviews and discussions with interested parties during the months of **July and August 2022**. These service providers are listed below.

*List the organizations consulted:*

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
NY 501- CoC	Board	Zoom	The Director of Community Development presented to the board members about the availability of HOME-ARP funds and allowable uses. The group discussed potential uses and needs. Affordability housing was discussed as a major need as well as providing supportive services and ongoing outreach to the homeless populations. Housing homeless vouchers were also discussed as a need.
Friends of the River	Nonprofit organization, Environmental advocacy	Phone	The organization provide guided tours of the river and outdoors and discussed with the Director of Community Development the ongoing challenges the homeless who live along the river face and other encampments. The large number of encampments along the river were highlighted and space for the homeless to camp outside safely was discussed as an option. Including the need to provide public restrooms and showers.
Catholic Charities of Chemung and Schuyler	Nonprofit, homeless services provider	In-person	The Director of Community Development, Mayor and City Manager met with the agency to discuss the impact of homelessness on the community and methods and ways to address the increased number of homeless. The agency discussed concerns about rising crime and violence and the need to support staff and service providers. The agency discussed models for providing services including a potential dormitory style facility.

Economic Opportunity Program, Inc	Nonprofit, Community Action Agency	In-person	The Economic Opportunity Program is the Chemung County Community Action Agency. City staff met with the agency to discuss the needs of the at-risk and homeless. The agency stated that delays in access to housing and vouchers are a major issue. They also discussed the need to provide supportive services and case management to ensure that the at-risk populations do not continue to face housing displacement.
Salvation Army of Elmira	Nonprofit, Homeless Housing provider	In-person/meeting	The agency provides services for domestic violence victims and an emergency shelter. The agency discussed staffing challenges during the pandemic and seeing increased needs for services. The agency stated that a dormitory style facility could be helpful for certain populations of homeless but DV face unique needs that might not be the same as the general homeless populations.
Altagracia, House of Healing	Nonprofit	In-person	The agency provides services for survivors of domestic violence. The need to meet each individual survive as they are was discussed. A small facility that provides survivors with dignity was highlighted as the best model for a shelter.
His Haven	Nonprofit, faith-based	In-person	The agency is planning to setup a small dormitory style shelter on the Southside of Elmira and discussed with staff the need for opportunities to move people off services and into permanent homes and economically stable environments. Drug rehabilitation and more mental health services were also discussed as a need for the community.
Habitat for Humanity of Chemung County	Nonprofit	Zoom	The agency provides housing services and permanent housing in

			Elmira. The agency discussed the need to develop new affordable housing to address the challenges many are facing around housing insecurity. The rising costs of housing was also discussed as a challenge that is creating housing displacement and homelessness.
Elmira Code Enforcement	Governmental	In-person	The Department of Code Enforcement works closely with Community Development, Fire Department, and many local nonprofits when dealing with homeless encampments in the City of Elmira. The Department has seen a significant increase in the number of encampments in the City and believes that many people are not choosing or don't know about how to access services or programs from DSS or other nonprofits resulting in increased needs. Additional outreach on the part of nonprofits is seen as vital to help people access services including mental health and drug rehabilitation programs.
Elmira Police Department, Victims Services	Governmental	In-person	Community Development staff met with the Director of Victims Services to discuss needs of Domestic Violence victims and how programs can be design to serve this populations. Concerns about using hotels was raised including safety and challenges that victims face by being isolated. The need for a safe accessible shelter space was highlighted. Also the need to provide services such as emergency relocation assistance and quick access to emergency housing vouchers was also discussed as a need for DV survivors. Supportive services including health and mental health care was seen as a priority need.

Arbor Housing and Development	Nonprofit	Zoom	Staff met to discuss the need for affordable housing and supportive services within the City of Elmira. Arbor Housing is the provider of Section 8 Vouchers for Chemung County and remains an important partner in ensuring low-moderate residents have access to affordable housing.
Chemung County Department of Social Services	Governmental	Zoom	Staff discussed the needs of the homeless and at-risk population. The need to provide access to services, outreach was discussed. Mental health and drug rehabilitations was also discussed as a need for the homeless.
Glove House	Nonprofit	Phone	Staff discussed the available funds with the director of Glove House. Glove House is an Elmira based nonprofit shelter that provides emergency housing for homeless youth, at-risk youth and foster children.
Meals on Wheels	Nonprofit	Phone	Staff discussed the needs of the elderly in Chemung County. Elderly continue to face a housing crisis and remain at-risk for homelessness. Cost, including food and housing, are rising which are putting more elderly at risk.
Near Westside Neighborhood Association	Nonprofit/CHDO	In-person	Discussed program and development in Elmira neighborhoods. The need for a system to mediate tenant and landlord disputes was discussed. The need for funding and supportive services was also discussed. The impact of new development and rising prices in Elmira and the impact on the homeless was discussed.
Legal Aid of Western New York (Law NY)	Nonprofit	Phone	Staff discussed service provided to support low moderate residents, homeless, and at risk for homeless in Elmira. Law NY provides advocacy around fair housing law.

			One program that was highlighted was the Community Development & Economic Justice Project which was launched in 2016 and provides support for housing opportunity, transportation equity, and economic opportunity. Attorneys state that many of their cases are on ensuring landlords do not discriminate because of income source and enforcement for legal eviction processes.
The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler	Nonprofit	Phone	The nonprofit provides advocacy and program for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The organization helps provide supportive services, housing access, and educational opportunities. The organization also provides fair housing advocacy for individuals living with a disability. The organization stated that they continue to see a need for Section 8 Choice Vouchers and the development of new safe affordable housing in the region, which is ADA compliant. ADA for the nonelderly is limited in Elmira. Most supportive housing is planned for elderly residents, so many times nonelderly are not able to access as many services.
AIM Independent Living Center	Nonprofit/Housing	Phone	AIM a nonprofit organization that provides supports and services to people with disabilities. AIM serves people of all ages, with any type of disability. Staff state that new housing development and supportive services continue to be important. Staff discussed the importance of providing permanent housing, too often individuals are remaining in



			temporary housing for long time frames.

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

Through consultation with the direct services providers and the community itself the following items are highlighted as response received from multiple providers.

1. **Safety is seen as an issue;** the community is seeing an increase in gun violence and violence crime since the pandemic. Service providers want to make sure any new program ensures the safety of their staff and volunteers.
2. The majority of survey responses showed that **no one eligible population should be prioritized over another for services** as long as they met grant requirements.
3. **Domestic Violence is seen as a population with differing and unique needs;** the need to ensure families and individuals fleeing domestic violence, abuse, stalking, and trafficking are provide safe environments free from ongoing harassment was seen as a priority.
4. **Hotels and temporary housing should be as short as possible.** Many service providers and community discussed the need to reduce the time that the homeless remain in shelter or temporary housing. Many viewed the waitlist for Section 8 Vouchers as a major issue for the community.
5. **Supportive services** such as legal aid, case management and financial fitness **were seen as a very important program** that should be provided with these funds.
6. **Staff training is important.** Many nonprofits are facing staff shortages and burn out which is also impacting programs.
7. **The unserved populations remain the most vulnerable. Access to health care, drug rehabilitation, mental health services** was seen as a major need for the homeless and at-risk population yet most at-risk and homeless do not have access to these services and do not know how to gain access to these services, if they exist.
8. **Congregate, dormitory shelter** was seen by most service providers as the most realizable and greatest need at the moment as currently most service providers are overrunning local hotels with the homeless populations. The hotels do not provide safety or easy access to services, or a community environment for the homeless, and during peak tourism times in the area there may be no actual space for the individual/family to stay. However, the community members seemed to prefer the potential of developing **small community-based shelters**, rather than a dorm style shelter, if these were realizable as an option.
9. The majority of survey respondents, viewed capacity building as a needed but **only 50% of nonprofits would actually apply for a capacity building grant.**
10. Programs which ranged high as a need on the community survey were:
  - a. Provide supportive services such as legal aid, case management, financial management;
  - b. Develop Emergency Shelter such as a warming station;

- c. Provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance Programs.

## **Public Participation**

In accordance with Section V.B of the Notice (page 13), the City of Elmira must provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. In accordance with the City of Elmira's Public Participation Plan a public notice in the Star-Gazette was published on December 29, 2022. A 30-Day comment period was observed from January 2, 2022-January 31, 2022. A public hearing also took place on January 30, 2022.

In addition, the City of Elmira completed a community survey, hosted a community meeting, and conducted interviews with key stakeholders to gain additional input and insight during the planning process.

The Department of Community Development conducted both in-person interviews and a general survey to gain input from the community and service providers. A total of 258 responses were received. The survey was open from **June 7- August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

Additionally, a public meeting was held on **July 27<sup>th</sup>** from Noon-1 PM at the Steele Memorial Library. A total of eighteen people attended the meeting. This included both service providers from nonprofit and community-based organizations as well as concerned citizens.

The public notice published in the Star-Gazette included the total amount of HOME-ARP the PJ will receive, and the range of activities the PJ may undertake.

A notice of fund availability (NOFA) was also made public for eligible nonprofit organizations to apply for HOME-ARP funds. The deadline for the NOFA was due Friday, February 3, 2023. A technical assistance training was provided on Friday, December 16, 2022.

Throughout the HOME-ARP allocation plan public participation process, the City of Elmira followed 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.

***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: 12/29/2022***
- ***Public comment period: start date - 1/2/2023 end date - 1/31/2023***
- ***Date(s) of public hearing: 1/30/2023***

***Describe the public participation process:***

A 30-day comment period was observed from January 2-January 31, 2022 to allow for public comment on the draft plan. Notice was provided on the City of Elmira's website, Facebook page, and Star-Gazette.

***Describe efforts to broaden public participation:***

A public meeting and a community survey were both completed prior to the development of the plan. This allowed for community members to provide direct feedback on the process.

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

Through the community survey and the community meetings community input was integrated into the plan. Some major themes included the need to ensure safety for the community, to provide safe shelter for the homeless as many homeless face higher rates of crime and abuse, and to develop new shelter space and facilities in order to reduce the reliance on hotels.

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

All comments were considered when developing the plan.

## **Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis**

In accordance with Section V.C.1 of the Notice (page 14), the City of Elmira 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. The City of Elmira used 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.

**Template:**

**OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table**

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	33	12	39	39	0								
Transitional Housing	43	15	8	8	0								
Permanent Supportive Housing	67	24	142	142	8								
Other Permanent Housing	77	26	28	28	7								
Sheltered Homeless						161	329	0	8				
Unsheltered Homeless						0	11	0	0				
Current Gap										85	18	282	72

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

**OPTIONAL Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table**

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	7,765		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	645		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	2,435		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		1,690	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		215	
<b>Current Gaps – 0%-30% AMI</b>			1,045

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

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

***Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

Per the definition of 24 CFR 91.5, data was provided by the 501 Coc, Point in Time Count, and the Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count. Between the PIT Count for 2021 and 2022, there was a significant increase in the number of overflow beds being utilized. It is believing that much of this was due to Covid-19 restrictions being lifted and the reimplantation of evictions within the City of Elmira.

In fact, the 2022 PIT Count shows that the number of overflow beds increased from 143 to 399 in 2022. The CoC reports some of this is due to Housing Stability and Reform Act, bail reform policies, and the overall impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic. An estimated 11 persons were unsheltered in 2022 according to the PIT Count.

The number of Chronically Homeless individuals increased from 4 in 2021 to 7 in 2022.

***At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

The City of Elmira has a significant number of individuals and families who fall into the At-Risk of Homeless population. Data from the 2018 American Community Survey and the 2011-2015 CHAS, the City has a total of 2,495 Renter Households are at or Below 30% if AMI and 300 Owner Occupied Households at this income level. Additionally, 1,900 of the Renters and 233 of the Owner-Occupied Households are considered cost burdened by their housing expenses.

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

The available data on this population was extremely limited. Much of the data collected by social service providers was viewed as confidential. The 501 CoC reported that there were 8 homeless Domestic Violence victims in 2022. The Safe House has 15 beds, which over the past year were reported to be full and overflow beds, motels were being utilized throughout most of 2021 and 2022. The Elmira Police Department has also experienced an increase in the number of incidents being reported for Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Domestic Violence in 2022.

The City of Elmira Police Department reports a total of 246 dating violence, sexual assaults, and domestic violence incidents reported in 2020 (NYS Division of Criminal Justice). Information that was available appears to severely undercounting this homeless population. Based upon consultations with Salvation Army Safe House and Elmira Police Department Office of Victims Services, the estimated number of homeless Domestic Violence Victims from the City of Elmira would be between 25-30 annually. However, all 246 of these victims would be viewed as at-risk for homeless.

***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***

Based upon interview, community survey, public meetings, and US Census Data, the following groups were viewed as *other populations* in Elmira needing support:

**Veterans**

Sub-data from the 501 CoC, shows that the number of Chronically Homeless Veterans remains at 0. Based upon discussions with service providers and the community survey completed by the Department of Community Development in the summer of 2022, the view is that this number is that chronic homelessness does not persist among the Veteran population at this time; however, the population is likely being undercounted in the PIT Count. The general adult homeless population of homeless may include unreported veterans. Additionally, the population may not be accessing services. Catholic Charities provides the estimate of 10 Veterans experiencing homelessness each year for an estimated 12 days.

