



HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

City of Lawton

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THE HOME-ARP PROGRAM

Participating Jurisdiction: City of Lawton, OK

Date: March 2023

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) of 2021 into law allocating \$1.9 trillion in relief to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, public health, State and local governments, individuals, and businesses. Congress appropriated \$5 billion in ARP funds through the HOME Investment Partnership program (HOME-ARP) to perform four activities that must primarily benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations.

On Sept. 20, 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded the City of Lawton \$1,327,045 of funds from the HOME-American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("HOME-ARP"). HOME-ARP funds are to be used to help communities create affordable housing and services for people experiencing or who are at risk of experiencing homelessness.

Eligible HOME-ARP activities

- Development and Support of Affordable Housing
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Provision of Supportive Services
(such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance)
- Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter Units
- Administration and Planning

Qualifying Populations

HOME-ARP requires that funds be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in the following specified "qualifying populations." Any individual or family who meets the criteria for these populations is eligible to receive assistance or services funded through HOME-ARP without meeting additional criteria (e.g., additional income criteria). Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria for one of the qualifying populations described below are eligible to receive HOME-ARP assistance.

- People experiencing homelessness
- People at risk of homelessness
- People fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or
- Human trafficking
- Other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability

For additional information about the HOME-ARP program regulatory requirements, visit:

[Final HOME-ARP Implementation Notice_ \(hud.gov\)](https://www.hud.gov/arp)



Consultation

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

Consultation Requirement

Before developing its plan, the City of Lawton consulted with the SW Oklahoma Continuum of Care, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, the Lawton Housing Authority, public agencies that address the needs of qualifying populations, and organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities.

Summary of Consultation Process

In developing its HOME-ARP allocation plan, the City of Lawton began initial discussions regarding how to best appropriate funds in March of 2022. During this time frame, the SW OK Continuum of Care provided a generous amount of feedback and recommendations regarding homeless needs within the City and county wide.

The City of Lawton held consultation meetings with community service providers and partnering agencies to garner vital input in the planning process for the allocation of HOME-ARP funds. In all meetings, information on the program was shared with those in attendance. COL's Housing and Community Development facilitated the consultation process, which allowed partnering agencies to describe current barriers to serving Arlington's homeless population and to offer feedback on strategies to curtail the issue.

The City held the following consultation meetings and received consultation feedback from various service providers and stakeholders to include:

- MIGHT
- The Next Step
- Lawton Housing Authority
- Great Plains Improvement Foundation
- Lawton Support Services
- C. Carter Crane Shelter
- Family Promise
- Marie Detty
- Center for Creative Living
- Salvation Army
- Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma
- Christian Family Counseling



Table 1: Organization Charts

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	QP Served	Method of Consultation	Feedback
MIGHT	SWOKCoC Lead Agency	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4	Phone consultations	Support of Support Services
The Next Step	Homeless Shelter	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
			Phone consultations	Support of Support Services
Lawton Support Services	Veterans Groups	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
	Groups	QP3, QP4	Phone consultations	Support of Support Services
Lawton Housing Authority	PHA	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4	Phone consultations	Support of Support Services
Great Plains Improvement Foundation	Support Services	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4		Support of Support Services
C. Carter Crane	Homeless Shelter	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4		Support of Support Services
Marie Detty	Homeless Shelter	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
	Domestic Violence Service Provider	QP3, QP4		Support of Support Services
Family Promise	Homeless Shelter	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4		Support of Support Services
Center for Creative Living	Support Services	QP2, QP4	Public Meetings	No Feedback
Salvation Army	Homeless Shelter	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	Support of NCS
		QP3, QP4		
Legal Aid Services of OK	Address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities	QP1, QP2	Face to face	No Feedback
		QP3, QP4		
Christian Family Counseling	Support Services	QP1, QP2	Public Meetings	No Feedback
		QP3, QP4	Face to face	

