City of Goldsboro

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Final Plan Draft

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Introduction

In September 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced the allocation of \$907,913 to the City of Goldsboro for a new grant called the Home Investment Partnerships Grant - American Relief Plan (HOME-ARP). The purpose of the HOME-ARP funds is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services through several eligible activities. Eligible activities include acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, tenant based rental assistance, supportive services, development of rental housing, administration and planning, and nonprofit operating and capacity building assistance. The HOME-ARP funds must assist those in "qualifying populations," which include:

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence or human trafficking
- Other families requiring services or housing assistance or to prevent homelessness
- Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations

In accordance with HUD requirements, the City has prepared the following Allocation Plan that describes the process of consulting with local agencies, analyzes the needs of populations who are unhoused or experiencing housing insecurity, and proposes a spending plan for HOME-ARP.

Consultation

Summarize the consultation process:

Several community consultations were held in preparation of this Allocation Plan. Local organizations were invited to attend working group sessions to discuss needs surrounding the homeless populations. The organizations consulted are identified in the table below. During the consultations, the HOME-ARP eligibility and allocation plan process was described. Organizations were asked to share what gaps or needs exist within Goldsboro, as well as their opinion of groups in greatest need of housing assistance.

Five working group sessions were held as following:

| Date | Time | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Session 1: July 13, 2022 | 3:00 pm-4:00 pm | |
| Session 2: July 15, 2022 | 3:00 pm-4:00 pm | |
| Session 3: July 19, 2022 | 3:00 pm-4:00 pm | |
| Session 4: July 20, 2022 | 3:00 pm-4:00 pm | |
| Session 5: July 22, 2022 | 3:00 pm-4:00 pm | |

List the organizations consulted, and summarize the feedback received from these entities.

| Agency/Org Consulted | Type of Agency/Org | Method of Consultation | Feedback |
|---|--|---|---|
| NC Balance of State Continuum of Care (CoC) – Neuse Regional Committee: Region 10 | CoC | HOME-ARP Presentation provided on Dec. 8, 2021's Region 10 meeting. | Member agencies invited to participate in working group consultations. |
| Greene Lamp | Homeless Service provider; TBRA; CoC member agency *Currently runs the "Back at Home Program" which involves finding housing for homeless, domestic violence victims and veterans Homeless Service provider CoC member agency * Helps homeless | Virtual Working Group Meeting Virtual Working Group Meeting | Housing is scarce, affordable housing is especially hard to find. Hard to find vacant housing – the housing authority is booked up; hotels can only be used for so long before those funds run out. There is a small window of time to find housing for individuals before they are lost as clients Emphasized the need for critical housing for non-congregate shelters as well as supportive services throughout the 6–9-month |
| 4 Day Movement | individuals by sheltering and feeding those experiencing homelessness, victims of domestic violence, and veterans. | | span of time that occupants typically stay in shelters. |
| Volunteers of America | Veterans Supportive Service provider CoC member agency * Currently runs programs in which VOA will pay security deposits, utility deposits, etc. for veterans. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | Believes Goldsboro's largest problem is a lack of affordable housing. They have noticed that there are not enough houses that low-income individuals and families can afford. |