**Unaccompanied Youth**

The number of sheltered Chronically Homeless unaccompanied youth remain at zero according to the PIT County for the 501 CoC. However, the Department of Community conducted a community survey and unaccompanied and homeless youth were viewed a major concern within the City of Elmira. Again, it is difficult to gain an accurate number of individuals falling into the population. But within the City of Elmira, teachers and social workers highlighted a hidden issue of homeless youth who are in their late teenage years. This demographic is unable to access social services because they remain a minor and parents and legal guardians remain responsible until the age of 21. However, in reality, parents are no longer being actively supported by their legal guardians. Many of these individuals fall into the 14-21 age group, maybe living in temporary housing with friends or family, and could be employed in low paying service jobs. However, they are a greater risk for becoming chronically homelessness because of low educational attainment, limited resources and assets and/or support systems. The CHAS data is limited for homeless youth in Elmira at this time, but it does show that 2,844 households at or below 30% of AMI have children. Catholic Charities estimates that there are between 45-55 children under the age of 18 whom they provided services to in 2022.

**Elderly**

The other major at-risk and homeless demographic within the City of Elmira is the elderly. Based upon the 2018 ACS, approximately 12% of the population is over the age of 62, or elderly. In the City of Elmira, a majority of households are small or consisting of 4 or fewer members as opposed to large family households. Currently, there are an estimated 405 elderly households (owner and renters) who are at or below 30% of AMI and considered cost burdened. The City does have designated permeant housing for the elderly including St Joseph's apartments, Maple Avenue Apartments, St Patrick's Apartments, Carpenter

Apartments, Flannery Apartments, Bragg Towers, and Clemens Manor. However, this is still a major demographic for consideration within Elmira.

### **Disabled Population**

Another population are individuals who are living with a disability. From the 2018 ACS 5-Year survey, 18.2% (4,600) of the population has a disability. 24% (2,183) of those people are in the 35-64 age group and are not elderly as well. St Patrick's Apartments, St Joseph's apartments, Maple Avenue Apartments would be the options available to this population, so there are less housing options for the disabled population but it does exist within Elmira. Catholic Charities estimates that 13% or 598 individuals who are disabled are at-risk for becoming homeless.

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

The City of Elmira has a number of resources and programs provided by local nonprofit partners and service providers. Programming includes both direct emergency housing services and supportive services. The pandemic however has put a strain on local partners and many face staffing challenges, supply chain issues and inflationary costs which are impacting services. Overall, there does appear to be unmet needs within the City of Elmira around both the homeless populations and at-risk, very low-income persons and families.

The main provider of homeless housing services in the City of Elmira is Catholic Charities of Chemung and Schuylers. Arbor Housing and Development oversees the Section 8 Voucher program for Chemung County. Salvation Army provides services and housing for domestic violence victims and other homeless populations. The Economic Opportunity Program oversees the Anti-Displacement Program with case management and supportive services.

### ***Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:***

#### ***Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

Persons are either unsheltered, sheltered or receiving housing assistance through Emergency Housing, Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, or Shelter Plus Care. Shelter is a basic human need and the goal of the City of Elmira continues to be elimination and reduction of homelessness for individual and families.

Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuylers is the lead service provider in the region. In the summer of 2022, the primary homeless shelter, Second Place East, run by Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuylers was shutdown due to staffing challenges and security concerns. All the homeless were then placed in regional hotels. While, nobody stopped receiving services, the lack of a physical shelter was created a minor intake issues, as that location had served as the intake location and was a known site. However, the use of hotels continues and has met the emergency needs. The main service provider Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuylers is

in the process of creating a physical shelter for the homeless population in Elmira and Chemung County.

Meeting the needs of the homeless populations is viewed as a priority and an area where there is a gap. While hotels have been able to provide emergency service, the lack of a physical shelter is a strain on some within the homeless population as the hotels maybe isolated and not as accessible as physical shelter located within the City core.

Additionally, the homeless are remaining in shelter for longer timeframes, in some situations in excess of 90 days. Prior to the pandemic, emergency shelter stays did not remain so long term and individuals were placed in permanent housing quicker. A major need for the community is to find ways to place homeless in permanent housing sooner. This could include increased vouchers, more supportive services, as well as subsidized housing.

***At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

The pandemic has created many new challenges for families and individuals. The result is a greater number of persons who are considered at-risk for homelessness. This includes families who are below 30% of the area medium income, and do not have sufficient resources or support. The population includes those who are co-habituating in crowded living conditions, living with a hotel or temporary housing, living in an efficiency apartment, living in a public care facility or prison, and/or living in uninhabitable or noncompliant code property.

According to the 2020 Consolidated Plan, Elmira has 2,790 households which are living at or below 30% of AMI and 823 of these households have young children under the age of 6. Additionally, 3,058 households are cost burdened with greater than 30% of their income going towards rent. While there are existing programs to help those at risk for homelessness including, financial fitness classes, homeownership and foreclosure prevention services, as well as subsidized housing support through section 8 vouchers, pandemic related rental assistance, and subsidized housing, there are still an increased number of individuals who are facing homeless issues because of rising costs and inflation.

Other services available to this population are provided by Legal Aid of Western New York, who work with those who are at risk for homelessness because of eviction or other legal concerns. Catholic Charities, Arbor Housing and Development, the Economic Opportunity Program and the Salvation Army are all nonprofit organization, who provide services including case management, rental assistance, utility assistance, mortgage assistance, and financial planning support.

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



Domestic violence, dating violence, assault, stalking and other violence related domestic situations are now causes of homelessness and displacement within the City of Elmira. The population is difficult to count accurately and many different organizations may serve this population without specifically counting them separate from the general population.

The main provider of services for this population is through the Salvation Army's Pathway of Home Program and Special Needs Housing Services (SAFE) House. This facility provides rapid rehousing services for individuals and families who are fleeing domestic violence, rape, trafficking, sexual assault, stalking, and other violence related living situations. The program can serve approximately 25 individuals. Through the Elmira Police Department's Office of Victims Services, services are also provided directly to victims including referrals, counselling and housing support.

Other community organizations also provide services; however, there is limited support that is available solely to this population, and the need appears to exceed these available services. Therefore, it is deemed an area and population where there is a gap in services.

***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***

The City of Elmira has a number of other populations including Veterans, Elderly, Disabled, and Unaccompanied Youth were viewed as populations who could be facing housing insecurity and potentially homelessness.

The City does have subsidized housing available for the elderly and disabled including: Clemens Manor, Bragg Towers, Flannery Apartment, Carpenter Apartments, St Patrick's Apartments, St Joseph's Apartments, and Maple Avenue Apartments. Additionally, Libertad Elmira has units set aside for homeless veterans.

Glove House provides supportive housing for youth ages 10-21 who have experienced trauma and the site includes community apartments and group home setting for youth.

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

Overall, the main gap is the lack of a primary shelter since the closure of Second Place East. There remains a major need to develop a physical shelter to serve the homeless in Elmira. Warming stations and noncontrastive shelter are also much needed service.

Additionally, permanent housing is also need. There are gaps in the number of vacant quality permanent houses available to the at-risk population, individuals who are at or below 30% of AMI.

Additionally, providing supportive services remains a major need to help ensure people can access permeant housing. Emergency housing vouchers also remain an important need with a current gap in the number of available vouchers for the community. Arbor Housing has 6 month waitlist for accessing Section 8 vouchers.

***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:***

As noted prior, large populations within Elmira are Veterans, Elderly, Disabled, and Unaccompanied Youth.

***Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:***

Based upon the conversations with both service providers and community members and the results of the community survey, the following areas were deemed as priority needs.

1. The development of a physical shelter. Currently a large number of the homeless are utilizing hotels and the need for a physical shelter to be constructed was seen as a priority.
2. The other major need ranged by the services providers and the community was for supportive services. This included services such as legal aid, case management, and financial fitness classes. The need for these services would support both homeless and at-risk populations. Similarly, the need for intensive case management, supportive services was seen as a much-needed services.
3. Tenant based rental assistance was viewed as priority need for the at-risk populations
4. Development of new supportive housing was also deemed as a needed area to support the homeless and the at-risk populations.

***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 2020 Consolidated Plan was utilized to access data on available housing and other resources around homeless services and programs. The 501 CoC was another resource which provided data and information around the number of homeless and at-risk populations within the County and Elmira. Additionally, a survey was completed in Summer 2021 which gained feedback from the general public around housing and homelessness additionally, there were interviews conducted with service providers and nonprofit organizations to get additional data and understanding of the need for programs, services, and housing.

## **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:***

A competitive Notices of Funding Application (NOFA) was made available for Community Based Organizations to apply for the HOME ARP funds. The City a notice was placed on the City website and in the local newspaper (the Star-Gazette) as well as e-mailed past grantees directly of the upcoming NOFA. An internal committee will review applications. Final funding approval is at the discretion of the Elmira City Council.

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

The PJ will oversee all subgrantees and monitor activities; however, the PJ does not anticipate creating any discretionary programs which are managed and oversee within the Department of Community Development itself. Instead, the programs will be subgrantee out directly Community Based Housing Organizations (CHDO) and other nonprofit service providers.

***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 administrative functions will be sub-granted out to another organization. All administration will be handled by the Department of Community Development.

**Use of HOME-ARP Funding**

	<b>Funding Amount</b>	<b>Percent of the Grant</b>	<b>Statutory Limit</b>
Supportive Services	\$ 500,000		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ #		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 573,725		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ #		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 45,000	0 %	15%
<b>Total HOME ARP Allocation</b>	<b>\$ 1,118,725</b>		

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

Funding is based upon the applications which were received from requesting organizations and nonprofit entities. While, the development of non-congregate shelter was viewed as a very high need based upon community research, at this time, no nonprofit organizations is seeking HOME-ARP funds to develop a non-congregate shelter in the City of Elmira. Instead local organizations plan to build dormitory style facilities and warming stations. However, these would not be eligible for the funding as it does not meet the criteria for non-congregate shelter.

Therefore, the majority of the funds will be allocated to support the development of tenant base rental assistance programs and supportive services. The assessment identified this as a much-needed area for the community. Because of the rising cost of rent, the City of Elmira is choosing to focus on these two priorities. The goal would be to help move the homeless population into permanent housing through additional voucher support and supportive services. Overall, the increased number of homeless in Chemung County is due to longer and longer stays within temporary shelter. Many service providers link this back to the inability to find permanent housing and the rising cost of housing.

***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 majority of homeless are housed within hotels or have access to emergency care such as a warming station. Homeless remain in temporary housing for longer periods of time than has ever happened in the history of the County. This is resulting in strain on resources and is harmful to families and the community living in temporary housing. Families deserve the opportunity to have quality safe housing and not live in temporary facilities.

Some of this is due to the lack of safe quality affordable housing there remains an estimated 1,045 unit gap in the City of Elmira for individuals at or below 30% of AMI. Additionally, prices are rising including rent which is pushing families and individuals out of their homes. The pandemic also exacerbated mental health and substance abuse issues resulting in some cases of homelessness or increased risk for housing instability.

## **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:***

No rental units will be created for the program. Through the Rental Assistance and Supportive Service program, the City of Elmira anticipates a total of 260 families with supportive services, case management, emergency assistance. An estimated total of 75 families will receive emergency rental assistance vouchers.

***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:***

Elmira's priority need is to support the growing homeless population and find ways to increase their access to permanent quality affordable housing. The programs are anticipated to provide 260 families with supportive services, case management, emergency assistance and an estimated total of 75 families will receive emergency rental assistance vouchers.

## 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 City of Elmira 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 Elmira will not be implementing any preferences to one or more of the qualifying populations. This is based upon the research conducted, that it does not appear one population is overly or underly served and therefore it would not be in the best interest of the service providers to limit the program availability as long as the population qualifies.

***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:***

NA no preference will be applies to these funds.

## **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).

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

Elmira will not be providing any preferences to clients.

***If the City of Elmira 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):***

Elmira anticipates working with partner organizations who are members and participate in the coordinated entry (CE), established by the CoC. All qualifying parties will be eligible for services.

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

***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):***  
NA

## **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.

***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:***

NA

***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:***

NA based upon the review of the community assessment and needs, limitation was not deemed necessary to address a significant unmet need or gap in benefits and services for a qualifying population.

***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):*

NA

February 27, 2023

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 71

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE CITY OF ELMIRA'S HOME ARP PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Councilmember Moss:

**WHEREAS**, the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides five billion dollars to assist individuals and households who are homeless, at risk of homeless, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has advised the City of Elmira that as an Entitlement Community under HOME Investment Partnership Program, the City of Elmira will be receiving \$1,118,725 in HOME ARP funds; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the citizen participation requirements governing the HOME ARP program, the City of Elmira has published a notice in the Star-Gazette inviting interested organizations to submit an application for funding under HOME-ARP; and

**WHEREAS**, as Department of Community Development has sought input by consulting with the 501 Continuum of Care, hosted neighborhood meetings, publishing an online survey, and gained feedback from the Citizen Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Department of Community Development staff has analyzed US Census Data and local housing data in order to prepare and publish the HOME ARP plan as required by HUD; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on January 30, 2023 for the purpose of receiving written and oral comments from the public regarding the City of Elmira's Draft HOME ARP Plan and a 30-day public comment period was observed with written comments being accepted until January 31, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Department of Community Development is hereby authorized to submit the HOME-ARP Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development no later than March 31, 2023.

## ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

AYES		NAYS
X	Councilmember Cooke	
X	Councilmember Moss	
ABSENT	Councilmember Franchi	
X	Councilmember Kitching	
X	Councilmember Grasso	
X	Councilmember Duffy	
X	Mayor Mandell	
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January 30, 2023

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC HEARING** held this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023, for the purpose of receiving written and oral comments from the public on the City of Elmira's Draft HOME ARP Plan.

