



MUNICIPALITY OF MAYAGÜEZ HOME ARP ALLOCATION PLAN



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I- Introduction

As a part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARP”), the Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) allocated \$4.925 billion in supplemental ARP funds through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (“HOME”) to support communities throughout the country to address homelessness. This newly created funding source is called the HOME-ARP program. The funds were allocated to HOME program Participant Jurisdictions. The Municipality of Mayagüez is a participant jurisdiction and was allocated \$ 2,386,099. HOME ARP funds must be used to benefit the four eligible qualifying populations:

- Homeless
- At-risk of homelessness
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking
- Other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those at greater risk of homelessness.

HOME-ARP funds can be used towards funding the following eligible activities to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country:

- Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Supportive Services, including services defined at 24 CFR 578.53(e), homeless prevention services, and housing counseling
- Development of Non-Congregate Shelter

All PJs eligible to receive HOME-ARP funding are required to submit a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to HUD for review. The requirements for the preparation of the HOME ARP Allocation Plan are included in CPD Notice 21-10. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan must provide a description of how the PJ intends to utilize its funding on proposed activities, and how it will address the needs of qualifying populations. In accordance with Section V of the Final Home-ARP Implementation Notice, PJs must:

- Consult with agencies and service providers whose clientele include the HOME-ARP qualifying populations to identify unmet needs and gaps in housing or service delivery systems

- Provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

To complete a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, a PJ must also:

- Conduct a needs assessment and gap analysis
- Describe proposed HOME-ARP activities
- Describe the PJs production housing goals
- Identify whether the PJ intends to give preferences to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project
- Identify if the PJ intends to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME-ARP funds, and state its HOME-ARP refinancing guidelines (if applicable)
- Implement a public comment period of at least 15 calendar days
- Hold at least one public hearing during the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and before submission.

Upon the culmination of the Municipality's consultation and public participation processes, along with the completion of its needs assessment and gap analysis, the Municipality of Mayagüez has prepared the following HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for review, consideration, and acceptance by HUD.

II- Consultation

In accordance with Section V.A of the Notice (page 13), before developing its HOME-ARP allocation plan, at a minimum, a PJ must consult with:

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

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

Template:

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

Prior to development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the Municipality consulted with the CoC 503, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, public housing agencies, public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and public/private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities. In compliance with 2 CFR 200.317-326 the Municipality completed a competitive process and awarded Harrison Consulting Group a contract to complete HOME-ARP Allocation Plan consulting services on behalf of the Municipality. As required by CPD Notice 21-10 the Municipality undertook a consultation process that included a wide variety of stakeholders that serves qualifying populations. Letters were sent to the required entities with a description of the grant and funding amount, the qualifying populations, and the range of eligible activities for the use of the funds of the HOME ARP Funds. The consultation letters provided more than 15 days to obtain the requested responses. Also, the letters included a list of the eligible program activities, who the beneficiaries were to be (qualified populations as defined in CPD Circular 2021-10), and information on special conditions of receiving the funds. Finally, the letters also included a link (QR Code and Direct permalink) to online survey.

The online survey consisted of several questions (21) specific to qualifying populations and how responders provided services to those individuals. In addition, the survey requested the stakeholders to provide information related to:

- Qualifying populations which they serve.
- If they were members of CoC 502 or 503.
- Geographical areas where they provided services to qualifying populations.
- Identify and prioritize unmet housing and service
- Identify what they see as priority needs in the community and to narrow it down to the one greatest priority need within the HOME-ARP eligible scope of activities.
- Prioritize eligible used among each eligible activity.
- Possibility of funding request by the organization or stakeholder
- Identify and prioritize qualifying population with more need.

The survey proved to be a very valuable tool for the establishment of the proposed activities that are included in this document. A copy of the results of the survey is included in the attachment.

The municipality of consulted service providers to the homeless population and entities that provide services to victims of domestic violence, also requesting that they complete a HOME ARP funds need questionnaire form designed to obtain a detailed view of the need of the clientele they served. This mechanism provided for the establishment of priorities and the definition of activities that should be carried out with the HOME-ARP funds.

As required the municipality consulted with:

- PR 503 CoC, coalition that serves the Municipality of Mayagüez geographic area (requested them to provide the letter to all the members of the coalition and providers of the qualifying populations
- Homeless service providers.
- Domestic violence service providers
- Puerto Rico Public Housing Administration (Public housing agency)
- Municipality of Mayagüez Section 8 Program
- Municipality of San Juan HOPWA Program
- Organizations that address civil rights and fair housing
- Organizations that address the needs of persons with disabilities

The following table shows the consulted entities and the feedback received:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
Puerto Rico Public Housing Administration	State Public Housing Agency (PHA) serving the jurisdiction's geographic area.	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Nesheree Soldevila Guzmán completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Development of non congregated shelters • TBRA <p>In addition, Mrs. Soldevilla indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	1,2,3,4
Puerto Rico Department of Housing (Secretaria Auxiliar Subsidio de Vivienda)	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Puerto Rico Housing Finance Authority	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mr. Javier Trogolo completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Supportive services • Provision of TBRA <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	2 & 4
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, San Juan Regional Office	Federal agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1

¹ 1=Homeless, as defined in section 103(a), 2= At-risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1), 3=Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, 4=other populations were providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the Act.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
Puerto Rico Department of Health	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Puerto Rico Department of Housing Rental Assistance CoC	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,3
HOPWA Program, at the Municipality of San Juan	Municipality administering a Federal Program that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Programa Ryan White Parte B/ADAP - Departamento de Salud	Federal Program that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Norma I. Delgado Mercado completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Development of non congregated shelters • TBRA <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the elderly.</p>	1
Office of the Ombudsman for People with Disabilities	State Public Agency organizations that address civil rights and fair housing.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,4
Office of the Women's Advocate ("Oficina de la Procuradora de las Mujeres")	State Public Agency organizations that address civil rights and fair housing for women.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	3
Puerto Rico Office for Socioeconomic and	State Public Agency that addresses the	Letter and questionnaire	Mrs. Thais M. Reyes Serrano completed the questionnaire. In	1,2,3,4

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
Community Development	needs of qualifying populations.		<p>the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Supportive Services • Administrative funds <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the families.</p>	
First Bank de Puerto Rico	Private Bank and Mortgage lender that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	N/A
Banco Popular de Puerto Rico	Private Bank and Mortgage lender that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	N/A
Puerto Rico Landlords Association	Professional Association that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	N/A
Mortgage Bankers Association of PR	Private Bank and Mortgage lender that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	N/A
“Acción Social de Puerto Rico”	Non-Profit that addresses the needs of qualifying populations	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Puerto Rico Family and Child Administration	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	3

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
Puerto Rico Administration for the Socio-Economic Development of the Family	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	3
Puerto Rico Administration on Addiction and Mental Health Services (ASSMCA)	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Yesenia Mojica Figueroa completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive Services • Development of Affordable Housing • Non congregated shelter <p>In addition, Mrs. Mojica Figueroa indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	1,2,3,4
Child Support Administration (“Administración para el Sustento de Menores”)	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	3
Oficina del Procurador del Paciente (“Oficina del Procurador del Paciente”)	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,4
Puerto Rico Department of Education	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Norma L. Rivera Ortiz completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive Services • Administrative funds • TBRA <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the youth.</p> <p>Mrs. Rivera Ortiz indicated that Homeless people need follow-up and direct support, so that they</p>	2,3,4

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
			can acquire the required services. Likewise, people with mental health needs should be taken into consideration and this need should be addressed.	
Puerto Rico Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation	State Public Agency that addresses the needs of qualifying populations.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1
ProBono Inc.	Non-profit organization that provides free and accessible legal education and support to individuals and communities	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Community Legal Office (Legal Assistance Clinic of the Interamerican University School of Law)	A non-profit organization that provides free and accessible legal education and support to individuals and communities	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Servicios legales de Puerto Rico	A private, not-for-profit corporation that provides free civil legal advice, representation, and education to qualified individuals and underprivileged groups.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Coordinadora Morivivi	This organization acts as a Collaborative Applicant to provide support overseeing the Puerto Rico Continuum of Care	Letter and questionnaire	Mrs. Teresa Carrero Giraldo completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Administrative Funds 	1,2,3,4

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback	Qualifying population served ¹
	South-Southeast Puerto Rico (CoC-PR503) that serves 54 Municipalities across the island		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supportive services <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p> <p>Mrs. Carrero also participated of an online meeting held on March 6, 2023. The CoC concurred with the gap and need analysis and the proposed distribution.</p>	
Ayuda Legal Puerto Rico	Non-profit organization that provides free and accessible legal education and support to low income individuals and communities.	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Coalicion de Coaliciones	CoC 503	Letter and questionnaire and meeting	Mrs. Francisco Rodriguez also participated of an online meeting held on March 6, 2023. The CoC concurred with the gap and need analysis and the proposed distribution.	1,2,3,4
Guara-BI	Homeless Service Provider	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Irisbel Nuñez completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of non congregated shelters Supportive Services Development of Affordable Housing <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	1,3
Corporación Milagros de Amor	Homeless Service Provider	Letter and questionnaire	Mrs. Hilda Yiseidi Martinez completed the questionnaire. In the response they indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:	1

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Affordable Housing • Supportive Services • Administrative funds <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	
IPVI	Homeless Service Provider	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Nilsa Lopez Rivera completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of non congregated shelter • Administrative funds • Supportive services <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the victims of domestic violence.</p>	3
Casa Protegida Julia de Burgos	Homeless Service Provider (Domestic Violence)	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	3
Hogar Luz De Vida Inc	Homeless Service Provider (shelter, Permanent Housing, Rapid rehousing, Supportive services and housing)	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mr. Walter Perez Rodriguez completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive Services • Development of affordable housing • Non Congregated Shelter <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	1
FUNDESCO	Homeless Service Provider (shelter, Permanent Housing, Rapid rehousing,	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation		
	Supportive services and housing)			
Municipio de Luquillo	Municipality member of 503 CoC	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Yarelix Pumarejo completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive Services • Development of affordable housing • Administrative Funds <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	N/A
Puerto Rico Department of the Family	State Agency and Services Provider	Letter and questionnaire	No comments received	1,2,3,4
Municipio de Jayuya	Municipality member of 503 CoC	Letter and questionnaire	<p>Mrs. Idalia Pérez Abruña completed the questionnaire. In the response indicated that the principal needs (1-3) were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non Congregated shelter • Administrative Funds • TBRA <p>In addition, they indicated that population with more need are the single adults.</p>	N/A

Each organization consulted received a presentation about HOME-ARP, including the amount of funding the Municipality is eligible for, the possible uses of the grant, and the qualifying populations. In addition, each organization was provided with direct link to complete an online survey. Responders were provided with one week that was extended to 1 month to complete the survey.

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

The table above present summary of the consultation process with entities. The result of questionnaire is included in attachment 6.

III-Public Participation

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

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

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

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

Template:

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

Date(s) of Public notice: 03/14/2023

Public Comment Period: start date :03/14/23 end date: 03/29/2023

Dates(s) of Public Hearing: February 27, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Describe the public participation process:

The Municipality of Mayagüez encouraged citizens and interested parties to provide inputs for the development of the HOME-ARPA allocation Plan, in accordance with Section 24 CFR 91.105(b)(3). It is required that public hearings be celebrated for the preparation of the Plan. Reasonable notice and opportunity to comment occurred and throughout the participation process Mayagüez followed the applicable fair housing and civil rights provisions, as required by 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.115. The implemented procedures guaranteed effective communication, accessibility, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and provided meaningful access to participation by limited English proficient (LEP) residents.

The Municipality of Mayagüez published notices in Spanish and in English, on February 10, 2023, in the “Primera Hora”, newspaper of general circulation. The notices announced the virtual public hearing as to provide information about HOME-ARPA allocations and Plan to be prepared and to receive comments from the public. The hearing was announced in compliance with the Mayagüez Citizen participation Plan, which establishes that the notice is to be available for 15 days prior to the celebration of public hearings. The hearing was celebrated, as programmed, on February 27, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. It could be accessed through the virtual link: <https://meet.goto.com/179451581>. A total of 5 persons were attendees at this virtual hearing. An exposition made by municipal officials included information on the objectives of the HOME-ARPA allocation to Mayagüez, the eligible population, the possible use of funds and the type of entities to execute programs and most important the eligible clientele. During the hearing the Plan process was explained, the amount of the allocation to Mayagüez was divulged (\$ 2,386,099.00) and guidance was provided on eligible populations and activities. Also, an explanation of the ways that effective participation could take place among the impacted population and service entities was provided. Emphasize was given to the importance of receiving inputs from the communities and individuals of low and moderate-income, identifying needs, urgencies, priorities, and aspirations, while seeking opportunity and solutions aligned with the goals of the *Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan of Mayagüez for the years 2020 to 2024*.