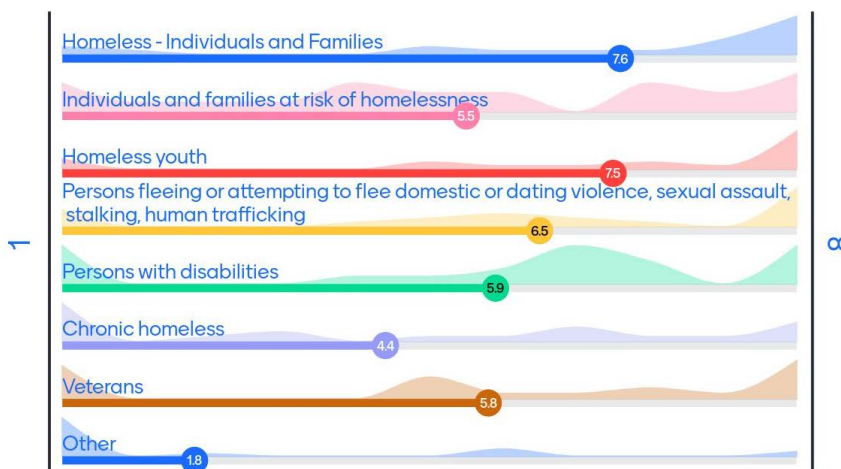


Summarization of feedback and Consultation Results

On February 8, 2023, the City of Lawton's Housing and Community Development division held a consultation meeting with community service providers and partnering agencies to garner vital input in the planning process for the allocation of HOME-ARP funds. In all meetings, information on the program was shared with those in attendance. The City's Housing and Community Development Division facilitated the consultation process, which allowed partnering agencies to describe current barriers to serving Lawton's homeless population and to offer feedback on strategies to curtail the issue. These consultation efforts further solidified the need to focus on allocating permanent supportive housing units to homeless individuals and families as defined in 24 CFR 91.5 (1). This includes individuals or families who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

Prior to the February 8, 2023 COL HOME-ARP Consultation meeting, City of Mayor Stan Booker hosted a Homelessness Forum on December 1, 2022 which was facilitated by Dr. John M. McArthur, President Cameron University and featured Speaker Dr. Bryce C. Lowery, Associate Professor of Regional and City Planning, at OU College of Architecture, Darrell Beavers, Oklahoma Housing Finance Director, and Bernita Taylor, SWOKCoC Lead Agency MIGHT CDRC, CEO/Executive Director. Executive Director Taylor also invited 100+ participants to complete a survey via Mintimeter during the Forum. When asked about the priority needs of the unhoused, survey participants indicated that providing supportive services and the production and preservation of affordable housing units were a top priority. Figure 1 depicts the survey distribution results for the priority needs of those that are unhoused in the City of Lawton.

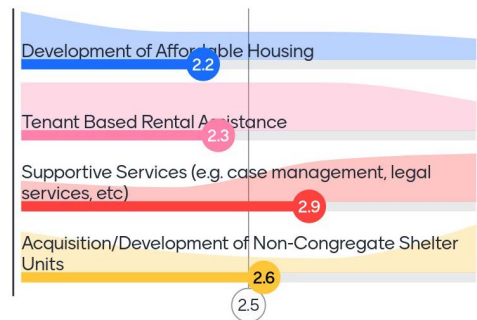
In your opinion, which population(s) should be prioritized?



Data Source: City of Lawton 2022 HOME-ARP Consultation Feedback Survey



How would you rank the need for eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in priority order. (1 is the highest & 4 is the lowest)



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The City of Lawton provided an avenue for and encouraged citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. Before submission of the Plan, the City provided residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for no less than 15 calendar days. The City followed its adopted requirements for “reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment” for the plan amendments in its current Citizen Participation Plan. In addition, the City held a public hearing during the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and prior to submission. No public comments were received during the public hearing or during the public comment period.

For the purposes of HOME-ARP, the City made the following information available to the public:

- The amount of HOME-ARP funds the City will receive; and
- The range of activities the City may undertake.