**APPEARANCES:**

**Opened: 5:40 PM**

In Favor Of: None

Opposed: None

No Written Submissions

**Closed: 5:41 PM**

January 17, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 15

RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE WRITTEN AND ORAL  
COMMENTS ON THE CITY OF ELMIRA'S HOME ARP PLAN

By Councilmember Moss:

**WHEREAS**, the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides five billion dollars to assist individuals and households who are homeless, at risk of homeless, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Elmira is an Entitlement Community under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program and will therefore be receiving \$1,118,725 in HOME ARP funds; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the citizen participation requirements governing the HOME ARP program, the City of Elmira has published a notice in the Star-Gazette inviting interested organizations to submit an application for funding under HOME-ARP; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Department of Community Development staff has prepared and published a draft HOME ARP plan to assess community needs as required by HUD; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that a public hearing be scheduled for January 30, 2023 for the purpose of receiving written and oral comments from the public regarding the City of Elmira's Draft HOME ARP Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Department of Community Development is hereby directed to publish a public notice in the official newspaper of the City of Elmira notifying the public that a public hearing will be held on January 30, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Second Floor, Elmira, New York.

ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

	Vacant	
X	Councilmember Moss	
X	Councilmember Franchi	
X	Councilmember Kitching	
X	Councilmember Grasso	
X	Councilmember Duffy	
X	Mayor Mandell	

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE CITY OF  
ELMIRA'S PROPOSED HOME ARP PLAN FOR THE ELMIRA  
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS.**

The City of Elmira Department of Community Development is seeking public comments on its draft HOME- ARP Plan for the use of federal Community Development Block Grant HOME Investment Partnership Program funds it receives from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. These grant funds will be administered through HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). The range of allowable uses include: Administration and Planning, Rental Housing, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Supportive Services, Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter, and Nonprofit Operation and Capacity Building.

The City of Elmira is receiving a total of \$1,118,725 in HOME ARP funding. The proposed plan to be found on the Community Development webpage at <http://www.cit.yofelmira.net/community-development>, City of Elmira Clerk's Office, or the Steele Memorial Library. In addition, anyone who would like a free

copy mailed to their home may contact the Department of Community Development at (607) 737-5691.

A 30-day public comment period will be observed from January 2nd - January 31st. Citizens are invited to submit written comments on the draft HOME- ARP Plan. Comments should be sent to the Department of Community Development, ATT: Emma Miran, City Hall, 317 E. Church Street, Elmira, New York 14901. Written comments will be accepted until 4:00pm on Tuesday, January 31st.

A public hearing to be held on Monday, January 30, 2023. The public hearing will be held at City Hall, 3017 E. Church St, Elmira, NY, City Council Chambers (2nd Floor) which is a handicapped accessible location.

The City of Elmira is committed to prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, family status, or national origin. Hearing impaired persons can reach this office through New York Relay Center at 1-800-662-1220.

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by: [Cormac Clune](#)

Posted: Jul 8, 2022 / 12:28 PM EDT

Updated: Jul 8, 2022 / 12:36 PM EDT

SHARE



ELMIRA, N.Y. (WETM) — The City of Elmira has published a survey asking residents the best way to spend over \$1.1 million received in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to help the local homeless and at-risk population.

The announcement of the survey was made on the [City's Facebook page](#) yesterday, June 7, 2022. In April of 2021, it was announced that the city had received \$1,118,725 in ARP funds.

A link to the anonymous survey is available by [clicking/tapping here](#).

### **Second Place East homeless shelter closes**

According to the survey, qualifying populations are defined as the following:

1. **Homeless Population** – Lacking a fixed, regular nighttime residence
2. **At-Risk of Homeless** – At an annual income below 30% of the Area Median Income and lacking resources
3. **Populations who are fleeing, attempting to flee domestic violence** – dating violence, stalking, human trafficking, and sexual assault (do not need to be homeless to receive services)
4. **Other Population** – Families/individuals requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness, specifically those who were previously qualified as homeless and/or are currently housed for temporary or emergency assistance, and need additional assistance to void returning to homelessness.

Some of the questions asked by the survey include if certain populations should be prioritized for service including single adults, families, veterans, youth under 18, victims of domestic violence, or any member of these groups that qualify.

ADVERTISING

Anybody taking the survey is also asked to rank several different topics in order of importance, including projects for homelessness, programs to keep people in permanent housing, and what type of physical shelter would be the best fit for Elmira.

A public meeting regarding the topic will be held at the Steele Memorial Library on July 27th from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

In early June, it was announced that the [homeless shelter located at 605 College Avenue](#) closed. Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuyler have listed resources for people still in need of assistance. A notice posted on the building by the [Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuyler](#) says that the County and Catholic Churches are collectively looking for a new shelter to be approved by the end of the year.

## FUNDING AVAILABLE

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. These grant funds will be administered through HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

Community Development is receiving a total of \$1,118,725 in HOME ARP funding. The funds must be used to serve residents of the City of Elmira. Two applications are currently available at this time for the following activities:

Non-congregative shelter (Capital)

Supportive Service (Public Services)

It is highly recommended that interested applicants review the attached HUD Notice CPD-21-10 for specific HOME- ARP requirements and standards, prior to applying for funding. All awarded agencies will be required to comply with these HUD guidelines.

The deadline for both of these applications is **Friday, February, 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023.**

For the non-congregative shelter application, a technical assistance workshop is scheduled for **Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 10AM- 11AM Via Zoom** (Link is on page 14 of the application)

For the Supportive Services application, a technical assistance workshop is scheduled for



# STEPS/501 COC Board Meeting Minutes - 7/28/2022

Attendance		
<b>Those in attendance include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Zick</li> <li>• Emma Miran</li> <li>• Paula Howard</li> <li>• Jeffrey Symeslatini</li> <li>• Anita Lewis</li> <li>• Haleigh Schmidhamer</li> <li>• Michelle Cinque-Guarglia</li> <li>• Nancy Koons</li> </ul>		<b>Those absent from the meeting include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynette Green</li> <li>• Bill Brown</li> <li>• Jeff Stager</li> <li>• Ellen Topping</li> <li>• Heather Burgio</li> <li>• Susan Bull</li> <li>• Ellen Heidrick</li> <li>• Brian Hart</li> <li>• Jennifer MacPhail</li> <li>• Ashley Kerrick</li> <li>• Suzanne Krull</li> <li>• Jackie Canute</li> <li>• Karen Tremer</li> <li>• JoAnn Fratacangelo</li> <li>• Marsha Mitchell</li> <li>• Suzi Fritz</li> <li>• Amy Patterson</li> <li>• Meadow McDowell</li> </ul>
		<b>Guests in attendance include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>

## Call to Order

2:05 PM

## Approval of Previous Minutes

☒ Yes
 ☐ No
 ☐ Yes, with revisions
 ☐ Decision postponed

Revisions Include: None

Motion to accept made by JoAnn and seconded by Amy.

## Old Business

Agenda Item	Discussion	Outcome/Next Steps
ERAP Update	<p><u>Allegany</u>: Rent arrears-129 payments, total \$561,906; Prospective rent- 72 payments, total \$119,946</p> <p><u>Chemung</u>: Rent arrears- 552 payments, total \$2,516,934; Prospective rent- 384 payments, total \$799,438</p> <p><u>Livingston</u>: Rent arrears- 134 payments, total \$593,767; Prospective rent- 75 payments, total \$159,105</p> <p><u>Schuyler</u>: Rent arrears- 43 payments, total \$207,865; Prospective rent- 29 payments, total</p>	

\$69,668

Steuben: Rent arrears- 257 payments, total \$1,111,832; Prospective rent- 165 payments, total \$358,497

## New Business

Agenda Item	Discussion	Outcome/Next Steps
a. City of Elmira HOME ARP Presentation & Survey- Emma	Emma reported about the City of Elmira's plan for HOME ARP funds. She also reviewed the survey results with the Board.	
b. Discuss Supplemental NOFO Requirements & Application	Haleigh reviewed the notes on the Supplemental NOFO provided by Ashley. Haleigh also reviewed portions of the Supplemental NOFO presentation. The Board discussed and asked questions, but members did not commit to the process. CARES is asking that the Board notify us of the CoC's intent to apply by August 1.	CARES will follow up with the Board if we do not hear back by August 1.

## Collaborative Applicant Update

Haleigh reported that CARES Partners in Progress Series is still going on. Upcoming sessions include: Practical Methods for Including Persons with Lived Experience in CoC Leadership (August 12) and Strategies to Prevent and End Youth Homelessness (Sept. 9). All will occur between 10 and 11:30 AM. Registration is required.

There are also Partners Supporting Partners webinars coming up. Registration is also required.

Haleigh updated on upcoming Rank & Review and CoC NOFO timelines. New applications are due to CARES on August 24<sup>th</sup> and in ESnapS. Renewal applications are also due in ESnapS on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Renewal project interviews will occur on August 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Committee Updates

Agenda Item	Discussion	Outcome/Next Steps
HMIS (Paula)	Committee updates not completed due to time.	
Regional Racial Justice Advisory Committee (Susan)		
Coordinated Entry (Ashley)		
Rank & Review (Haleigh)		
Planning Committee		

(JoAnn)

**Homeless Housing Task  
Force – Chemung**

**Other**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Outcome/Next Steps</b>
<b>Veteran Report (Michelle Cinque-Guarglia &amp; Bill Brown)</b>	Michelle reminded about the POC phone number: (607) 794-3481 (available M-F, 9-5). Leave a voicemail if you get no answer. Bill reported that their intake line is 1-866-406-8449. Operators will do an intake to ensure the veteran is eligible for the programs.	
<b>Open Discussion (DV/Youth/Program Updates/Etc.)</b>	No open discussion.	

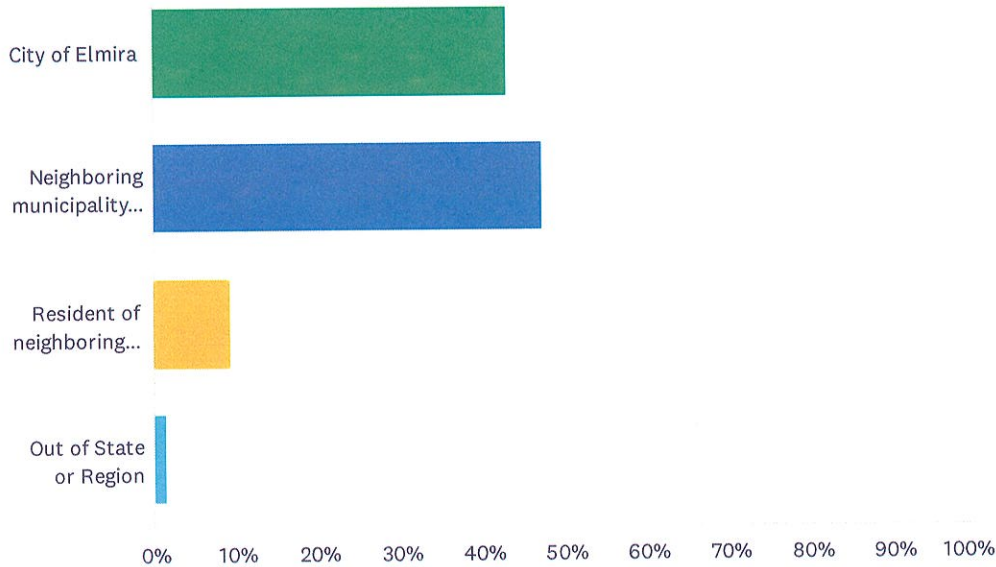
**Next Meeting  
Board August 25, 2022**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Haleigh Schmidhamer, CARES of NY, Inc. Planning Team  
hschmidhamer@caresny.org

# Q1 Where is your primary residence?

Answered: 258 Skipped: 0



## ANSWER CHOICES

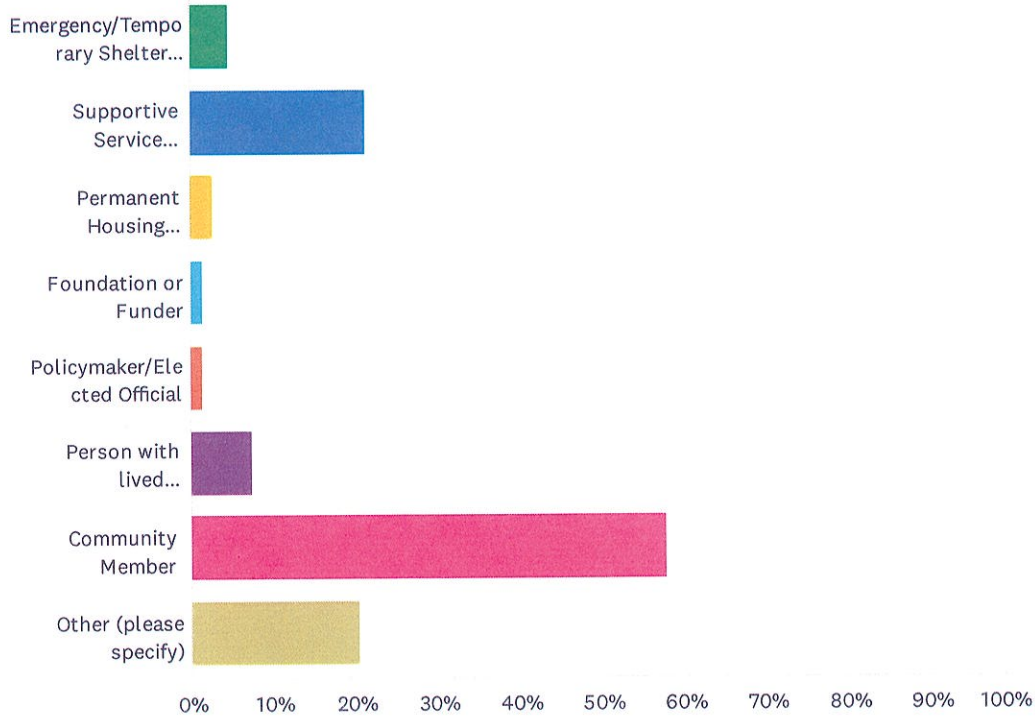
- City of Elmira
  - Neighboring municipality (Southport, Town of Elmira, Elmira Heights, Horseheads, other)
  - Resident of neighboring County (Tompkins, Steuben, Tioga, Schuyler, other)
  - Out of State or Region
- Total Respondents: 258