The public hearings allowed active participation of the interested parties and provided opportunity to expose opinions and ideas pertaining the existing needs and possible solutions that can be sought using HOME ARPA funding. In accordance with the protocols established because of the Coronavirus Pandemic, the Municipality carried out these public hearings virtually. Also, a QR code and link was provided to access a survey and participants were exhorted to fill in the questionnaire that is accessed through the code or through the address <https://forms.office.com/r/TDhfXJd6uL>. Answers to the questionnaire would be received until one week ahead from the date of this hearing. An email and postal address for questions or written comments were also provided. Comments would be addressed to Jaime Rosario, contact persons in charge of the HOME-ARP funds, jrosario@Mayagüezpr.gov. or the address of the Municipal Department of Housing at Ramón Emeterio Betances #123 sur.

Highlights on preliminary data collected from the questionnaires were presented, as well as information from the homeless Counts of the years 2019 and 2022. It was emphasized by the presenter that questionnaire answers positioned as the population with the highest housing needs are first for elders

and second for adults living alone, third for victims of domestic violence. In terms of activities the answers identified principal, providing supportive services and as second the need for the development of rental housing. The homeless count data presented an important increase in the number of victims of homeless. The population sectors with the most increase were the victims of domestic violence.

The hearing transcript can be accessed at the following addresses:

<https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/#/s/5cd746406a906888506c334be2545d0a035ebc9993d4495606bb282b9fc14b45>

Hearing participants are listed below, and their comments appear next to their names:

1. Joseph Harrison, HCG Consulting Group - The hearing began with welcoming remarks by Mr. Joseph Harrison who proceeded with the exposition and explanation of the power point slides.
2. Attorney Jaime Rosario Burgos, welcomed the participants at the public hearing on behalf of the Municipality of Mayagüez.
3. Ivonne Santiago, Executive Director of Estancia Corazón. They have an emergency shelter that has been providing services for the last 31 years. They need to relocate to a new facility to move the clientele and improve the service. At this time, they have 10 beds and 2 dedicated to women. They are interested in acquiring the facility where they are providing services at this time. They are looking a location for 20 beds. Mrs. Santiago was oriented regarding the eligibility of the activities including non-congregated shelter, affordable housing, supportive services.
4. Beatriz Grau, Moriviví, Inc. (bgrau@morivivipr.org). She indicated that permanent housing with supportive services is necessary including the one occupied by Lucha that is not in compliance. Supportive services to homeless clientele are a gap. The provision of life skills, food, medicines, must be provided by organizations. One permanent housing project was lost and there is need for this type of projects. She requested information regarding the conversion of the non-congregated shelter into rental housing. Mr. Harrison explained the affordability period requirement and below the response for the question made by Mrs. Grau:
 - The ARP authorizes the conversion of HOME-ARP NCS units into permanent housing during the restricted use period. However, HOME-ARP funds may be used for conversion. The written agreement between the PJ and the owner of the HOME-ARP NCS project must describe conversion as a possible outcome of the HOME-ARP NCS project; specify the conditions under which conversion will be permitted; and require that the PJ approve any conversion in advance. All HOME-ARP NCS projects must be operated as NCS for a minimum period of time prior to conversion. The minimum use period prior to conversion varies based on the original HOME-ARP NCS eligible activity undertaken and the amount of funds invested in the project as explained below:
 - Acquisition Only: HOME-ARP NCS activities not requiring rehabilitation for occupancy must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 3 years from project completion prior to conversion.

- Moderate Rehabilitation: Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources of less than 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive moderate rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 5 years from project completion prior to conversion.
- Substantial Rehabilitation: Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources exceeds 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive substantial rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion before conversion.
- New Construction: Any HOME-ARP NCS project defined by the PJ's state or local code requirements as new construction must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion prior to conversion.

Section VI.E.11 of CPD notice 2021-10 explains in details the conditions of the conversion. We have included in the attachment section (attachment 3) the pages related to conversion.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

The municipality took proactive action to broaden and promote public participation including the following:

1. Notified the public of the availability of the HOME ARP Funds using public notices published in English and Spanish (see attachment).
2. The municipality follow up (phone) to each of the entities consulted during the consultation process.
3. Held a meeting with CoC to receive input.
4. Notice inviting the public to the Public Hearing was published in English and Spanish
5. Notice of the plan's availability was published in English and Spanish.

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

1. Ivonne Santiago, Executive Director of Estancia Corazón. They have an emergency shelter that has been providing services for the last 31 years. They need to relocate to a new facility to move the clientele and improve the service. At this time, they have 10 beds and 2 dedicated to women. They are interested in acquiring the facility where they are providing services at this time. They are looking a location for 20 beds. Mrs. Santiago was oriented regarding the eligibility of the activities including non-congregated shelter, affordable housing, supportive services.
2. Beatriz Grau, Moriviví, Inc. (bgrau@morivivipr.org). She indicated that permanent housing with supportive services is necessary including the one occupied by Lucha that is not in compliance. Supportive services to homeless clientele are a gap. The provision of life skills, food, medicines, must be provided by organizations. One permanent housing project was lost and there is need for this type of projects. She requested information regarding the conversion of the non-congregated shelter into rental housing. Mr. Harrison explained the affordability period requirement and below the response for the question made by Mrs. Grau:
 - The ARP authorizes the conversion of HOME-ARP NCS units into permanent housing during the restricted use period. However, HOME-ARP funds may be used for conversion. The written agreement between the PJ and the owner of the HOME-ARP NCS project must describe conversion as a possible outcome of the HOME-ARP NCS project; specify the conditions under which conversion will be permitted; and require that the PJ approve any conversion in advance. All HOME-ARP NCS projects must be operated as NCS for a minimum period of time prior to conversion. The minimum use period prior to conversion varies based on the original HOME-ARP NCS eligible activity undertaken and the amount of funds invested in the project as explained below:
 - Acquisition Only: HOME-ARP NCS activities not requiring rehabilitation for occupancy must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 3 years from project completion prior to conversion.
 - Moderate Rehabilitation: Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources of less than 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive moderate rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 5 years from project completion prior to conversion.
 - Substantial Rehabilitation: Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources exceeds 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive substantial rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion before conversion.
 - New Construction: Any HOME-ARP NCS project defined by the PJ's state or local code requirements as new construction must be operated as

HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion prior to conversion.

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Consultation Meeting with CoC 503

On March 6, 2023 the Municipality held an online meeting with representative of Coordinadora Morivi (Collaborative Entity of the CoC). During the meeting the municipality presented the preliminary finding of the Citizen Participation and Consultation process. In addition, the Municipality presented the representatives of the CoC with the proposed allocation of HOME ARP Funds. The CoC concurred with the gap analysis and the activities selected and the recommended allocation.

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

All comments received were evaluated and addressed in this document.

IV-Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

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

Template:**OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table (COC-503)**

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	32	8	133	0	0								
Transitional Housing	15	1	30	0	7								
Permanent Supportive Housing	115	38	485	0	#								
Other Permanent Housing	81	26	81	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						7	190	7	8				
Unsheltered Homeless						7	95	7	8				
Current Gap										7	4	197	186

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

As part of the Continuum of Care South-Southeast of Puerto Rico (CoC-PR-503) strategy's to ending homelessness, the Municipality of Mayagüez is committed to reducing and ending homelessness in Puerto Rico. The Municipality participates as a board member of the CoC-PR503 that serves 54 Municipalities across the island. It also collaborates and maintains an ongoing relationship with the Coalition which was established to promote through alliances the integration, coordination and use of strategic use of resources among community, government and private sectors, develop new strategies to evaluate and reallocate resources, remove barriers to accessing services, evaluate unmet needs and provide supportive services and affordable housing needs, implement effective solutions to build economic security and promote and support activities that prevent homelessness.

The Municipality is an active member CoC-PR503 consisting of state agencies, municipalities, non-profit organizations, and formerly homeless citizens. The Municipality of Mayagüez works in collaboration with other ESG recipients, community, faith-based Organizations and Municipalities across the target area. In addition, the Municipality administers a variety of federal, state or locally funded programs with the same objectives that are outside the scope of this Plan. The Municipality also has a homeless admission preference in its Public Housing Administration Plan. As part of the CoC-PR 503, agencies that provides services to the homeless population in the Municipality are invited and encouraged to attend meetings of the CoC and participate in the Coordinated Entry System (CES) of the CoC. Consolidated oversight for the majority of the homeless assistance programs throughout the South-southeast area of Puerto Rico allows targeting of funds, consistency of program goals and policies and helps reduce and ultimately end homelessness in PR. Additionally, the Municipality actively participates in the Point-in-Time Count of sheltered and/ or unsheltered homeless individuals and families performed every other year.

It is important to highlight than different from the United States, where homelessness is related to the inability of households to pay for housing related costs, in Puerto Rico, the main characteristic of the homeless population is that supportive services needs go far beyond the housing needs and it include social and medical needs that require a core group of initiatives to deal with this social problem. The Municipality will undertake the homeless strategy from a collaboration approach during the period covered by this Plan. This strategy allows the Municipality to coordinate services that fully address the barriers faced by homeless persons.

The critical components of the Municipality's homeless strategy may include the following:

- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
- Affordable rental housing development
- Provision of supportive services
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters

The planning process will serve as a roadmap to define and design the services strategies and initiatives to deliver housing and supportive services that facilitates re-housing individuals and/or families.

The data used for the HOME ARP plan was widely available in the COC 503 - 2022 Point-In-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC), along with data obtained from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's 2015-2019 Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS). The Municipality evaluated the size, gap and demographic composition of each qualifying populations to assess the unmet needs of those populations. In addition, the Municipality also identified gaps within CoC 503 HMIS. The data used by the Municipality was the most up to date data available for HOME-ARP's qualifying

populations and their need for additional housing, shelter, or services during the formation of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

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

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The Point in Time (PIT) Census is conducted every two years by the two Continuum of Care in Puerto Rico: PR-CoC-502 and PR-CoC-503. The Municipality of Mayagüez is one of the cities covered by the South-Southeast Puerto Rico Continuum of Care (PR-CoC- 503) comprised of fifty-four (54) Municipalities. According to most recent Point in Time Count conducted from March 3-4, 2022, there are 2,215 unsheltered and sheltered homeless individuals and families across the island; 98.7% are unsheltered and 8.1 % of individuals are living in the streets with another adult or family member. Fifty – four (54%), **1,189** of the **homeless population** is located within the Mayagüez jurisdiction (CoC-PR 503). Five (5%) of the total homeless population is located within the PR-CoC-503 jurisdiction in which the Municipality of Mayagüez provides services to the homeless population.

Over the last years, Puerto Rico has experienced extraordinary social, economic, and environmental challenges. However, the CoC-503 homeless count had no significant changes when compared with PIT 2019 in which 1,190 homeless individuals were identified. The homeless situation is complex and those who remain on the streets are the most vulnerable. Of the 1,089 persons counted in 2022, 95% are unsheltered. More services need to be planned to fulfill the needs of the population. In order to plan and target services for those in need, next will outline the nature of homeless population for the Municipality of Mayagüez.

Currently, Mayagüez is fourth ranked with the highest number of homeless individuals within the CoC-503 jurisdiction. According to the PIT census, Mayagüez has 55 homeless individuals, 63 less individuals than last count in year 2019.

The PIT census shows that 73% of the homeless population is male while nearly 9% are women and 18% did not know or refused to answer; 91% are individuals over the age 25 and 9% falls between 18 and 24 years of age. The survey also reveals that 53% of the population experienced homelessness for the first time, no individuals were identified living in the streets with another adult or family member, fleeing from a domestic abuse, HIV positive, or veterans. CoC-503 PIT count shows that 95% of the population is unsheltered as opposed to 5% of sheltered population.

Some of the reasons to become homeless were related to substance and alcohol abuse (45%), family disputes (39%), unemployment (22%), mental health (14%), financial hardship (12%), natural disasters (8%), eviction (4%), related to COVID-10 pandemic (4%) and, other (12%).

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

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The definition of at risk of homelessness is broad and no single source include all the population that may fit into the definition. The best available data to quantify and estimate this population is HUDS Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data. Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) receives custom tabulations of American Community Survey (ACS) data from the U.S. Census Bureau. These data, known as the "CHAS" data (Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy), demonstrate the extent of housing problems and housing needs, particularly for low-income households. The data is available at:

<https://www.huduser.gov/PORTAL/datasets/cp.html>

CHAS data identifies the number of families who have incomes below 30% of the area median income (AMI) and are likely to not have sufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability. Based on the 2015-2019 CHAS, the Municipality identified a total of 2,565 households with income below 30% AMI with cost burden and 2,205 with severe cost burden. A household is cost burdened when they spend more than 30 percent of the household income on housing cost. A household is severely cost burdened when they spend more than 50 percent of the household income on housing cost. For renters, housing costs include rent paid by the tenant plus utilities. The total number of households with cost and severe cost burden is 4,770.