This section discusses how citizens were involved in the process, how the City consulted with public and private service providers, and other stakeholders to facilitate the development of the Plan. During the HOME ARP allocation plan public participation process, the following are dates of the public comment period and public hearing(s) held during the development of the plan.

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 of Public Notice: February 26, 2023

Public Comment Period: March 10, 2023 - March 27, 2023

Date of Public Hearing: March 28, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The public comment period for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was scheduled for March 10, 2023, and concluded on March 27, 2023, at 5 p.m. A Public Notice was published in the Lawton Constitution on February 26, 2022 and included information regarding how comments could be submitted.

Public Hearing

The Public Hearing for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was scheduled for March 28, 2023, at approximately 2:00 p.m., prior to City Council consideration of the Plan. If special accommodations or translation services were required, interested parties were given the option to submit requests for such accommodations to housing@lawtonok.gov, prior to March 28, 2023. No public comments were received during the public hearing or comment period regarding the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

In addition to the dates listed above, the Lawton City Council, was presented information on the HOME-ARP to include the amount \$1,327,045 and the range of possible activities

The City also sent e-mails to community stakeholders requesting comments, and provided staff reports to the public on eligible uses of HOME-ARP funding. The public hearing was held virtually, which allowed the public option for closed caption for the hearing impaired, and Spanish translation.

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

No public comments were received during the public hearing or comment period regarding the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

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

None



NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND GAPS ANALYSIS

The City of Lawton is a member of the SW OK Continuum of Care (SWOKCoC). Table 2 depicts the data from the HUD 2023 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs Housing Inventory Count, which provides the most recent detailed reporting on housing inventory numbers. The Count demonstrates the gap in housing needs collectively for the City of Lawton. Table 3 Provides a gap analysis of the rental unit inventory for the City of Lawton. Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations are significant qualifying populations for the HOME-ARP program.

OPTIONAL Table 2: Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table (Homeless)

Homeless									
Current Inventory						Homeless Population			
Family		Adults		Vets		Family HH	Adult HH	Vets	DV
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds				
Emergency Shelter									
VRC					11				
Salvation Army	8	2	29	2					
C Carter Crane	0	0	28	5					
Family Promise	14	7	0	0					
Domestic New Direction	30	7	6	1					
Domestic Comanche Woman	15	4							
Transitional Housing									
18-24yr Next Step	5	1							
Permanent Supportive									
Other Permanent									
Sheltered Homeless									
						4	215	16	23
Unsheltered Homeless									
						0	182	12	11

Data Source: Pont in Time Count (PIT); 2. SWOK Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	920		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI	N/A		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI	N/A		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/1 or more severe housing problems		N/A	
30%50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more sever housing problems		N/A	
Current Gaps			N/A



Families of children that are homeless is 500+ for fiscal year 2022		
1. Total number of homeless students served:		
Prek through 12th grade, plus siblings birth through 5		1023
2. Primary Nighthtime residence of homeless children and youth:		
Shelter:		71
Doubled up (e.g. staying with another family)		773
Hotels/Motels		65
birth asge to 5 years (not in school)		64
Unsheltered ((e.g. cars, parks, campgrounds, abandoned buildings)		50
Total children of families:		1023
3. Subgroups of homeless students enrolled:		
Unaccompanied homeless youth (not in the physical custody of a parent or legel guardian and in a homeless living situation		179

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

4 Homeless Families, 397 Homeless Individuals, 28 Homeless Veterans, 34 Fleeing Domestic Violence

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Within the City of Lawton, there were a total of 397 households who experienced homelessness as of the point in time count January 26, 2023. Roughly 1023 children of families qualify as homeless under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, which for the purposes of the HOME-ARP Grant are considered At Risk of Homelessness. The general consensus of the consulted stakeholders was that the numbers generated in the point in time count were low and the SWOKCoC and City of Lawton are committed to increasing participation in the count and improving techniques.