| Agency/Org Consulted | Type of | Method of | Feedback |
|--|---|--|--|
| Mirakal's Love for Lives (MLFL, Inc.) | Agency/Org Homeless Service provider CoC member agency * MLFL is giving individuals a safe place to stay while going through training, medical treatment, etc. | Consultation Virtual Working Group Meeting | Believes that a large gap exists as it pertains to non-congregate shelter in Goldsboro. |
| Nu Hope Village | Homeless/Veterans Service provider CoC member agency * Currently supplies 12 units but is planning for an additional 2 tiny houses as a demonstration project. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | Looking to provide more long- term housing |
| Habitat for Humanity | *Works primarily with tenants looking to transition affordable rental to affordable homes. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | The organization noted that availability of rental units is extremely scarce. |
| WAGES (Wayne Action Group for Economic Solvency) | Homeless Supportive Service provider *Offers programs that include a self- sufficiency program, a foster grandparent program, meals on wheels, general homeless services, nutrition programs, and rental assistance. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | Emphasized the frequency of eviction that they have seen, the number of families without employment, and the scarcity of affordable housing. |
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| Agency/Org Consulted | Type of Agency/Org | Method of Consultation | Feedback |
|---|---|----------------------------------|---|
| Wayne Uplift Resources Association Inc. | Domestic Violence Service Provider * Provides Shelter services (domestic violence, sexual assault, and rape crisis), 24/7 Hotlines, Court and victim advocacy, Human Trafficking Support Groups, 24/7 Sexual Assault Accompaniment, Domestic Violence Intervention Program | Email | # 1 Priority - Affordable Rental Housing #2 Priority- Tenant -Based Rental Assistance #3 Priority- Non -congregate shelters #4 Priority- Support Services |
| Warm Body Warm Soul | Homeless Supportive Service provider * Provides pre- packaged meals for the homeless, clothes for interviews, and laundry service | Virtual Working Group Meeting | Has received lots of phone calls and visits from individuals who need help with rent, but the organization does not have the funds to help. |
| Laundry Love Goldsboro | Homeless Supportive Service Provider * Provide free, clean clothes to anyone that needs them. The team organizes twice a month effort to clean all dirty clothes at tent cities. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | The organization has completed more than 10,000 loads of laundry to date. |
| Goldsboro Fire Department | General Services *City Department | Virtual Working Group Meeting | There is a need for more supportive services. |

| Agency/Org | Type of | Method of | Feedback |
|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| Consulted | Agency/Org Homeless | Consultation Virtual Working | |
| | * Organization serves homeless that struggle with addiction and mental health issues and provides meals by partnering with churches and football teams to cook for an average of 50 people per meal. | Group Meeting | For most homeless individuals, there is no shelter of any kind following the local Salvation Army's men shelter being shut down. |
| Tommy's Foundation | Public Agency | Virtual Working | A renewed focus is needed on |
| United Way of Wayne County | *Help with education, financial stability, health, and wellness, and meeting other basic needs of people in the community. | Group Meeting | housing to get individuals out of survival mode. Noted that the organization has trouble finding individuals housing. They have frequently run into situations where renters do not want to rent to the homeless. Also mentioned the need for affordable houses and short-term shelters. |
| Eastpointe (LME- Local Management Entity) | Public Agency Region Lead 10 CoC *In partnership with local agencies, serve those with substance abuse, mental health, and intellectual and developmental disabilities. Grantee for ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) housing program. | Virtual Working Group Meeting | Looking to strengthen and grow the current Region 10 Continuum of Care (CoC). |

| Agency/Org Consulted | Type of Agency/Org | Method of Consultation | Feedback |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro (HACG) | Public Housing Authority (PHA) | Email Feb. 15, 2023 | Need for permanent affordable rental units to house HCV (Housing Choice Voucher formerly known as Section 8) recipients. HACG's (Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro) HCV waitlist is long with low turnover due to increasing rents and low inventory. Permanent and Supportive Veteran housing (VASH- Veteran Assistant Supportive Housing) that is connected to the HCV program. Creating a robust program to full Implement the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to house homeless children that need to be in school. The authority can use additional funds to purchase property for future development and acquisition of existing units. Permanent and supportive housing for Domestic Violence victims. Homebuyers down payment assistance grants of \$15,000 - \$20,000. Security and Utility deposits for affordable housing participants - TBRA |
| Eastern Carolina Regional Housing Authority | Public Housing Authority (PHA) | Site Visit Feb. 15, 2023 | 1-bedroom Senior housing is needed. There are not enough senior communities in the area. Affordable 2-bedroom housing units are needed for families |