Cost and severe cost burden is a risk of homelessness indicator but not all of the households are at immediate risk. For the purpose of this analysis, we have added a concept of Housing Insecurity. Housing insecurity is defined as not paying the full amount of rent or mortgage and/or utility bills (water, power) sometime in the previous 12 months. To estimate that number we used the data provided by HUD's Picture of Subsidized Households report (<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/assthsg.html>). This data set describes the nearly 5 million households living in HUD-subsidized housing in the United States. Assistance provided under HUD programs falls into three categories: public housing, tenant-based, and privately owned, project-based. Picture provides characteristics of assisted housing units and residents,

summarized at the national, state, public housing agency (PHA), project, census tract, county, Core-Based Statistical Area and city levels. From this data set we obtained the percentage of households with no income and applied the percentage to the universe included in the CHAS data set. According to the dataset 14.75% of the subsidized households in Mayagüez has no income. When applying this percentage, we narrow down the number of households at risk to 704. The same report disclosed that there are 544 affordable units available for the persons at risk and PHA data indicates that only 29% of the vouchers awarded in Mayagüez found a unit. Taking that into consideration we calculated a housing need gap of 546 units for individuals or households at risk of becoming homeless. In addition, we determined to include all the 704 individual or households without income as families with supportive services need.

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

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

One significant data gap that exists in the qualifying population is for persons fleeing, or attempting to Flee, domestic Violence, dating Violence, sexual Assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as defined by HUD. Official data is insufficient to determine housing gap and need and during the citizen participation and consultation no data was provided by any of the parties consulted. To address the need of this population the Government and the CoC must work in collaboration to promote accurate data collection and compile statistics that can produce a profile of this qualifying population. Domestic violence can take various forms, and most often, it combines several types of violence, creating depression, injuries, illness and need for housing and supporting services. The data collection efforts will enable an understanding of how domestic violence undermines victims' economic security and quality of life.

During the consultation process we obtained data published by the Oficina de la Procuradora de la Mujeres 2021 annual report². The data was collected as part of the CRIAS Project (Centro de Respuesta Integrada de Apoyo y Servicios para la Mujer). The Center for Integrated Response, Support and Services for Women (CRIAS) is a critical resource for women in Puerto Rico today and in the future. CRIAS is a call center through which the Office receives calls from victims of persons Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking. The call center directs the callers to the appropriate supportive service. Data from the system discloses the following:

² <https://docs.pr.gov/files/Mujer/Informes/Informe%20Anual%20OPM%202021.pdf>

CRIAS	
Population	Number of Persons
Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee	45
Domestic Violence	
Sexual Assault	0
Stalking	1
Other	2
Total	48

Demographic Characteristics

The characteristics of the population was calculated using the same report. We must clarify that the characteristics used for this report were calculated for the whole Island and no local data is available.

In general, the predominant age range in the population of surviving victims served is 20 to 29 years of age, which represents 22% (279), followed by the group of 30 to 39 years old with 21% (269) and then by the group of 40 to 49 years old with 17% (213). The marital status of the population served through the hotline was mostly identified as single with 40% (504). Next, in descending order, married 20% (249), in a consensual relationship 10% (130), divorced 5% (67), separated in a consensual relationship 3% (42), separated 2% (21) and widowed 1% (13).

Relationship of the Population with the Aggressor

The spouse of the victim represents the main aggressor with 19% (239) this was followed by someone with whom the victim had a consensual relationship with 15% (188) and the former partner with 19% (248). Acquaintances, whether a friend, neighbor, co-worker or others represent 15% (186) of the victims.

Education

Most of the population served through the CRIAS system have a high school diploma (19% or 246). However, it is important to note that violence against women does not discriminate by level of education. The data shows that 12% (159) of the surviving victims reported having at least a bachelor's degree, 9% (115) reported having an associate's degree or technical certificate,

3% (43) a master's degree, and 1% (15) had a Ph.D or doctorate. This is an indication that any individual is exposed to living situations of violence in his or her environment, regardless of his or her academic preparation.

To calculate the housing gap, we used CHAS and PHA data. First, we narrowed down the number of total victims (115) by subtracting the potential opportunity to find a housing unit with a Housing Choice Vouchers available (38) to calculate the actual Housing gap to 7 units. However, all the potential victims (45) require supporting services.

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

In other populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability

The definition of other population included in CPD Notice 2021-10 is too broad and no single source of data include all the population that may fit into the definition. Again, the best available data to quantify and estimate this population is HUDS Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data (see description above).

CHAS data identifies the number of families who have incomes between 30% and 50% of the area median income (AMI) and are likely to not have sufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability. Based on the 2015-2019 CHAS, the Municipality identified a total of 740 households with income below between 30% and 50% AMI with cost burden and 405 with severe cost burden. A household is cost burdened when they spend more than 30 percent of the household income on housing cost. A household is severely cost burdened when they spend more than 50 percent of the household income on housing cost. For renters, housing costs include rent paid by the tenant plus utilities. The total number of households with income between 30%-to 50% AMI cost and severe cost burden is 1145. To estimate the number of housing gap for this population we used data from HUD's Picture of Subsidized Households dataset to estimate the number of families currently subsidized with income between 30-50% AMI. According to the data set 14.75% of the units are occupied by those families and only 29% will succeed in the housing market. Taking that into consideration we estimated the number of units available to that population (38 units). This resulted in a gap of 131 units. In addition, we determined to include all the 169 families without income as families with supportive services need.

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):

As described previously throughout this section, a total of 55 homeless individuals were counted in the Municipality of Mayagüez during the most recent Point in Time (PIT) survey undertaken in 2022. As part of the service delivery area of the South- southeast (CoC PR 503), the Municipality analyzed data from overall PIT count, from their CoC targeted area, and local data to estimate a profile of the homeless local jurisdiction and obtain statistical data to understand the nature and extent of homelessness within its geographic limits.

The establishment of partnerships allows the Municipality to coordinate the use of HUD's CoC funding stream allocated to the organizations and build ladders of housing opportunities for the homeless population with the objective of giving the homeless person a fair chance to lift themselves up, rebuild their life and achieved self-sufficiency. By leading this effort, the Municipality maximizes the use of available funding within the homeless service community organizations and strengthen the consolidated service structure within the local jurisdiction.

Currently, the Municipality of Mayagüez has a strong local continuum of care that includes a broad variety of housing opportunities such as: four congregate emergency shelters, including a shelter administrated by the Municipality- *Albergue San Gabriel*, *Casa del Peregrino – Mayagüez*, *Estancia Corazón* and *Instituto Pre Vocacional – Dame tu Mano*. It also has one transitional housing, *Hogar Luz de Vida*, for homeless men in need of substance abuse treatment and two for permanent housing. Overall, the CoC-503 has (17) emergency shelters, (4) transitional housing and (26) permanent housing and (15) rapid re-housing projects including projects for victims of abuse within the CoC-503 geographical area to serve the homeless population. Mental health services to the homeless population are mostly provided through an outreach program (PATH) of a Government agency (ASSMCA) to which the Municipality holds a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

As a strategy to reach out and assess the needs of the homeless population, the Municipality mainly relies on the PATH Program administered by the State Mental Health and Substance Abuse Administration (ASSMCA), the Casa San Gabriel Mayagüez emergency shelter and local Community Based Organizations such as, *Casa del Peregrino – Mayagüez*, *Estancia Corazón* and *Instituto Pre Vocacional – Dame tu Mano*. These Organizations provide congregate immediate shelter to the homeless population along with a multidisciplinary evaluation service that includes health care, psychological and substance abuse evaluation services, referral to access substance

abuse treatment and housing services. Services provided allows to connect homeless to emergency shelters, transitional or permanent housing, or any other identified essential service.

Finally, homeless persons, especially chronically homeless individuals and families are served through short and/ or medium-term rental assistance to help individuals or families living in shelters or places not meant for human habitation move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

The following table describe the inventory of affordable housing available for the qualifying population:

Program	Subsidized units available
Public Housing	3424
Housing Choice Vouchers	1209
Mod Rehab	597
Project Based Section 8	18
Total	5248

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5, At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5, Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice 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

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

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The Unmet housing and service need for the Homeless are:

- 79 Beds
- 117 Supportive services

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The Unmet housing and service need for At Risk of Homelessness are:

- 546 units
- 704 Supportive services

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

The Unmet housing and service need for Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, are:

- 7 units
- 45 Supportive services

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability as defined by HUD in the Notice

The Unmet housing and service need for other populations are:

- 131 units
- 169 Supportive services

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

Persons identified to be at increased risk include persons who are extremely low income; persons with mental disabilities; persons fleeing domestic violence; homeless persons being discharged from crisis units, hospitals and jails; unaccompanied youth and youth aging out of foster care. Prevention assistance is also primarily provided to persons who have already received notice that eviction proceedings have been started in court (rather than just a three-day notice from landlord), since they are the households most likely to be evicted without assistance.

We can summarize that in Mayagüez the most common housing problems are:

- Affordability (cost burden)
- Substandard housing

The economic crisis has placed extremely low-income families at greater risk of homelessness. In particular, family households and single mothers are vulnerable due to the high costs associated

with childcare and nutrition. Cost burden is another element that worsen the burden of this families. The characteristics of this families at risk are:

- Extremely low income or zero income.
- Head of households unemployed.
- Victim of domestic violence.
- Women headed households.
- Little or no support from family and/or friends; no natural supports.
- Poor work history; inability to hold a job.
- History of mental health or substance abuse.

The identified needs of this population are subsidies for rent, job opportunities, and utility subsidies. As the data previously analyzed show, in Mayagüez the cost burden problem most affects the small family households and the elderly households.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

All of the qualifying population are considered of high priority thus no preference or priorities will be established in this plan.

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 Municipality used both statistical data and stakeholder input to identify the level of need along with gaps in Mayagüez's shelter/affordable housing inventory and service delivery systems. In order to determine the gaps in Mayagüez affordable housing inventory, the Municipality first identified its qualifying populations. The following table summarize the source data used to determine the qualifying population:

Qualifying Population	Data Source
Homeless	2022 Point In Time Survey Coc 503
At Risk of homelessness	CHAS Data A picture of Subsidized Households PHA Data (Success Rate) Consolidated Plan Data
Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking	Consolidated Plan Data Data from Procuradora de Asuntos de la Mujer
Other Population	CHAS Data

	A picture of Subsidized Households PHA Data PHA Data (Success Rate)
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Once the number of individuals in qualifying populations were identified, the Municipality used a formula that considered the number of available units (CoC, Picture of Subsidized Households) the success rate (PHA) and the income of the clientele (Picture of Subsidized Households).

The analysis provided the Municipality with a picture of the need of each population and the gaps for each type of housing type and service. The supportive services need was obtained from the input provided during the hearing, the CoC meeting and the online survey. The Municipality provided multiple organizations with an opportunity to complete a HOME ARP needs online survey. The online survey also provided for the presentation of housing and services gaps. For a list of the parties consulted please see the attachment section.

V- HOME-ARP Activities

Template:

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

RESPONSE:

The Department of Housing and Federal Programs of the Municipality of Mayagüez is the lead agency appointed by the Mayor of the City with the responsibility for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan. This municipal department is also responsible for administration of the CDBG, HOME, and HOME ARP Programs. This office will have the responsibility of drafting and publishing application forms and evaluation criteria. Solicitation publication, review, and selection will follow standard municipal policies that promote diversity in applicants and timely and cost-effective implementation. The request for applications will be promoted via social media, web page, and email to the members of CoC 503 and to all stakeholders that participated in the HOME-ARP planning process – including homeless service providers; providers that serve victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking; veterans' groups and affordable housing developers. Activities to be undertaken by the Municipality will not be subject to competition.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

RESPONSE:

The Municipality of Mayagüez will administer the HOME ARP funds with the assistance of a consultant (Harrison Consulting Group). Mayagüez will administer the activities to be funded with HOME-ARP allocations and will use the allowable portion of 15% of the funds assigned to the jurisdiction for such purposes. As part of its administrative duties the Secretariat of Housing and Socioeconomic Development of the Municipality of Mayagüez will evaluate proposed projects, conduct layering and underwriting analysis, and monitor all HOME-ARP activities for compliance with federal regulations.

Regarding specific activities the Municipality intends to administer projects funded with HOME ARP. Specifically, the Municipality intends to acquire or develop rental units with HOME ARP

funds and provide funds for the rehabilitation and operation of the non-congregated shelter to non profits.

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:

RESPONSE:

No portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds were provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. However, the Municipality conducted an RFP process to identify and select a qualified contractors to provide consulting services. The selection of the contractor followed the requirements of 2 CFR 200.317-326. The contractor selected was Harrison Consulting Group (HCG).

HCG was contracted to conduct the planning necessary to complete the allocation plan, no transfer of funds will occur until the allocation plan is approved by HUD. The contractors is seasoned local firm with ample experience in the provision of services to Public Jurisdictions. The firm have two Certified HOME Specialist and one subject matter expert in CoC. HCG has experience in the HOME and CoC programs and supported the CoC 503 Collaborative Entity. The tasks contracted with the independent contractor include:

- Preparation of the HOME ARP Allocation Plan.
- Revise the Citizen Participation plan (as needed).
- Prepare program designs for the activities to be undertaken.
- Provide technical assistance to the Municipality and subrecipients.
- Assists in the preparation of the annual performance report and any other required reports.
- Prepare progress reports.