## RESPONSES

43.02%	111
47.29%	122
9.30%	24
1.55%	4

## Q2 What is your primary involvement with the homeless or at-risk population?

Answered: 258 Skipped: 0



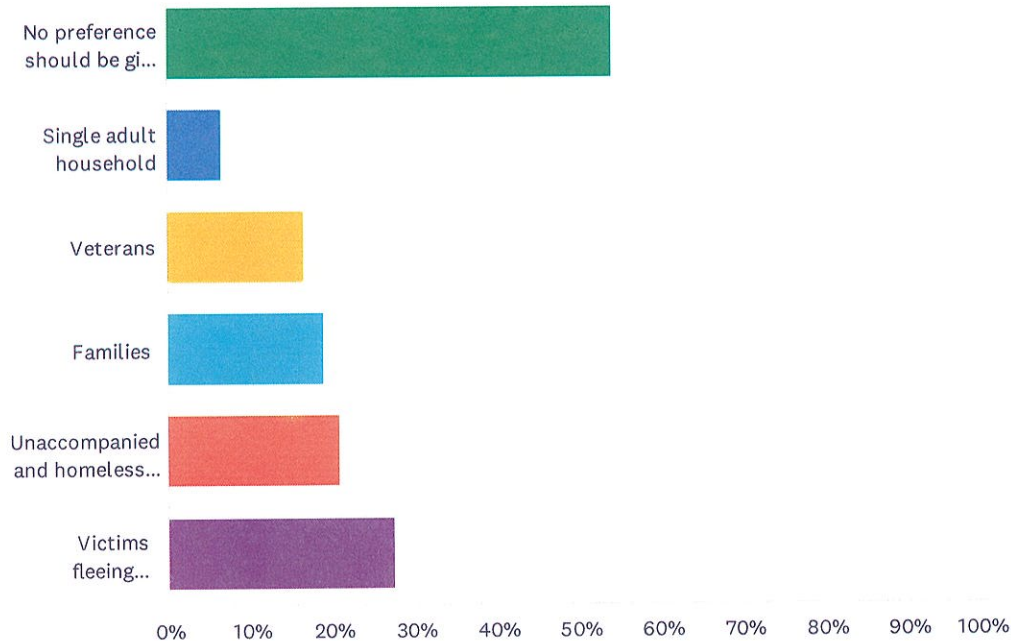
### ANSWER CHOICES

### RESPONSES

Emergency/Temporary Shelter or Rapid Rehousing Provider	4.65%	12
Supportive Service Provider (job trainer, legal aid, case manager etc)	21.32%	55
Permanent Housing Provider - landlord, property manager, developer	2.71%	7
Foundation or Funder	1.55%	4
Policymaker/Elected Official	1.55%	4
Person with lived experience of homelessness	7.36%	19
Community Member	57.75%	149
Other (please specify)	20.54%	53
Total Respondents: 258		

### Q3 Do you think that certain populations should be prioritized for services? If so, what do you think should be the priority focus in the City of Elmira - Chemung County? Select one.

Answered: 258 Skipped: 0



#### ANSWER CHOICES

No preference should be given to applicants as long as they meet qualifying criteria

Single adult household

Veterans

Families

Unaccompanied and homeless youth - under age of 18

Victims fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking

Total Respondents: 258

#### RESPONSES

54.26% 140

6.59% 17

16.67% 43

18.99% 49

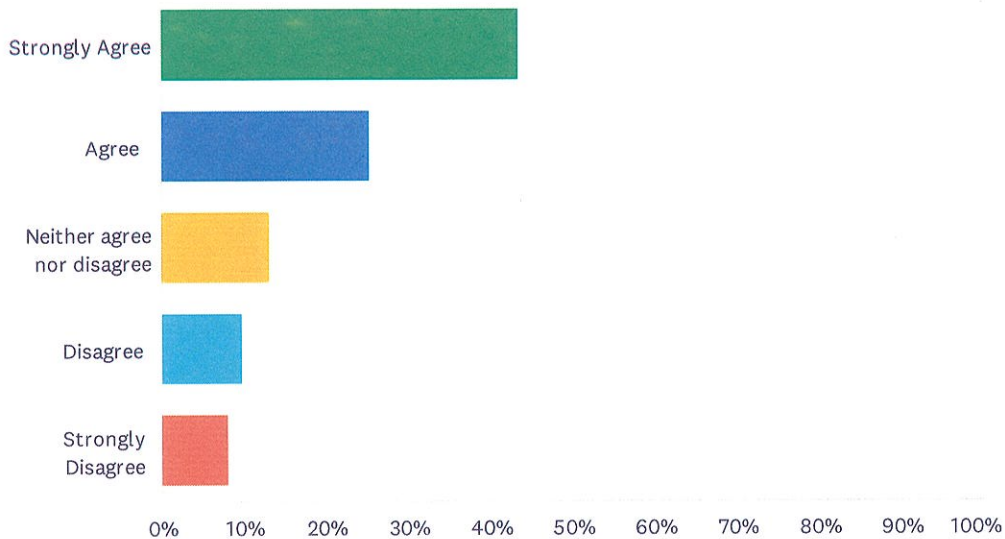
20.93% 54

27.52% 71



**Q4 Up to five-percent of funds can be used for nonprofit service provider's capacity building. Nonprofits, like many organizations, have been impacted by the pandemic and struggle with staffing and the ability to manage and develop new programs. Do you agree or disagree that some funds should be set aside to help nonprofits with capacity building including staff training and educational programs?**

Answered: 257 Skipped: 1



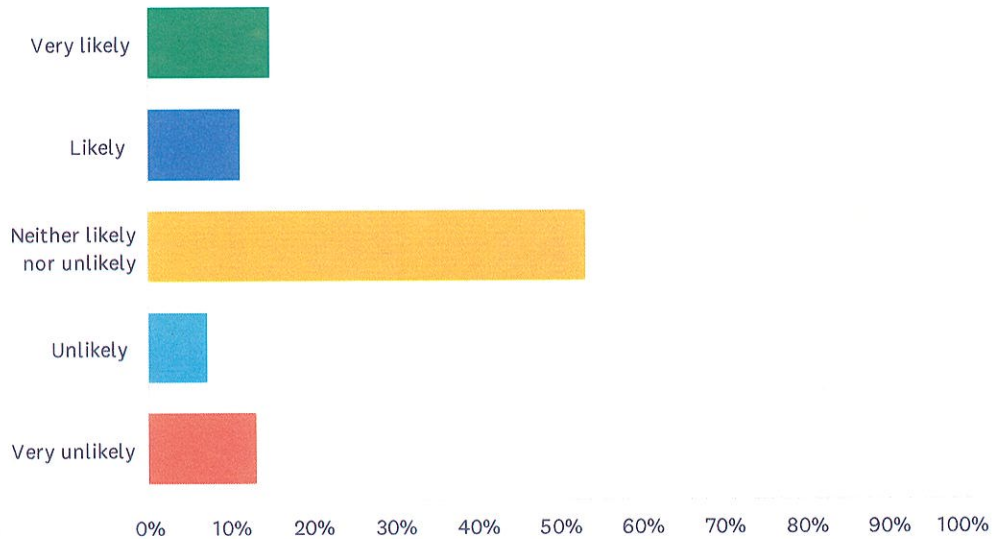
**ANSWER CHOICES**

**RESPONSES**

Strongly Agree	43.58%	112
Agree	25.29%	65
Neither agree nor disagree	13.23%	34
Disagree	9.73%	25
Strongly Disagree	8.17%	21
TOTAL		257

## Q5 If you are representing a service provider or nonprofit agency will your organization likely apply for capacity building funds?

Answered: 221 Skipped: 37



### ANSWER CHOICES

Very likely

Likely

Neither likely nor unlikely

Unlikely

Very unlikely

TOTAL

### RESPONSES

14.93%

11.31%

53.39%

7.24%

13.12%

33

25

118

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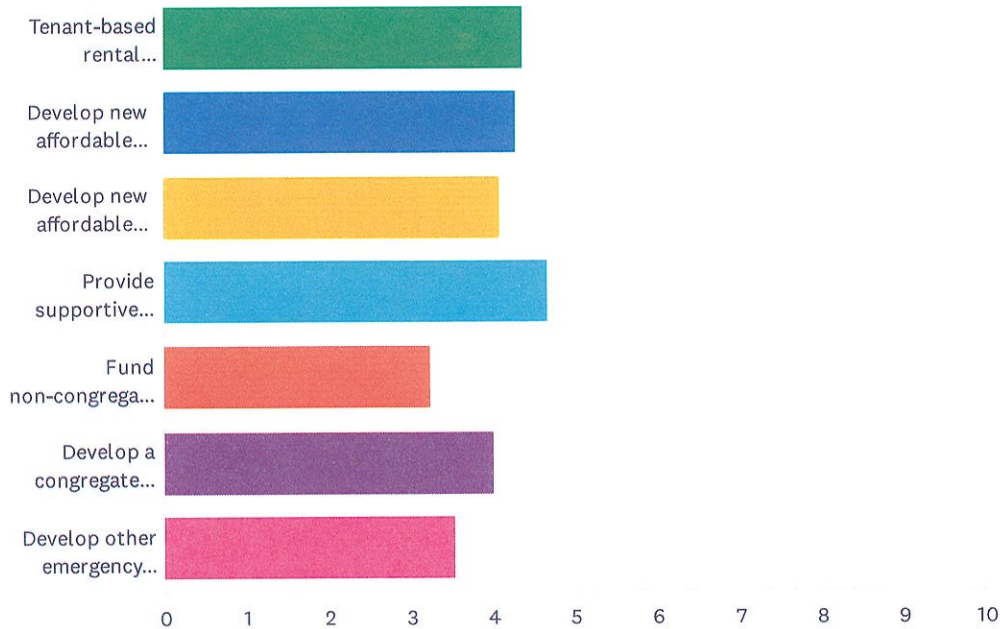
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**Q6 What projects listed below do you think are the most important to address homelessness in the City of Elmira - Chemung County? Rank (1= Highest/Most Important, 7 =Lowest/Least Important for funds).**

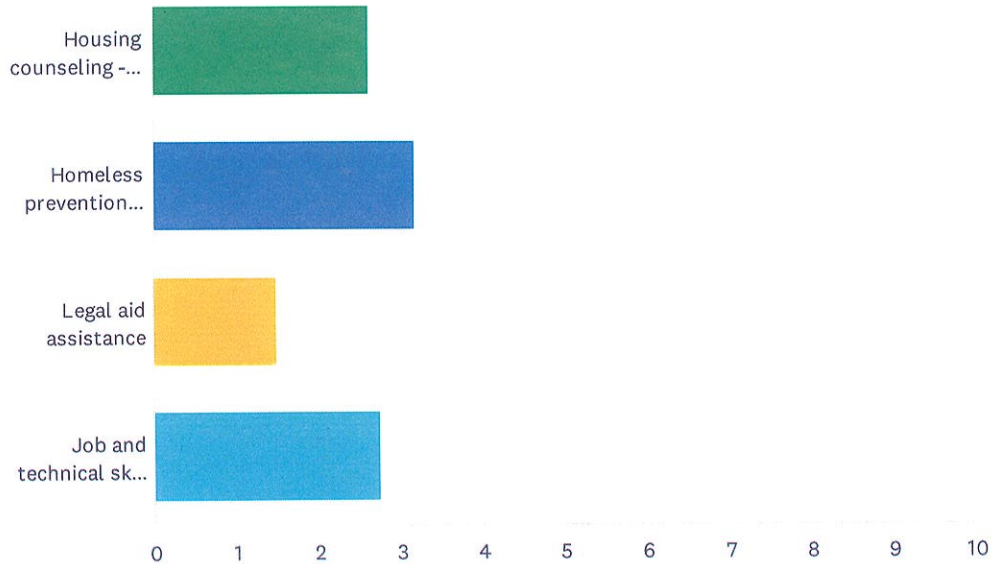
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Tenant-based rental assistance program providing tenants/landlords with rent payments	23.36% 57	13.93% 34	14.34% 35	13.52% 33	9.02% 22	11.48% 28	14.34% 35	244	4.37
Develop new affordable housing - Multi Unit	15.70% 38	18.18% 44	14.46% 35	15.70% 38	12.40% 30	13.22% 32	10.33% 25	242	4.28
Develop new affordable housing - neighborhood based mom/pop style rental units	7.85% 19	16.53% 40	21.90% 53	17.36% 42	13.64% 33	12.81% 31	9.92% 24	242	4.10
Provide supportive services such as legal aid, case management, financial management	19.35% 48	18.15% 45	18.55% 46	16.53% 41	15.73% 39	6.05% 15	5.65% 14	248	4.68
Fund non-congregate shelter (motels, designated units or apartments)	6.91% 17	8.13% 20	9.76% 24	12.60% 31	22.76% 56	19.11% 47	20.73% 51	246	3.24
Develop a congregate shelter or dormitory shelter facility	19.34% 47	11.93% 29	11.93% 29	10.70% 26	12.76% 31	19.34% 47	13.99% 34	243	4.00
Develop other emergency shelter such as warming stations	10.93% 27	14.17% 35	10.12% 25	12.96% 32	11.74% 29	15.79% 39	24.29% 60	247	3.55