At Risk Of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

HUD defines those at risk of homelessness as individuals and families who have an income below 30% of the area median income (AMI) and do not have sufficient resources or support networks immediately available to prevent them from moving to into an emergency shelter or another place of homelessness.

They must also meet one of the following criteria:

- Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
- Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
- Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days of the date of application for assistance; Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
- Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons, or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;



- Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as health-care facility, mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
- Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness. Individuals and families at risk of homelessness require housing assistance that could vary from eviction assistance, diversion assistance, or rent and utility assistance in addition to other types of supportive services.

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

In the City of Lawton, there were a total of 34 people fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking in 2022.

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

Those at greatest risk of housing instability include households with annual income less than or equal to 30% of the AMI and experiencing severe cost burden (>50% of income on housing costs) or households with annual income less than or equal to 50% of the AMI and meeting a condition that puts them at risk of homelessness. In addition to the needs previously noted, those at greatest risk of homelessness are often highly cost burdened and live in housing with poor conditions. They often earn low wages and can have difficulty affording transportation to work. Some lack the needed skills, to find work that improves financial security and lessens housing instability. Service needs identified from consultations included, but are not limited to, case management, childcare, education services, employment assistance, job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental health services, and transportation. 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 Lawton receives an annual allocation of roughly \$1.1 million in federal formula grant funding, including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Grant. The City utilizes funds to assist families with obtaining affordable homes, supportive services, rental assistance, emergency shelter, and other essential services. The City allocated funding received through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. Community Development Block Grant- Covid (CDBG-CV) funds, were used to provide immediate needs to Lawton residents with utility assistance.



Tenant Based Rental Assistance

The City of Lawton's Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program is a Federally funded program regulated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), managed and operated by the Lawton Housing Authority (LHA). The funding source for the TBRA program is the HUD HOME investment Partnerships program. HUD allocates HOME funds to the City of Lawton annually. The Lawton City Council determines the amount of HOME funding that will be allocated to the TBRA program. Through the TBRA program, the LHA can assist with rent, utilities, and security deposits for qualified participants. Housing assistance is provided for up to 2-years. Consultations with service providers indicated that the lack of affordable rental housing inventory has created barriers to using TBRA for those qualifying populations that would typically be eligible to use this resource. This has created an unmet need, as clients are unable to locate properties to live and raise their families in.

Congregate and Non-Congregate Shelters:

4 Families, 215 adults, 16 Veterans, and 23 adults fleeing domestic violence were in shelters at the time of the January 2023 PIT Count.



(2) Needs: At risk of homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Rental Housing

Persons at-risk of homelessness demonstrate housing instability, such as living in the home of another because of economic hardship or living in a hotel/motel. This population also has extremely low incomes at 30% AMI and lack of resources and supports.

As previously noted, consultations for HOME-ARP indicated a significant need for more affordable rental housing with the City of Lawton. The increased availability of affordable rental housing can ensure that those at risk of homelessness will pay no more than 30% of their income toward rent. This can assist in decreasing housing instability for this population.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance

The Lawton Housing Authority provides TBRA through funds provided by the City of Lawton HOME Entitlement Grant to help individual households afford housing costs.

Consultations revealed that current resources are not on pace to manage the number of households that require long term supportive housing. Also, as previously mentioned, the lack of housing inventory has created an unmet need for those qualifying populations that would typically be eligible to use this resource. Congregate and Non-Congregate Shelters. The City of Lawton's goal is to find permanent housing for those who are unhoused. Therefore, while shelters are not designed to be a permanent solution, they provide a safe space for homeless clients, while building resources to secure permanent housing. Local shelters also provide a village of support systems and services for those at risk for homelessness. Lawton will continue to fund TBRA through the City of Lawton HOME Entitlement Grant.

Service Needs

Lawton residents at risk of homelessness can apply for assistance through the Lawton Housing Authority.