Requirement:

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

Template:**Use of HOME-ARP Funding**

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$714,093	29.93%	
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$863,762	36.20%	
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	-	-	
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$450,330	18.87%	
Non-Profit Operating	\$0.00	0.00%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$0.00	0.00%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$357,914	15.00%	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$2,386,099.00		

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

The municipality conducted a rigorous citizen participation and consultation process that was used for determining the proposed use of HOME ARP funds. As part of the consultation process, the Municipality held a working meeting with the members of the CoC 503's executive committee. During this meeting, a presentation was made explaining the scope of the consultation and citizen participation process and how the housing and service unit gap had been

calculated. The proposed distribution was also presented to the Coalition. The Executive Committee members agreed with the distribution of funds and did not request any changes.

The Municipality of will use the HOME-ARP allocation to undertake three (3) eligible activities: 1)Acquisition with or without Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing to be offered for rent to qualified populations, 2) to provide supportive services, 3) Production of Non Congregated Shelters. The three projects were identified during the citizen participation and consultation process and were selected based on the best data available and the input from the stakeholders.

The need analysis shows a gap of 683 affordable rental units, 117 shelter beds, and supportive services for 996persons.

Through the investments in HOME-ARP funding, paired with other funding sources, the Municipality will increase the capacity of to serve the qualifying population and will connect people with housing options, and eventually exit homelessness contributing to a decrease in the identified gap. HOME-ARP rental housing that will provide single family or multifamily housing. To promote the development of financially viable housing, the Municipality would opt for the most profitable development option. In addition to the affordable housing need the gap analysis also disclosed that there is a need for supportive service for the qualifying population.

ACQUISITION WITH OR WITHOUT REHABILITATION, REHABILITATION OF EXISTING HOUSING, OR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF RENTAL HOUSING TO BE OFFERED FOR RENT TO QUALIFIED POPULATIONS

Funds to be allocated \$863,762

Goal: 7 units

Rental Housing Goal: 7 rental housing units

As a result of the citizen participation and consultation process it was identified that there is a shortage of affordable housing that is preventing people with housing vouchers to obtain an affordable housing unit. This project or assignment will be carried out by acquiring housing units (standard and substandard) to convert them into rental housing. The housing characteristics of the units will range from 1 to 3 bedrooms, private bathroom (s) and kitchen.

Among the strategies to guarantee project success are the following:

- Produce a regulation for harmonious cohabitation of families within the project,
- Perform home inspections periodically to ensure that the home is kept in optimal conditions,

- Maintaining effective and productive relationship between the landlord and tenant to ensure property maintenance.

The location of these homes will be anywhere in the municipality of Mayagüez, except in areas susceptible to flooding or landslides for the safety of the inhabitants. The goal is to acquire seven (7) housing units.

PROVISION OF SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Funds to be allocated \$714,093

During the consultation process the organizations indicated that there is need for supportive services that need to be provided to the qualifying population. Based on the identified need the Municipality is allocating HOME ARP resources for the provision of a broad range of supportive services to qualifying individuals or families as a separate activity or in combination with other HOME-ARP activities. The need analysis shows a gap of supportive services for 996 individuals or households among the qualifying population in Mayagüez.

The Municipality will provide HOME-ARP funds for a broad range of supportive services to the qualifying individuals and families that meet HUD's requirements. The eligible supportive services include (1) McKinney-Vento Supportive Services; (2) HOME-ARP Homelessness Prevention Services; and (3) Housing counseling services, except homeowner assistance and related services. Eligible costs associated with McKinney-Vento supportive services and homelessness prevention supportive services include: Costs of child care, Costs of improving knowledge and basic educational skills, Costs of establishing and/or operating employment assistance and job training programs, Costs of providing meals or groceries, Costs of assisting eligible program participants to locate, obtain and retain housing, Costs of certain legal services, Costs of teaching critical life management skills, Financial assistance costs, including, Rental application fees, Security deposits, Utility deposits, Payment of rental arrears. Costs associated with housing counseling services include staff salaries and overhead costs of HUD-certified housing counseling agencies related to directly providing eligible housing counseling services to HOME-program participants. Other costs are the development of a housing counseling workplan, marketing and outreach, Intake, financial and housing affordability analysis, action plans that outline what the housing counseling agency and the client will do to meet the client's housing goals and that address the client's housing problem(s).

The services will be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section D (page 42) of CPD Notice 2021-10. Supportive services may be provided to individuals and families who meet the definition of a qualifying population who are not already receiving these services through another

program. The Municipality will develop policies and procedures for the undertaking of the activity.

PRODUCTION OF NON-CONGREGATED SHELTER FOR QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

Funds to be allocated \$450,330

Goal: 10 units

Non Congregated Shelter Goal: 10 units

The gap and need analysis disclosed a need for non-congregated shelter in Mayagüez. During citizen participation and consultation the Executive Director of Estancia Corazón indicated that the units that currently used for shelter are suitable and need to be replaced. Her statement was supported by the Collaborative Entity of the CoC. They are interested in acquiring the facility where they are providing services at this time. T

The calculated gap for non-congregated shelter is 117 beds. The survey and the consultation with the CoC concurred with our analysis.

In addition to the beds supportive services are needed for the homeless population to be provided with shelter. Eligible cost must be consistent with section E (page 55) of CPD 2021-10 Notice.

ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

Funds to be allocated \$357,914

The Municipality will use 15% of the HOME ARP grant for eligible Administration and Planning. In accordance with CPD Notice 2021-10 the Municipality will use the Administration and Planning Cost for:

- Salaries, wages, and related costs of the PJ's staff
- Travel costs incurred for official business in carrying out the HOME-ARP program
- Administrative services performed under third party contracts or agreements, including such services as general legal services, accounting services, and audit services.
- Other costs for goods and services required for administering the HOME-ARP program
- Costs of administering HOME-ARP supportive services programs
- Staff and overhead costs of the PJ directly related to carrying out a HOME-ARP project
- The provision of information and other resources to residents and citizen organizations
- Activities to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH)
- Preparation of the HOME-ARP allocation plan
- Costs of complying with the applicable Federal requirements

- Provide all or a portion of its HOME-ARP administrative funds to subrecipients and contractor

The cost incurred will comply with the Cost Principles contained in subpart E of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards at 2 CFR part 200.

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

The citizen participation and consultation process showed a lack of affordable housing units to serve all the qualifying population. The following are the highlights of the characteristics that provided a rationale to fund eligible activities:

- There are 79 unsheltered homeless in Mayagüez and 100% of them are in need of supportive services
- There is a need for 117 shelter units in Mayagüez.
- Unadjusted HUD CHAS data shows that 4,770 households with income below 30% AMI in Mayagüez are facing cost or severe cost burden.
- Data for HUD' Picture of Subsidized Households data shows that 14.75% of the housed households has no income.
- The Mayagüez Market only have 158 affordable units.
- The calculated Affordable Housing Gap for persons at risk of becoming homeless are 546 units.
- Data from the CRIAS Project (Centro de Respuesta Integrada de Apoyo y Servicios para la Mujer) show 45 women with supportive service needs.
- Based on the available data the housing needed for persons fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking is 7.
- HUD CHAS data shows that 1,145 households in Mayagüez with income between 30 to -50% AMI are facing cost or severe cost burden.
- Using the available data, the Municipality estimates the number of Other Population (as defined by CPD Notice 2021-10) is 131 units.
- Data provided by the section 8 program and CoC shows that voucher holders are having difficulties in finding units in the market.
- Detached affordable housing units are more suitable to house women and families homeless.
- The Consultation process disclosed that supportive services are needed to all the qualifying population.
- Observations and comments received during the participation process of this HOME-ARP Plan reinforced the need for additional rental housing.

All of the above support the HOME-APR projects proposed by the Municipality. The CoC concurred with our Gap Analysis and distribution of funds.

VI-HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

Template

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

RESPONSE:

After the completion of the analysis of the data and information collected during the citizen participation and consultation the municipality determined to allocated funds to two (2) housing activities:

Activity	Allocated Amount
Acquisition with or without Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing	\$863,762
Supportive Services	\$714,093
Non Congregated Shelter	\$450,330

The Municipality is allocating \$863,762 for the acquisition of existing housing with or without Rehabilitation, or Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing. The Municipality estimates that 7 affordable rental housing units for qualifying populations will be produced with funding support from its HOME-ARP allocation. The second housing activity that is proposed by the Municipality is the production of non-congregated shelter. The proposed affordable housing goal is 10 units. In addition, the municipality allocated resources for the provision of Supportive services that will be available to provide services to 996 persons. The following are the proposed production goals:

- Affordable Housing- 7 units
- Production of Non Congregated shelters – 10 units
- Supportive services- 996 person

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:

RESPONSE:

As established above the Municipality affordable rental housing production goal for HOME-ARP is 17 housing units. The gap analysis disclosed that there is need for affordable housing for all the qualifying population. This investment of funds will result in the needed new supply of affordable rental housing units and solve the problem of clients with housing vouchers residing in shelters or on the street because of no affordable rental units in the community. Taking that into consideration the Municipality proposed the use of HOME ARP resources for production of affordable rental housing and the production of non-segregated shelter. The Municipality will work with nonprofit organizations to provide case management and wrap-around services to the families placed in rental housing. This program addresses the priority need of the lack of rental housing and non congregated shelter for qualifying populations. This activity will reduce the gap for affordable housing and will serve as the starting point for a similar strategy with CDBG and HOME Funds. The Municipality will request proposals from nonprofit organizations and or developers. In addition, the Municipality will identify units in the market that comply with the property standards that can be acquired and used for rental. Also HOME ARP resources will be used for the existing Elderly Shelter operated by the Municipality. The expected due date for delivering affordable housing is late mid 2024 and early 2025. The action to be taken by the Municipality was supported by the CoC during the consultation meeting.

VII- Preferences

Requirement:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For HOME-ARP rental housing projects, Section VI.B.20.a.iii of the HOME-ARP Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility or give a preference to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population **if the limitation or preference is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan**. Adding a preference or limitation not previously described in the plan requires a substantial amendment and a public comment period in accordance with Section V.C.6 of the Notice (page 16).

Template:

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:

RESPONSE:

The gap and need analysis support the determination of not giving preferences to any qualifying population. The Municipality does not intend to give preferences within qualifying populations. Affordable housing projects will be available to all qualifying populations. The Municipality will select eligible households from a chronological waiting list for each of the eligible activities.

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:

RESPONSE:

Not applicable, as a preference was not identified.

VIII- Referral Methods

Requirement:

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

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

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

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

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

RESPONSE:

Template:

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

The HOME ARP Housing funded projects will use a project waiting list specific to the project or activity. All qualifying individuals/families will have access to apply for placement on the waiting list for an activity or project.

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

The PJ will not use the CE. The Municipality will select eligible households from a chronological waiting list for each of the eligible activities.

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

The PJ will not use the CE.

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

The PJ will not use the CE process in combination with any other referral method.

IX-Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

Requirement:

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

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

Describe whether the PJ intends to limit eligibility for a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project to a particular qualifying population or specific subpopulation of a qualifying population identified in section IV.A of the Notice:

RESPONSE:

As a result of the need and gap analysis conducted for this plan all the qualifying population has ample need for housing and services. Taking this into consideration the two (2) housing activities to be undertaken by the Municipality: 1) Acquisition with or without Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing, and 2) Production of Non Congregated Shelter, will serve all the qualifying populations. Any project selected for funding will be available for all the qualifying populations. The Municipality will ensure that the tenant selection policy complies with the Fair Housing Act.

If a PJ intends to implement a limitation, explain why the use of a limitation is necessary to address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

RESPONSE:

The Municipality will not implement a limitation.

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

RESPONSE:

Not applicable.

X- HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

Requirement:

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

RESPONSE:

The Municipality of Mayagüez will not use HOME ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing that is being rehabilitated.

- ***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***

RESPONSE:

The Municipality will not use HOME ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing that is 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.***

RESPONSE:

Not Applicable, see above.

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

RESPONSE:

Not Applicable, see above.

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

RESPONSE:

Not applicable, see above.

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

RESPONSE:

Not applicable, see above.

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

RESPONSE:

Not applicable, see above.

XI-Attachments

Attachment 1- Invitation to Public Hearing Notice

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 **Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico
Gobierno Municipal de Mayagüez
Departamento de Vivienda y Programas Federales** 

INVITACIÓN A VISTA PÚBLICA

El Municipio de Mayagüez preparará el Plan HOME-ARP, que se presentará de conformidad con los reglamentos federales del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD), según el Aviso CPD-21-10 emitido el 13 de septiembre de 2021 y que establece los requisitos para los fondos asignados bajo la sección 3205 de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Americano de 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") para el Programa HOME (HOME).