**Q7 In order to help the designated populations remain in permanent housing, and not return to homelessness, what do you think is the most important service? Rank (1= Highest/Most Important, 4 =Lowest/Least Important for funds)**

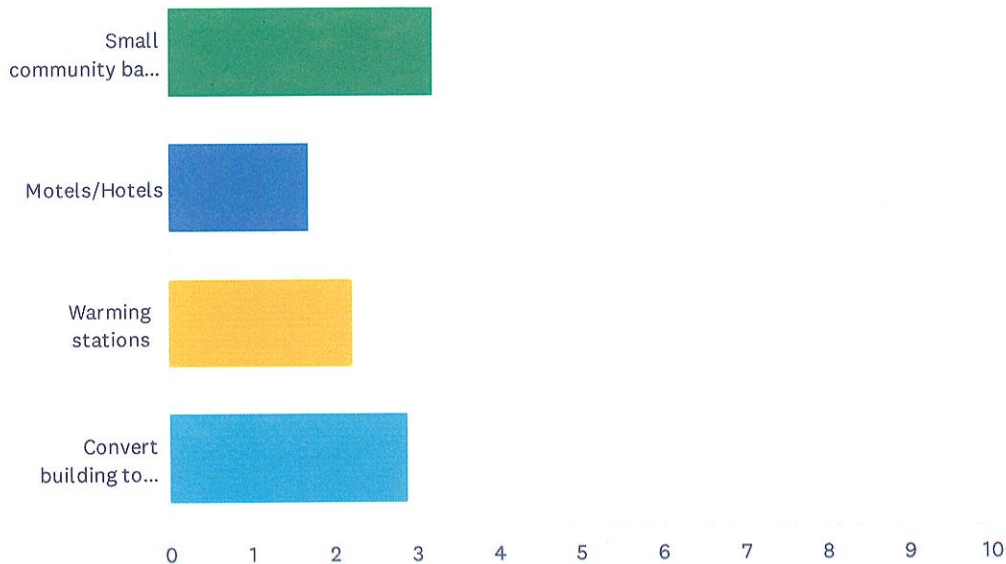
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	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Housing counseling - budgeting/financial management, tenants rights	21.90% 53	33.06% 80	30.58% 74	14.46% 35	242	2.62
Homeless prevention services - intensive case managers and supportive services, one-on-one counseling and healthcare referrals	52.07% 126	23.14% 56	15.70% 38	9.09% 22	242	3.18
Legal aid assistance	2.48% 6	8.26% 20	26.45% 64	62.81% 152	242	1.50
Job and technical skill training	27.13% 67	34.82% 86	24.70% 61	13.36% 33	247	2.76

Q8 In terms of a physical shelter facility for the homeless, what do you think are the best options for residents of City of Elmira - Chemung County. Rank (1= Highest/Most Important, 4=Lowest/Least Important for funds)

Answered: 258 Skipped: 0



	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Small community based shelters throughout the City and County	52.07% 126	21.90% 53	20.66% 50	5.37% 13	242	3.21
Motels/Hotels	4.94% 12	11.52% 28	32.92% 80	50.62% 123	243	1.71
Warming stations	14.05% 34	26.03% 63	30.17% 73	29.75% 72	242	2.24
Convert building to dormitory style, congregate shelter	32.26% 80	39.11% 97	14.52% 36	14.11% 35	248	2.90

Q9 HOME- ARP funding is a one-time opportunity to develop new affordable housing and services for the homeless, which could have a significant impact in this community. Are there other eligible uses for this funding that were not specifically asked about that you think should be considered for funding?

Answered: 157   Skipped: 101

Q10 Other comments and suggestions that you think should be considered  
in developing this plan?

Answered: 134   Skipped: 124

**Q9 HOME-** ARP funding is a one-time opportunity to develop new affordable housing and services for the homeless, which could have a significant impact in this community. Are there other eligible uses for this funding that were not specifically asked about that you think should be considered for funding?

Answered: 157 Skipped: 101

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	ARP is a great idea. Also the Second Place East Project needs help. and a substance abuse program	8/9/2022 11:17 AM
2	not that I am aware of	8/9/2022 11:14 AM
3	No	8/6/2022 8:29 AM
4	No	8/4/2022 7:41 PM
5	None	8/4/2022 7:03 AM
6	A lot of the homeless don't wish to be inside of a shelter or home. Why not set some land or area aside for more of a camp style facility. Provide shower buildings, heating area, and be close to transportation.	8/3/2022 6:32 PM
7	Supplies for dealing with the homeless. Narcan, bvm...	8/2/2022 3:45 PM
8	Help get a job and then have them save so much money to rent a home	8/2/2022 11:46 AM
9	no	8/1/2022 7:09 PM
10	Supporting existing facilities and aid groups to stay open	8/1/2022 2:20 PM
11	Coordinate services with non-profits and DSS to avoid duplication of services	8/1/2022 11:22 AM
12	Many benefits require a permanent or temporary address in order to receive those benefits. If you're homeless and alone, you may not be able to provide that. Even qualified job applicants may be passed over because of HR policies at the company they applied to. Is there a way this can be better addressed? Maybe fund post office boxes so at least there's a (semi)permanent mailing address? Also, if funding a multi-unit facility, there should be a mandatory tenant oversight committee, made up by the current tenants, that is basically a code of conduct. Kind of like an HOA. If a resident is repeatedly violating the rules, they can be removed from that facility. In-house AA/NA meetings at these facilities should also be offered.	8/1/2022 10:33 AM
13	Food assistance for the homeless without a home address needed.	8/1/2022 9:39 AM
14	No	8/1/2022 9:25 AM
15	No	8/1/2022 9:03 AM
16	N/A	7/31/2022 6:46 PM
17	Figure out why they are coming here and mitigate the problem. Keep giving them benefits and they will keep coming in droves	7/31/2022 5:17 PM
18	For "middle" class population, who can not receive any services, because they are working, but are barley able to get by, working to just pay bills and not living off of free handouts, and not working	7/31/2022 5:04 PM
19	Education and support services. Programs that assist people with every day living expectations/responsibilities. No slum landlords tolerated!	7/31/2022 4:58 PM

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20	.	7/31/2022 1:00 PM
21	No	7/31/2022 12:19 PM
22	Not really. Just utilize empty places that are already available to use. No fancy extras; just basic needs. They should have help getting jobs (maybe hire them to work on the buildings that will be used to help shelter the homeless) just as the rest of us work for/earn what we have in life. Help them get 1 year of food stamps while they adapt to learning to provide their own basic needs. Elderly or medically proven disabled Veterans would deserve more assistance. Too many people simply refuse help, refuse to work. Mandatory drug testing for those receiving food stamps and housing assistance since the working class has to drug test as well. If people have a way to afford drugs; they can afford food/housing.	7/31/2022 12:16 PM
23	Food stamps for the homeless	7/31/2022 11:32 AM
24	No	7/31/2022 10:21 AM
25	Don't know	7/31/2022 10:06 AM
26	None	7/31/2022 9:43 AM
27	Using and rehabbing foreclosed and abandoned buildings within the city	7/31/2022 9:28 AM
28	No	7/31/2022 9:13 AM
29	Converting abandoned homes into shelters or "work to own" programs could offer the homeless an opportunity to maintain the home for as long as they are full time and paying for the taxes and home repairs. After the the value of the house has been paid for in taxes the property will be transferred to the homeless person as long as the home is in good liveable condition (evaluated by code enforcement). Even once the house is paid for through property taxes, the ownership will not transfer to the homeless person until all findings from code enforcement have been resolved by potential homeowner	7/31/2022 9:08 AM
30	N/A	7/31/2022 8:56 AM
31	Just housing for people who seriously need it	7/31/2022 8:51 AM
32	No	7/31/2022 8:19 AM
33	Mental health and drug treatment?	7/31/2022 7:10 AM
34	Homelessness and those at risk.	7/30/2022 10:39 PM
35	mental health services and medical services to help those addicted to drugs recover and get off them	7/30/2022 11:14 AM
36	Yes, relationship building neighborhood community programs to help address the root causes of homelessness	7/30/2022 12:30 AM
37	Help with rides to social security appointments and help getting pharmaceutical products to those who can't get to the pharmacy	7/30/2022 12:08 AM
38	Homelessness is typically a result of addiction, Addiction is almost always a result of mental health. Affordable and available Mental Health Services is the starting point.	7/29/2022 10:03 AM
39	NA	7/28/2022 2:51 PM
40	na	7/27/2022 7:02 PM
41	furnishings/beds/microwaves/dishes etc that a person typically doesn't have when they go from homeless to securing an apartment. Budgeting for food, etc and nutrition education should be provided as well so individuals may choose to make healthier choices.	7/27/2022 3:16 PM
42	NA	7/27/2022 3:05 PM
43	Elmira needs public bathrooms, porta potties, or other locations for the public to go to the bathroom. People are relieving themselves around town and it is a potential public health issue. The city should also use some of the money to maintain garbage cans and sharps disposal stations so that people aren't throwing trash and old needles onto the street.	7/27/2022 9:12 AM
44	To be considered	7/26/2022 4:53 PM

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45	Perhaps toilets as a public works initiative could be a good choice. Offers privacy and cleanliness for individuals who can't go to a bathroom.	7/25/2022 4:16 PM
46	None known to me.	7/25/2022 1:32 PM
47	unknown	7/25/2022 12:31 PM
48	Elmira desperately needs a place for unhoused individuals to take showers and wash their clothes in one spot. We also desperately need a non-religious based organized well-funded approach to homelessness in our city.	7/25/2022 12:07 PM
49	Having a place where people can wash their clothes for free (maybe provide an extra outfit as part of the service) and take a shower would be great. Maybe a mobile shower bus, if there is not a static location for this. Obviously having a place to stay is critical but for some that might not be interested in a shelter, they are using other public building sinks to try to wash themselves and their clothing.	7/25/2022 11:59 AM
50	If allowable, create a growth fund to ensure income in the future	7/25/2022 11:55 AM
51	Rehab existing buildings in the area	7/23/2022 12:12 PM
52	I think there should be some Emergency Funding put aside for the Emergency Services, like water challenges, infestation challenges and some training that could be strongly recommended.	7/21/2022 4:32 PM
53	Paying rent for a period of time to allow client to stabilize	7/21/2022 2:32 PM
54	Help with back rent for those who couldn't afford it but have are doing better now but can't seem to catch up the back rent or yaxes	7/21/2022 9:42 AM
55	None	7/19/2022 12:22 PM
56	Senior Citizen housing Tiny homes for the homeless. Not apartments.	7/19/2022 11:11 AM
57	maintaining a informational base of these individuals and closely monitor them. Offer ongoing support	7/18/2022 4:20 PM
58	Transportation	7/18/2022 12:35 PM
59	no	7/18/2022 10:24 AM
60	NA	7/18/2022 8:54 AM
61	More housing that are affordable to homeless or low income families.	7/18/2022 8:47 AM
62	NA	7/18/2022 8:43 AM
63	no	7/18/2022 7:54 AM
64	No	7/16/2022 11:29 PM
65	None	7/16/2022 9:29 AM
66	n/a	7/15/2022 12:13 PM
67	NO	7/15/2022 11:38 AM
68	Dorm style housing unsafe( how do you segregate males from females and children, will background checks be conducted etc), more emphasis on mental health support and drug rehab, what age of population is the focus, parenting skills education, back to work programs	7/15/2022 9:21 AM
69	Hut Village. Community built and maintained. Each village must have a name that means something to the occupants.	7/15/2022 3:33 AM
70	Need more mental health providers and a hospital that has a psych er that will admit patients not discharge them back to the streets.	7/14/2022 9:29 PM
71	Direct payments	7/14/2022 6:47 PM
72	Coalition of secular and faith-based groups to be educated to serve in warming station and shelter options for the homeless. To me, those who are fleeing domestic abuse need to be addressed in a different way that is immediate and sustainable to help them with their entire situation, not just housing. Safety is the main operative for these people for a long process.	7/14/2022 6:43 PM



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73	we do not need more affordable housing. we need to educate and train so they can become a viable community member , so they can stand on there own. IE: job applications, budgeting , financial management, housing opportunities.	7/14/2022 3:26 PM
74	No	7/14/2022 3:15 PM
75	None	7/14/2022 12:00 PM
76	No	7/14/2022 8:39 AM
77	No idea	7/14/2022 6:53 AM
78	Funding for homeowners for necessary repairs	7/13/2022 10:12 PM
79	Better DV assistance, education for those working with this population in the city of elmira.	7/13/2022 10:09 PM
80	Mental health and substance abuse treatment	7/13/2022 8:49 PM
81	-Education to general community on homelessness -Recovery orientation -Provide peer to peer support -offerings of social and community integration including educational and recreational services.	7/13/2022 8:08 PM
82	Families who are struggling not to lose their homes one time help fixing up their place or fell behind because of Covid or medical problems/ issues.	7/13/2022 6:23 PM
83	No.	7/13/2022 1:50 PM
84	Do not believe in giving a free ride. Educate people. Everyone has something they can do unless they are totally disabled. Let them be productive	7/13/2022 12:52 PM
85	Mental health services	7/13/2022 10:10 AM
86	Homeless Diversion services and referral for treatment (drug or mental health) is vital.	7/12/2022 10:13 PM
87	N/A	7/12/2022 8:33 PM
88	Substance abuse assistance	7/12/2022 8:15 PM
89	mental health services	7/12/2022 8:06 PM
90	Funding should be used for temporary/short term (few days) relief. Majority of funding should be for job skill/education assessment and training. Place willing participants in classes to get skills needed to maintain their own mortgage and/or rental costs	7/12/2022 6:05 PM
91	Mobile mental health therapy to target the homeless population.	7/12/2022 5:01 PM
92	More enforcement of illegal encampments, littering, trespassing and vandalism.	7/12/2022 5:01 PM
93	No	7/12/2022 4:54 PM
94	Mental health treatment	7/12/2022 3:27 PM
95	CoE has become a magnet for gangs and drug dealers because too much is offered to the " Homeless." Enough of the subsidized housing. Case management does has little to no impact. We use to send ppl back to their county of origin if they were not Chemung County residents. The CoE is a disgrace bc of the social services that are handed to able bodied adults. Let's show some support to the working poor who struggle to make ends meet. They deserve the assistance, not these out-of-county individuals relocating for the rent subsidized units, food stamps, Medicaid, and a host of other freebies.	7/12/2022 2:34 PM
96	open over night places for anyone to go to as 24 hr places to sit and stay warm and be able to talk to people	7/12/2022 10:32 AM
97	Mental health counseling	7/11/2022 12:27 PM
98	We are seeing apartments that are not being maintained by landlords, such as mice in the apartment and tenants being required by the landlord to take care of holes in the wall, using spray foam to seal up spaces between floor and the wall to keep mice out of the apartment. Some tenants are not keeping their home tidy and may require a class on maintaining a clean apartment.	7/11/2022 9:21 AM
99	In addition to lack of rent payment, often times for months and months, that places them at a	7/11/2022 9:06 AM

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high risk for eviction is lack of cleanliness in their apartment. It would be wonderful if some education could be built in for tenants both related to financial counseling as well as general housekeeping education and the benefits of such to their physical and mental health.