(3) Needs: Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual

Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking

Rental Housing

Consultations with domestic service providers indicated that individuals fleeing domestic or dating violence need increased safety measures to minimize risk of returning to unsafe residential environments. This qualified population has a critical need for supportive services to help them transition into affordable housing. Additionally, these individuals need services that aid with legal advocacy, childcare, employment services, and case management.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance

Victims of domestic violence are at great risk of experiencing housing instability. During consultations advocates expressed a need more resources allocated to rental assistance. They also emphasized that the lack of units available for those who currently have vouchers is a great barrier. For this subgroup, there is need for deeply affordable subsidized units.

Congregate and Non-Congregate Shelters

4 Families, 215 adults, 16 Veterans, and 23 adults fleeing domestic violence were in shelters at the time of the January 2023 PIT Count.



(4) Other Populations: (a) Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Return to Homelessness; or (b) At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability

Rental Housing

Persons who were formerly homeless but temporarily housed with assistance may benefit from an option of rental housing that is deeply affordable as a permanent solution. This includes persons requiring services to prevent homelessness, such as living in the home of another due to economic hardship or living in a hotel/motel. If ongoing assistance to prevent homelessness continues to be needed, permanent rental housing that is affordable may offer a more sustainable option without having to continually apply for and coordinate assistance.

Elevated levels of funding received by the City of Lawton over the previous 18 months, has been allocated to homelessness-prevention activities to ensure that at-risk households do not fall into homelessness. More affordable rental housing is also needed to help house persons with severe cost burden and provide more affordability to those at-risk of homelessness.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance

TBRA can be used to support those at greatest risk of housing instability or those in unstable housing situations. This includes all qualifying populations including homeless, at-risk of homelessness, domestic violence victims and other populations, where such support would prevent homelessness.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance is a viable solution for families so long as inventory is available. However, Inflation and current market conditions with the City have exasperated the challenge of finding landlords willing to accept Tenant Based Rental Assistance. In addition, persons experiencing homelessness may have greater history of housing instability, which could cause them to be high-risk tenants. To alleviate this unmet need, landlord incentives may also be required with the use of TBRA for this qualifying population.

Congregate and Non-Congregate Shelters

4 Families, 215 adults, 16 Veterans, and 23 adults fleeing domestic violence were in shelters at the time of the January 2023 PIT Count.



Shelter:

The City of Lawton supports existing emergency shelters and provides resources to enable the continuity of operations. Emergency shelters include C. Carter Crane, Family Promise, Marie Detty and the Salvation Army. These services continue to keep families and individuals safe while residing at the shelter and as they move to more stable housing in the community.

Services:

Homeless service providers provide several support services for homeless persons residing in the City of Lawton. There are few, if any, gaps in terms of the range of services available, however providers do not have the capacity to take on and serve significant numbers of additional clients without additional funding.

In program year 2021, public service programs were funded with the maximum amount allowed 15 percent of the CDBG allocation. Non-profit organizations and city departments provided services to approximately 8,621 persons. Organizations offered services such as day habilitation, food pantries, housing navigation for homeless, transportation, job skills training, childcare, meals for seniors, tutoring and mentoring for youth, and dental health services.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:**Priority Needs for Homeless as defined in 24CFR 91.5:**

According to the COC and several service providers who responded during HOME-ARP consultations, the largest identified need in the City of Lawton, is the need for additional NCS for families experiencing homelessness. These additional units would be used to serve households who are typically unable to work due to disability and/or older age and who have limited to no income to afford rent. Without these additional resources, these households are unable to get out of homelessness on their own. Consultations also revealed that supportive services for housing stability, such as counseling, substance abuse service, case management, job training and transportation are also priority needs for this qualifying population.

Priority Needs for At-Risk Populations:

Individuals and families at risk of homelessness require housing assistance that vary from eviction assistance, diversion assistance, or rent and utility assistance in addition to other types.



HOME-ARP ACTIVITIES

- Describe the method(s) that will be used for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service provider, subrecipients and/or contractors.
- Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The City of Lawton will assess HOME-ARP NCS projects, including a review of information from the owner and/or developer that demonstrates the project's financial feasibility throughout the restricted use period. Before awarding funds for HOME-ARP NCS, the City of Lawton will:

- Require that the developer submit evidence of appropriate skills and experience related to the development of shelters or similar facilities.
 - Require the owner to submit evidence of prior experience with operating shelters.
 - Require an acquisition or development budget, timeline, and sources and uses statement for the acquisition and/or development of the project be submitted for review.
 - Require the owner to submit a proposed operating budget, including secured sources for operating costs and any operating gap that will require additional assistance. If there is a gap in the operating budget, the City of Lawton will require the owner to submit a plan for securing additional private, local, state, or Federal funding sufficient for successful operation of the project.
- Before committing funds, the City of Lawton will determine whether the owner intends to continue operating the project as HOME-ARP NCS or emergency shelter NCS under ESG for the entire full restricted use period or plans to convert the HOME-ARP NCS to permanent affordable housing or CoC permanent housing during the restricted use period, once the minimum use period for HOME-ARP NCS established in this section is completed. If the HOME-ARP NCS project owner intends to convert the project to CoC permanent housing or permanent supportive housing during the restricted use period, the City of Lawton will pursue partnership and leveraging opportunities with the CoC early in the planning stage of a HOME-ARP NCS project. In such instances, the PJ should consider the physical design needs of an eventual conversion in its evaluation of the HOME-ARP NCS project.

If any portion of the City's HOME-ARP administrative funds were 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 City's entire HOME-ARP grant, identify the subrecipient or contractor and describe its role and responsibilities in administering all the City's HOME-ARP program:

No COL HOME-ARP Administrative funds were provided to a sub-recipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. No HOME-ARP Administrative funds were expended in the development of the COL HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.



USE OF HOME-ARP FUNDING

The following table describes the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible HOME-ARP activity type and demonstrates that any planned funding for non-profit organization operating assistance, non-profit capacity building, and administrative costs is within HOME-ARP limits.

Table 5: Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount Statutory Limit	Percent of Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 200,000.00	15%	
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter	\$ 1,127,045.00	85%	
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)			
Development of Affordable Rental Housing			
Non-Profit Operating			5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building			5%
Administration and Planning	\$		15%
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$ 1,327,045.00		

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

These populations are likely to have great compounded challenges that require more intensive supportive services to achieve and maintain housing stability. These mid-term to long-term services require assistance transitioning to housing and providing permanent supportive housing, along with case management, healthcare, legal services, and other supportive services. With better housing options and wrap-around services, these families will have a higher likelihood of becoming self-sustaining over time.

Permanent Supportive Housing:

Qualifying Population:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Supportive Services:

Qualifying Populations:

- (1) Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5
- (2) At-risk of homelessness (McKinney Act definition at 24 CFR 91.5)
- (3) Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking



(4) Other Populations: (a) Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Return to Homelessness; or (b) At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability

Services offered include:

- Case management
- Mental health counseling
- Dental care
- Credit counseling
- Rental assistance
- Education services
- Transportation vouchers
- Substance abuse programs
- Employment training

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

The City of Lawton's shelter and housing inventory indicated a need for more Non Congregate Shelter units for families. During consultations, the SWOKCoC, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, the Lawton Housing Authority, public agencies that address the needs of qualifying populations, and organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities and participating agencies felt that the acquisition and development of NCS units for families combined with a Day Center providing access to supportive services which would include housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance. This project/activity will provide the central entry into the system that the City of Lawton greatly needs.

HOME-ARP PRODUCTION HOUSING GOALS

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

The City of Lawton will continue funding the production of affordable rental housing units for qualifying populations through the HOME Entitlement Grant as opportunities become available.

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

Consultation participants frequently highlighted the barriers and needs related to homelessness. These included needs for more low-barrier housing units, case management for people experiencing homelessness, job and skills training and drug/alcohol counseling.



PREFERENCES

Identify whether the City 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 Lawton will improve the SWOKCoC with the acquisition of a Day Center/NCS/Case Management/Support Services. The City has a community-wide process to address the needs of the qualifying populations. Using this system, all individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis are assessed for need, prioritized, and matched to appropriate housing and support in the community.

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 category of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

Anyone is eligible to seek assistance through Coordinated Access, including all qualifying populations irrespective of preferences. No qualified populations will be excluded from applying and receiving assistance through HOME-ARP. Coordinated Access directs applicants to the interventions and services that are most aligned to their needs.



HOME-ARP REFINANCING GUIDELINES

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

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

Not Applicable - The City of Lawton does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt that is being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.

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.

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

Not Applicable - The City of Lawton does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt for units that are being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.

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

Not Applicable- The City of Lawton does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt for units that are being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.

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

Not Applicable- The City of Lawton does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt for units that are being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.

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

Not Applicable- The City of Lawton does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt for units that are being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds.



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Lawton, OK 73502
580-585-5000

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF COMANCHE
COUNTY OKLAHOMA

State of Oklahoma, County of Comanche
Home Investment ARP

I, DAVID R. STRINGER, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says: That I am the Publisher of The Lawton Constitution, a daily newspaper printed and published in the city of Lawton, County of Comanche, and state of Oklahoma, and that the advertisement above referred to, a true and the publication dates listed below.

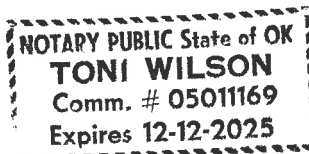
Publication The Lawton Constitution: 02/26/23.

That said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county during a period of one hundred and four consecutive weeks prior to the publication of the attached notice or advertisement: that it has been admitted to the United States mail as second-class mail matter, that it has a general paid circulation, and publishes news of general interest, and otherwise conforms with all of the statutes of the State of Oklahoma governing legal publications.

Signed: _____

Signature

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to be me this day of
27th day of February, 2023



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Notary Public

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PUBLIC NOTICE!
Public Hearing
City of Lawton
FFY 2021 HOME-ARP
Grant Allocation Plan

TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS, AGENCIES
AND GROUPS:
HOME Investment
Partnerships -
American Rescue Plan
(HOME-ARP)
\$1,327,045.00

The City of Lawton hereby announces that the City of Lawton FFY 2021 HOME-ARP Grant Allocation Plan will be on file for citizen review and comment from March 10, 2023, through March 27, 2023. The PLAN must provide funding for the following range of activities: Supportive Services, Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters (NCS), Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), Development of Affordable Rental Housing, Non-Profit Operating and Capacity Building, and these projects must be directed toward the following qualifying individuals or families: Homeless, at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, part of other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent a family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability, or veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria described above. The draft FFY 2021 COL HOME-ARP Grant Allocation Plan will be available for citizens to review and provide comments for consideration in development of the final report at the following locations specified in the Citizen Participation Plan for Housing and Community Development (HCD):

Lawton Public Library
110 SW 4th Street
Housing and Community
Development
1405 SW 11th Street
Lawton City Clerk's Office
212 SW 9th Street
H.C. King Community Center
1705 NW 20th Street
Patterson Community Center
4 NE Arlington Avenue
Citizens have fifteen (15) days to review and provide comments. Comments should be submitted in writing to the Housing and Community Development Administrator, 1405 SW 11th Street, Lawton, OK 73501 or by email to housing@lawtonok.gov

A public hearing to discuss the FFY 2021 COL HOME-ARP Grant Allocation Plan will be held before the Lawton City Council at 2:00 p.m. on March 28, 2023, at City Hall located at 212 SW 9th Street, Lawton, OK 73501. The City of Lawton will provide auxiliary aides for the disabled (ASL interpreters, amplifiers, etc.) during the

hearing upon request. The FFY 2021 HOME-ARP Grant Allocation Plan can be translated into Spanish for LEAP persons, upon request, and Spanish interpreters can be made available during the hearing upon request. The hearing site is wheelchair accessible. The City of Lawton will take reasonable measures to provide copies of the reports in formats accessible to persons with disabilities upon request. However, there may be a delay in provision of the appropriate format required. For assistance, email the HCD office at housing@lawtonok.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

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

*** Other (Specify):**

*** 3. Date Received:**

09/20/2021

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 Lawton

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

73-6005287

*** c. UEI:**

UJ7VNNPEKLJ6

d. Address:

*** Street1:** 212 SW 9th Street

Street2:

*** City:** Lawton

County/Parish:

*** State:** OK: Oklahoma

Province:

*** Country:** USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:** 73501-3944

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Community Services

Division Name:

Housing&Community Development

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

Prefix:

*** First Name:**

Gary

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:** Brooks

Suffix:

Title: Administrator, Housing&Community

Development Organizational Affiliation:

*** Telephone Number:** 580-581-3347

Fax Number: 580-581-3346

*** Email:** gary.brooks@lawtonok.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

ius Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

* 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:

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant 004

* b. Program/Project 004

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 09/20/2021

* b. End Date: 09/30/2030

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	1,327,045.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	1,327,045.00

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

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

* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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

☒ ** I AGREE

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

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr. * First Name: Stanley

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Booker

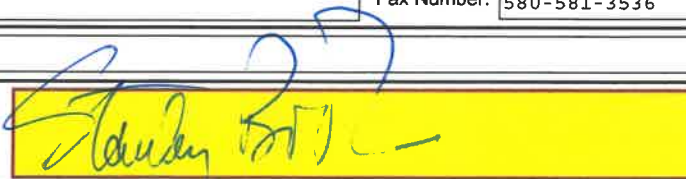
Suffix:

* Title: Mayor, City of Lawton

* Telephone Number: 580-581-3301 Fax Number: 580-581-3536

* Email: mayor@lawtonok.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:



* Date Signed: 3-30-2023

HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

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

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



Signature of Authorized Official

3-30-23

Date

Mayor, City of Lawton

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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 has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

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.


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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2021 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

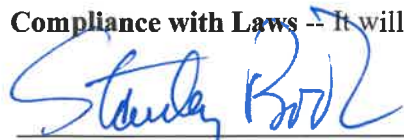
Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



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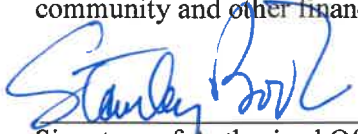
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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.



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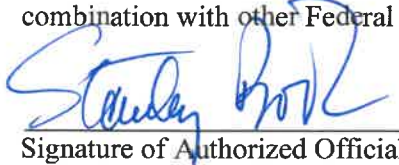
Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;



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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

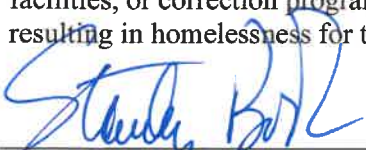
Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.



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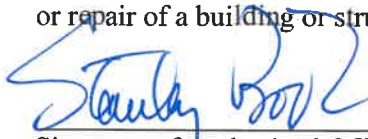
Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities -- Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building -- Any building or structure assisted under that program shall be operated for the purpose specified in the consolidated plan:

1. For a period of not less than 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For a period of not less than 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.



Signature of Authorized Official

8-30-23

Date

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4040-0009

Expiration Date: 02/28/2025

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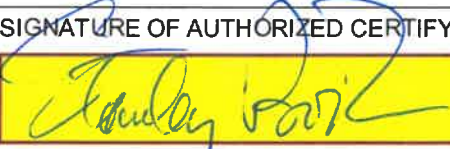
PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

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

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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
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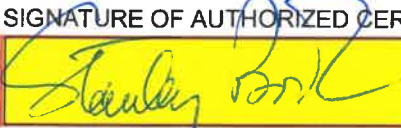
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