La asignación de fondos de HOME-ARP al Municipio de Mayagüez es de \$2,386,099, y se utilizará para proporcionar asistencia para personas sin hogar y servicios de apoyo que ayuden a individuos o familias que califiquen. HOME-ARP define a individuos o familias calificados como aquellos que (1) no tienen hogar, como se define en la sección 103 (a) de la Ley de Asistencia para Personas sin Hogar McKinney-Vento, según enmendada (42 U.S.C. 11302 (a)) ("McKinney-Vento"); (2) en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar, como se define en la sección 401 de McKinney-Vento; (3) huir o intentar huir de la violencia doméstica, la violencia en el hogar, la agresión sexual, el acoso o la trata de personas; (4) parte de otras poblaciones donde la prestación de servicios de apoyo o asistencia evitaría la falta de vivienda de una familia o serviría a aquellos con el mayor riesgo de inestabilidad de vivienda; o (5) veteranos y familias que incluyen un miembro de la familia veterano que cumple con alguno de los criterios del (1)-(4).

Las posibles actividades con fondos HOME-ARP pueden ser:

1. Servicios de apoyo
2. Desarrollo de viviendas de alquiler asequibles
3. Asistencia de alquiler para inquilinos elegibles ("Tenant Based Rental Assistance")
4. Adquisición y Desarrollo de Albergues No Congregados ("Non-congregate shelters")

Este Plan incluirá la estrategia para la distribución de los fondos HOME-ARP para atender las prioridades identificadas; las actividades que el Municipio puede llevar a cabo; describir el método para solicitud de fondos y / o seleccionar desarrolladores, proveedores de servicios, subreceptores y / o contratistas y si el Municipio administrará actividades elegibles directamente o proporcionará cualquier parte de sus fondos administrativos de HOME-ARP a un subreceptivo o contratista.

La Sección 24 CFR 91.105 (b) (3) requiere que el Municipio celebre una vista pública durante todo el proceso de participación pública del Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP, siguiendo sus requisitos y procedimientos aplicables de vivienda justa y derechos civiles para una comunicación efectiva, accesibilidad y adaptación razonable para personas con discapacidades y proporcionando acceso significativo a la participación de residentes con dominio limitado del inglés (LEP) que están en su Plan de Participación Ciudadana actual.

El Municipio llevará a cabo estas vistas como se indica a continuación:

Fecha	Vista Publica	Hora	Localización
27 de febrero de 2023	Vista Publica HOME-ARP	10:00 a.m.	https://meet.goto.com/179451581

Se exhorta a los residentes del Municipio a que participen de estas vistas públicas, para que puedan participar activamente en la preparación del Plan HOME-ARP.

Si algún residente del Municipio, agencia pública o personal jurídica tiene alguna pregunta sobre este aviso, pueden comunicarse con el Licenciado Jaime Rosario Burgos, Director de Monitoreo, al 787-833-3160 o al correo electrónico: jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov, al siguiente correo electrónico o dirección postal:

Jaime Rosario Burgos
Box 658
Mayagüez, PR 00681
jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov

Personas con discapacidad y/o necesidades especiales que interesen participar de la Vista Pública deberán comunicarse previo al día de la vista con el Licenciado Jaime Rosario Burgos, al siguiente teléfono (787)833-3160. En cumplimiento con las leyes de vivienda justa y accesibilidad, durante la vista del Municipio se proporcionarán subtítulos a la presentación y la habilidad de poder recibir preguntas a través de un chat en la misma aplicación de internet.


Ricardo R. Lebrón Torres
Administrador Municipal
Municipio de Mayagüez

Este aviso se publica en cumplimiento con el Código de Reglamentos Federales en el 24 CFR 91.105 y el Plan de Participación Ciudadana.

PRIMERA HORA Viernes, 10 de febrero de 2023 **31**



COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
MUNICIPALITY OF MAYAGÜEZ
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS



INVITATION TO VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

The Municipality of Mayaguez will prepare the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that will be submitted in compliance with the federal regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), per Notice CPD-21-10 issued on September 13, 2021 establishing the requirements for funds appropriated under section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

The HOME-ARP funding allocation to the Municipality of Mayaguez is in the amount of \$2,386,099 and will be used to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services assisting qualifying individuals or families. HOME-ARP defines qualifying individuals or families as those that are: (1) homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)) ("McKinney-Vento"); (2) at risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401 of McKinney-Vento; (3) fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; (4) 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 (5) veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria in one of (1)-(4).

Possible activities with HOME-ARP funds may be:

- Supportive services
- Development of affordable rental housing
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (Vouchers)
- Acquisition and Development of Non-congregated Shelters.

This Plan will include the strategy for the distribution of the HOME-ARP funds to address the priority; the range of activities the PJ may undertake; 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 or will provide any portion of its HOME-ARP administrative funds to a subrecipient or contractor.

Section 24 CFR 91.105(b)(3) requires the Municipality to hold public hearings throughout the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan public participation process, following its applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements and procedures for effective communication, accessibility, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and providing meaningful access to participation by limited English proficient (LEP) residents that are in its current Citizen Participation Plan.

In accordance with the protocols established because of the Coronavirus Pandemic, the Municipality will carry out these public hearings virtually on the following dates, hours and using the electronic address indicated below:

Date	Hearing	Time	electronic address (link to the hearing)
February 27, 2023	Virtual Public Hearing HOME-ARP	10:00 a.m.	https://meet.goto.com/179451581

Interested parties are encouraged to connect to these virtual public hearings, so that they can actively participate in the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan public participation process. If any resident of the Municipality, public agency or legal personnel has any questions about this notice, they can contact: Jaime Rosario Burgos, Monitoring Director, at the following email or postal address:

Jaime Rosario Burgos
Box 658
Mayaguez, PR 00681
jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov

Persons with disabilities and/or special needs who are interested in participating in the Public Hearing should communicate prior to the day of the hearing with Jaime Rosario Burgos, Monitoring Director at the following telephone number telephone (787)833-3160. In compliance with the laws of fair housing and accessibility, during the public hearings, subtitles will be provided to the presentation and the ability to receive questions through a chat in the same internet application.

Ricardo R. Lebrón Torres
City Administrator
Municipality of Mayaguez

This notice is published in compliance with 24 CFR 91.105 and the Citizen Participation Plan of the Municipality.



Villa Julia 6/7/8



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AVISO VISTA PÚBLICA

Para conocimiento del público en general y de conformidad con las disposiciones del Artículo 8.6 de la Ley 161-2009, según enmendada, conocida como "Ley para la Reforma del Proceso de Permisos de Puerto Rico", la Ley Núm. 36-2017, según enmendada, conocida como "Ley de Procedimiento Administrativo Uniforme del Gobierno de Puerto Rico", el Reglamento Conjunto para la Evaluación y Expedición de Permisos relacionados al Desarrollo, Uso de Terreno y Otorgación de Negocios, en adelante Reglamento Conjunto y cualquier otra disposición de ley aplicable, se informa que la Oficina de Gerencia de Permisos (OGPe) celebrará vista pública para el caso que se describe a continuación:

Proyecto/Peticionario:
Solex Learning Academy, Inc. /
Wanda Ivette Rozas Vélaz

Caso Núm:
2022-452885-PU-181095

Dueño de la Propiedad:
Wanda Ivette Rozas Vélaz

Calificación:
UR (Terreno Urbanizables)

En la vista del caso de referencia se interesa discutir, pero sin limitarse a: Permiso Único para "Institución Educativa para otros cursos académicos" para estudiantes de Kinder a Octavo Grado" (Solex Learning Academy, Inc.), en una estructura residencial existente. La solicitud se evaluará a tenor, pero sin limitarse, a lo establecido en las Reglas 6.3.1 del Reglamento Conjunto y sus disposiciones sobre variación en uso. La parte proponente tendrá que justificar su solicitud para la concesión de la variación. La propiedad ubica en una zona inundable A (Áreas susceptibles a inundaciones por el evento de inundación del uno por ciento), según los mapas de inundabilidad recomendados por la Junta de Planificación de Puerto Rico.

Se convoca e invita al público en general a comparecer y participar en la vista pública a celebrarse mediante el método telemático ("Virtual"), con acceso al público general, además de las partes reconocidas. Los procedimientos para la celebración de la vista serán los establecidos en las secciones 2.1.10.7 a 2.1.10.15 del Reglamento Conjunto. Si una parte debidamente citada no participa o comparece a la conferencia con antelación a la vista, a la vista pública o a cualquier otra etapa durante el procedimiento adjudicativo, el funcionario que preside la misma podrá declarar en rebeldía, mutatis y mutandis el procedimiento sin su participación, pero notificará por escrito a dicha parte su determinación según la Regla 2.1.7 (Notificaciones), los fundamentos para la misma, el recurso de revisión disponible y el plazo para ejercerlo.

Se advierte que las partes, incluyendo corporaciones y sociedades, podrán, pero no están obligadas a, comparecer asistidas por abogado. Sin embargo, la vista no podrá ser transferida. Cualquier solicitud de transferencia de vista tendrá un costo de \$100.00, y deberá ser presentada con no menos de cinco (5) días de antelación a la fecha de la misma a través del Sistema Unificado de Información (Single Business Portal) de la OGPe, expresando las razones que justifican la solicitud. Deberá, además, cubrir los costos que conlleve la modificación de la transferencia y anunciar el nuevo señalamiento mediante la publicación de un nuevo aviso de prensa. El peticionario de la transferencia de la vista notificará y enviará copia de la solicitud simultáneamente a las otras partes ya reconocidas en el proceso y certificará el cumplimiento con lo aquí expuesto en la propia solicitud de transferencia. El Reglamento Conjunto faculta al Oficial Examinador a imponer una multa de \$500.00 a toda persona que ostente una conducta irrespetuosa durante la vista, o que intencionalmente interrumpa o dista los procedimientos sin causa justificada.

Cualquier persona podrá requerir examinar el expediente o solicitar copia del mismo mediante solicitud (SCE) a través del Single Business Portal en la página www.sbp.gpe.pr.gov o en cualquier oficina de la OGPe. Podrá, además, hacerle referencia al número de solicitud, preferir por escrito sus comentarios a través de notificaciones_ogpe@gpe.pr.gov o a PO Box 41179, San Juan, PR 00940-1179 en cualquier momento previo a la fecha de la vista. El Oficial Examinador, motu proprio o a solicitud de parte, podrá conceder un término adicional para someter comentarios, que en ningún caso excederá de diez (10) días desde que concluya la vista. Debido a la emergencia causada por la pandemia de Covid-19 el Servicio al Cliente de la OGPe tanto en su Oficina Central en San Juan como en las Oficinas Regionales, será limitado y mediante coordinación previa al respecto.



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Attachment 2- Public Hearing Presentation



Fondos HOME ARP

Vista Pública Virtual



27 de febrero de 2023

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Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico
Gobierno Municipal de Mayagüez
Departamento de Vivienda y Programas Federales

INVITACIÓN A VISTA PÚBLICA

El Municipio de Mayagüez prepara el Plan HOME-ARP que se presentará de conformidad con los reglamentos federales del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD), según el Aviso CPO-21-10 emitido el 13 de septiembre de 2021 y que establece los requisitos para los fondos asignados bajo la sección 2305 de la Ley del Plan de Reconstrucción de 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") para el Programa HOME (HOME).

La asignación de fondos de HOME-ARP al Municipio de Mayagüez es de \$2,386,099, y se utilizará para proporcionar asistencia para personas sin hogar y servicios de apoyo que ayuden a individuos o familias que califican. HOME-ARP define a individuos o familias calificadas como aquellas que (1) no tienen hogar, como se define en la sección 103(a) de la Ley de Asistencia para Personas sin Hogar McKinney-Vento, según sancionada (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)) ("McKinney-Vento"); (2) en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar, como se define en la sección 401 de McKinney-Vento; (3) han o han estado sufriendo de violencia doméstica, la violencia en el hogar, la agresión sexual, el acoso o la trata de personas; (4) parte de otras poblaciones donde la prestación de servicios de apoyo o asistencia evitaría la falta de vivienda de una familia o servicio a aquellos con el mayor riesgo de inestabilidad de vivienda; o (5) veteranos y familias que incluyen un miembro de la familia veterano que cumple con alguno de los criterios del (1)-(4).

Las posibles actividades con fondos HOME-ARP pueden ser:

1. Servicios de apoyo;
2. Desarrollo de vivienda de alquiler asequible;
3. Asistencia de alquiler para inquilinos elegibles ("Tenant Based Rental Assistance");
4. Adquisición y Desarrollo de Albergues No Congregados ("Non-congregate shelter").

Este Plan incluirá la estrategia para la distribución de los fondos HOME-ARP para atender las prioridades identificadas, las actividades que el Municipio puede llevar a cabo, describir el método para selección de fondos y / o subreceptores administrativos, proveedores de servicios, subreceptores y / o comités y el el Municipio administrará actividades elegibles directamente o proporcionará cualquier parte de los fondos administrativos de HOME-ARP a un subreceptor o comités.

La Sección 24 CFR 91.105 (b) (5) requiere que el Municipio realice una vista pública durante todo el proceso de participación pública del Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP, eligiendo sus requisitos y procedimientos aplicables de vivienda justa y derechos civiles para una comunicación efectiva, accesibilidad y participación accesible para personas con discapacidades y proporcionando acceso significativo a la participación de residentes con dominio limitado del inglés (LEP) que están en su Plan de Participación Ciudadana anual.

El Municipio llevará a cabo esta vista como se indica a continuación:

Fecha	Vista Pública	Hora	Localización
27 de febrero de 2023	Vista Pública HOME-ARP	10:00 a.m.	https://meet.goto.com/j79451581

Se esfuerza a los residentes del Municipio a que participen de esta vista pública, para que puedan participar activamente en la preparación del Plan HOME-ARP.

Si algún residente del Municipio, agencia pública o personal público tiene alguna pregunta sobre esta vista, pueden comunicarse con el Licenciado Jaime Rosario Burgos, Director de Movilidad, al 787-833-3160 o al correo electrónico: jrodriguez@mayaguez.gov, al siguiente correo electrónico o dirección postal:

Jaime Rosario Burgos
 Box 658
 Mayagüez, PR 00681
jrodriguez@mayaguez.gov

Personas con discapacidad y/o necesidades especiales que deseen participar de la Vista Pública deberán comunicarse previo al día de la vista con el Licenciado Jaime Rosario Burgos, al siguiente teléfono (787)833-3160. En cumplimiento con las leyes de vivienda justa y accesibilidad, durante la vista del Municipio se proporcionará asistencia a la presentación y la habilidad de poder recibir preguntas a través de un chat en la misma aplicación de internet.

Ricardo E. Lebrón Torres
 Administrador Municipal
 Municipio de Mayagüez

Este aviso se publica en cumplimiento con el Código de Reglamentos Federales en el 24 CFR 91.105 y el Plan de Participación Ciudadana.

Aviso Público Primera Hora
10 febrero de 2023

COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
MUNICIPALITY OF MAYAGÜEZ
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS

INVITATION TO VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

The Municipality of Mayagüez will prepare the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that will be submitted in compliance with the federal regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), per Notice CPO-21-10 issued on September 13, 2021 establishing the requirements for funds apportioned under section 2305 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) ("ARP") for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

The HOME-ARP funding allocation to the Municipality of Mayagüez is in the amount of \$2,386,099 and will be used to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services assisting qualifying individuals or families. HOME-ARP defines qualifying individuals or families as those that are (1) homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)) ("McKinney-Vento"); (2) at risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401 of McKinney-Vento; (3) fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; (4) 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 (5) veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria in one of (1)-(4).

Possible activities with HOME-ARP funds may be:

- Supportive services
- Development of affordable rental housing
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRAs)
- Acquisition and Development of Non-congregate Shelters

This Plan will include the strategy for the distribution of the HOME-ARP funds to address the priority, the range of activities the PT may undertake, describe the method for selecting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subreceptors and contractors and whether the PT will administer eligible activities directly or will provide any portion of its HOME-ARP administrative funds to a subreceptor or contractor.

Section 24 CFR 91.105(b)(5) requires the Municipality to hold public hearings throughout the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan public participation process, following its applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements and procedures for effective communication, accessibility, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and providing meaningful access to participation by limited English proficient (LEP) residents that are in its current Citizen Participation Plan.

In accordance with the protocols established because of the Coronavirus Pandemic, the Municipality will carry out these public hearings virtually on the following dates, times and using the electronic address indicated below:

Date	Hearing	Time	Electronic address (link to the hearing)
February 27, 2023	Virtual Public Hearing HOME-ARP	10:00 a.m.	https://meet.goto.com/j79451581

Interested parties are encouraged to connect to these virtual public hearings, so that they can actively participate in the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan public participation process. If any resident of the Municipality, public agency or legal personnel has any questions about this notice, they can contact: Jaime Rosario Burgos, Monitoring Director, at the following email or postal address:

Jaime Rosario Burgos
 Box 658
 Mayagüez, PR 00681
jrodriguez@mayaguez.gov

Persons with disabilities and/or special needs who are interested in participating in the Public Hearing should communicate prior to the day of the hearing with Jaime Rosario Burgos, Monitoring Director at the following telephone number telephone (787)833-3160. In compliance with the laws of fair housing and accessibility, during the public hearings, subtitles will be provided to the presentation and the ability to receive questions through a chat in the same internet application.

Ricardo E. Lebrón Torres
 City Administrator
 Municipality of Mayagüez

This notice is published in compliance with 24 CFR 91.105 and the Citizen Participation Plan of the Municipality.

Agenda

- Registro Digital
- Presentación de Funcionarios
- Presentación
- Preguntas y Respuestas

Objetivos

- Ofrecer a los participantes una visión general sobre los fondos HOME ARP
- Obtener insumo de participantes sobre necesidad, brechas de servicio y uso potencial de los fondos HOME-ARP
- Cumplir con los requisitos reglamentarios de Participación Ciudadana y Consulta

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Aprobada el pasado 11 de marzo de 2021

Ley de recuperación que atiende la recuperación Post COVID 19

Departamento de Vivienda Federal asignó fondos especiales bajo el programa HOME Investment Partnership Program

Asignación de Fondos HOME-ARP

- Municipio de Mayaguez recibió una asignación de
\$2,386,099

Grant Agreement

- Municipio firmó contrato con HUD
 - Autoriza el uso de 5% de los fondos de Administración
 - El remanente de los fondos será aprobado una vez se presente y se apruebe el *HOME-ARP Allocation Plan*
 - **NINGUNA** actividad programática está aprobada (solo administración)
 - El municipio tiene que someter el *HOME-ARP Allocation Plan* para poder utilizar el remanente de los fondos
- Los fondos tienen vigencia hasta septiembre 30 de 2030

Objetivos de los Fondos HOME-ARP

1. Atender la necesidad de vivienda de las personas sin hogar y otras poblaciones en riesgo

2. Proveer recursos para el desarrollo de vivienda a dicha población

3. Proveer recursos para la prestación de servicios de apoyo

Población Eligible

Quienes cualifican bajo HOME-ARP
(Poblaciones Calificadas-Qualified Populations)

Personas Sin
Hogar

Personas en
Riesgo de
Perder su
Hogar

Personas
huyendo de
violencia
doméstica,
acoso, tráfico
humano

Otras
poblaciones
que
requieren
servicios de
apoyo y/o
tienen
inestabilidad
de vivienda

Actividades Elegibles

Actividades Elegibles



Tenant Based Rental Assistance
(Vouchers)



Desarrollo de viviendas de alquiler
asequibles



Prestación de servicios de apoyo



Adquisición y desarrollo de albergues no
congregados (Non Congregated Shelter).

1- Tenant Based Rental Assistance

Se permite:

- Pagos de alquiler, depósitos de seguridad, depósitos y pagos de utilidades. (hasta el 100% de los costos).
- Renta = FMR o Payment Standard de Sección 8
- La familia puede seleccionar la unidad en el mercado siempre y cuando el alquiler sea razonable y cumpla con los estándares de propiedad aplicables (HQS).
- Se puede limitar la ayuda a un grupo en particular (Personas VIH/SIDA, víctimas de violencia doméstica)

Flexibilidad y otros requisitos

- Terminación del contrato (multi-año)
- Si se otorga a unidades HOME o HOME-ARP no hay que inspeccionar las unidades
- Permite continuar asistiendo a personas que se encuentran ocupando unidades (no es requerida la inspección de HQS)

2- Desarrollo de Vivienda de Alquiler asequible

Se permite:

- Adquisición de vivienda de alquiler estándar
- Construcción de viviendas de alquiler
- Rehabilitación de viviendas de alquiler
- Incluye la conversión de edificios no residenciales a vivienda

Costos elegibles y otros requisitos

- *Hard and Soft costs*
- Costos operacionales del Proyecto

Otros requisitos

Aplican los *Property Standards* de HOME
15 años asequibilidad

Se requiere *layering* y *underwriting* de los proyectos

Proponentes son responsable de garantizar la viabilidad a largo plazo del proyecto (subsidio de alquiler)

3- Servicios de Apoyo

Se permite:

- Opción 1- brindarlos como una actividad elegible por si misma
- Opción 2- Brindarlos en apoyo a una actividad de HOME-ARP
- Tres Categorías de servicios
 - Permitidos por el McKinney Vento Act
 - Servicios de prevención (similares a ESG)
 - Consejería de vivienda

Ejemplos de Servicios de Apoyo

- Alimentos
- "Outreach"
- Tratamiento de abuso drogas / alcohol
- Transportación
- Manejo de casos

4- Adquisición y/o desarrollo de albergues no congregados

Uno o más edificios que:

- Proporcionan unidades de vivienda privadas o habitaciones para albergue temporero
- Que sirven a individuos/familias de poblaciones calificadas
- Donde **NO** se exige a los ocupantes firmar un contrato de arrendamiento u ocupación

Se permite

- Adquisición de estructuras listas para ocupación
- Nueva Construcción, con o sin adquisición de terrenos
- Rehabilitación de estructuras existentes

Costos elegibles

- Costos de adquisición
- Costos de Desarrollo (“hard and soft costs”)
- Reserva para gastos de remplazo de sistemas mayores durante la vida del proyecto

4- Adquisición y/o desarrollo de albergues no congregados – Tiempo Mínimo de Uso

- Adquisición solamente- 3 años
- Rehabilitación moderada (TDC <75% del valor de tasación)- 5 años
- Rehabilitación sustancial (TDC >75% del valor de tasación)- 10 años
- Nueva construcción – 10 años

5- Administración

Se permite

- 15% del grant puede ser utilizado para administración y planificación del HOME-ARP
- Pueden ser delegados a CHDO o entidades sin fines de lucro*

Costos elegibles

- Salarios (incluyendo diferenciales) y beneficios marginales
- Costos Directos Administrativos
- Información pública
- Costos de Ofrecer Vivienda Justa
- Costos Indirectos

***Además se pueden delegar 5% adicional a CHDO y Entidades sin fines de lucro para desarrollo de capacidad.**

Preferencias, Referidos y Subpoblaciones

- El Municipio podrá establecer preferencias para ciertas poblaciones para los proyectos a ser llevados a cabo (Ej. Violencia Doméstica, VIH/SIDA, etc.)
- Clientela de los proyectos:
 - Puede ser referida por el sistema coordinado del CoC
 - Puede ser manejada con una lista de espera en el proyecto
 - Combinación de ambos

Requisitos para solicitar los fondos (HOME-ARP Allocation Plan)

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan



Consultas

• Propósito de la consulta es:

- Identificar necesidad de la clientela
- Identificar brechas en el sistema de servicios
- Identificar actividades que se llevan a cabo en el Municipio
- Oportunidades de colaboración y administración de las actividades
- Obtener información para la selección de actividades HOME-ARP

Determinación de Necesidad (Proceso)



Resultados Preliminares

Cuestionario

① Adultos Solos	① Servicios de Apoyo
② Familias	② Desarrollo de Vivienda Asequible
③ Otras Poblaciones	③ Fondos Administrativos
	④ Albergues No Congregados



Cuestionario de Insumo

Municipio prepare un cuestionario digital para recibir insumo



Preguntas y Respuestas

Persona Contacto:

Sr. Jaime Rosario

Director de Monitoría

jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov

Attachment 3- Public Hearing Attendees

Vista Publica HOME ARP Mayagüez

Attendees

Summary

Meeting Date	Meeting Duration	Number of Attendees	Meeting ID
February 27, 2023 8:54 AM EST	50 minutes	6	179-451-581

Details

Name	Email Address	Join Time	Leave Time	Time in Session (minutes)
Beatriz Grau		9:12 AM	9:44 AM	32
Estancia Corazon, Inc.	ecorazonpr@gmail.com	8:54 AM	9:44 AM	50
Estancia Corazón, Inc.	harrison@hcgpr.com	9:01 AM	9:44 AM	43
HCG Harrison	jrosario@Mayagüez.pr.gov	8:54 AM	9:44 AM	50
Jaime L Rosario		9:06 AM	9:44 AM	38
Vivian Arevalo, BGCPR		9:04 AM	9:31 AM	27

Below you will find the section of CPD Notice 2021-10 related to conversion of Non Congregated Shelter.

recorded as a program income receipt in IDIS and used for eligible costs under [24 CFR part 92](#).

11. Conversion of Non-Congregate Shelter to Rental Housing: The ARP authorizes the conversion of HOME-ARP NCS units into permanent housing under subtitle C of title IV of McKinney-Vento or permanent affordable housing as described in this section, during the restricted use period. No HOME-ARP funds may be used for conversion. The written agreement between the PJ and the owner of the HOME-ARP NCS project must describe conversion as a possible outcome of the HOME-ARP NCS project; specify the conditions under which conversion will be permitted; and require that the PJ approve any conversion in advance.

- a. ***Minimum Use Period:*** All HOME-ARP NCS projects must be operated as NCS for a minimum period of time prior to conversion. The minimum use period prior to conversion varies based on the original HOME-ARP NCS eligible activity undertaken and the amount of funds invested in the project. If the HOME-ARP NCS project involves rehabilitation, the minimum use period prior to conversion is based on the total cost of the rehabilitation as a percentage of the total appraised value of the improved property. A larger investment for rehabilitation will require operation as HOME-ARP NCS for a longer minimum use period prior to conversion.
 - i. ***Acquisition Only:*** HOME-ARP NCS activities not requiring rehabilitation for occupancy must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 3 years from project completion prior to conversion.
 - ii. ***Moderate Rehabilitation:*** Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources of less than 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive moderate rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 5 years from project completion prior to conversion.
 - iii. ***Substantial Rehabilitation:*** Occurs when an NCS HOME-ARP project requires rehabilitation and the total rehabilitation expenditure from all sources exceeds 75 percent of the total appraised value of the improved property. HOME-ARP NCS projects that receive substantial rehabilitation must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion before conversion.
 - iv. ***New Construction:*** Any HOME-ARP NCS project defined by the PJ's state or local code requirements as new construction must be operated as HOME-ARP NCS for no less than 10 years from project completion prior to conversion.

Requirements for conversions vary depending on the type of conversion, as follows:

- b. ***Permanent Affordable Housing:*** During the HOME-ARP NCS restricted use period but only after the HOME-ARP NCS minimum use period, a PJ may provide written approval to convert the project from HOME-ARP NCS to permanent affordable housing (e.g., affordable multifamily rental housing, transitional housing) in accordance with the requirements prescribed in the PJ's written agreement with the HOME-ARP NCS owner.

The converted permanent affordable housing project must meet the following requirements:

- i. Additional HOME-ARP Investment: The PJ is prohibited from investing additional HOME-ARP funds to pay for the cost of converting the project from HOME-ARP NCS to permanent affordable housing or to pay for operating the project as permanent affordable housing. However, the PJ must determine that adequate financial resources are committed to the project to bring it into compliance with the property standards of [Section VI.B.11](#) of this Notice and maintain the financial feasibility of the project to be operated as permanent affordable housing for the qualifying populations throughout the remaining restricted use period. If permitting conversion of HOME-ARP NCS into permanent affordable housing, a PJ must develop and evaluate the project in accordance with standardized underwriting guidelines for conversion. At minimum, the PJ's underwriting guidelines for conversion must include an examination of the sources and uses of funds for the conversion and a careful review of the project's operating budget, including the assumptions, projections, and reasonably expected increases in expenses throughout the minimum compliance period defined in the section below, to determine that the project will remain financially feasible to serve the qualifying populations for the remainder of the restricted use period.

The PJ may assist households living in affordable rental housing units in converted projects by providing HOME-ARP TBRA in accordance with [Section VI.C](#) of this Notice or financial assistance services in accordance with [Section VI.D.4.c.i.R.](#)

- ii. Minimum Compliance Period: The minimum compliance period for converted housing is the period that the housing must continue to comply with the requirements of this Notice and is equal to the balance of the HOME-ARP NCS restricted use period. A PJ may impose a longer compliance period but should plan for the project's financial feasibility for the longer period. The PJ may not use HOME-ARP funds to provide operating assistance, including a capitalized operating reserve, to cover deficits during the minimum or an extended compliance period.

The PJ must amend the use restriction for HOME-ARP NCS to reflect the conversion to permanent affordable housing. The provisions for imposing affordability requirements at [24 CFR 92.252\(e\)\(1\) through \(e\)\(4\)](#) apply to the amended use restriction. In addition, the amended use restriction for the permanent affordable housing must be enforceable to maintain compliance with the requirements of this Notice for the minimum compliance period, including the following:

- (1) The same number of units that were operated as HOME-ARP NCS for qualifying populations must be restricted for and must be occupied by households that meet the definition of a qualifying population at the time of initial occupancy of the permanent affordable housing. The household's contribution toward rent during this period must be affordable in accordance with [Section VI.E.11](#) of this Notice.

- (2) The units must comply with the ongoing property condition standards of [24 CFR 92.251\(f\)](#) throughout the minimum compliance period as demonstrated by an on-site inspection within 12 months of project completion and an on-site inspection at least once every three years thereafter as required by [24 CFR 92.504\(d\)\(ii\)](#).
 - (3) Each household that occupies a HOME-ARP assisted rental unit must have an executed lease that complies with the tenant protections required in [Section VI.B.18](#) of this Notice.
- iii. Property Standards: For the remaining restricted use period, the PJ must require that project owners maintain the housing as decent, safe and sanitary housing in good repair in accordance with the ongoing property condition standards of [24 CFR 92.251\(f\)](#) as demonstrated by an on-site inspection at least once every three years in accordance with [24 CFR 92.504\(d\)\(ii\)](#).
- iv. Tenant Contribution to Rent: The PJ must confirm that the qualifying household's contribution to rent is affordable to the household based on a determination of the household's income. If the household is receiving project-based or tenant-based rental assistance, it cannot contribute towards rent more than is permitted in accordance with the requirements of the applicable program. If a qualifying household cannot contribute to rent, or the contribution is insufficient to cover the unit rent, the PJ may provide HOME-ARP TBRA or supportive services to assist the qualifying household but may not provide operating cost assistance or fund an operating cost assistance reserve.
- v. Tenant Protections: Following conversion, each qualifying household that occupies a permanent affordable housing unit must have an executed lease or sublease that complies with the tenant protections requirements of this Notice.
 - (1) Lease Requirement: There must be a lease between the qualifying household and the owner of the permanent affordable housing project or, if there is a sublease with a qualifying household, a lease between a HOME-ARP sponsor and the owner in accordance with [24 CFR 92.253\(a\)](#).
 - (2) Prohibited Lease Terms: The lease between the qualifying household and the owner, lease between HOME-ARP sponsor and the owner, and sublease between a HOME-ARP sponsor and qualifying household may not contain any of the prohibited lease terms specified in [24 CFR 92.253\(b\)](#).
 - (3) Termination of tenancy: An owner may not terminate the tenancy or refuse to renew the lease of a qualifying household (or of a HOME-ARP sponsor with a sublease with a qualifying household) in a permanent affordable housing unit except for serious or repeated violation of the terms and conditions of the lease; for violation of applicable Federal, State, or local laws, or for other good cause. An increase in the qualifying household's income does not constitute good cause.

To terminate or refuse to renew tenancy, the owner must serve written notice upon the qualifying household and the HOME-ARP sponsor if the lease is between an owner and HOME-ARP sponsor, specifying the grounds for the action at least 30 days before termination of tenancy. In the case of a sublease, to terminate or refuse to renew tenancy of a qualifying household, the HOME-ARP sponsor, in accordance with the policy established by the PJ, must notify the PJ in advance of serving written notice to the qualifying household and must serve written notice upon the qualifying household at least 30 days before termination of tenancy, specifying the grounds for the action.

- vi. Coordinated Entry and Project-Specific Waitlists: On a project-by-project basis, the PJ must use the method of tenant selection in [Section VI.B.19](#) of this Notice to select qualifying households for occupancy of permanent affordable housing.
- vii. Penalties for Noncompliance: The PJ must repay HOME-ARP funds invested in HOME-ARP NCS that was converted to permanent affordable housing if the permanent affordable housing does not comply with initial or ongoing requirements of this Notice during the compliance period.
- c. CoC Permanent Housing: During the HOME-ARP NCS restricted use period but only after the HOME-ARP NCS minimum use period, a PJ may permit the conversion of a HOME-ARP NCS project to permanent housing or permanent supportive housing under [24 CFR 578.43](#) (acquisition) and/or [24 CFR 578.45](#) (rehabilitation) of the CoC program regulations. Conversions may only occur in accordance with the requirements prescribed in the PJ's written agreement with the HOME-ARP NCS owner. If conversion is approved by the PJ, the HOME-ARP NCS use restrictions must remain in place until the project is approved for CoC funding and the required CoC restrictions are imposed on the property.

Conversion to CoC permanent housing or permanent supportive housing may serve the following eligible households as defined in [24 CFR 578.3](#), subject to any further eligibility conditions that may apply to the use of CoC Program funds to provide rental assistance in the housing or otherwise support the project:

- Chronically homeless individuals
- Homeless individuals or families

PJs are prohibited from investing additional HOME-ARP funds to pay for the cost of converting the project to CoC permanent housing or permanent supportive housing. The CoC designates eligible applicants for grant funds under [24 CFR Part 578](#), which includes nonprofit organizations, States, local governments, and instrumentalities of State or local governments. For-profit entities are not eligible to apply for CoC grants or to be subrecipients of grant funds. Consequently, if a HOME-ARP NCS project owner intends to convert the project to CoC permanent housing or permanent supportive housing during the restricted use period, the PJ is encouraged to pursue partnership and leveraging opportunities with the CoC early in the planning stage of a HOME-ARP NCS

project. Additionally, PJs may provide supportive services or HOME-ARP TBRA to qualifying households that must move because of the conversion. (See [Section VII.F.4.b](#) for more information on relocations involving shelter occupants).

F. Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building Assistance

A PJ may use up to 5 percent of its HOME-ARP allocation to pay operating expenses of CHDOs and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds. A PJ may also use up to an additional 5 percent of its allocation to pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations to successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities.

PJs may award operating expense assistance or capacity building assistance to a nonprofit organization if it reasonably expects to provide HOME-ARP funds to the organization for any of the eligible HOME-ARP activities within 24 months of the award.

1. Eligible Costs

- a. ***Operating Expense Assistance:*** Operating expenses are defined as reasonable and necessary costs of operating the nonprofit organization. These costs include employee salaries, wages and other employee compensation and benefits; employee education, training, and travel; rent; utilities; communication costs; taxes; insurance; equipment, materials, and supplies.

HOME-ARP funds used for operating expenses must be used for the “**general operating costs**” of the nonprofit organization. These operating costs must not have a particular final cost objective, such as a project or activity, or must not be directly assignable to a HOME-ARP activity or project. For example, HOME-ARP funds for operating expenses may *not* be used for staffing costs to provide supportive services or develop HOME-ARP-rental housing (as operating costs to develop HOME-ARP rental housing are paid for by a developer fee which is a project delivery or soft cost). Because ARP does not permit any HOME-ARP funds to be used to operate a shelter, all costs related to operating a non-congregate shelter (e.g., allocable overhead and staffing costs, insurance, utilities) also cannot be paid with HOME-ARP funds.

The actual costs of implementing a specific activity or project, including staff costs to deliver supportive services or administer HOME-ARP TBRA, are considered HOME-ARP project delivery costs or project soft costs and are not eligible costs under Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building Assistance. HOME-ARP project delivery costs are those allowable costs incurred for implementing and carrying out eligible HOME-ARP projects or activities, such as supportive services. All project delivery costs are allocable to a HOME-ARP project, including direct project and related delivery costs integral to developing the project or providing the activity. HOME-ARP project delivery costs may be paid, if eligible, by HOME-ARP funds provided under a written agreement for the activity or project and must not be paid with nonprofit operating expense or capacity building assistance.

Attachment 4- Public Notice Availability of Draft Plan



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Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico
Gobierno Municipal de Mayagüez
Departamento de Vivienda y Programas Federales



AVISO DISPONIBILIDAD ENMIENDA SUSTANCIAL AL PLAN ANUAL 2021-2022

El Municipio de Mayagüez ha preparado una enmienda sustancial al Plan Anual 2021-2022 que incluye los cambios requeridos para poder recibir y utilizar los fondos HOME-ARP que están plasmados en el documento "HOME ARP Allocation Plan". Esta enmienda ha sido preparada en cumplimiento con los requisitos de la circular CPD 21-10, el 24 CFR 91.105 y el Plan de Participación Ciudadana del Municipio. La enmienda reconoce los fondos HOME-ARP delegados al Municipio que totaliza \$2,386,099. Luego del proceso de participación ciudadana y consulta estos fondos se han distribuido de la siguiente manera:

Actividad	Cantidad Asignada
Adquisición con o sin Rehabilitación, Rehabilitación de Vivienda Existente o Construcción de Vivienda de Alquiler	\$863,762
Servicios de Apoyo	\$714,093
Albergue No Congregado	\$450,330
Administración	\$357,914
Total	\$2,386,099.00


Los fondos estarán disponibles para todas las poblaciones calificadas según establecidos por HUD que incluye a: 1) Personas sin Hogar, 2) Personas en Riesgo de Perder su Hogar, 3) Personas huyendo o tratando de huir de violencia doméstica, violencia en citas, asalto sexual, acoso o tráfico humano, y 4) Otras poblaciones en riesgo y con características de inestabilidad en la vivienda. La circular CPD 21-10 y el 24 CFR 91.105 le requieren al Municipio la publicación de este aviso público para que los residentes, las agencias públicas, Entidades de Base Comunitario y otras partes interesadas puedan revisar la enmienda, comentar y reaccionar a la petición de enmienda del plan anual 2021-2022. El documento conocido como "HOME ARP Allocation Plan" estará disponible para ser revisado por las partes interesadas en:

Departamento de Vivienda Municipio de Mayagüez
(Edificio Libre de Barreras Arquitectónicas)
Calle Ramón Emeterio Betances #123 sur
Horario: Lunes a Viernes de 8:00 am a 3:30 pm
Atención: Sr. Jaime L. Rosario Burgos
Correo Electrónico: jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov
Teléfono: (787)833-2071


La enmienda y los documentos de apoyo estarán disponibles por 15 días calendario para que el público pueda hacer sus comentarios de forma escrita al correo electrónico: jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov. Los comentarios serán evaluados, contestados e incorporados a la enmienda y luego se tramitará a la Oficina del Caribe del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano Federal (HUD) para evaluación y aprobación final. Si algún residente del municipio, agencia pública o persona jurídica tiene alguna pregunta sobre este aviso público, puede comunicarse con el Sr. Jaime L. Rosario Burgos en horas y días laborables y/o a través del correo electrónico arriba indicado.


 Jorge L. Ramos Ruiz
Alcalde Interino
Municipio de Mayagüez

Este aviso se publica en cumplimiento con el Código de Reglamentos Federales en el 24 CFR 91.105, la Circular CPD 21-10 y el Plan de Participación Ciudadana.



COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
MUNICIPALITY OF MAYAGÜEZ
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2021-2022 ANNUAL PLAN

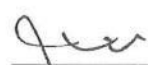
The Municipality of Mayagüez has prepared a substantial amendment to the 2021-2022 Annual Plan that includes the changes required in order to receive and use the HOME-ARP funds and included in the HOME ARP Allocation Plan. The amendment recognizes HOME-ARP funds delegated to the Municipality in the amount of \$2,386,099.00. After the completion of the Citizen Participation and Consultation process these funds have been distributed as follows:

Activity	Allocated Amount
Acquisition with or without Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing	\$863,762
Supportive Services	\$714,093
Non-Congregated Shelter	\$450,330
Administration	\$357,914
Total	\$2,386,099.00

The funds will be available to all the HOME ARP Qualifying populations as established by HUD that include: 1) Homeless persons, 2) Persons or households at risk of homelessness, 3) Persons fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; 4) Other at-risk populations with housing instability. CPD Circular 21-10 and 24 CFR 91.105 require the Municipality to publish this public notice to provide residents, public agencies, Community-Based Entities, and other interested parties the opportunity to review the amendment, comment on, and react to the 2021-2022 plan amendment. The document "HOME ARP Allocation Plan" will be available for review by stakeholders in:

Municipal Department of Housing
(public facility that is accessible and free of architectural barriers)
Ramón Emeterio Betances Street, #123 South
Working Hours Monday to Friday: 8:00 am to 3:30 pm
Attention: Mr. Jaime L. Rosario Burgos
E-Mail: jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov
Phone Number: (787)833-2071

The Amendment and its supporting documents will be available for public review for 15 calendar days. Comments may be submitted in writing to the following email: jrosario@mayaguezpr.gov. Comments will be evaluated, addressed, and incorporated into the amendment. The final amendment will be submitted to the Caribbean Office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for review and approval. If any resident of the municipality, Public Agency or Legal Entity has any questions about this public notice, you can contact Mr. Jaime L. Rosario Burgos, during working hours and days and or through the email indicated above.


 Jorge L. Ramos Ruiz
Acting Mayor
Municipality of Mayagüez

This notice is published in compliance with the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 91.105, CPD Circular 21-10 and the Citizen Participation Plan.

Attachment 5- Consultation Letters

Consultation letters are available for review on the following links:

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Attachment 6- Results of Consultation Survey

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1. Por favor indique el Nombre de la entidad que usted representa:

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2. Por favor entre su Nombre y Apellidos

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*"NESHERLEE SOLDEVILA GUZMAN"**"Norma L. Rivera Ortiz"**"Norma I. Delgado Mercado"*

3. Por favor indique que puesto ocupa en la entidad.

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*"ADMINISTRADORA ASOCIADA"**"Coordinadora Programa Homeless Children and Youth"**"Directora de Programa"*

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4. Entre su correo electrónico

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"ndelgado@salud.pr.gov"

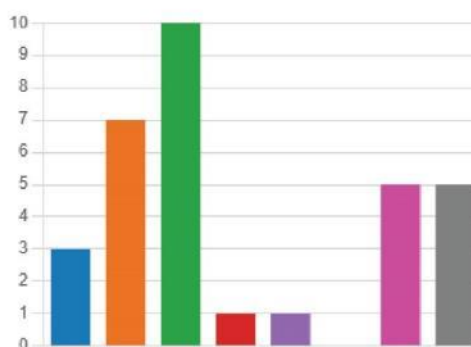
5. Entre su número de teléfono

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"787-773-2092"
"787-751-8798"

6. ¿Cómo su Organización se relaciona con las siguientes poblaciones elegibles: personas literalmente sin hogar, personas huyendo de la violencia doméstica, abuso sexual, acoso o trata humana, veteranos, familias o alguna otra población? Indique, si es proveedor de los siguientes servicios (puede seleccionar mas de uno):

Albergue de Emergencia	3
Vivienda Permanente o Realoja...	7
Servicios de Apoyo	10
Vivienda/ Arrendador/ Administ...	1
Desarrollador de Vivienda Aseq...	1
Proveedor de los Fondos	0
Miembro de la Comunidad de I...	5
Other	5



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7. ¿Es su Organización miembro del Cuidado Continuo de Servicios para la población de personas sin hogar?



8. ¿En que Municipios su Organización provee los servicios? (Indique el/los Municipios):

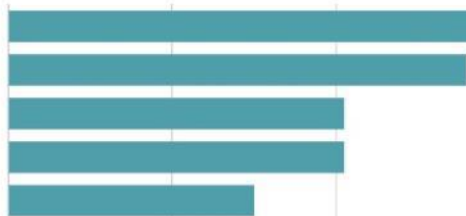
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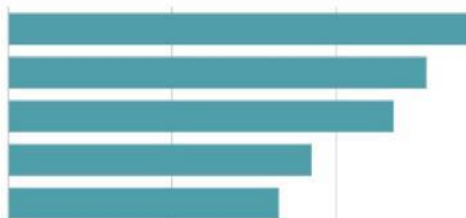
9. Desde su Perspectiva como Organización, ¿Cuáles son las necesidades más apremiantes para atender a la población de personas sin hogar en Mayagüez? Ordene del mas importante al menos importante.

- 1 Desarrollo de Vivienda Asequibl...
- 2 Servicios de Apoyo
- 3 Adquisición y Desarrollo de Alb...
- 4 Fondos administrativos para la ...
- 5 Asistencia de Renta al Inquilino ...



10. Desde su Perspectiva como Organización, ordene los siguientes servicios de apoyo del más importante al menos importante

- 1 Servicios de Prevención para pe...
- 2 Consejería de Vivienda (por eje...
- 3 Servicios de Manejo de Casos
- 4 Preparación para el Empleo
- 5 Adiestramiento en Destrezas de...



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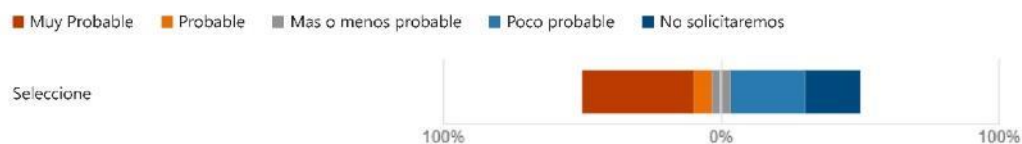
11. Desde su Perspectiva como Organización, ordene las actividades de Albergue no Congregados de la más importante a la menos importante.



12. Desde su perspectiva como organización , ordene las siguientes actividades de desarrollo de Vivienda Renta Asequible (de la más importante a la menos importante)



13. Qué probabilidad hay de que su entidad solicite los fondos de Prevención de Deambulancia

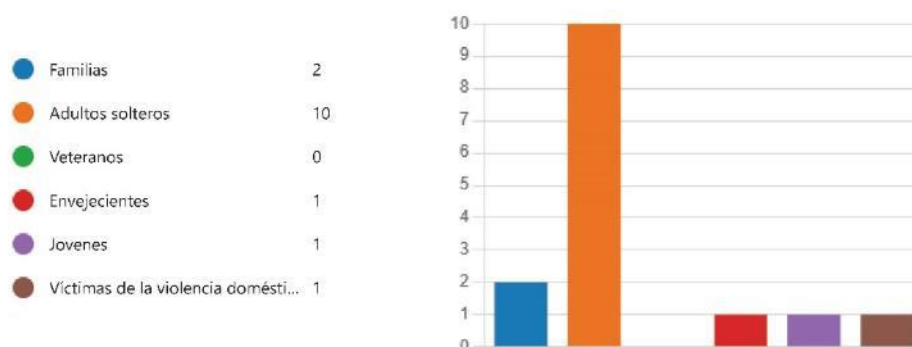


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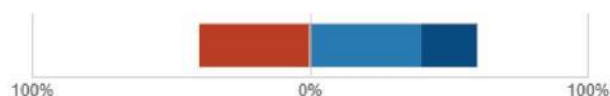
14. Las siguientes preguntas están diseñadas para identificar a la población sin hogar o en riesgo de convertirse en una persona sin hogar. De la siguiente lista, identifique la población con la mayor necesidad tomando en cuenta la experiencia de su Organización.



15. ¿Qué probabilidad hay de que usted solicite los fondos para Consejería de Vivienda?

☐ Muy Probable
 ☐ Probable
 ☐ Mas o menos probable
 ☐ Poco probable
 ☐ No solicitaremos

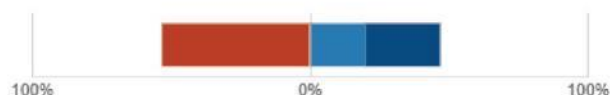
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16. ¿Qué probabilidad hay de que usted solicite los fondos para Preparación para Empleo?

☐ Muy Probable
 ☐ Probable
 ☐ Mas o menos probable
 ☐ Poco probable
 ☐ No solicitaremos

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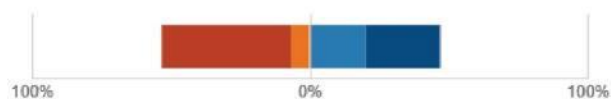
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17. ¿Qué probabilidad hay de que usted solicite los fondos para desarrollar o capacitar en las Destrezas de Vida?

■ Muy Probable ■ Probable ■ Mas o menos probable ■ Poco probable ■ No solicitaremos

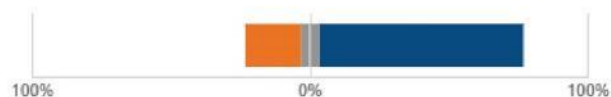
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18. ¿Cree usted que los servicios de Consejería en vivienda como búsqueda de vivienda, derechos de los dueños y los inquilinos, manejo del presupuesto y consejería sobre la reparación de crédito tienen un impacto significativo en la comunidad?

■ No tiene impacto ■ Poco Impacto ■ No está seguro ■ Algo de impacto ■ Gran Impacto

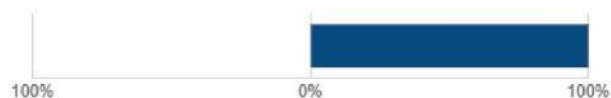
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19. ¿Cree usted que la Prevención a la deambulancia tiene un impacto significativo en nuestra comunidad?

■ No tiene impacto ■ Poco Impacto ■ No está seguro ■ Algo de impacto ■ Gran Impacto

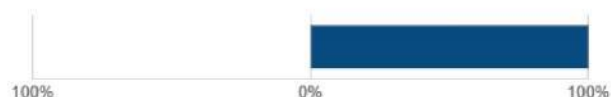
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20. ¿Cree usted que la preparación para el empleo y/o la formación en destrezas de vida tienen un impacto significativo en nuestra comunidad?

■ No tiene impacto ■ Poco Impacto ■ No está seguro ■ Algo de impacto ■ Gran Impacto

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21. Aquí podrá emitir cualquier comentarios adicional que nos permita identificar la necesidad y prioridad de las poblaciones de personas sin hogar. De necesitar ayuda favor de enviar correo a: jrosario@mayaguez.onmicrosoft.com

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*"NO TENEMOS COMENTARIOS"**"Las personas sin hogar necesitan el seguimiento y apoyo directo, par..."*

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Attachment 7- Comments received from CoC

A virtual meeting was held on March 6, 2023. During the meeting the Municipality presented a summary of the Citizen Participation and Consultation Process. A summary of the Gap Analysis and need was presented and the CoC concurred with the proposed distribution of funds.

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Acquisition with or without Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, or New Construction of rental Housing	\$863,762
Supportive Services	\$714,093
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Administration	\$357,914
Total	\$2,386,099.00

Attachment 8- Certifications and SF-424

HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Signature of Authorized Official

3/24/2023
Date


Acting Mayor

Title

OMB Number: 4040-0004
Expiration Date: 11/30/2025

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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant	PR
* b. Program/Project	PR
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
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17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date:	07/01/2023
* b. End Date:	06/30/2030
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	2,386,099.00
* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	2,386,099.00
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process? <input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/> . <input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	
* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", provide explanation and attach <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>	
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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** 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:	Jorge
Middle Name:	L.
* Last Name:	Ramos
Suffix:	
* Title:	Acting Mayor
* Telephone Number:	(787) 834-8585
Fax Number:	(787) 265-2270
* Email:	alcaldia@mayaguezpr.gov
* Signature of Authorized Representative:	
* Date Signed:	3/24/23

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


1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
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4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
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