100	Mental health	7/10/2022 9:43 PM
101	I have often heard that the hardest part of being homeless is not having a physical address for job applications, banking and other assistance. Is it possible to create a general place where mail could be sent and received - an address that could be used for this purpose and where mail could be accessed by the homeless?	7/10/2022 6:42 PM
102	I love the idea of transforming vacant buildings into residential spaces where the homeless can have access to their own space to ensure a sense of personal security and empowerment as they get back on their feet or transition into their next chapter.	7/10/2022 1:28 PM
103	A program to construct small single bedroom modular or 3D printed homes with a cost of less than \$50k /per unit with support service designed specifically to transform the homeless to productive tax paying members if the community.	7/10/2022 8:43 AM
104	How about bus tickets to any where maybe California	7/9/2022 9:44 PM
105	Pay homeless and local businesses to incentivize employment.	7/9/2022 7:33 PM
106	Free/ cheap showers within a building that is not just for shelter tenants.	7/9/2022 6:20 PM
107	Tear down Brand Pool where homeless are staying. The place is an eyesore and dangerous.	7/9/2022 9:25 AM
108	Na	7/9/2022 7:26 AM
109	Mental Health Access and Educational Opportunities On site Job training	7/9/2022 1:47 AM
110	Mental health should be a top priority to help the homeless.	7/8/2022 11:39 PM
111	Don't waste this money	7/8/2022 10:49 PM
112	All of the rankings are important, none are less than others. You can't just try to fix one issue and ignore the rest. Affordable housing. Legal aid. Access to Mental care. Access to services that are normal denied to a person without a home. Give them a mailbox, or PO Box. Give them the basics to survive and cope with this world. Do something good with that money	7/8/2022 8:31 PM
113	Clean up the neighborhoods and deal with the slumlords. Increase code enforcement.	7/8/2022 8:11 PM
114	Unsure but funding at risk youth giving them education and offering available housing. Also, better advertising, many people don't know where to go or how to get help.	7/8/2022 7:00 PM
115	Many youth that are homeless identify members of the LGBTQ+ community. I would like to see money be used for education that could help them with health and safety needs relevant to their unique issues. I would also like to see work done with landlords to ensure prices are fair, especially downtown. Too many rentable properties are overpriced and people are kept away from not meeting deposit and 1 mo. rent or they get trapped in a cycle where they cannot graduate to home ownership.	7/8/2022 5:36 PM
116	Help for current homeowners who struggle to afford the needed home repairs, roofing, siding etc	7/8/2022 5:15 PM
117	Drug and alchhol rehabilitation also employment introduction and training	7/8/2022 4:34 PM
118	Security Deposit assistance. Utility payment assistance.	7/8/2022 4:31 PM
119	day shelters that provide a place to relax, read, etc as well as a meal and shower, bathroom facilities.	7/8/2022 4:31 PM
120	Not sure	7/8/2022 4:25 PM
121	Buy better houses	7/8/2022 4:21 PM
122	If the homeless are receiving any help they should be compelled to get a job or do some type of community service. If they get arrested for anything they should be kicked out of any program or shelter. Don't waste our money on someone who doesn't adhere to the rules	7/8/2022 4:20 PM
123	School counselor referrals Vacant factory/ buildings conversion to temporary housing	7/8/2022 3:40 PM

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124	No....I think there needs to be housing	7/8/2022 3:34 PM
125	Mental Health aid, I think Elmira should look at the model of Second Wind in Ithaca. A small home (cabin) where there is community if needed but ability to be on their own as needed.	7/8/2022 3:19 PM
126	No	7/8/2022 2:44 PM
127	Lowering rent so people can afford housing and make the landlords fix things that need fixing and not letting it go for years	7/8/2022 2:10 PM
128	Utilizing home health RN for homeless preventive medicine and routine check ups.	7/8/2022 1:57 PM
129	No	7/8/2022 1:53 PM
130	Outreach to known homeless camps. Individualize each patrons services. Do not just have signatures. Followup ombudsman.	7/8/2022 1:40 PM
131	The 17-22 population is where I see the most need....they age out of the system and families kick them out. They are unable to advocate for themselves and no idea how to seek resources. Navigators for this age group are critical!	7/8/2022 1:16 PM
132	I think those who deal with the homeless on a regular basis and those who have done the research on best practices should be listened to carefully.	7/8/2022 12:50 PM
133	Public toilets and showers	7/8/2022 12:48 PM
134	Mental Health and substance abuse counseling	7/8/2022 12:46 PM
135	create public service jobs with decent wages to employ homeless persons and provide needed community services such as street clean up - shoveling snow from side walks etc. - provide skills training for the jobs	7/8/2022 11:31 AM
136	Childcare for homeless working families, especially for single parents.	7/8/2022 10:50 AM
137	Many of our homeless population are also mentally ill/ chemically dependent. This is an area that needs to be addressed for anything to work.	7/8/2022 10:47 AM
138	Youth programs	7/8/2022 9:56 AM
139	I had talked a while ago about the concept of a pallet community. Pallet is a company that has small one room areas with a bed or two beds in them. Other States like California have made small communities and put casemanagers in them for short term living situations for homeless. During the time they are there they are working with the case manager to get all they need to get an apartment of their own. I believe that it would be wise to further explore this idea.	7/8/2022 9:35 AM
140	Instead of developing new affordable housing units, update the existing vacant housing stock so that it does not continue to deteriorate. Funding for new low income senior living. Very limited in this area.	7/8/2022 8:52 AM
141	Funding to assist eligible homeowners with repairs	7/8/2022 8:40 AM
142	Please stop giving money and tax breaks to developers when renters and unhoused people could use funds for what they actually need. Direct aid is key.	7/8/2022 7:24 AM
143	Life skills and supportive care for the homeless. Day programs for inclusion into the community.	7/8/2022 6:56 AM
144	Asbury First UMC is currently building a center where homeless/at risk can get a meal, shower, haircut, laundry, clothes for job interview, medical services partnered with U of R, etc. This is something that could be mimicked and would be an asset in our area.	7/8/2022 6:39 AM
145	Provide long term housing, its cheaper to house people who needs homes than have a homeless population.	7/7/2022 11:21 PM
146	Providing homeless families with supplies needed for their children at school: clothes/ backpacks/ supplies/ snacks	7/7/2022 11:02 PM
147	N/a	7/7/2022 10:35 PM
148	Checkout Second Wind Cottages outside of Ithaca, NY. It's a great model where people live in a cottage of their own - they don't have to share the space with other people they don't know.	7/7/2022 10:30 PM

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There are common areas and some programming and support while they get back on their feet, but this setup seems to respect the dignity of the individuals involved.

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| 149 | Special programming for veterans. Drug counseling and help with recovery for all homeless. Safe housing programs for children up to age 18 with counseling and educational programs.   | 7/7/2022 10:00 PM |
| 150 | None   | 7/7/2022 8:24 PM  |
| 151 | Our are seems to be overrun with homeless as well as vagrants. Our police fore and ems all have their hands full with this. Something should be done to supplement this by expanding all our emergency services. Adding employees and well as pice patrols and fire/emergency staff and equipment. | 7/7/2022 7:34 PM  |
| 152 | Programs to assist homeless become homeowners and/or building small house options that they can rent to own.   | 7/7/2022 7:16 PM  |
| 153 | Flexible funding to support individuals ability to afford rental properties without having to get Section only funding.  | 7/7/2022 6:54 PM  |
| 154 | N/a  | 7/7/2022 6:20 PM  |
| 155 | No   | 7/7/2022 6:16 PM  |
| 156 | I believe there should be a better vetting system in place. There are a lot of people in Chemung County not working while their are jobs readily available at every corner   | 7/7/2022 5:59 PM  |
| 157 | Mental health. We need supportive housing for individuals with mental health diagnosis mild, moderate and severe. There Is not enough treatment and resources for individuals who experience mental health issues due to traumatic experiences.  | 7/7/2022 5:43 PM  |

## Q10 Other comments and suggestions that you think should be considered in developing this plan?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 124

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Classes on how to manage money are needed. Most times alcohol and drug programs can help due to the problems they cause. Most homeless have this underlying problem	8/9/2022 11:17 AM
2	No	8/9/2022 11:14 AM
3	No	8/6/2022 8:29 AM
4	None	8/4/2022 7:03 AM
5	Creating unwanted housing is still thinking inside the box.	8/2/2022 3:45 PM
6	Fund raising	8/2/2022 11:46 AM
7	None at this time	8/1/2022 11:22 AM
8	See above.	8/1/2022 10:33 AM
9	No	8/1/2022 9:25 AM
10	N/A	7/31/2022 6:46 PM
11	Do what other places do. Bus em outta here	7/31/2022 5:17 PM
12	Help middle class who never can receive any help	7/31/2022 5:04 PM
13	.	7/31/2022 1:00 PM
14	Sex offenders that get released as "homeless" need to have an area specific for them; so maybe fix up an out of way building for them to live in. Not pleased I pay my mortgage, to take pride in home ownership; only to have to be worried for my children and others in the neighborhood every time a sex offender moves in next door or a few houses away. Maybe there is room at St. Joe's or something to house those that go to drug/alcohol rehab and complete their program to be released to for 6 minths to a year after graduating their program; where they could receive assistance learning to budget, grocery shop wisely etc, gaining employment for \$200/mo.	7/31/2022 12:16 PM
15	None	7/31/2022 11:32 AM
16	give back the bonuses Council members and the mayor gave themselves. develop the river front for business use and tourist attraction, quit wasting millions such as refurbishing the clock tower	7/31/2022 10:25 AM
17	Jobs, smaller business start up funding	7/31/2022 10:06 AM
18	Homelessness , addiction, and mental illness go hand and hand you can't address one without the other	7/31/2022 9:43 AM
19	Thank you for your concern and dedication in addressing this growing issue!	7/31/2022 9:28 AM
20	N/A	7/31/2022 8:56 AM
21	When will this take affect?	7/31/2022 8:51 AM
22	Mental health and drug use of those who are homeless. If that doesn't change, their lives won't change. It will be the same circle continuously happening for certain individuals.	7/31/2022 8:19 AM
23	Work with non profit to restore blighted property in the county to house vulnerable people	7/31/2022 7:10 AM
24	If there is a shelter set up, could capable homeless shelter residents be paid something to do jobs around the place. To limit the need for transportation for them and take the need off for so	7/31/2022 6:31 AM

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many workers/volunteers. Could there be a temporary free bus bus sort of like food stamps to help get them to their jobs if they are able to get a job in the public. Are there any abandon hotels/motels or any for sale that can easily be converted to a shelter.