| Agency/Org Consulted | Type of Agency/Org | Method of Consultation | Feedback |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Legal Aid of NC | Fair Housing Agency | Email Feb. 24, 2023 | Fund organizations who assist the homeless populations such as Rapid Rehousing, Permanent Supportive Housing, Food, etc. (short-term solution) Support the development of emergency shelters (short-term solution) Provide rental assistance (short-term solution) Partner with healthcare providers to provide mobile wellness clinic or other health services including cleanliness stations. (short-term solution) Coordinate efforts between public and private community partners to address needs (long-term solution) Create/Financially support the creation of staff to conduct outreach and facilitate efforts with partners (long-term solution) Support development of affordable rental housing and other housing types such as multi-family and tiny homes (long-term solution) Collaborate with Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro to incentivize landlords to accept Housing Choice Vouchers (Section 8) (long-term solution) |
| Goldsboro Police Department | General Services | Email Feb. 16, 2023 | Assisted with PIT Count for the city. Provided data included below |

| House of Fordham | Homeless Supportive Service Provider | Email | N/A | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|-----|--|
| Salvation Army | Homeless Supportive Service Provider | Email | N/A | |
| The Community Soup Kitchen | Supportive Services | Email | N/A | |

N/A = unresponsive organizations. They were contacted via phone and email three (3) times.

Public Participation

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

- *Date(s) of public notice:* November 4, 2022 (Goldsboro News-Argus), November 7, 2022 (City Website), November 8, 2022 (City Facebook), and November 23, 2022 (City Facebook)
- Public comment period: start date November 21, 2022- end date December 5, 2022
- Date(s) of public hearing: November 21, 2022 (during the regular meeting of Goldsboro City Council)
- *Date of 2nd public notice:* April 22, 2023 (Goldsboro News-Argus, City Website) and April 24, 2023 (City Facebook)
- 2nd Public comment period: start date April 22, 2023- end date May 5, 2023

*Please note that, to comply with regulations for the public notice, a second public notice and comment period was executed to include reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Any further comments received will be incorporated into the final plan.

Describe any efforts to broaden public participation:

Public participation is a critical component to community planning efforts. As such, the City of Goldsboro provided both an in-person and virtual option for residents to submit feedback on the Allocation Plan. This enabled those with and without internet and with and without flexible schedules to provide their input. The details of the public participation were posted on the City website, Facebook page, and posted in the local paper to reach as many community members as possible. An online survey was also offered as part of the public participation process. This offered community members an opportunity to provide input into the Allocation Plan if they could not attend the Public Hearing. The survey was open for 15 days, beginning on the day of the Public Hearing, extending to December 5, 2022. The virtual feedback form included potential allocation plans and then offered 7 multiple choice questions, along with two open-ended questions, where respondents had the opportunity to share any other thoughts not already captured.

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

Comments received at the November 21, 2022 Public Hearing:

| Respondent | Details |
|---|--|
| Manager at the Hampton Inn | -It is apparent that a Non-Congregate Shelter is needed in Goldsboro. Many homeless people often interrupt their business to get coffee, water, or even try to stay in the hotel rooms. |
| CEO On Behalf of Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro | -Regularly partners with WAGES (Early Head Start Program) -Would like to support the organization that receives the funds |
| 4 Day Movement Representative | -Identified a 62-unit facility in Goldsboro that can house homeless -This will require wrap-around services (drug addiction services, medical services, mental health, etc.) -Funding can go towards facility, and then grants will pay for other costs -If they can get enough funds for 20% down on the facility, they can finance the remainder. They also have a list of potential donors. |
| United Way of Wayne County Representative | -Vouching for 4 Day Movement. Describes them as dependable and good at providing the wrap-around services needed in Goldsboro. |
| Musician, History of Working with Homeless, Representing a Group of Individuals who Struggle with Mental Health | -Goldsboro needs coordinated, collective efforts -Wants to bring together a Goldsboro Homeless Advisory Board to plan forward |
| Nu Hope Representative | -Want to build their Community Center: tiny homes that allow homeless to stay there for 60 days so they can get on their feet -Currently working mostly with homeless veterans |
| MLFL Representative | -When working with homeless it is important to understand what the person you are trying to help wants -Plans to partner with WAGES |

| | -Restoration of Hope Village will be built in phases and the funds will go towards ongoing costs and facilities |
|-----------|---|
| Community | -Echoed the same sentiments of what was shared by Nu |
| Member | Норе |

Online Survey Results

Thirty responses were received: 59% of which came from individuals who did not attend the Public Hearing. 40% of the respondents were people experiencing or have experienced homelessness. 17% of the respondents were local city or county officials. The remaining 33% were community members, some of which were part of local CoCs.

The survey asked all respondents to rank the eligible activities from highest priority to lowest. 75% of the respondents identified Non-Congregate Shelter as the highest area of need in Goldsboro.

The survey displayed three options for an Allocation Plan. 68% of the respondents chose the Allocation Plan that utilized 59% of the funds on Non-Congregate Shelters and the remainder on mostly Supportive Services and TBRA.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why: All feedback was accepted and taken into consideration.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

Table 1: Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

| | | | | | H | lomeless | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| | MHIE | Curr | ent Inve | ntory | | Н | omeless | Populat | ion | | Gap A | nalysis | |
| | Far | nily | Adult | s Only | Vets | Family | Adult | | | Far | nily | Adult | s Only |
| | # of Beds | # of Units | # of Beds | # of Units | # of Beds | HH (at least 1 child) | HH (w/o child) | Vets | Victims of DV | # of Beds | # of Units | # of Beds | # of Units |
| Emergency Shelter | 11 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Transitional Housing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | THE STATE OF | Hy I | | | | J.F. | |
| Permanent Supportive Housing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Other Permanent Housing | 8 | 3 | 34 | 0 | 0 | | The state of | | | | | | JE I |
| Sheltered Homeless | | 1.11 | | | | 3 | 6 | 0 | 17 | | | 1/31 | |
| Unsheltered Homeless | | | | | | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 15. | | | |
| Current Gap | | | | 4: | | - 1 | | | - | 0 | 0 | 31 | 31 |

Data Sources: 1. 2022 Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. 2022 NC-503 NC Balance of State CoC Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Goldsboro Police Department Homeless Foot Patrol Count (city limits of Goldsboro)

Table 1 Narrative

According to the NC-503 Balance of State CoC Housing Inventory Count, there are currently only 3 units providing 11 beds specifically designated for victims of domestic violence who have children. Additionally, there are only 6 beds for individual adults specifically designated for victims of domestic violence, all offered by a local agency. The data further informs that a State of NC Agency (NC Commission of Indian Affairs) has 'Other Permanent Housing' available by way of what is presumed to be 34 housing vouchers for individual adults, 3 units with 8 beds for families with children, all of which are specifically designated for NC American Indians.

Regarding the 'Homeless Population' count in Table 1, the 'Sheltered Homeless' are identified as 17 victims of domestic violence who are currently being served by the 11 available family beds and 6 individual beds by the local domestic violence agency.

The 2022 Point in Time Count indicates that there are a total of 14 homeless individuals in Wayne County, with 12 residing in emergency shelters and 2 unsheltered. It is important to note that the Point in Time Count is conducted annually on a single night during the last ten days in January and may not be inclusive of the true number of homeless individuals in Goldsboro, Wayne County. Additionally, the Goldsboro Police Department provided data reflective of unsheltered homeless individuals within the city limits of Goldsboro at a total of 29. The Goldsboro Police Department routinely conducts a real-time foot patrol count of unsheltered homeless that are located in the city limits of Goldsboro and recently concluded the following: 18 individuals confirmed as living in a local 'tent city,' 5 additional unsheltered individuals live in wooded areas near local establishments, and 6 individuals reside in their vehicles in local parking lots.

In conclusion, with a total of 31 unsheltered homeless individuals in Goldsboro and there only being 2 organizations providing shelter, designated to specific groups, the data shows the apparent gap in available shelter beds for homeless individuals and an urgent need for a Non-Congregate shelter in Goldsboro.

Table 2: Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis

| | Non-Homeless | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Current Inventory | Level of Need | Gap Analysis |
| | # of Units | # of Households | # of Households |
| Total Rental Units | 9,050 | | |
| Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness) | 2,260 | | |
| Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations) | 4,000 | | |
| 0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness) | 37 - 45 - | 1,245 | |
| 30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations) | | 1,325 | |
| Current Gaps (Number of Households at or below 50% AMI minus number of units available to Households at 50% AMI and below (4,000) | | | 650 |

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

Size and Demographic composition of qualifying populations within Goldsboro

According to the 2022 Point in Time data in Table 1, there are 12 sheltered individuals in Goldsboro/Wayne County.

Homeless

Of the total 31 homeless individuals, all 31 are unsheltered. 18 individuals are confirmed to be living in the tent city community with an additional 5 living in other wooded areas throughout the community, according to data from the Goldsboro Police Department. 6 individuals were reported as living in their cars in local parking lots. Lastly, 2 individuals identified in the Point In Time count are unsheltered and counted in this qualifying population. Unfortunately, a lack of coordinated services makes it difficult to identify an accurate estimate of the number of households in this qualifying population. Thus, there is no demographic information available.

At-risk of homelessness

Information obtained from the American Community Survey (ACS) and the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS), as identified in Table 2 above, indicates that there are 1,245 renter households earning 0-30% of the area median income that are at risk of homelessness. Additional demographic data is not available for this qualifying population.

Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking

A third population in Table 1 is those Fleeing or Attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. Data represents this population at a total of 17. It is important to recall that this population is currently served by a local domestic violence agency. Although the Homeless Needs and Gaps Analysis at Table 1 identifies 17 households as meeting this qualifying population, this in no way identifies the total number of households identified in the community. Unfortunately, a lack of coordinated services makes it difficult to identify an accurate estimate of the number of households in this qualifying population. Thus, there is no demographic information available.

Other Populations

Information obtained from the American Community Survey (ACS) and the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS), as identified in Table 2 above, indicates that there are 1,325 renter households earning 30-50% of the area median income that are at risk of homelessness. Additional demographic data is not available for this qualifying population.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless –

Goldsboro/Wayne County's sheltered homeless are in dire need of more permanent housing solutions in the area. With the ever-present lack of affordable housing for low-moderate-income individuals nationwide, HOME-ARP Supportive Services dollars can assist the sheltered with gaining the needed resources required to establish permanent housing. The Region 10 Balance of State Continuum of Care provides a Coordinated Entry process that can assist sheltered individuals with assessing their housing needs. The CoC also provides Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), a program focused solely on permanent housing solutions.

It is apparent that the unsheltered face a distinct set of challenges that require an immediate solution. With Goldsboro's limited shelter resources for the 31 unsheltered, the need for an emergency shelter is dire. Goldsboro is no stranger to emerging 'Tent Cities' and is currently struggling to assist the identified 18 unsheltered individuals confirmed to be living in Goldsboro's own tent city. The Goldsboro Police Department continues to make strides to link these individuals to the few local resources that are available. The department recently cleaned out the illegal site; however, many residents returned shortly after and currently remain there. A Non-Congregate Shelter is desperately needed.

• At risk of homelessness-

As there is currently no local coordinated entry established in Goldsboro, this qualifying population could benefit from such supportive services. Goldsboro currently has a need for coordination of services and could benefit from a local coordinated system in which

households/individuals of this qualifying population can be referred to the appropriate housing resources.

• Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking-

Overall, there is a great need for affordable housing that can help prevent homelessness for this population. Additionally, Goldsboro could benefit from additional resources such as rental assistance and more rental housing vouchers to assist other families requiring services, per consultations from local agencies. Lastly and again, Goldsboro currently has a need for coordination of services and could benefit from a local coordinated system in which households/individuals of this qualifying population can be referred to the appropriate housing resources.

• Other Populations –

Again, Goldsboro currently has a need for coordination of services and could benefit from a local coordinated system in which households/individuals of this qualifying population can be identified and referred to the appropriate housing resources.

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:

Currently, Goldsboro has 1 local shelter, provided by a church, which charges a small weekly fee for occupancy. Goldsboro does not have any non-congregate shelter units. Another local men's shelter, operated by The Salvation Army, has been closed for the past three years. Efforts to assist the new leaders of the organization to reopen the shelter with other available HUD dollars have been unsuccessful. Goldsboro has local agencies who provide food, clothing, laundry needs, link to mental health and substance abuse resources, etc., to the unsheltered. Goldsboro currently has a limited supply of TBRA provided by 2 local Public Housing Authorities, Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro, and Eastern Regional Housing Authority. Both entities were consulted and expressed the need for additional permanent supportive rental housing resources.

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

A gap in the current shelter inventory is apparent. Goldsboro has 1 local shelter, provided by a church, which charges a small weekly fee for occupancy. Goldsboro does not have any non-congregate shelter units. Another local shelter, serving men only and operated by The Salvation Army, has been closed for the past three years. Efforts to assist the new leaders of the organization to reopen the shelter with other available HUD dollars have been unsuccessful. As data shows, there is an unmet need for the city's 31 unhoused.

Regarding the housing inventory, data gathered from the *Snapshot of Housing in North Carolina* provided by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency shows that, of the total number of households (48,343), 18,311 of residents are renters and 30,032 of residents are homeowners in Wayne County.

| Total Housing Units | 54,291 | | |
|----------------------------|--------|--|--|
| Vacancy Rate | 11% | | |
| % Built 1979 or earlier | 45% | | |
| % Mobile Homes | 24% | | |

Data supports the fact that Wayne County's housing inventory is aging and can therefore, support that there is a gap in the current housing inventory. According to the housing inventory snapshot above, 45% of housing units in the county were built in 1979 or earlier.

| Unit Type | Number of Units | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Single family detached homes | 8,218 | | | | |
| Single family attached homes | 956 | | | | |
| 2-unit homes and duplexes | 1,753 | | | | |
| Units in small apartment buildings | 4,366 | | | | |
| Units in large apartment buildings | 562 | | | | |
| Mobile or manufactured housing | 580 | | | | |
| Other types | 0 | | | | |
| Total Units (estimated) | 16,435 | | | | |

Private Sector Housing Stock by Type: city of Goldsboro (ACS 2015-2019)

The table above is reflective of housing within the city limits of Goldsboro and shows an estimated 16,435 housing units within the city.

According to Goldsboro's recent *Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice*, completed May 2021, recommendations was made to preserve the city's current affordable housing stock and increase new affordable housing. The document also references that the lack of affordable housing Goldsboro is facing is partly due to "high costs, availability of land, and diverse sites in low poverty high-opportunity areas." Additionally, according to the *Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice*, available housing within the city is also aging with "about 6.6% of houses built before 1940, 38.0% between 1940 and 1969, 40.7% between 1970 and 1999, and 14.7% built 2000 or later."

While the lack of affordable housing has been identified, the City has determined that it will continue to use its CDBG and HOME entitlement funds to fund projects that will address this need. The City's HOME-ARP funding will be used to fill the gap in shelter resources by funding a non-congregate shelter for all qualifying populations. In addition, the City will use HOME-ARP funds to fund supportive services to support coordinated entry activities in the community. This will allow the City to improve on identifying and coordinating services and resources available to serve all qualifying populations. These efforts will improve access to housing for all qualifying populations.

There is a not a designated Coordinated Entry location in Goldsboro, evidence of a gap in Goldsboro's service delivery system. Although the Region 10 Balance of State Continuum of Care provides a Coordinated Entry process, the Coordinated Entry Lead is in Wilson, NC. This could be identified as a service delivery gap. City staff has recently reached out to the Region 10 CoC Lead and discussed the possibility of establishing a Coordinated Entry location in Goldsboro. City staff have also recently joined the Region's Coordinated Entry team and will begin attending their weekly meetings this month.

Identify the characteristics of housing associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness if the PJ will include such conditions in its definition of "other populations" as established in the HOME-ARP Notice:

The City of Goldsboro will not further identify "other populations."

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

• Homeless -

Priority needs for this qualifying population remain consistent. There is an immediate need for a non-congregate shelter for Goldsboro's 31 identified unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness. Based on Tables 1 and 2 above, as well as responses from community surveys conducted during the consultation process, priority needs were identified as non-congregate shelter. Additionally, as a result of an online survey, respondents were asked to rank the eligible activities from highest priority to lowest. 75% of the respondents identified Non-Congregate Shelter as the highest area of need in Goldsboro.

• At risk of homelessness-

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• Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking-

Overall, there is a great need for affordable housing that can help prevent homelessness for this population. Additionally, Goldsboro could benefit from additional resources such as rental assistance and more rental housing vouchers to assist other families requiring services, per consultations from local agencies. Based on Tables 1 and 2 above, as well as responses from community surveys conducted during the consultation process, priority needs were identified as non-congregate shelter. Additionally, as a result of an online survey, respondents were asked to rank the eligible activities from highest priority to lowest. 75% of the respondents identified Non-Congregate Shelter as the highest area of need in Goldsboro.

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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 level of need and gaps described in this plan were determined through a robust community engagement process. Survey results showed that 75% of the respondents identified Non-Congregate Shelter as the highest area of need in Goldsboro. The level of need was also determined by consultations with local provider agencies. Of the 19 agencies consulted, 9 expressed the need for more affordable housing and 5 expressed the need for a non-congregate shelter.

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) and American Community Survey (ACS) data was analyzed to determine cost burden households where the natural housing market is not producing housing affordable to their incomes. Additionally, data from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency and Goldsboro's recent *Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice* provided evidence that more housing is needed. These conclusions were further supported through community consultations with agency providers and community members who identified the need for additional affordable housing. The Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory Count reports were used to compare system capacity with household need. Additionally, the City collected data from the Goldsboro Police Department and was able to identify a substantial number of unsheltered individuals within the city who are in desperate need of shelter and supportive services.

The below table is further evidence of the level of need and gaps when it comes to housing inventory and service delivery systems. Respondents from local agencies were consulted and asked to rank the need for eligible HOME-ARP activities from highest to lowest. Per the data results, Non-Congregate Shelter was ranked as highest priority, at an average of 2.91, while TBRA ranked at 2.75, Support Services at 2.58, and Affordable Rental Housing at 1.75. The City has opted to utilize HOME-ARP funds to fill its current gap and address the need for a non-congregate shelter and supportive services.

| | Affordable | | | Non-Congregate | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------|----------------|--|
| Name | Rental Housing | Support Services | TBRA | Shelters | |
| Greene Lamp | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| Warm Body Warm Soul | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | |
| Volunteers of America | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| Habitat for Humanity | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | |
| United Way of Wayne County | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| 4 Day Movement | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| WAGES | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| Mirakal's Love for Lives (MLFL, Inc.) | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | |
| Eastpointe | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | |
| Nu Hope Village | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| Tommy's Foundation | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | |
| Laundry For Love | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | |
| Average: | 1.75 | 2.58 | 2.75 | 2.91 | |
| Implied Ranking | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |

Local Agency Consultations: Survey Results (2022)

HOME-ARP Activities

Describe the method for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subrecipients and/or contractors and whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The City of Goldsboro will not administer eligible activities directly but rather seek qualified community entities to conduct the eligible activities. All funding awards will follow 2 CFR 200 procurement guidelines. The City will issue either Request for Proposals (RFP) or Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select partner agencies.

At the close of the procurement process, all submittals will be reviewed for completeness, eligibility, and their ability to deliver the specified activity to the priority populations listed in this plan. Proposals will be objectively scored by a qualified scoring committee. The Goldsboro City Council will approve grant awards.

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:

The City will not allocate funds to a subrecipient or contractor to administer its entire HOME-ARP grant.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

| | Funding Amount | Percent of the Grant | Statutory Limit | |
|--|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|
| Supportive Services | \$ 308,690 | | | |
| Acquisition and Development of Non- Congregate Shelters | \$463,036 | | | |
| Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | \$ | | | |
| Development of Affordable Rental Housing | \$ | | | |
| Non-Profit Operating | \$ | 0 % | 5% | |
| Non-Profit Capacity Building | \$ | 0 % | 5% | |
| Administration and Planning | \$ 136,187 | 15% | 15% | |
| Total HOME ARP Allocation | \$ 907,913 | | | |

Additional narrative: After assessing local needs and gaps, the Goldsboro City Council voted to split the remaining funds, (minus the 15% for Administration & Planning), allocating 60% to Non-Congregate Shelter and 40% to Supportive Services.

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:

Through various sources of data collection and consultations, the characteristics of the data show a lack in the overall housing stock in the area, affordable housing options, little to no shelter options for the homeless, and limited service delivery systems that lack necessary resources.

With 31 unsheltered homeless individuals in Goldsboro, one (1) shelter designated for victims of domestic violence, one (1) additional shelter that charges a weekly fee, and no other shelter options, Goldsboro is in dire need of a non-congregate shelter. Additionally, with the pressing need for affordable housing, which would aid in preventing homelessness, supportive services

could also serve as an essential provision to assist with those transitioning from the shelter with more permanent and affordable housing solutions.

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

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

The City of Goldsboro will not produce or support rental housing units with its HOME-ARP allocation.

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

The City of Goldsboro has not set a specific affordable rental housing production goal to address priority needs with HOME-ARP funding.

Preferences

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

The City of Goldsboro does not intend to give preference to one or more qualifying population or a subpopulation. The City intends to require a first-come, first-serve structure through the systematic Coordinated Entry Process, working with the Region 10 Balance of State Continuum of Care to provide an established access point.

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:

Not applicable

If a preference was identified, describe how the PJ will use HOME-ARP funds to address the unmet needs or gaps in benefits and services of the other qualifying populations that are not included in the preference:

Not applicable

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

The City does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing being rehabilitated.

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

Citizen Participation

Citizen participation for the HOME-ARP planning process has been outlined throughout the plan. Evidence of notifications and outreach efforts are below:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WITH VIRTUAL FEEDBACK OPTION HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN NOVEMBER 21, 2022 -7:00PM

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214 N Center Street Goldsboro, NC 27530

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<u>Goldsboro News-Argus Publication – November 4, 2022</u>



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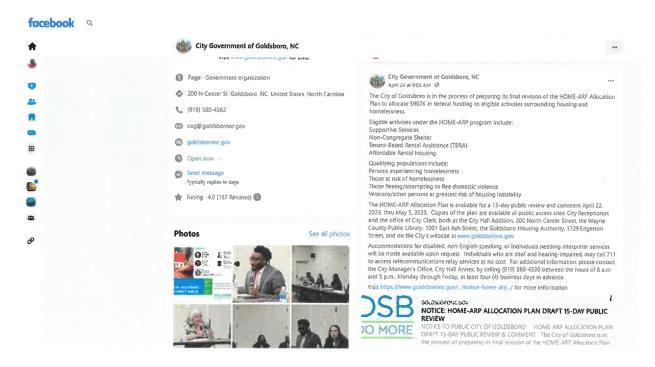
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