- 25 funding to local police to stem the violence, drug traffic, criminal systems that are preying on the vulnerable of society 7/30/2022 11:14 AM
- 26 Catholic charities is responsible for leaving my unstable son in that hotel without adequate supervision and he set himself on fire and now is facing criminal charges. I am surprised nothing this extreme hasn't already happened in the past!!! And now you wanna be concerned about people's safety. You people are completely unbelievable... And after it you had absolutely no concern about his well being or how he was doing and still don't. Shame on you. And then you try and look like in the public's eye you're serving the community. Shame on you again Catholic charities!!!! 7/30/2022 9:41 AM
- 27 See number 9. Be sure to survey those who are homeless for their input and perspectives 7/30/2022 12:30 AM
- 28 The drug problem in the shelter was out of control. Even some employees were doing them with the residents. I lost a tooth from another resident because I wouldn't let him steal what little valuables I had left. You need to make a change in your policy No drugs-period. If they're dirty maybe have a special area until they're clean. I'm sure you can come up with something that works for everyone. The ones doing meth won't come out of the bathroom at the house or hotel room. If you say anything then you're a target for violence (Josh Stanton issue 5/20) or at the house when everyone is made to leave at the same time then the bad people follow the ones who speak up and more violence ensued. (Tony Sprinkle May and June 2021). I was never homeless until I came here but I always defended the homeless when people were cruel and judgemental, now after my stay I understand, but still don't agree. Bottom line is I think separating the two groups would be beneficial for all. Lastly, thank you very much for the help that you gave and are still giving. I appreciate it greatly because I wouldn't go back in the shelter unless that issue was solved, so praise God for his blessings and your help God bless you all 7/30/2022 12:08 AM
- 29 NA 7/28/2022 2:51 PM
- 30 na 7/27/2022 7:02 PM
- 31 ensuring that there is community support, have round table discussions on bias, homelessness and what this looks like. Encourage community wide participation to impact change. Homeless individuals are discriminated against, and this too needs to be addressed the best we can as a community. 7/27/2022 3:16 PM
- 32 NA 7/27/2022 3:05 PM
- 33 I think there are two levels of need that should be addressed for the homeless population. People experiencing chronic homelessness often suffer from mental illness and are not getting the treatment they need so will remain homeless. Some of these people cannot be reached if they are unwilling to take help but the city could provide services to them such as a safe place to shower, wash clothes, use the bathroom, etc. People experiencing temporary homelessness could benefit from the financial and legal services mentioned in your survey as well as temporary housing that is not a congregate shelter (families should be able to feel safe and have their own space; smaller shelter locations would be ideal). Also, outsourcing these services to organizations like Catholic Charities is not ideal. While they do a lot of good, there should be government oversight to these programs and they should not be tied to a religious organization. 7/27/2022 9:12 AM
- 34 none 7/25/2022 12:31 PM
- 35 A state run homeless shelter would be subject to more stringent staff training and oversight than the Catholic service. Currently people living in communities under bridges have no place to go to the bathroom and are forced to go to the bathroom in public parks which creates a health hazard for them and others. People need places to go where there are supportive staff during the day, not let out to Elmira where they cannot take a shower or wash their clothes. During the day, unhoused individuals have NO supportive services and if they are disabled, cannot travel around the city to disparate places. Support staff is desperately needed during the day. 7/25/2022 12:07 PM
- 36 Expand existing services. Treat underlying cause of homelessness. Offer medical and mental health services to homeless and others in need. Help get people on assistance programs. 7/25/2022 11:59 AM

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More tax services for poor or homeless to access stimulus money. There used to be more programs for that but not it seems to just be AARP and they are often booked during tax season.

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| 37 | Create housing in neighborhoods where shopping is within walking distance and locate service provider representatives in multiple housing units.  | 7/25/2022 11:55 AM |
| 38 | None  | 7/19/2022 12:22 PM |
| 39 | Security for public housing. Additional aid for our law officers. Anything and everything they need. Additional mental health facilities and counselors. Building tiny homes for the homeless. Not apartments.  | 7/19/2022 11:11 AM |
| 40 | there are many issues with the homeless. some will never come of the streets for fear & personal reasons. that is why we need to know who they are.   | 7/18/2022 4:20 PM  |
| 41 | no  | 7/18/2022 10:24 AM |
| 42 | Education and safety for staff  | 7/18/2022 8:54 AM  |
| 43 | NA  | 7/18/2022 8:43 AM  |
| 44 | no  | 7/18/2022 7:54 AM  |
| 45 | None  | 7/16/2022 11:29 PM |
| 46 | None  | 7/16/2022 9:29 AM  |
| 47 | n/a   | 7/15/2022 12:13 PM |
| 48 | None.   | 7/15/2022 11:38 AM |
| 49 | Specific guidelines need to be developed for participants, contracts with involved individuals. Non-profits are not the best source for participation ie. Second Place East, per executive on news- safety issues, mental health issues, lack of education for supervisory individuals, lack of specific criteria; need government managed programs, as govt has more capabilities especially with better management checks and balances(accountability) compared to ie Catholic Charities with limited employees. Housing needed in more safe and secured areas.   | 7/15/2022 9:21 AM  |
| 50 | Curfews, drug tests, and social restrictions make homeless assistance programs undesirable. Given a bit of guidance, many of the homeless could run their own group residences and maybe even be paid for their contributions.  | 7/15/2022 3:33 AM  |
| 51 | Once you become homeless it's almost impossible to get back on your feet it took me a little over a year to get into an apartment that I could barely pay rent alone working full time taking a bus to and from which adds a few hours I need for work making it impossible to get another job looking like homelessness again after 15 years on and off the streets I finally got into income based housing I still fear homelessness before covid19 getting help for a single person didn't happen that was me the past 12 years on the streets of elmira now a32 yr woman. I wasn't on drugs or too mentally unstable down on my luck too long to find a job and be able to get to and from Noone to turn too it's a rough cycle | 7/14/2022 11:39 PM |
| 52 | Mental health providers have a 200 person waiting list. This is unacceptable, we need more treatment for this population. There are hundreds of homeless people in Chemung county.  | 7/14/2022 9:29 PM  |
| 53 | The money is not really a deep pocket that will go very far today, so in my mind, it needs to be used to create a couple viable options for homelessness before this coming winter. It would be nice to develop a few long-range plans, however it really needs to put options in to place quickly and a general awareness of where to send people in need needs to be out in the community as soon as possible. People feel helpless because they don't know where to send people they encounter in my book. Good luck with your work!   | 7/14/2022 6:43 PM  |
| 54 | with homelessness comes hunger, we have ample areas of unused city property. turn one or more of these areas into a raised bed gardens for growing fresh vegetables and the like. create a team to oversee and teach how to grow and tend for plants, sell at farmers market ( money to sustain ) use to feed homeless and underprivileged . this has been done in numerous communities successfully.   | 7/14/2022 3:26 PM  |
| 55 | No  | 7/14/2022 3:15 PM  |
| 56 | More services for mental health therapy/psychiatry and substance abuse  | 7/14/2022 12:04 PM |

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57	None	7/14/2022 12:00 PM
58	Where the homeless warming stations or apartments will be located in terms of Elmira College and LECOM	7/14/2022 8:45 AM
59	Multiple small shelters throughout the city so that people who are homeless aren't having to walk extremely far or out of there comfort zone just to be able to get to the shelter	7/14/2022 8:39 AM
60	Waivers and services for homeless veterans	7/14/2022 6:53 AM
61	Streets, sidewalks	7/13/2022 10:12 PM
62	Safe places for teens to go. When they go to 2nd Place East they are roomed with homeless drug addicts or other unsafe persons. They need a safe place private room to not be harmed.	7/13/2022 10:09 PM
63	Long term solutions is a priority not short term pay outs	7/13/2022 8:49 PM
64	Shouldn't be protected if they deliberately do things to get in trouble with the law knowing they are protected and don't have to worry about being evicted.	7/13/2022 6:23 PM
65	None.	7/13/2022 1:50 PM
66	Have been to other countries to where those that could not afford housing/food were given small jobs to compensate for what they were receiving.	7/13/2022 12:52 PM
67	Appropriate housing is good however if person's with know drug history or activity is allowed on the premises what's the point. Decline is inevitable and Boone will want to live there.	7/12/2022 10:13 PM
68	Counseling, education, mental health needs, etc before just sticking people in a shelter.	7/12/2022 8:33 PM
69	no	7/12/2022 8:06 PM
70	Funding and planning should be put into attracting business to this area. More business (big or small) means more employment, which means more involved community members and property owners. This will lead to an increase of other, non-profit, resources also coming to this area for those community members still struggles despite the developing opportunities. Once businesses want to be here, more and more people will want to be here and invest in the community.	7/12/2022 6:05 PM
71	Take care of the people already in place and serving these populations within the community	7/12/2022 5:01 PM
72	The City has incentivized the homeless/vagrant encampments under the City Bridges. This money should be spent on physical barriers and enforcement of no trespassing. The Downtown core is significantly impacted by the City tacitly ignoring the issue. The proposed spray park near one of these homeless encampments will be overrun by these individuals.	7/12/2022 5:01 PM
73	No	7/12/2022 4:54 PM
74	It would be advantageous to obtain input from the people who will be using the services/facilities to be provided.	7/12/2022 3:27 PM
75	The staffing struggles that non-profits are facing has more to do with how they treat their employees than it does with the population they are serving.	7/12/2022 2:34 PM
76	places to use the restrooms and shower with free clothes giveaway	7/12/2022 10:32 AM
77	It is important that not just shelter/housing be provided but that there be services to assist in dealing with the root causes of being homeless	7/11/2022 8:51 PM
78	Reach out to the homeless and ask them to feel out a survey to see what they feel would best serve them but make it a drop box so no one is singled out.	7/11/2022 12:27 PM
79	More affordable housing is needed in the community as many families do not make much money to pay rent and support themselves. Emergency Shelters/housing is needed to keep families off the streets.	7/11/2022 9:21 AM
80	We can help all these people till we are blue in the face but if we can't address mental health more then likely a lot of these will be unsuccessful and homeless again	7/10/2022 9:43 PM
81	Wherever a community housing hub is located, it is vital to have as many support systems in place, all within walking distance of shelters and housing access. Systems such as food	7/10/2022 6:42 PM



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access, healthcare access, a pharmacy, sources of transportation and recreation, perhaps a gas station, a thrift shop, social services satellite sites, and other similar ways to provide immediate access to human needs.

- 82 Please contact me and support the Hollow Home Owners Associations effort to increase home ownership and reduce poverty in our community (607 767 5662) 7/10/2022 8:43 AM
- 83 Jobs, bring in some jobs and put these people to work, if you are going to house them and feed them make them work for it. 7/9/2022 9:44 PM
- 84 Putting a person in a shelter does not always fix root causes for homelessness. In any program I would hope that officials would go for root causes 7/9/2022 7:33 PM
- 85 Many of them have no way to transport themselves to where they can get support. Providing transportation and letting it be known that it is available for those who need it is a big thing. 7/9/2022 6:20 PM
- 86 Stated above 7/9/2022 1:47 AM
- 87 A strong emphasis on mental health services for the homeless should be considered. It should be considered that Elmira already does have a lot of affordable, low-income housing opportunities. It should also be noted that many landlords are not receiving rent right now, due to rental assistance applications being put on hold by the state. That is not benefitting the landlord who pays taxes for the property and is trying to run a business, nor will it help the tenant in the long run once landlords are able to evict-that will lead to further homelessness. If rental assistance for tenants and landlords is being considered, the process needs to be thoroughly evaluated, it should not be freely available for everyone, and needs to occur in a timely manner so tenants can pay their actual rent amount on time. 7/8/2022 11:39 PM
- 88 These funds often get used up before the people it's supposed to help actually benefit! Don't. Do. That. 7/8/2022 10:49 PM
- 89 Dumping all of the money into fixing one issue is never going to fix the heart of the issue at hand. All of the issues that we had to "rank" are EQUALLY AS IMPORTANT. These rankings may not reflect the true feelings of the participants. Help those All who are struggling. Thx 7/8/2022 8:31 PM
- 90 Find ways to increase surveillance in problem areas to decrease violence by homeless persons. 7/8/2022 8:11 PM
- 91 Some people choose homelessness because they feel so helpless and out of control. Offering on site (of a shelter) adult education classes and other incentives (I.e. extra hours spent at dept of labor applying for jobs ect. Would allow them to get free groceries for a day or new outfits) could help. Many homeless start off as at risk youth who start young bouncing from one home to another and don't think themselves as homeless until one day nobody offers their couch. By this time they're on drugs, dropped out and feel hopeless. Hopelessness is homelessness. 7/8/2022 7:00 PM
- 92 Mental health, substance abuse and increased crimes greatly affect the local homeless population and its services 7/8/2022 6:00 PM
- 93 -downtown's prices without assistance are too high -we need more temporary places for homeless to stay -a lot of the issues for homeless youth need to be explored; education must be accurate for health needs, and many of us in the community do not want money going to organizations that spread misinformation/shame and/or discriminate when queer issues are addressed 7/8/2022 5:36 PM
- 94 Fix the many run down homes and create youth centers to keep the kids out of the streets and involved in their communities 7/8/2022 5:15 PM
- 95 Why are only new housing units being considered? There is a lot of housing stock that could be refurbished and repurposed to assist the homeless ( however they are described). 7/8/2022 4:39 PM
- 96 Psychological assessment, find out why they are out there. Is it a mental health issue?. Maybe They don't want to be part of the system? Is it job loss? Family disconnect etc... 7/8/2022 4:34 PM
- 97 it looks like a good plan to me. 7/8/2022 4:31 PM
- 98 None 7/8/2022 4:25 PM
- 99 Get people off the streets 7/8/2022 4:21 PM

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100	Spend the money on the people who work every day and are having a hard time at the gas stations and grocery store.	7/8/2022 4:20 PM
101	Community based policing	7/8/2022 3:40 PM
102	We need to get folks off the street...it is very sad. They need nice, single living spaces. The shelter is scary and creepy for some.	7/8/2022 3:34 PM
103	Nothing was mentioned about helping the severely mentally ill obtain and consistently take their medication. This often helps individuals retain jobs to be able to afford housing, thus digging out of homelessness or avoiding it all together.	7/8/2022 3:21 PM
104	Know what I deal with at the Pantry, not all people can get along. I see a major problem with dormitory style housing. Most of my Homeless (not all) have mental health issues which is made worse in an environment close setting.	7/8/2022 3:19 PM
105	ask the homeless for their input. You can't know what these people need until you walk a mile in their shoes. I do know there are people who need help that are not getting it because of outdated guidelines. These people include two families with children	7/8/2022 2:54 PM
106	No	7/8/2022 2:44 PM
107	Coordinate with aomc and Guthrie health systems as well as local emergency services.	7/8/2022 1:57 PM
108	We need an emergency shelter in Elmira ASAP. Not having one is detrimental to our community and especially to those in need. I am concerned there are not enough case managers assisting our at-risk populations with housing needs and no matter what their income is, those case managers definitely need to be paid more!	7/8/2022 1:54 PM
109	No	7/8/2022 1:53 PM
110	Oversize by outside agency	7/8/2022 1:40 PM
111	Immediate temporary shelters need to be put in place, i have students sleeping in parks because there is nowhere to go	7/8/2022 1:16 PM
112	See number 9	7/8/2022 12:50 PM
113	Most of the homeless need the counseling for mental health and substance abuse. Without this, there will never be a solution to the homelessness.	7/8/2022 12:46 PM
114	thank you for inviting input!	7/8/2022 11:31 AM
115	Consider priority housing services for those with health conditions and/or individuals with disabilities.	7/8/2022 11:23 AM
116	Research WHY these people are homeless: Poor health? Lost childcare and had to stay home? Addiction issues? Lack skills for current available jobs? Knowing why will help offer the right kind of support.	7/8/2022 10:50 AM
117	several people are coming to our area from out of state to seek section 8 vouchers, if you are homeless you are given priority. This also needs reform. Several homeless that are living in camps don't want to conform to the rules of shelters ie. no phones or drugs and alcohol. I think there is a certain subset of homeless people that will not succeed regardless of what is offered to them if the addiction/ mental health needs are not addressed.	7/8/2022 10:47 AM
118	I really don't think we should be using funding for any of the current hotels or motels that are being used. I take families food and other items in these places frequently and they are not kept up and run down hotels. unless there is a plan for the hotels to change how they do things we should not be spending any money on hotels for families.	7/8/2022 9:35 AM
119	The survey is great, but asking unhoused neighbors directly about their needs is the best approach.	7/8/2022 7:24 AM
120	Thank you the opportunity to provide feedback. Please keep community based organizations at the table. Thanks.	7/8/2022 6:56 AM
121	As said earlier, laundry, shower, haircut, medical, in a building central to downtown area in an existing building that could be transformed. Counselors too	7/8/2022 6:39 AM
122	Provide long term loving arrangements for unhoused persons	7/8/2022 5:25 AM

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123	People experiencing and who have experienced homelessness should be consulted in an organized group.	7/7/2022 11:21 PM
124	Let people know how they can get involved in this effort- any small thing a person can do would be really good to know. I think most people are willing to help but dont know how to fit into the puzzle	7/7/2022 11:02 PM
125	N/a	7/7/2022 10:35 PM
126	Definitely work closely with Catholic Charities of Chemung/Schuyler in developing your plans. I'm not affiliated with them, but in my role providing services to the community we refer many people to Catholic Charities for help with housing and I think they have a good grasp of what the issues are as they are providing the frontline care each day. Whatever plan you're putting into place put yourself in the shoes of the person using it. Would you like living in a place with strangers where you can't secure your items and you have to worry about your stuff being stolen or being assaulted in your sleep? How are you supposed to get back on your feet if the shelter has a rule that you can't be in your rooms during the day and you can't get the rest you need or work on things in the privacy of your room? Just really put the individual being served first. Also, homelessness is such a complex issue - consider how drug use, mental health, employment status, trauma, etc. interact and what partnerships can be formed in the community to address each person in a holistic fashion.	7/7/2022 10:30 PM
127	Continuing to keep the community updated with information and progress of program and offering more surveys to create the best programming to offer.	7/7/2022 10:00 PM
128	Amazing news. The best solution to homelessness is to give homes! Healing and hiring will follow. Hooray for Elmira.	7/7/2022 9:49 PM
129	Ask the big question. "Why are these homeless people in Elmira?" I am not saying evict them from our city but most of them are not from here. Why are they here now? What is bringing homeless people to Elmira and nip that in the bud. You can help all the homeless people you want but you have to stop them from coming here or just stop them from becoming homeless in the first place. Let's get PROactive and not so REactive!	7/7/2022 7:34 PM
130	Making sure this funding is more easily accessible to grassroots non profits working towards out of the box solutions for homelessness	7/7/2022 7:28 PM
131	Just that I hope the funds get used as they are intended	7/7/2022 7:16 PM
132	No	7/7/2022 6:16 PM
133	If a place is made to house the homeless I believe there needs to be money set aside for a guard or some kind of protection for the workers and the people who use the facility.	7/7/2022 5:59 PM
134	Staffing and monitoring, there has to be a team of invested parties that collaborate with wrap around services. Supportive living environments, shelters, warming centers should have thoroughly trained and monitored staff.	7/7/2022 5:43 PM



# CITY OF ELMIRA COMMUNITY SURVEY

## HELP US SET PRIORITIES FOR THE USE OF HUD FUNDS

The Department of Community Development is working on a priority plan for HOME – ARP Funds. The City of Elmira will be receiving **\$1,118,725 Million** in HOME- ARP funds. Funds must be used to help "Four Qualifying Populations". The plan developed by the City of Elmira must include how these four populations will be able to seek services and assistance.

The qualifying populations include the following:

1. **Homeless Population** – lacking a fixed, regular nighttime residence;
2. **At-Risk of Homeless** – at an annual income below 30% of Area Median Income and lacking resources;
3. **Populations who are fleeing, attempting to flee domestic violence**, dating violence, stalking, human trafficking, and sexual assault (does not need to be homeless to receive services);
4. **Other population** – families/individuals requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness or at great risk of housing instability (previously qualified as homeless, are currently housed for temporary or emergency assistance, and need additional housing assistance to avoid returning to homelessness).

Are you a ☐ Resident of the City of Elmira  
☐ Resident of neighboring municipality (Southport, Town of Elmira, Elmira Heights, Horseheads, others)  
☐ Resident of neighboring County (Tompkins, Steuben, Tioga, Schuyler, others)  
☐ Out of State or Region

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1. What is your primary involvement with the homeless or at-risk population? **Select one option.**  
☐ Emergency/Temporary Shelter or Rapid Rehousing Provider  
☐ Supportive Service Provider (job trainer, legal aid, case manager, etc.)  
☐ Permanent Housing Provider – landlord, property manager, developer  
☐ Foundation or Funder  
☐ Policymaker/Elected Official  
☐ Person with lived experience of homelessness  
☐ Community Member  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Do you think that certain populations should be prioritized for services? If so, what do you think should be the priority focus in the City of Elmira – Chemung County? **Select one option.**  
☐ No preference should be given to applicants as long as they meet qualifying criteria  
☐ Families  
☐ Single adult households  
☐ Veterans  
☐ Unaccompanied and homeless youth – under age of 18  
☐ Victims fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
  3. Up to five-percent of funds can be used for nonprofit service provider's capacity building. Nonprofits, like many organizations, have been impacted by the pandemic and struggle with staffing and the ability to manage and develop new programs. Do you agree or disagree that some funds should be set aside to support nonprofits with capacity building including staff training and educational programs? **Select one option.**

- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree or disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly Disagree

4. If you are representing a service provider/nonprofit agency will your organization likely apply for capacity building funds? **Select one option.**

- ☐ Very Likely
- ☐ Likely
- ☐ Neither Likely or Unlikely (NA)
- ☐ Unlikely
- ☐ Very Unlikely

5. What projects listed below do you think are the most important to address homelessness in the City of Elmira – Chemung County? **Please rank (1 – Most Important, 7 – Least Important)**

- ☐ Tenant Based Rental Assistance program providing tenants/landlords with rental assistance funds
- ☐ Develop new affordable housing – Multi Units
- ☐ Develop new affordable housing – neighborhood based/mom & pop style rental units
- ☐ Provide supportive services such as legal aid, case management, financial management classes
- ☐ Funding for non-congregate shelter (motels, designated units or apartments)
- ☐ Development of congregate or dormitory style shelter facilities
- ☐ Development of other emergency shelter facilities such as warming facilities

6. In order to help the designated populations remain in permanent housing, and not return to homelessness, what do you think is the most important service? **Rank (1 - Most Important, 4 - Least Important)**

- ☐ Housing counseling – budgeting/financial management, tenants’ rights training
- ☐ Homeless prevention services – intensive case managers and supportive services, one-on-one counseling, and healthcare referrals
- ☐ Legal aid assistance
- ☐ Job and technical skill training classes

7. In terms of a physical shelter/facility for the homeless, what do you think are the best options for residents in City of Elmira - Chemung County? **Rank (1 – Most Important, 4- Least Important)**

- ☐ Small community-based shelters throughout the City or County
- ☐ Motels/Hotels
- ☐ Warming stations
- ☐ Convert building to dormitory style, congregate shelter

8. HOME - ARP funding is a one-time opportunity to develop new affordable housing and programs/services for the homeless, which could have a significant impact on reducing/ending homelessness in this community. Are there other eligible uses of this funding that were not specifically asked about that you think should be considered for funding?

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9. Other comments and suggestions that you think should be considered in developing this plan?

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Dept. of Community Development, 317 E. Church Street, Elmira, NY or visit  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RTNZMTD>  
 more information, call (607)737-5691.

**Please return the surveys by: August 1, 2022**

**City of Elmira, HOME – ARP Public Meeting**  
**Steele Memorial Library, July 27, 2022**  
**Agenda**

**1. Background:** The Department of Community Development is working on a priority plan for HOME – American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds. The City of Elmira will be receiving \$1,118,725 Million in HOME-ARP funds. Funds must be used to help four "Qualifying Populations". The plan developed by the City of Elmira must explain how these four populations will be able to access services and assistance.

The qualifying populations include the following:

1. Homeless Population – lacking a fixed, regular nighttime residence;
2. At-Risk of Homeless – at an annual income below 30% of Area Median Income and lacking resources;
3. Populations who are fleeing, attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, human trafficking, and sexual assault (does not need to be homeless to receive services);
4. Other population –families/individuals requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness, specifically those who were previously qualified as homeless and/or are currently housed for temporary or emergency assistance, and need additional housing assistance to avoid returning to homelessness.

**2. Topic A – Service Providers:** How do we better support service providers and nonprofits?

**3. Topic B –Supportive Services/Case Management:** The survey showed that providing additional supportive services, case management and outreach is viewed a priority? Thoughts and suggestions on how to provide these programs?

**4. Topic C – Developing a physical shelter:** What do you believe is the best model for a shelter facility?

**5. Open Discussion**

**A few survey comments:**

*"Wherever a community housing hub is located, it is vital to have as many support systems in place, all within walking distance of shelters and housing access. Systems such as food access, healthcare access, a pharmacy, sources of transportation and recreation, perhaps a gas station, a thrift shop, social services satellite sites, and other similar ways to provide immediate access to human needs."*

*"Nothing was mentioned about helping the severely mentally ill obtain and consistently take their medication. This often helps individuals retain jobs to be able to afford housing, thus digging out of homelessness or avoiding it all together."*

*"...not all people can get along. I see a major problem with dormitory style housing. Most of my Homeless (not all) have mental health issues which is made worse in an environment close setting."*

*"ask the homeless for their input. You can't know what these people need until you walk a mile in their shoes. I do know there are people who need help that are not getting it because of outdated guidelines."*

*"I have often heard that the hardest part of being homeless is not having a physical address for job applications, banking and other assistance. Is it possible to create a general place where mail could be sent and received - an address that could be used for this purpose and where mail could be accessed by the homeless?"*

*"Staffing and monitoring, there has to be a team of invested parties that collaborate with wrap around services. Supportive living environments, shelters, warming centers should have thoroughly trained and monitored staff."*

## 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:

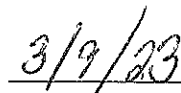
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**Authority of Jurisdiction** --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable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

  
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Signature of Authorized Official

  
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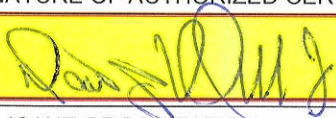
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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION City of Elmira	DATE SUBMITTED 04/21/2023

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- ☐ Preapplication  
☒ Application  
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

**\* 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New  
☐ Continuation  
☐ Revision

**\* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):****\* Other (Specify):****\* 3. Date Received:**

03/15/2023

**4. Applicant Identifier:****5a. Federal Entity Identifier:****5b. Federal Award Identifier:****State Use Only:****6. Date Received by State:****7. State Application Identifier:****8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:****\* a. Legal Name:**

City of Elmira

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

16-6002542

**\* c. UEI:**

079684841000

**d. Address:****\* Street1:**

317 E Church Street

**Street2:****\* City:**

Elmira

**County/Parish:****\* State:**

NY: New York

**Province:****\* Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

**\* Zip / Postal Code:**

14901-2718

**e. Organizational Unit:****Department Name:**

Community Development

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

Ms

**\* First Name:**

Emma

**Middle Name:****\* Last Name:**

Miran

**Suffix:****Title:** Director of Community Development**Organizational Affiliation:**

City of Elmira

**\* Telephone Number:** 607-737-5692**Fax Number:****\* Email:** emiran@cityofelmira.net

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

\* Other (specify):

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

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnership Program

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

\* Title:

**13. Competition Identification Number:**

Title:

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

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

City of Elmira's HOME ARP Program

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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

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**17. Proposed Project:**\* a. Start Date: \* b. End Date: **18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="1,118,725.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
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* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="1,118,725.00"/>

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

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- ☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

**\* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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**21. \*By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications\*\* and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances\*\* and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**

☒ \*\* I AGREE

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

**Authorized Representative:**Prefix: \* First Name: Middle Name: \* Last Name: Suffix: \* Title: \* Telephone Number: Fax Number: \* Email: 

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:

\* Date Signed: