

CITY OF MISSOULA

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan



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Introduction

The American Rescue Plan (ARP), signed into law on March 11, 2021, provided \$1.9 trillion to help with the economic recovery due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The American Rescue Plan (ARP) allocated \$5 billion to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country.

HOME-ARP funds must be used to primarily benefit individuals or families from the following qualifying populations:

- Homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302(a));
- At-risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1));
- Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as defined by the Secretary;
- 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;
- Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet one of the preceding criteria.

HOME-ARP funds can be used for four eligible activities:

- **Rental Housing:** Funds may be used to acquire, rehabilitate, or construct affordable rental housing primarily for occupancy by households of individuals and families of qualifying populations.
- **Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA):** Assists a household with payments to cover the entire or insufficient amounts that the qualifying household cannot pay for housing and housing-related costs, such as rental assistance, security deposits, and utility deposits.
- **Supportive Services:** These include services listed in section 401(29) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act ("McKinney-Vento Supportive Services")¹ (42 U.S.C. 11360(29)); homelessness prevention services; and housing counseling services.
- **Purchase and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter:** A non-congregate shelter is one or more buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter to individuals and families and does not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement. Includes acquisition and renovation or construction of units. HOME-ARP funds may not be used to pay the operating costs of the non-congregate shelter.

To determine local needs and priorities for the use of HOME-ARP funds, the City of Missoula analyzed data on homelessness, facilities, and services. Missoula also consulted with the local homeless coordinating council members, homeless providers, public housing agencies, public agencies serving qualifying populations, and other partners. After this analysis and consultation, the City of Missoula has prepared the following HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

Participating Jurisdiction: City of Missoula

Date: October 31, 2022

Consultation

Summarize the consultation process:

Before developing this Plan, City of Missoula Community Development staff consulted with a wide variety of partners with expertise in serving the Qualifying Populations. At the inception of the consultation process, staff met with Missoula's Continuum of Care, known as At-Risk Housing Coalition (ARHC) and the COVID-19 incident management team, Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), a temporary group formed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This was followed up with a survey sent to the CoC (ARHC) members, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, Missoula's Housing Authority, and public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and agencies that address fair housing, civil rights, and needs of persons with disabilities.

Partners were provided with a description of the grant and funding amount, the qualifying populations, and the range of eligible activities for the use of the funds. Partners were asked to respond with feedback, best uses for the funds, and any data on their units, resources, and operations. They were also asked to provide feedback on unmet needs and priorities for the qualifying populations they serve, and to discuss gaps in the inventory and service delivery system. Numerous additional one-on-one meetings and phone calls with these partners have been conducted throughout the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

The members of Missoula's CoC include numerous agencies and organizations tasked with addressing the needs of people experiencing homelessness including Hope Rescue Mission, Partnership Health Center, Reaching Home, Family Promise, Missoula Interfaith Collective, and the YWCA. In addition, a number of agencies have overlap services to address those most at-risk of homelessness including Missoula Housing Authority, Homeward, and Missoula Aging Services. The Veteran's Administration along with a number of our other providers addresses the needs of Veterans, while the YWCA addresses the needs of victims of and those fleeing domestic abuse and trafficking. The VA provided data on HUD/VASH vouchers.

Missoula's Summit Independent Living, a member of ARHC, was consulted. Summit Independent Living is a consumer-driven non-residential, private non-profit organization providing peer-delivered services that are unique in the world of human services designed to give people with all types of disabilities the tools and resources that are needed to improve independence, self-confidence, knowledge, skills and access to community resources. Summit also works at the community level to build awareness and reduce attitudinal, architectural and

communication barriers; combat discrimination; and promote the development of needed resources, programs, services, and policies. Summit was sent the original survey as well as additional private outreach but offered no comments.

Montana’s branch of the American Civil Liberties Union was contacted and sent a copy of the updated HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for comment, but at the time of submission, no comments were received.

Montana Fair Housing was also contacted but no comments were received.

List of organizations consulted, and summary of feedback received

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
At Risk Housing Coalition (ARHC)	CoC serving the jurisdiction’s area. Serves homeless, veterans, victims attempting to flee domestic violence, persons at-risk of homelessness.	Survey, Email & two meetings	Overall support and interest, distribution of survey link and staff contact information
Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Program	Homeless support Provider	Survey & Email	Identified a need for supportive services and the development of affordable housing as top priorities. “Low-income housing is a necessity.” Gaps include an easily accessible and user-friendly fund to assist landlords in the cost of damages caused by a client.
Hope Rescue Mission	Homeless support Provider	Survey & Email	Unmet need: affordable rental housing and transitional housing, increased supportive services to support housing first policies. Gaps include data analysis to find missing pieces of the homeless puzzle that need addressed. “Prevention efforts and Housing!!!” “Programs without accountability for those seeking services/help. If there is no natural consequence for poor choices/action, there is no incentive or motivation to change.”
Partnership Health Center	Service Provider that addresses the needs of qualifying populations,	Survey & Email	Identified a need the development of affordable housing, supportive service funding, and increased case management or out-of-the box solutions as top priorities.

	including homeless, veterans, victims attempting to flee domestic violence, persons at-risk of homelessness.		Unmet needs: child care for people staying at the YWCA, 24 hour services at PSH units.
Missoula Housing Authority	Public Housing Agency. Serves homeless, veterans, persons at-risk of homelessness.	Survey & In-person	Identified a need for supportive services. Unmet needs: commit supportive services to PSH vouchers (and develop linkage to services) Suggested that barriers for vouchers are too high.
Montana Board of Housing	Public Housing Agency. Serves homeless, veterans, persons at-risk of homelessness.	Email & in-person	Consult on State’s approach to HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
Missoula County	Public Agency that addresses the needs of homeless, veterans, victims attempting to flee domestic violence, persons at-risk of homelessness.	Survey & Email	Identified a need for the development of affordable housing and non-congregate shelters as top priorities. Unmet needs: affordable housing, especially for those with low to moderate incomes.
Veteran’s Administration	Public Agency that addresses the needs of veterans.	Survey & Email	Identified a need for the development of affordable housing.
Reaching Home, City of Missoula	Public Agency that addresses the needs of homeless and veterans.	Survey & Email	Unmet need: transitional housing, the development of affordable housing, and funds for resident-initiated financial housing support. In addition, legislation that limits landlord power. “Diverse housing options (outdoor spaces, transitional housing, housing for those using substances, housing that is affordable, etc).”
Missoula Aging Services	Service Provider that addresses the needs of homeless and at-risk of homelessness.	Survey & Email	Gap identified: support of older adults and those being displaced. Unmet need: non-congregate shelter for older adults on wait lists while transitioning from one place to another.

			“Day center for activities for older adults, and respite care for caregivers.”
Homeward, Inc.	Housing Developer & Counseling Agency that addresses the needs of homeless, veterans, persons at-risk of homelessness.	Survey & Email	Identified a need for supportive services and the development of affordable housing as top priorities. Gap identified: the development of additional SROs to accommodate more people. Funding of service reserves for PSH units: “By doing so, the necessary partners will have the ability to commit and therefore planning can occur as soon as possible.”
Summit Independent Living	Service Provider that addresses the needs of people with disabilities	Survey & Email & Personal Outreach	No comments received.
Family Promise	Homeless and at-risk of homelessness support provider, including families and children.	Survey & Email	Gap identified: transitional housing, extended motel vouchers. Unmet need: Adequate housing resources
Missoula Interfaith Collective	Homeless support provider	Survey & Email	Unmet need: funding and pilot programs for diversion and prevention of homelessness. Additional TBRA support. Gap identified: the need for more transitional housing and non-congregate shelters. “Keeping people who are vulnerable housed.”
YWCA	Domestic violence and homeless support service provider	Survey & Email	Gap identified: transitional housing for families unable to be rapidly rehoused with existing rental assistance programs. Unmet need: supportive permanent housing for chronically homeless individuals and high barriered families.
Montana ACLU	Civil rights and civil liberties organization	Email, Personal Outreach	No comments received.
Montana Fair Housing	Fair housing organization	Email, Personal Outreach	No comments received.

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

The feedback heard consistently from partners and the community was a need for more affordable units, especially ones with low barriers to entry. In addition, a need for increased

funding of supportive services and the need for more transitional housing in Missoula were identified. This is a big gap in the current system and the tight housing market has only served to highlight it. Many of Missoula's sheltered and unsheltered residents need a transitional space to stabilize before making the leap to permanent housing.

Public Participation

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

Public Comment Period: 2/7/22 – 6/6/22

Public Hearing: 5/23/22

Public participation is a vital element in assessing the needs and gaps in services for the homeless for the development of the HOME ARP Allocation Plan. On May 23, 2022, the Community Development division came before City Council to discuss the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. The presentation included information on data gathered to determine gaps and needs, as well as eligible types of HOME-ARP activities. Anyone wishing to comment on the best use of HOME-ARP funds was invited to do so. The City made the draft HOME-ARP Plan available to the public for a 30-day comment period, from May 1, 2022 to June 6, 2022. All comments received during the public hearing and comment period are included as an attachment to this report; no comments were rejected.

In addition to the public hearing, a survey and an accompanying explanation of the funds was posted on the City of Missoula's outreach platform EngageMissoula.com on February 7, 2022 and kept open until the end of the public hearing period. The website statistics reported that the page made 80 people aware of the information, informed 43 people, and engaged 17 people to complete the survey. In addition, the survey was promoted on social media and at two meetings that focused on housing displacement.

A public notice inviting public comments and describing how to review the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was published in the Missoulian on May 1 and May 8, 2022. The legal ad was posted in English and Spanish and provided information on how citizens could comment, request the plan in an alternative format, and how to request special accommodations and translation services to participate in the public hearing.

Describe any efforts to broaden public participation

During the HOME ARP Allocation Plan process, the city followed its Citizen Participation Plan and encouraged the participation of the public, city departments, public agencies and nonprofit housing and public service providers. Partners were asked to share information with their networks about how to participate in the survey and attend meetings.

In addition to standard legal notice placements in the Missoulian, the city utilized the City of Missoula's official web page as well as EngageMissoula.com to help broaden the participation process. The funding opportunity and survey were promoted on social media and were cross-promoted at two meetings that focused on housing displacement.

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

All comments were included, and no comments were rejected. Comments are attached.

Examples of responses to a survey question about unmet needs in Missoula:

"Housing availability and cost of housing"

"Changing zoning laws, building affordable housing"

"Controlling how much a landlord can raise rent."

"Short-term? Disparity between wages and cost of living. Long-term? The city and county's lack of controlling their spending"

"NO AIRBnB's in the neighborhoods. Make neighborhoods closed to Airbnb's. Do not allow them in new developments. Funding to get families into homes rather than rental situations. Owner-occupied neighborhoods only."

"Rental caps!"

"Affordable housing for everyone. I am native to Missoula. I sold my home to upgrade just a little. I'm now renting and am getting priced out of the market."

Examples of responses to a survey question about priorities for HOME-ARP-eligible activities:

"Build rental housing and prioritize people exiting homelessness for leases."

"Incentivize developers to build affordable housing. Incentivize property owners to rent out spaces to people living in Missoula, not vacation properties."

"Continue to partner with developers, both for- and non-profit, utilizing City land when possible. Incentivize child care somehow in new and existing developments."

"Support affordable housing programs and authorize construction of more affordable housing units in city limits. Support the construction of more homes.."

"Anything!"

Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis

Multiple data sources were used to complete the needs assessment and gap analysis sections of this plan. It should be noted that while the City of Missoula did their best to collect updated information, some of the data may not reveal the true nature of the crisis due to the rapid change in population, quickly rising housing costs, and dropping vacancy rates that have occurred since 2020.

The sources used for this report include the 2020 Decennial Census; American Community Survey (ACS) 2020 5-year Estimates; Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data sets from 2014- 2018; the 2020 Point-in-Time Count for homeless individuals; the local Continuum of Care's Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Gaps and Needs Report; reports from our local Housing Trust Fund, Missoula Organization of Realtors; and direct consultation with community partners and stakeholders.

According to Missoula's CoC, "Currently, MCES does not have real-time tracking of resources (whether beds, units, rental assistance, or case-management enrollment)." Through consultation with our partners, the City of Missoula was able to determine there are approximately 582 emergency shelter and transitional housing beds available. This number drops to 432 when the emergency winter shelter is not in operation (April-October).

OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	197	n/a	221	n/a	17								
Transitional Housing	6	n/a	n/a	n/a	10								
Permanent Supportive Housing	n/a	n/a	194	n/a	n/a								
Other Permanent Housing						n/a	245	n/a	n/a				
Sheltered Homeless						98	152	12	169				
Unsheltered Homeless						43	118	17	n/a				
Current Gap										107	n/a	102	n/a

Source: CoC Gaps & Needs 2021 Gaps Analysis, Consultation with Partners, 2020 Point In Time data. Number of beds for those fleeing domestic violence is included in Family Emergency Shelter

OPTIONAL Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	17126		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	1236		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	5086		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		5525	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		4045	
Current Gaps			9570

Source: ACS 2020, CHAS data for 2014-2018 for City of Missoula

Size and Demographic Composition of Qualifying Populations

Homeless

The 2020 Point in Time Count reported 290 sheltered homeless and 178 unsheltered homeless individuals on a single night in January 2020. This was the highest in the state. On the date of this Point in Time

(PIT) count the utilization rate of available units was reported to be 44% for Emergency Shelters, 18% for Transitional Housing, and 38% were unsheltered.

According to the CoC, the PIT count for unsheltered individuals is not always an accurate representation of the number of in-need individuals due to the challenges of estimating unsheltered populations. Some households, single and family, do not complete the survey out of fear that their location will be reported to the police or Child and Family services. Therefore, CoC members consider the count to be significantly below the actual number of homeless in the City of Missoula.

The majority of those experiencing homelessness during the 2021 PIT count, 327 (70%), were adults in households without children, while individuals in households of adults and children accounted for 141 (30%). Veterans made up for 12% of the PIT count.

Missoula's YWCA Pathways, a program that includes shelter and support for survivors of domestic and sexual violence (including dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or Human Trafficking), served a total of 1,653 unduplicated individuals in 2021.

At Risk of Homelessness

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data (2014-2018) prepared by HUD indicate a large population of households experiencing housing instability who may be at risk of homelessness. There are an estimated 5,520 very low-income households (incomes less than 30% AMI) who are rent burdened (paying greater than 30% of income towards rent).

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

The Montana Board of Crime Control reports in its most recent data that Missoula County had 719 domestic violence offenses in 2020. In fiscal year 2021, Missoula's YWCA Pathways, a program that includes shelter and support for survivors of domestic violence, served a total of 1,653 unduplicated individuals, including 1,468 crisis line callers. Sixty-one percent of those helped identified as women, 37% were children, 1% identified as men, and 1% identified as trans/non-binary. The majority of individuals seeking shelter at Pathways were between the ages of 25-59 (54%), while 30% were below the age of 12.

According to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV), Montana had the 8th highest femicide rate in the United States in 2017. Thirty-seven percent of Montana women and 34.6% of Montana men experience intimate partner physical violence, intimate partner sexual violence, and/or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes. Seventy percent of the homeless families that seek services in Missoula are headed by women, and domestic violence is a significant cause of their homelessness.

Other Populations Requiring Services or Housing to Prevent Homelessness or At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy data indicate that there are an estimated 6,685 low-income (incomes between 30% and 50% AMI) rent burdened households (paying greater than 30% of income towards rent).

According to the CoC's own gaps and needs analysis, Missoula has 194 permanent housing interventions, but it needs 662 to help house those and the 468 identified in the PIT count.

Unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations

In consultation with the homeless providers and agencies the following unmet housing and services needs for the Qualifying Populations were identified:

Homeless

Housing: Deeply affordable housing, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, and housing with low barriers to entry, which can mean housing that accepts those with sufficient income but with criminal records and bad credit.

Services: funding and staffing for supportive services continues to be a challenge. As do a lack of case management and chemical dependency services. There was also support to commit or link supportive services to PSH vouchers, and/or create a collaborative team to facilitate a plan specific to the unhoused or newly unhoused of Missoula.

Assessment: With a need of over 2400 units to support Missoula's growing population, the pandemic, and the "Zoom Boom" have put increased pressure on the city's ability to house those already unsheltered.

At Risk of Homelessness

Housing: Deeply affordable housing. More permanently affordable units.

Services: Rental assistance. Efforts to prevent people from losing their housing, including landlord liaison work, easier applications for services already in place, and tenant based rental assistance. A need for more funding for diversion and prevention of homelessness was also noted.

Assessment: See assessment on affordable housing above. Just over 48% of households in Missoula pay more than 30% of their income for rent and utilities. In addition, the wait list for individuals seeking housing choice vouchers has consistently remained around 1,750, while the success rate of those able to find housing has fallen from 75% in 2019 to 68% in 2020. The most current data for 2021 shows a 57% success rate.

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

Housing: Affordable housing units and transitional housing.

Services: Case management.

Assessment: Additional transitional housing units for domestic violence victims is an unmet need. Even with the newly constructed YWCA Meadowlark facility, demand continues to outstrip supply.

Other Populations Requiring Services or Housing to Prevent Homelessness or At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability

Housing: Affordable housing units, including units for seniors.

Services: Rental assistance. Efforts to prevent people from losing their housing, including landlord liaison work, financial literacy education, and additional stipends to keep affordable units affordable. Diversion and prevention of homelessness by way of pilot and ongoing services.

Assessment: See assessment on homeless and at-risk above.

Current resources

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

The **Poverello Center** serves as Missoula's primary emergency shelter for homeless individuals who are not acutely intoxicated. The Poverello offers 115 individual beds and has 40 overflow beds. In November of 2019, the Poverello began operating the **Emergency Winter Shelter Program** in partnership with City of Missoula and Missoula County to reduce the number of unsheltered adults sleeping in places not meant for human habitation in Missoula. The COVID-19 Pandemic presented extra challenges to providing safe and warm space through the 2020 winter; the Poverello's sheltering capacity was reduced to 88 people a night to maintain social distancing protocols. The Emergency Winter Shelter can shelter up to an additional 150 people from November through April, as weather needs dictate.

In Missoula, **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding** is awarded directly to the Human Resource Council (HRC). The ESG rapid re-housing (RRH) program can be used to assist homeless individuals in a three-county area with any of the following: one to three months of rental assistance, a rental security deposit equal to no more than two months' rent, last months' rent, a utility security deposit, rental application fees, utility payments, utility arrears up to six months, and arrears from a prior rental. The ESG RRH program targets individuals who meet the literally homeless definition (at a homeless shelter, place not meant for human habitation, hotel if paid for by charitable organization and transitional housing if they were homeless at the time of entry) and receives direct referrals from Missoula's Coordinated Entry System.

The City of Missoula's public housing authority is the **Missoula Housing Authority**. The Missoula Housing Authority (MHA) provides quality-housing solutions for low- and middle-income households in Missoula and the surrounding area. MHA operates and administers public housing, Housing Choice Vouchers (previously known as Section 8), Shelter Plus Care, Single Room Occupancy (SRO), and housing for homeless veterans' programs. It also develops affordable rental properties and provides rental management services to a number of affordable housing projects in Missoula. MHA provides subsidized housing (PH, HCV, SPC) for over 1,000 families, and owns (sometimes in partnership) and manages affordable housing for 535 other households.

Homeward uses sustainable methods to strengthen Montana communities by teaching homebuyer education and financial skill building and creating safe, healthy homes people can afford. Since its

inception in 1994, Homeward has created or preserved 32 properties in 13 Montana communities, equating to 1,319 homes that people can afford to rent or buy. In addition, starting in 1997, they have offered a full continuum of homebuyer, financial, and renter education programs and empowered more than 16,000 people.

Missoula County, City of Missoula and numerous community partners, including the Poverello Center, United Way of Missoula County and Hope Rescue Mission, have implemented the following programs and initiatives to help make homelessness rare, brief and one-time-only:

The Trinity Project is a collaboration between Homeward, the Missoula Housing Authority and BlueLine Development will develop a 202-home project located on two sites in Missoula. Missoula County contributed the land for the Mullan site, which will provide 130 low-threshold affordable homes, 30 of which will be supportive housing, accompanied by a navigation center, for Missoula's long-term unhoused neighbors. Seventy-two affordable homes will be located on the Cooley block and will be built for families and Missoula's workforce.

The Villagio is a Missoula Housing Authority housing effort on the Northside that will include 200 two-, three- and four-bedroom units priced to be affordable to people making at or below 60% of the area median income. The project, which also will include 24 units with project-based vouchers attached, is on track to open in spring/summer of 2022.

The YWCA opened a new shelter facility in partnership with Missoula Interfaith Collaborative's Family Promise Program that significantly expands our community's ability to support families who are houseless and those impacted by domestic violence. **The Meadowlark Family Housing and Domestic Violence Shelter Facility** is a 30,000-square-foot building that has 38 private sleeping rooms, 178 beds, 50 bathrooms, shared living and dining areas, outdoor youth play spaces, health care and legal clinics and offices for supportive services. The facility's three wings — YWCA's program center, YWCA's domestic violence shelter, and Missoula Family Housing Center — offer a significant resource to Missoula in ensuring that there is access to dignified, safe housing for families who need it most.

The **Temporary Safe Outdoor Space (TSOS)** was created in December 2020 and is a non-congregate shelter site for residents who are looking to make active progress in their journey to a housing solution. It's operated by Hope Rescue Mission with partnership from United Way of Missoula County, Missoula County, and City of Missoula. The TSOS has 20 canvas-tents, each able to fit up to 2 people for couples, siblings or others seeking to share a tent space. Hope Rescue Mission provides connection to the Missoula Coordinated Entry System and ongoing housing navigation, while also connecting residents to case management, and varietal other housing resources and services. The site also brings programming to residents such as renter education classes, partnership with community garden organizations, and other programs to support residents and build community.

The City and County also recently opened the **Authorized Camping Site (ACS)**, a sanctioned camping area within the City for folk who are unsheltered. There are 40 camping spots and basic needs services including: bathrooms, trash, firewood, sharps disposal and others. The site is frequented by outreach teams and providers to deliver housing, social and basic medical support. Partners across town also donated food, clothing, warming items, pet supplies, harm-reduction kits and other resources to support a positive experience for residents. **The Missoula Coordinated Entry System** was created in 2017 in an effort to better leverage the array of houseless and housing resources throughout Missoula. As of March 2022, there are 38 agencies throughout Missoula signed on to this system as either an access point or

partner agency responsible for directly serving or providing supportive services to our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Representatives from all the agencies correspond regularly to coordinate services for individuals entering the system and ensure resources are going to community members with the greatest need. Part of MCES is the By-Name-List, which is an identified list of the individuals in Missoula experiencing homeless. Dozens of case workers from across the community come together weekly to review this list and plan case coordination for people individually.

The At-Risk Housing Coalition comprises multiple agencies throughout Missoula County working to support people who are at risk or are experiencing homelessness. Members are expected to regularly attend General Meetings, participate in subgroups as they overlap with their area of work, and collaborate on coalition-wide initiatives and projects. Members of the Executive Committee have voting power on approval of policies for the Missoula Coordinated Entry System. ARHC is a key source of information-sharing and collective support across providers throughout Missoula.

Homeward's landlord liaison position works to effectively market Missoula housing support programs to new and existing landlords and property managers, with the goal of expanding the number of units available to those facing barriers, such as little to no rental history. The liaison works closely with renters to teach skills in being a good renter—how to read and understand a lease, communicating with your landlord, and other valuable skills. The liaison also works to learn about eviction resources locally, state-wide, and nationally to connect community members with resources to prevent or work with eviction. Due to challenges related to the nearly-zero vacancy rate in Missoula, this position has had to adapt often to determine the best way to support Missoulians when there are very few houses available.

The FUSE program development manager at Partnership Health Center works with the City of Missoula and the Missoula Coordinated Entry System. FUSE, which stands for Frequent Users of System Engagement, is a housing-first model that identifies individuals who are frequent users of crisis services (i.e., jail, shelter, emergency room, etc.) and provides permanent supportive housing to these individuals. This means their housing is affordable and tenants have access to services to assist them. It significantly reduces the costly revolving door of accessing crisis services. PHC participates in the model because supportive housing is an evidence-based solution that leads to better health and quality of life for people experiencing homelessness. Open Aid Alliance partners with PHC and FUSE to provide housing retention support at Cornerstone, a Permanent Supportive Housing development.

Partnership Health Center began operating the **Community Care Team (CCT)** through partnership with the City of Missoula and Missoula County. The team, comprised of a manager, two tenancy support specialists, a registered nurse, a peer support specialist, and a community health coordinator, is a mobile unit that regularly visits shelter sites in the community to provide care where people are. The focus is on providing housing navigation and support, social support, and basic medical care. One of the tenancy support specialists is tasked with working specifically with the FUSE population. The team regularly visits the new Authorized Camping Site, the Emergency Winter Shelter, and other shelter sites in town. They intend to provide care for neighbors who cannot or will not access services with other providers.

The **Continuum of Care** committee of the At-Risk Housing Coalition also works annually to provide a Needs and Gaps analysis to the Statewide CoC to respond to the annual NOFO for local CoC-funded programs that support Missoula Housing Authority and Human Resource Council District XI. YWCA Missoula applies annually for Continuum of Care funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide rental assistance and supportive services to families experiencing homelessness. The YWCA can support up to 50 families each year with rental assistance.

Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) is a team of staff run through the Poverello Center whose primary responsibility is to build relationships and trust with community members experiencing homelessness, with the goal of helping connect them to resources and find stable housing. These staff spend many hours a week in the field visiting individuals in the spaces throughout Missoula where they're living and are a primary bridge to services and to the Missoula Coordinated Entry System. HOT is part of the **Community Outreach Team (COT)**, which is the umbrella coalition for all homelessness outreach workers in Missoula working together to coordinate field visits and response.

Centralized Housing Solutions Fund is a flexible financial assistance fund intended to divert households from the houselessness system in Missoula. It is available for households who identify it as a need for resolving their housing crisis through diversion or rapid exit conversations. When financial assistance is necessary to obtain safe housing, Housing Solution funds can be used in a variety of ways provided they directly result in a housing solution, whether permanent or temporary.

The Housing Advocate Network (HAN) is a coalition of everyday people who work one-on-one with individuals and families experiencing houselessness to support them in pursuing their housing goals. HAN volunteers believe in the importance of relationships in addressing the trauma, stigma and isolation often associated with houselessness and are committed to walking alongside their neighbors to help them clarify housing goals, understand housing barriers, complete tangible tasks, and connect with available community resources.

A list of affordable and/or assisted properties is below.

Assisted Multifamily properties in Missoula (provided by the Human Resource Council):

- Cottage Park (60 units) (low and very low, Section 8)
- Council Groves (72 units) (extremely low income)
- Grandview (48 family units) (Section 8)
- Eagle Watch Estates (24 units) (Disabled)
- Bruce Blattner Apartments (8 units) (Disabled)
- Uptown Apartments (14 units) (Single homeless adults)
- Silvercrest Apartment Community (50 units) (62+ seniors)
- Valor House (17 units) (Veterans)
- Missoula Manor (126 unit) (Seniors, Section 8)
- Clark Fork Riverside Manor (134 units) (Seniors)
- Union Place I & II (LIHTC properties)
- Fireweed Apartments (12 low-income families)
- Equinox (35 units)
- Gold Dust Apartments (18 low-income families)
- Lenox Flats (10 low-income families)
- Orchard Gardens (35 units) (Low to moderate income)
- Phillips Street Apartments (8 units) (Low to moderate income)
- Russell Square Apartments (52 units) (LIHTC)
- Palace Apartments (60 units)
- River Ridge (70 units) (Seniors)

- Garden District (37 units) (LIHTC)
- Silvertip Apartments (115 units) (Low to moderate income)
- Burlington Square (51 units) (Seniors)
- Alder Park Apartments (74 units) (Section 8)
- Parkside Village (104 units)
- Creekside Apartments (161 units)
- Wildflower Apartments (96 units)
- COAD Apartments (three 6-plex units)

GAPS in Shelter and Housing

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

Specific gaps noted by consulting parties include affordable housing, transitional housing, homeless prevention and supportive services, and case management. The common theme was the need for additional units, especially units with low barriers to entry.

According to ACS data, Missoula is reported to have an estimated 17,000 total rental units. Only 1,236 or .07% are affordable to households with incomes at or below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI) and 5,086 or 30% are affordable to households with incomes below 50% AMI.

There are approximately 7,322 households earning 30% AMI or less, and 8,616 earning between 30-50% AMI. With only 6,322 units available, that leaves a gap of 9,616 affordable units needed in Missoula to address the needs of low- and very-low income rent burdened households.

Many of the needs of the qualifying populations are similar and include the need for affordable and transitional housing, additional emergency shelter beds and non-congregate shelters, supportive services or assistance that could prevent homelessness or address housing instability.

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

The City will not further identify “other populations” within the qualifying populations already outlined.

Explain how the level of need and gaps in its shelter and housing inventory and service delivery systems based on the data presented in the plan were determined:

The gaps in services and program needs to provide shelter, housing, and services were determined using data from multiple sources as well as personal consultation with community providers and through public engagement.

The level of need for unsheltered and sheltered households experiencing homelessness was determined by evaluating the number of unsheltered households and the level of resources available to adequately house the families or individuals with emergency solutions, transitional housing, and long-term supportive services.

For households that are currently housed but face challenges maintaining their home, the level of need was measured by the amount of inventory that is available at an affordable rate, as well as inventory that had affordable, safe, and adequate living conditions.

The Missoula Point in Time (PIT) data reports that in 2020 there were 468 sheltered and unsheltered individuals on a single night in January 2020. With an approximate 221 emergency shelter beds and 197 family beds available, this would indicate that Missoula has sufficient beds for the homeless population. However, providers indicate that the number of beds available is not officially tracked, nor are the PIT counts accurate. The CoC further states that the unsheltered homeless count is much higher than the PIT count. Transitional housing and the need for more affordable units to prevent those at risk from falling into homelessness and house those who already have was identified as a gap in inventory and services.

The City of Missoula, with the help of CoC members, partners, and the community, identified the need for more affordable and transitional housing units as one way to address the gaps in the current shelter and housing inventory to assist qualifying populations.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

The priority identified consistently from our partners and the public was a need for more affordable units. Broken out by qualifying population, the priority needs included:

- Homeless: deeply affordable housing, transitional housing, supportive services, case management, low-barrier housing
- At Risk of Homelessness: Affordable rental units, homeless prevention and supportive services.
- Fleeing Domestic Violence: Affordable rental units, case management
- Other Populations: Affordable rental units, prevention and supportive services

In addition, we heard interest in transitional housing and supportive services. The Missoula community has struggled with a tight housing market for many years, but this was significantly exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Rental vacancy rates were low before 2020 and plummeted throughout 2020-2022. This has resulted in a sharp rise in rent costs, increasing the

population of renters that are cost burdened and at risk for homelessness. Adding more rental units, and especially more rental units that are protected and intended to serve low- and moderate-income Missoulians will alleviate some of that pressure and provide more stability in housing for our residents. However, adding units alone will not address the full picture of our housing needs.

Over the course of the pandemic, we have seen the population of unhoused residents and unsheltered residents increase as well. We know that once a family enters houselessness, additional services and supports are essential to stabilizing their housing situation and getting them into a permanent home, as well as ensuring they are able to remain in that home. This was reflected in the comments and input from the community and our service provider and housing partners who also identified services as a key priority for the HOME-ARP funds.

Finally, we heard from many partners through the consultation process about the need for transitional housing in Missoula. This is a big gap in our current system and the tight housing market we have seen over the course of the pandemic has highlighted it. Many of our unsheltered and unhoused residents need a transitional space to stabilize in before making the leap to permanent housing. We currently have no service providers or spaces that meet that need in the system, and the HOME-ARP funds provide an opportunity to fill that gap if a project is identified.

We don't anticipate that the pandemic or its impacts on our housing market will go away anytime soon. To truly meet the needs of today, we must prioritize additional affordable unit creation, supportive services, and transitional housing to fill the gaps in our system and meet the needs of Missoula's HOME-ARP qualifying populations.

HOME-ARP Activities

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

Unless an immediate need for funding is identified and approved in partnership with the Continuum of Care, the City of Missoula plans to open applications for funding during its Program Year 2023 competitive application cycle. During that time any organization, developer, subrecipient, or Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) is eligible to apply. At the close of the application period, all applications received will be reviewed for completeness, eligibility, and their ability to deliver on the priority needs identified within this plan.

Applications will be scored by a committee made up of city staff and City Council members, based on criteria that includes the applicant's ability to comply with federal and local requirements and the project scope as it pertains to the outlined priority needs in this plan. All projects awarded funds will meet all HUD criteria, including Fair Housing Act requirements per consultation with Montana Fair Housing when applicable. Subrecipients will administer the selected activities.

If any 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 because the subrecipient or contractor is responsible for the administration of the PJ’s entire HOME-ARP grant, identify the subrecipients or contractor and describe the role and responsibilities in administering all of the PJ’s HOME-ARP program:

The city will allocate the funds.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

The City of Missoula shows a clear need for more affordable rental units. The low vacancy rate, increasing rents, expiring subsidies, increasing number of homeless individuals and those with housing cost burdens all add up to a clear need for more affordable units.

The actual percentage of funds that will be spent on individual projects is under consideration, but based on collaboration with our local CoC, it’s clear that affordable units, transitional housing, and supportive services are high on the list of projects the City of Missoula would like to support.

Proposed Use of HOME-ARP Funding			
	Funding Amount	% of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$60,000		
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$532,364		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$0		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$532,364		
Non-Profit Operating	\$0	0%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$0	0%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$198,481	15%	15%
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$1,323,209	100%	

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 City of Missoula has identified activities that will assist families and individuals of the most vulnerable populations. HUD CHAS data and ACS data show a need for a significant number of additional deeply affordable housing units

The City of Missoula views this allocation plan as the first step in clearly identifying priorities for these funds based on community feedback and the gap analysis. The needs identified are specific, but the affordable development capacity in the Missoula community is relatively small. The plan to fund eligible activities allows the city the opportunity to circulate this allocation plan widely over the next year and work to identify interested and eligible projects that meet the specific needs identified here. Then if no clear projects are identified through that process, it provides the opportunity for projects to access the funds through the annual competitive process allowing flexibility in how the city identifies the best partnership to utilize these funds.

In addition to affordable housing, the City of Missoula and its partners recognize a need to support our most vulnerable qualified populations through various supportive services, including case management, outreach and outpatient health services.

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

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

Number of affordable rental housing units for Qualifying Populations the City of Missoula will support: 200

- Rental housing production goal: 200

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

The priority identified consistently from our partners and the public was a need for more affordable units. The City of Missoula will use its HOME-ARP allocation to support the development of 200 units of affordable rental housing.

Preferences

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

The City will not give preference to one or more qualifying populations.

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

The City will not further identify "other populations" within the qualifying populations.

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

The City will not further identify "other populations" within the qualifying populations.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

Attachments

Public Comments

9/21/22 Comment Received

John Wolverton, about 3 hours ago

Alert moderator

Distribution of funds and aid for low income rental housing and supportive services must consider the density and geographic locations of the housing and service outlets to avoid perpetuation of the current trend of locating all poor people in just three neighborhoods centered around Russell Street and West Broadway. For the long term health of our community, dispersion of cultural norms and benefit to low income families' children (equitable primary education access), it is far better to have many low income quadra-plexes scattered over the whole city. Efficiency should not be a metric for funding consideration. Our transit district operates zero-fare and frequent service through all neighborhoods which would alleviate transportation burdens for low income families who would be dispersed throughout the community. -- Additionally we must be mindful to only create new housing and facilities to the extent that organizational, county and city budgets (continuing public support) can perpetually maintain and service them. Thank You.

9/22/22 Comments Received

thinkingitthrough, about 3 hours ago

Alert moderator

I agree that the older neighborhoods (North, WestSide, as well as Franklin Area) have been hit with significantly more homeless development, they are also the areas closer to downtown. I think there also remains a lot of dilapidated housing in these areas which continues to provide cheaper opportunities to redevelop than in other areas of town. I would encourage continuing the rehabilitating of some short stay/transient properties, into more stable and sustainable programs similar to what is happening on the corner of Broadway and Russell, where a run down motel will be fixed up into longer stay veteran housing. Opportunities do exist along many main corridors for such opportunity including on the way to East Missoula, off Brooks, as well as along Broadway. Let's get creative with our populations as well, it was such a welcome relief to support family housing through the MIC and YWCA partnership, I think along with population specific successes such as the Dakota house, YWCA DV and family shelter, as well as veteran housing, we could build something sustainable.

WestsideJohn, about 6 hours ago

Alert moderator

Does this mean that those of us who live in the Westside can expect to see more homeless people in our neighborhood, doing all of the things that homeless people do? There is not enough room on the California Street bridge for more drawings of large male organs* and Fund the Police* graffiti. It must be nice to live elsewhere in Missoula and know that you are helping out those in need without having to live with the consequences.

*It took three tries to get a description in plain language of the Cal St. bridge past the moderators. Apparently the bridge artists are not subject to such constraints.

docwatson, about 19 hours ago

Alert moderator

I think that Homeword would make good use of these funds. They have great experience and a proven track record of creating affordable and sustainable housing. And of helping people with the skills to obtain housing.

9/23/22 Comment Received:

Kathie52, 3 days ago

Alert moderator

Often, those without stable housing also are without reliable all-weather personal transportation, so it would make sense to locate new housing for these folks within a half mile walking distance of either a bus stop and/or services such as grocery stores, pharmacies, medical providers, etc. And here's a thought: would it be possible to leverage some of those funds to provide bus service to the new neighborhood developing west of Reserve between the river and West Broadway (George Elmer area)? If you could, that would open up a whole new area suitable for mixed income housing. Overall, I think we need to use the funding for a mix of housing and services for low income/unhoused people. Volunteers do a lot of great work, but we need at least 3 times as much transitional housing as Meadowlark provides, at least twice the night time shelter the POV and other current shelters can provide as well as viable camping options for those living in RVs, about 5 times as many case worker and mental health/substance professional types to guide people through housing and associated challenges, and everybody knows how tough it is to get into affordable permanent housing.

9/26/22 Comment Received:

Mr. Rick Kehler called our grants administrator and expressed concerns over the increasing numbers of homeless in Missoula. While he believes programs to support homeless need to exist, he says that taxpayers are overburdened and shouldering more than their fair share. He suggests working to stabilize the systems already in place. Mr. Kehler expressed further concerns over the financial condition of Missoula's Food Bank and suggested that perhaps some of our funds be used to support it.

10/6/22 Comment Received:

kelsie.severson, about 4 hours ago

I believe local organizations that have been meeting the need during the pandemic would benefit from additional ARP funds. I work at Mountain Home Montana and we provide two-generational, wrap-around cares to young mothers and their children by offering a Residential Program for pregnant and parenting youth experiencing homelessness with a 7-bedroom group home and 5 transitional living apartments, a licensed Mental Health Center with individualized case management and therapeutic services for mothers ages 14-29 and children ages 0-18, a drop-in community center, a supportive education and employment program, a trauma-informed child care center for children ages 0-3, and a range of other services like formal doula cares and a year-long community mentoring program. F

For Mountain Home, the pandemic, and the isolation, stress, rising costs, and uncertainty that came with it, led to a steep increase in the need for our services. We continue to receive twice the number of referrals for our services than we can accommodate despite the fact that we increased our services by 160% since our last community assessment in 2019 and increased our budget by 66% between 2020 and 2022 to more than double the amount of trained staff serving young families. Currently, we provide services for 95+ families that include 210+ individual mothers and children. Of those clients, 60% report that they are experiencing homelessness at intake though 100% are at-risk of homelessness due to rising costs of housing, current inflation, and wage stagnation. Additionally, 90% of our clients struggle with their mental health and report anxiety, depression, and PTSD largely as a result of past trauma. W

e've also seen a steep rise in the number of mothers struggling with substance use disorder. Around 60% of clients enter our programs with a history of substance use disorder. In 2021, Mountain Home recorded our first 3 cases of fentanyl use in addition to a general rise in substance use disorder more generally. Through our work with a number of maternal substance use coalitions (Missoula County Perinatal Substance Use Network, Montana Department of Health and Human Services Strengthening Families Initiative, etc.) and our local partnerships with in-patient treatment centers like Carol Graham, Crosswinds, Stepping Stones, etc., we've seen the rising need and are all lacking the capacity or facilities to address the issue within our community.

Our increase in programmatic services in response to the rising needs of the pandemic has been greatly supported through ARPA funds. In fact, our Child Care Center receives a significant amount of ARPA funds that helped it launch and sustain in 2021 and 2022. The sustainability these funds have provided for our childcare could be so beneficial in improving housing supports for members of our community. Organizations like Mountain Home, could use these funds to continue to grow and expand necessary services.

HOME-ARP Draft 1 Legal Ad Notice

E4 - Missoulian Classified, Sunday, May 8, 2022

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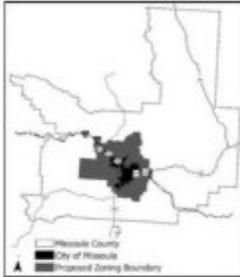
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Missoula Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on **Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., passing Resolution of Intent #2022-057** on the following request:

Missoula County Zoning Code Update and Zoning Map Revision

Resolution of Intent #2022-057 includes the following actions:

An update of the Missoula County Zoning Regulations. A zoning map revision to zone or rezone land within the planning and zoning area, as shown in the map and descriptions below.



1. A revised zoning code (draft dated April 7, 2022, as amended by the Board of County Commissioners) establishing new zoning districts and zoning regulations with the goals of increasing housing options, improving resource protections, conserving energy, and protecting public health and safety by aligning our zoning to our community's values. The regulations revise zoning district requirements pertaining to land uses, lot dimensions and density, building placement and scale, parking and access, landscaping, signs, hillside development, nonconformities, and enforcement. New sections address riparian resource protection, building design and types, use standards and conditions, noise, floodplain, outdoor lighting, development options, and land use incentives/bonuses.
2. A zoning map update as amended by the Board of County Commissioners to apply these new zoning districts and regulations to areas within the planning and zoning boundary, generally described as the boundaries of the Missoula Area Land Use Map, adopted by Missoula County on June 6, 2019, in the Missoula Area Land Use Element of the County Growth Policy, including tracts of land in the following public land survey townships:
 - Township 12 North, Range 18 West, Sections 5-8, 17-19;
 - Township 12 North, Range 19 West, Sections 1-30, 32-36;
 - Township 12 North, Range 20 West, Sections 1-4, 9-15, 22-27;
 - Township 13 North, Range 18 West, Sections 4-9, 15-22, 27-33;
 - Township 13 North, Range 19 West;
 - Township 13 North, Range 20 West;
 - Township 13 North, Range 21 West;
 - Township 14 North, Range 18 West, Sections 6, 30-33;
 - Township 14 North, Range 19 West;
 - Township 14 North, Range 20 West, all Sections except 5-6;
 - Township 14 North, Range 21 West, Sections 2, 10-14, 23-25, 35-36;
 - Township 15 North, Range 18 West, Sections 30-31; and,
 - Township 15 North, Range 19 West, Sections 21-29, 31-36, P.M.M.

This area generally encompasses land extending from, but not including, Frenchtown to Turah, and Evaro to Lolo. Excluded from this request are lands within the City of Missoula's jurisdiction, land within areas zoned pursuant to Montana Code Annotated §76-2, Part 1, and land within certain legacy districts to be retained which includes specific Planned Unit Developments, Special Districts, Rural Zoning Districts, and Planned Variations, a complete list of which

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PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AWARDDING AHFT, CDBG AND HOME PY22 FUNDS; PY21 SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT; AND HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

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In addition, the City is asking for public comment on the HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan.

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The Substantial Amendment, Allocation Plan, annual Action Plan and funding recommendations are scheduled to be presented to the Housing, Redevelopment, and Community Programs Committee of the City Council at its regular meeting May 11, 2022 and scheduled for a public hearing before the City Council at its regular meeting on May 23, 2022 at 6 PM.

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Oral and written comments and questions are encouraged. Submit any written comments to Karen Gasvoda or Kendra Lisum with Community Development (CD) division by June 5, 2022. City of Missoula Community Planning, Development, and Innovation, 435 Ryman, Missoula, MT, 59802. To receive a copy of the draft plans or to review them in an alternative format, or to request special accommodations in order to participate, please contact CD at 406.552.6218 or email gasvoda@ci.missoula.mt.us, or 406.552.6646, lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us, or contact the Montana Relay Service at TTY 711. Public comments submitted by June 6, 2022, will be included in the final versions of the plans submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA SOBRE UNA RESOLUCIÓN DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL OTORGANDO FONDOS AHFT, CDBG Y HOME PY22; ENMIENDA SUSTANCIAL PY21; Y PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN HOGAR-ARP

Por la presente se da aviso de que la ciudad de Missoula solicita comentarios públicos sobre su plan de acción anual preliminar que describe las actividades que emprenderá con el Fondo Fiduciario de Vivienda Asegurable de la Ciudad, la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG) como Ciudad con Derecho y las Asociaciones de Inversión en Viviendas, Programa (HOME) como jurisdicción participante para el año del programa (PY) 2022 (los años del programa van del 1 de julio al 31 de junio).

La Ciudad también está solicitando comentarios públicos sobre su borrador de Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción PY21, que refleja los cambios realizados en los proyectos financiados por PY21.

Además, la Ciudad está solicitando comentarios públicos sobre el Plan de Asignación del Plan de Rescate Americano HOME (HOME-ARP).

Los borradores de la Ciudad del Plan de Acción Anual PY22, la Enmienda Sustancial PY21 y el Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP ahora están disponibles en línea en www.EngageMissoula.com para un período de revisión y comentarios públicos que finaliza el 6 de junio de 2022.

La Enmienda Sustancial, el Plan de Asignación, el Plan de Acción anual y las recomendaciones de financiamiento están programados para presentarse al Comité de Vivienda, Reurbanización y Programas Comunitarios del Concejo Municipal en su reunión ordinaria el 11 de mayo de 2022 y una audiencia pública programada ante el Concejo Municipal, en su sesión ordinaria el día 23 de mayo de 2022 a las 18 hs.

Las reuniones del comité del Concejo Municipal actualmente se llevan a cabo virtualmente a través de Live Stream y On Demand. Las instrucciones sobre cómo ver la reunión y hacer comentarios públicos están disponibles aquí <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/webcasts>; haga clic en una reunión específica dentro del calendario para la Guía de Participación Ciudadana. Las reuniones del Concejo Municipal de los lunes por la noche son híbridas, en persona y a través de Zoom.

Se anima a los comentarios y preguntas orales y escritas. Envíe cualquier comentario por escrito a Karen Gasvoda o Kendra Lisum con la división de Desarrollo Comunitario (CD) antes del 5 de junio de 2022.

Planificación, Desarrollo e Innovación Comunitaria de la Ciudad de Missoula, 435 Ryman, Missoula, MT, 59802. Para recibir una copia del borrador planes o para revisarlos en un formato alternativo, o para solicitar adaptaciones especiales para poder participar, comuníquese con CD al 406.552.6218 o envíe un correo electrónico a gasvoda@ci.missoula.mt.us, o 406.552.6646, lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us, o comuníquese con el Servicio de retransmisión de Montana al TTY 711.

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HOME-ARP Announcement – City Departments

From: [Karen Gasvoda](#)
To: [Dept. CPDI](#)
Subject: Read, comment, watch--Don't miss this opportunity!
Date: Monday, May 2, 2022 3:53:22 PM

This is **your** chance to participate!

As you may know, every year your friendly crew at Community Development creates and distributes the titillating report called the **Annual Action Plan** (no fewer than four focus groups were assembled to come up with such an inspirational title).

But thanks to overwhelming demand, this year we've decided to not just double – but TRIPLE – your reading pleasure by offering you three – yes, **THREE** – **sparkling reports** chalk full of all your federal funding favorites!

Act now and you can spend your afternoon **reading** the soon-to-be-classic:

1. [Program Year 2022 Annual Action Plan](#) - detailing our brand new 2022 projects in meticulous detail
2. Or how about the oldy-but-goody [Program Year 2021 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment](#) – documenting a change to the Program Year '21 repertoire
3. And brand new this year, you'll get the riveting, hot-off-the-presses [HOME-ARP Allocation Plan](#) – a 28 page report detailing the needs and gaps in Missoula's housing and homeless sector, as well as sparkling prose about how we can use these once-in-a-lifetime funds!

If you act now you'll also receive a **colorful infographic** outlining our [HOME-ARP allocation](#). But that's not all! We'll even throw in this [PY22 Action Plan infographic](#) free of charge!

We KNOW you're dying to access the forum and **share your comments** here ([PY22 Action Plan & PY21 Substantial Amendment](#)), and here ([ARP Allocation Plan](#)).

STILL can't get enough of federally funded project reports? You're in luck! For a limited time only, you'll be able to **watch** the Community Development crew review these reports LIVE! Join them on **May 16th** as they present before City Council the PY22 Annual Action Plan, the PY21 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment, and the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. As an added bonus for tuning in, you'll also get a sneak peek at the other projects funded in this year's [Unified Application round](#), courtesy of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

[disclaimer: date of actual Council meeting subject to change, check your local listings]

What are you waiting for? Join the fun at [EngageMissoula.com](#)!

Community Development Division
Community Planning, Development & Innovation

HOME-ARP CoC (COAD) Meeting

In a wide-reaching effort to include the many agencies and partners within our local CoC, HOME-ARP funds were presented at COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster), and a reminder of the survey and presentation were emailed to ARHC (Missoula' CoC).

COAD Homelessness Task Force – 12/7/2021

Task Force Agreements

Assume best intentions
Step forward, step back
Focus on working smarter
Over-communication is better than no communication
Commitment to taking care of ourselves first
Slack is our primary communication tool

Agenda

1. Welcome/Introductions
 - a. Please enter into the chat:
 - i. Name, gender pronouns (why pronouns matter) and agency/affiliation
 1. KristyP she, her coverello
 2. Lisa Sirois, she/her, Pox
 3. Alex Ramsing, he/him, Homewood
 4. Miranda Sanderson she/her PHC
 5. Kendra Lisum, City of Missoula, she/her
 6. Karen Gasvoda, she/her, City of Missoula
 7. Tracy Pohndorf, she/her, City of Missoula
 8. Sue Harrison she/her Missoula Interfaith Collaborative
 9. Anna Nilles, she/her, PHC
 10. Chaz Rourke, Partnership Health Center, He/Him/His
 11. Winnie Lohof, PATH, she/her
 12. Lena Negrete, HRC
 13. Nick Holloway, Emerg Mgmt
 14. Emily Armstrong (She/her) reaching home, city of missoula
2. COAD Process
 - a. Fill out this form between meetings: <https://forms.gle/oYqSAkwGEkourU1r7>
3. Discussion related to Situation Report information
 - a. No recent responses, not checking as much.
 - b. Next meeting will be in January, switching back to monthly meetings.
4. Presentation on HOME-ARP Funds (Kendra Lisum (she/her), Grants Administrator, City of Missoula)
 - a. American Rescue Plan - HOME
 - b. Missoula received \$1,323,209. Will be used to address homelessness and supportive services.
 - c. Can be for people who are homeless, at risk, fleeing DV/SA, veterans.
 - d. Can support tenant based rental assistance, develop housing, non-congregate shelter, build supportive services such as child care, etc.
 - e. Looking to brainstorm over projects
 - i. Karen: gasvodak@ci.missoula.mt.us
 - ii. Kendra: lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us

HOME - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)



About

HOME-ARP funds are to be administered through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) to primarily address homelessness and supportive services needs.

The City of Missoula received:

\$1,323,209

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/>





Who can we help?



HOME-ARP requires that funds be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in the following specified qualifying populations.

Homeless as defined at 24 CFR 91.5

At risk of homelessness as defined at 24 CFR 91.5

Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking

Veterans and families that include a veteran family member

Other households requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness

Other households at greatest risk of housing instability



Who can we help? cont...

Preferences

PJ may establish preferences among the qualifying populations to prioritize applicants, HOME-ARP activities, or projects based on the PJ's needs and priorities as described in its HOME-ARP allocation plan.

Examples:

QP preference for a non-congregate shelter serving people who are: homeless at risk for homelessness fleeing violence or human trafficking

QP population preference for individuals with disabilities or special needs

What can we fund?



Project Examples: Development of Rental Housing

Development of Rental Housing
single or multi-family

Acquisition, development, refinancing, related soft costs, relocation, capitalization of an operating reserve, ongoing operating cost payments

HOME-ARP funds may be used to acquire, construct and rehabilitate rental housing for occupancy by individuals and families that meet one of the Qualifying Populations.

HOME-ARP rental housing may include:

- single family or multifamily housing,
- transitional or permanent housing,
- group homes,
- single room occupancy (SRO) units, and
- manufactured housing.

- 70% of occupants must qualify as QP, 30% can be low-income
- A PJ may provide operating cost assistance to a HOME-ARP rental project to cover an operating deficit



Development of Non-Congregate Shelter

A non-congregate shelter (NCS) is one or more buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter to individuals and families and does not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement.

Project Examples: Non Congregate Shelter

A non-congregate shelter (NCS) is one or more buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter for individuals and families that meet one of the Qualifying Populations.

This activity may include the construction of new structures or the acquisition and/or rehabilitation of existing structures, such as motels, nursing homes, or other facilities.

- NCS projects may be converted to permanent affordable housing or CoC permanent housing after being operated as HOME-ARP NCS for the applicable minimum use period prior to conversion
- HOME-ARP funds cannot be used for operating or conversion costs



Supportive Services Individuals or families

Including childcare, job training, food, housing search & counseling services, mental health services, case management, transportation, landlord/tenant liaison, and much more.

Project Examples: Supportive Services

- Child care
- Education services
- Employment assistance & job training
 - Food
- Housing search and counseling services
 - Legal services
 - Life skills training
 - Mental health services
- Outpatient health services
 - Outreach services
- Substance abuse treatment services
 - Transportation
- Case management
 - Mediation
 - Credit repair
- Landlord/tenant liaison
- Services for special populations
 - Financial assistance costs
- Short-term and medium-term financial assistance for rent



TBRA
 Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
 Assists a qualifying household with payments to cover all or a portion of housing and housing-related costs, such as rental assistance, security deposits, and utility deposits.

Project Examples: TBRA

- HOME-ARP TBRA is a form of rental assistance that is attached to the household and not a particular rental unit.
- Only individuals and families in the qualifying populations are eligible to receive HOME-ARP TBRA assistance
- Eligible Costs: Eligible costs under HOME-ARP TBRA include rental assistance, security deposit payments, and utility deposit assistance to qualifying households.



What we need from you.

- ✓ Fill out the survey
 (link will be emailed)
- ✓ Brainstorm potential projects
- ✓ Help us find data
 - Unmet needs of Qualifying Populations
 - Gaps in housing & shelter inventory, homeless services, homeless prevention service delivery systems
 - Wait lists
 - Other



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HOME-ARP CoC (ARHC) Email and Survey and Reminder

From: Emily Armstrong <ArmstrongE@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Grp. DS Admin Staff <DSAdminStaff@ci.missoula.mt.us>; Kirsten Hands <HandsK@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Cc: Kendra Lisum <LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us>; Karen Gasvoda <GasvodaK@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: For ARHC: Feedback Needed!

Hi Kirsten and Suraya,

Will you please send the below information out to the ARHC general listserv and include the two attached PDFs in the email?

Thanks so much!
 Emily

Feedback Needed on Funding Considerations!

The City Housing Grants team is considering possible spending uses for the HOME-ARP funds that are part of the American Rescue Plan Act. They need your feedback and guidance! **Watch the brief 10-minute presentation** to understand what HOME-ARP funds are and how they might be used, and then **complete the survey** to share your ideas on the needs in Missoula. **Survey responses should be completed by Friday January, 7, 2022.** You can also review the attached PDF materials, which include the presentation slides and an overview of HOME-ARP funding.

Meeting Recording:
<https://ci-missoula-mt.zoom.us/rec/share/bRzWUUOkN6K1-SghTxbZGTYkrTVWicnw23msux2UmzojsJbLwDxCq8TideRWMhLP.bvBF86euPVnKIKVO>

Survey link (due date 1/7/22):
<https://forms.gle/uqMMTyqqlB2q3EV39>

Confirmation that an email to ARHC was sent out, soliciting comments and referencing the previous presentation at COAD:

RE: For ARHC: Feedback Needed!

 Suraya Saadat
To:  Kendra Lisum;  Grp. DS Admin Staff
Cc:  Karen Gasvoda

 You forwarded this message on 12/16/2021 3:29 PM.

Hi Kendra,
This was sent on 12/8th. It was sent via civic send. Below is the snip :

Feedback Needed on Funding Considerations!	ARHC General	Suraya Saadat	12/08/2021 01:54 PM	Sent	 
Job Listing for Coordinated Entry Specialist	ARHC General	Suraya Saadat	12/15/2021 03:29 PM	Sent	 

COAD/ARHC survey closing 1/7 at 4pm!

 Emily Armstrong
To: Karen Gasvoda;  Kendra Lisum;  Anna Niles

1/3/2022

 HUD Introduction to HOME ARP for CoCs.pdf 182 KB

 HOME - American Rescue Plan_Presentation.pdf 363 KB

I hope your new year is shaping up to be a good one!

A friendly reminder to please complete our [HOME-ARP survey here](#), if you haven't done so already. The deadline for the survey will be **4pm on Friday, January 7**. This will help inform not only our allocation plan to HUD, but it will also drive our funding decisions.

If you need a refresher, I've attached our HOME-ARP presentation and a PDF from HUD introducing the funds.

Questions? Please let us know: Karen Gasvoda GasvodaK@ci.missoula.mt.us and Kendra Lisum LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us

Here's that link again: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc5XyJijPoVX3ak5koOIA2pc4HXBCOh4dG-yUnjbp3sOp6czQ/viewform?usp=send_form

Thanks, everyone, for your participation!

Emily Armstrong | She/her/hers | Reaching Home Manager
Community Planning, Development & Innovation
Community Development Division
Sign up for the [Reaching Out newsletter](#)
406-552-6393 | armstronge@ci.missoula.mt.us



HOME-ARP Survey – CoC and Partnering Agencies

HOME ARP Funding Survey

This survey will help us frame future discussions on how we will use our HOME-ARP funds.

Subsequent consultations will help us strategize distribution of HOME-ARP funds for eligible activities to best meet the needs of qualifying populations.

*** Required**

1. Email *

2. What's your name and who do you represent? *

HOME-ARP Brief Description

City of Missoula has received \$1,323,209 in HOME ARP funding. These funds are subject to most (but not all) HOME regulations.

Eligible activities for ARPA funding :

- * Tenant based rental assistance (TBRA)
- * Development and support of affordable housing
- * Supportive services (child care, case management, landlord/tenant liaison, etc)
- * Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter

Activities must serve the following qualifying populations (QPs):

- * Homeless
- * At Risk of Homelessness
- * Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking
- * Veterans (who meet criteria above)
- * Other Populations, including:
 - Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent homelessness (currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance, and who need additional housing assistance or supportive services to avoid a return to homelessness)
 - At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability (low income and other factors)

3. What populations do you serve?

4. In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?

Mark only one oval.

- Homeless
- At-Risk for Homelessness
- Veterans
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Other populations
- No preference
- Other: _____

5. If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.

6. In your opinion, how are we best meeting community needs through the systems in place?

7. In your opinion, which systems in place create the most challenges?

8. What do you see as the most pressing need in the City of Missoula right now?

9. What are two (2) actions that you'd take to meet the most pressing need (does not have to be HOME-ARP eligible)?

10. What HOME-ARP eligible activities or projects do you think would have the greatest impact on the QPs?

Mark only one oval.

- TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)
- Development & Support of Affordable Housing
- Supportive Services
- Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter
- Other: _____

11. What one HOME-ARP eligible activity or project that exists right now has the greatest need for expansion or improvement?

Mark only one oval.

- TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)
- Development & Support of Affordable Housing
- Supportive Services
- Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter

12. Do you see an immediate need for a particular project (to be completed within 1 year)?

13. Do you have any data sources that will help us with our Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis (examples include but are not limited to: assessment of unmet needs of each QP; gaps in housing & shelter inventory, homeless services/assistance, homeless prevention service delivery system; wait lists)?

HOME-ARP Website: EngageMissoula.com

engagemissoula.com/home-arp-funds-forum-and-survey

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HOME-American Rescue Plan Grant

REGISTER to join the conversation

Who's Listening

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Documents

2021 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Draft (938 KB) (pdf)

Custom

Inform: We are giving information to the community.
Consult: We would like the community's opinions and thoughts.

HOME-ARP FUNDS

WHAT WE GOT
\$1.3 million
Department of Housing & Urban Development

WHAT WE CAN SPEND IT ON

- development of rental housing
- emergency shelters
- community support services
- transitional housing

WHO IT MUST BENEFIT
Individuals who are:

- experiencing homelessness
- veterans
- fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence
- at-risk of homelessness...

fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence

at-risk of homelessness...

- living in poverty
- have moved 2+ times due to economic factors
- paying more than 50% of their income on housing

Your voice matters! Share your thoughts today!

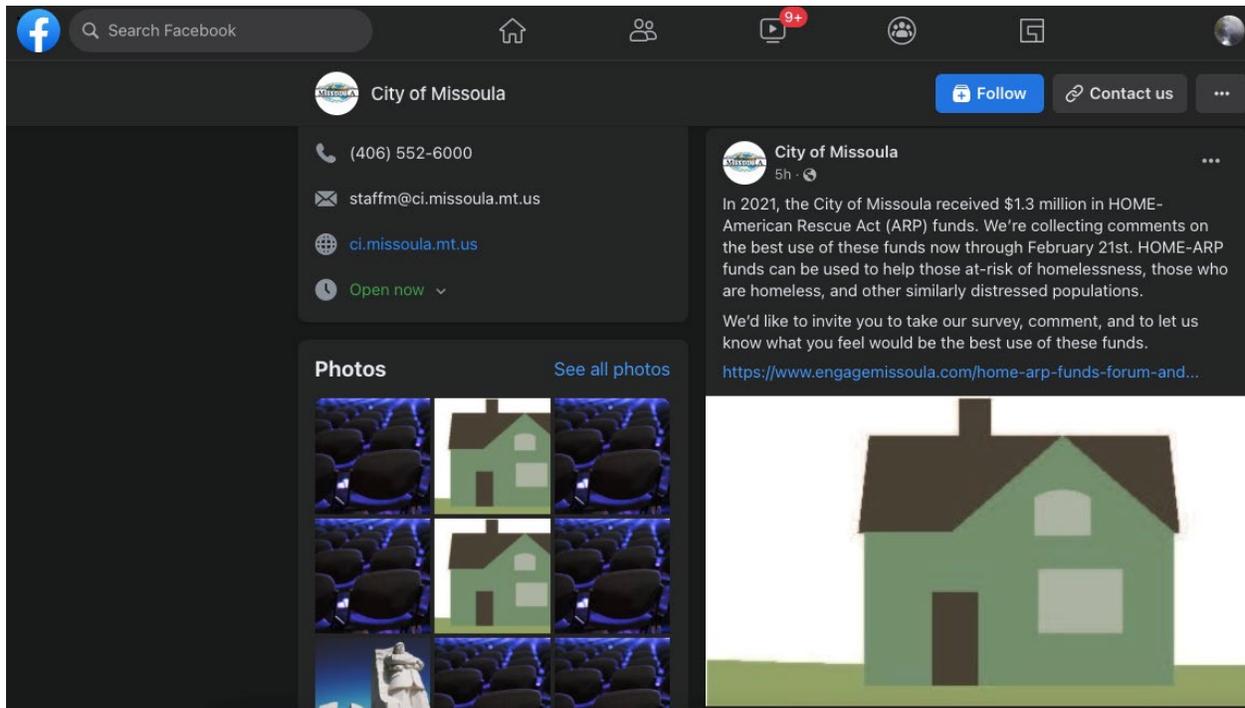
The Community Development division of Community Planning, Development and Innovation is exploring potential uses for these HOME-ARP funds.

In order to develop effective, community-based solutions we need to hear from residents about ideas and recommendations to influence the use of these funds.

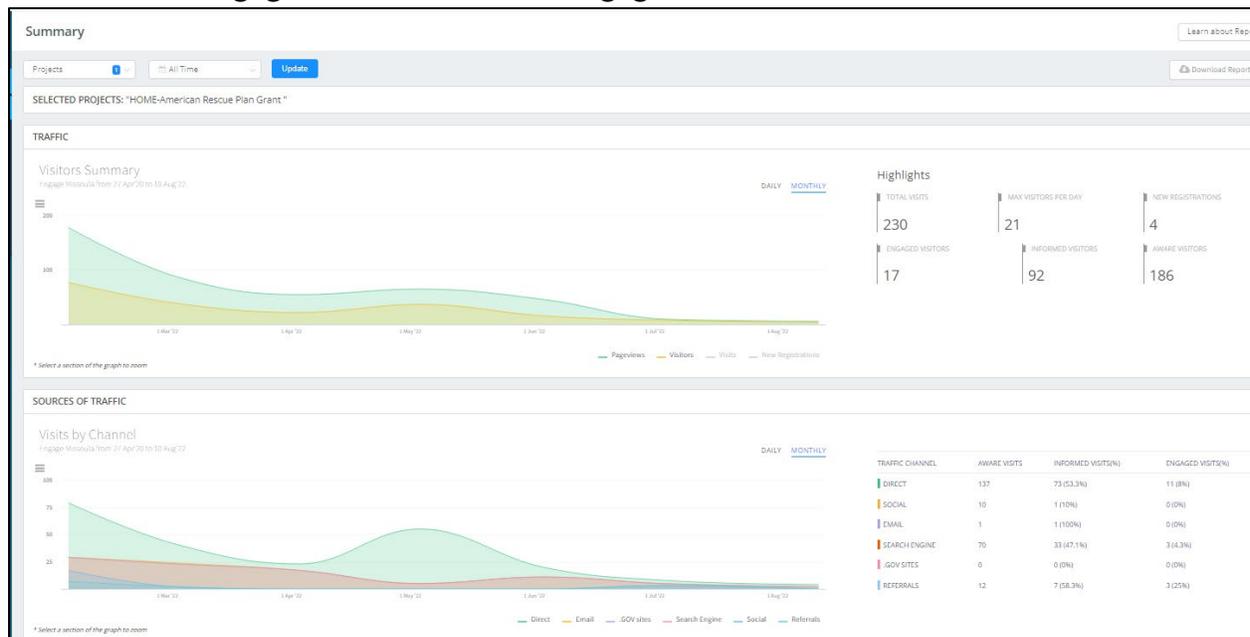
Ways to Engage:

- Take our survey
- Suggest ideas in the Ideas tab

HOME-ARP Public Facebook Notification

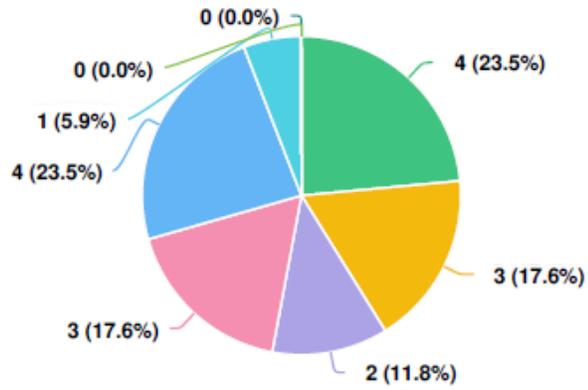


HOME-ARP Engagement Results from EngageMissoula.com:



HOME-ARP Public Survey Responses

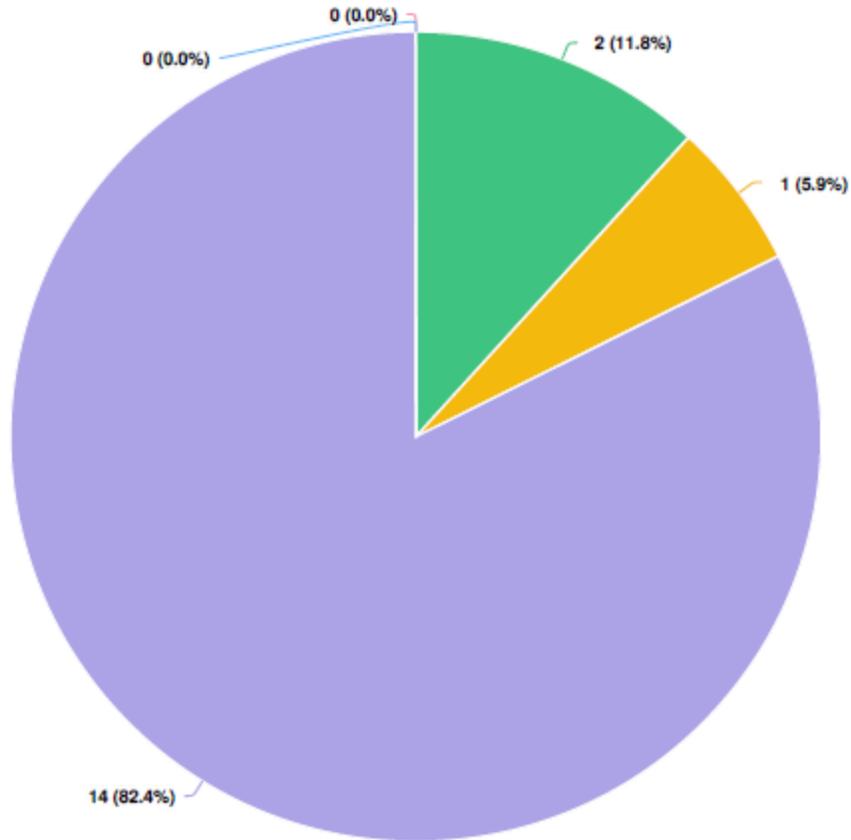
Q1 | What is your current income?



Question options

- \$0 - \$24,999
- \$25,000 - \$34,999
- \$35,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$149,000
- \$150,000 +
- Prefer not to answer

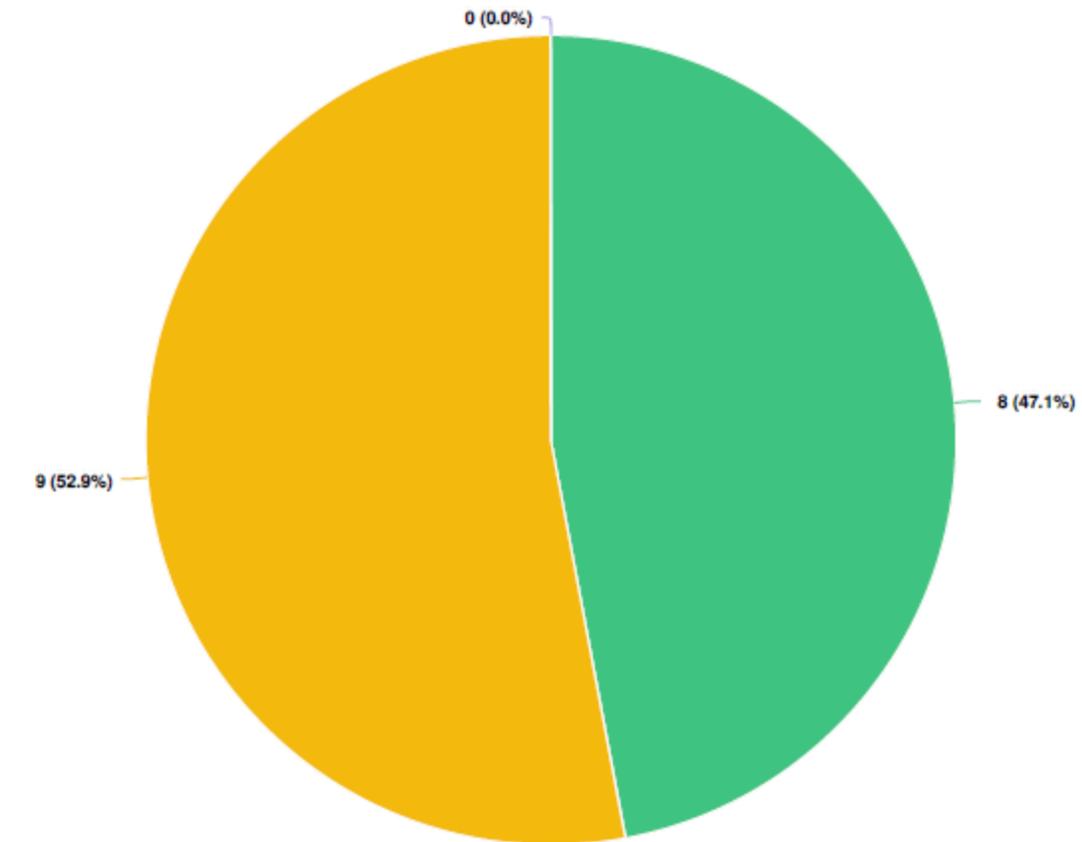
Q2 Do you consider yourself:



Question options

- At-risk of homelessness
- A veteran
- None of the above
- Homeless
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence

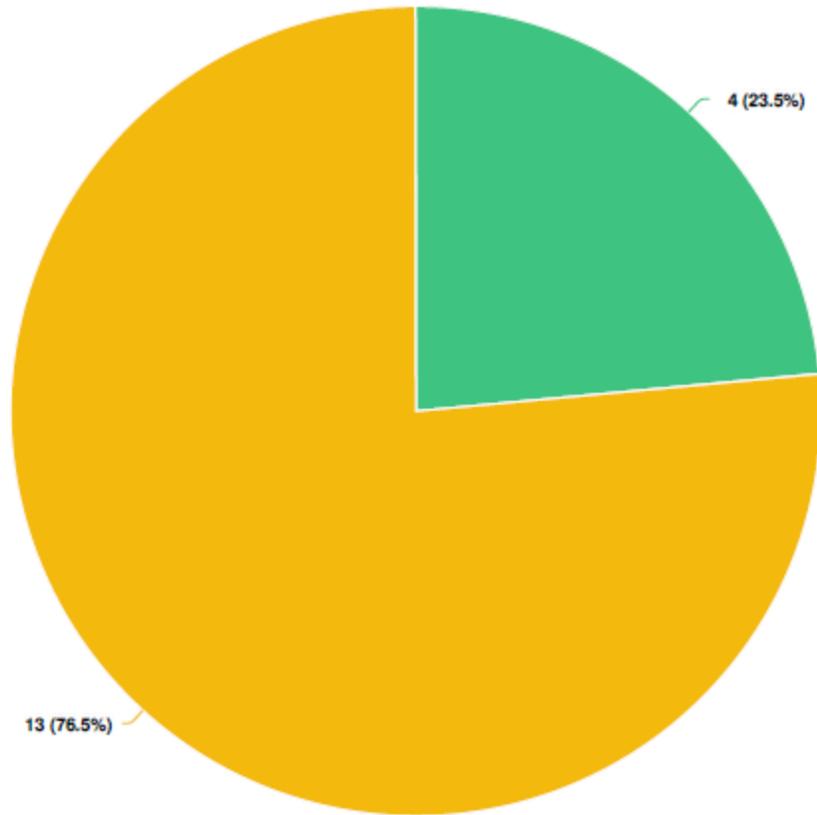
Q3 | Are you currently spending more than 50% of your income on housing?



Question options

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

Q4 Have you moved more than 2 times in 24 months due to economic reasons?



Question options

- Yes
- No

Q5 What do you see as the most pressing need in the City of Missoula right now?

emilyjhs
2/08/2022 08:45 AM

Housing availability and cost of housing

Alliwilson01
2/08/2022 01:55 PM

Changing zoning laws, building affordable housing

Hilary Rosa
2/08/2022 03:19 PM

Affordable housing at all income levels

RuthR
2/08/2022 05:03 PM

Housing that people can afford, including low and middle income, and child care.

KatMCC
2/08/2022 05:46 PM

More available and affordable housing, both long-term rentals and houses for sale.

Bdv62
2/08/2022 06:07 PM

Controlling how much a landlord can raise rent

edebcaza
2/08/2022 08:22 PM

Affordable Housing

Scoops
2/09/2022 02:09 PM

Short-term? Disparity between wages and cost of living. Long-term? The city and county's lack of controlling their spending.

amn3
2/16/2022 01:40 PM

A Variety of Affordable housing to rent and own.

Anonymous
2/16/2022 03:29 PM

Low income housing that prioritizes houseless community members

Anonymous
2/17/2022 08:32 PM

NO AIRBnB's in the neighborhoods. Make neighborhoods closed to Airbnb's. Do not allow them in new developments. Funding to get families into homes rather than rental situations. Owner-occupied neighborhoods only.

Anonymous

Rental Caps!

Anonymous

2/18/2022 05:19 PM

Increased housing inventory.

Fiona from Ward 6

2/26/2022 10:23 AM

We need more housing, but we also need to make our city less dependent on cars. The Car-dependence is a long term thing, but the housing is something we can do right now.

Anonymous

2/28/2022 01:02 PM

help

Anonymous

3/01/2022 06:28 PM

Affordable housing for everyone. I am native to Missoula. I sold my home to upgrade just a little. I'm now renting and am getting priced out of the market.

Anonymous

3/06/2022 08:25 AM

crime

Mandatory Question (17 response(s))

Question type: Single Line Question

Q6 What are 2 actions you'd take to meet the most pressing need?

emilyjhs

2/08/2022 08:45 AM

Build rental housing and prioritize people exiting homelessness for leases.

Alliwilson01

2/08/2022 01:55 PM

Incentivize developers to build affordable housing. Incentivize property owners to rent out spaces to people living in Missoula, not vacation properties.

Hilary Rosa

2/08/2022 03:19 PM

Introduce rent control & other regulations to improve access to available rental units. Impose luxury tax on vacation rentals and additional homes to help pay for other housing services & resources.

RuthR

2/08/2022 05:03 PM

Continue to partner with developers, both for- and non-profit, utilizing City land when possible. Incentivize child care somehow in new and existing developments.

HOME-ARP Spending Survey : Survey Report for 27 April 2020 to 07 August 2022

KatMCC

2/08/2022 05:46 PM

Build additional multi-family housing. Regulate short-term rentals like Air BnB and VRBO

Bdv62

2/08/2022 06:07 PM

Rent cost and insane cost to purchase a home

edebcaza

2/08/2022 08:22 PM

Build more affordable housing and raise the food stamp threshold

Scoops

2/09/2022 02:09 PM

Due to State laws, I don't know that we can. Developers say the City is difficult. City says developers are difficult. Reality is there is a LOT of red tape, but also subdivisions are built at a snail's pace. If they built faster=more options for housing.

amn3

2/16/2022 01:40 PM

Rent Control Laws and building more housing

Anonymous

2/16/2022 03:29 PM

Build housing, make income discrimination illegal.

Anonymous

2/17/2022 08:32 PM

Do not allow AirBnB's in residential neighborhoods. Better regulations on the developments to allow for car parking.

Anonymous

2/18/2022 08:07 AM

Build more affordable housing. Stop the use of credit as an indicator for renting.

Anonymous

2/18/2022 05:19 PM

Support affordable housing programs and authorize construction of more affordable housing units in city limits. Support the construction of more homes..

Fiona from Ward 6

2/26/2022 10:23 AM

The City should be a competitor with land-lords: owning and renting property at an actual fair rate (10%-30% of a family's income). For the other goal, get rid of parking minimums, build walking-friendly infrastructure, and more public transit.

Anonymous

2/28/2022 01:02 PM

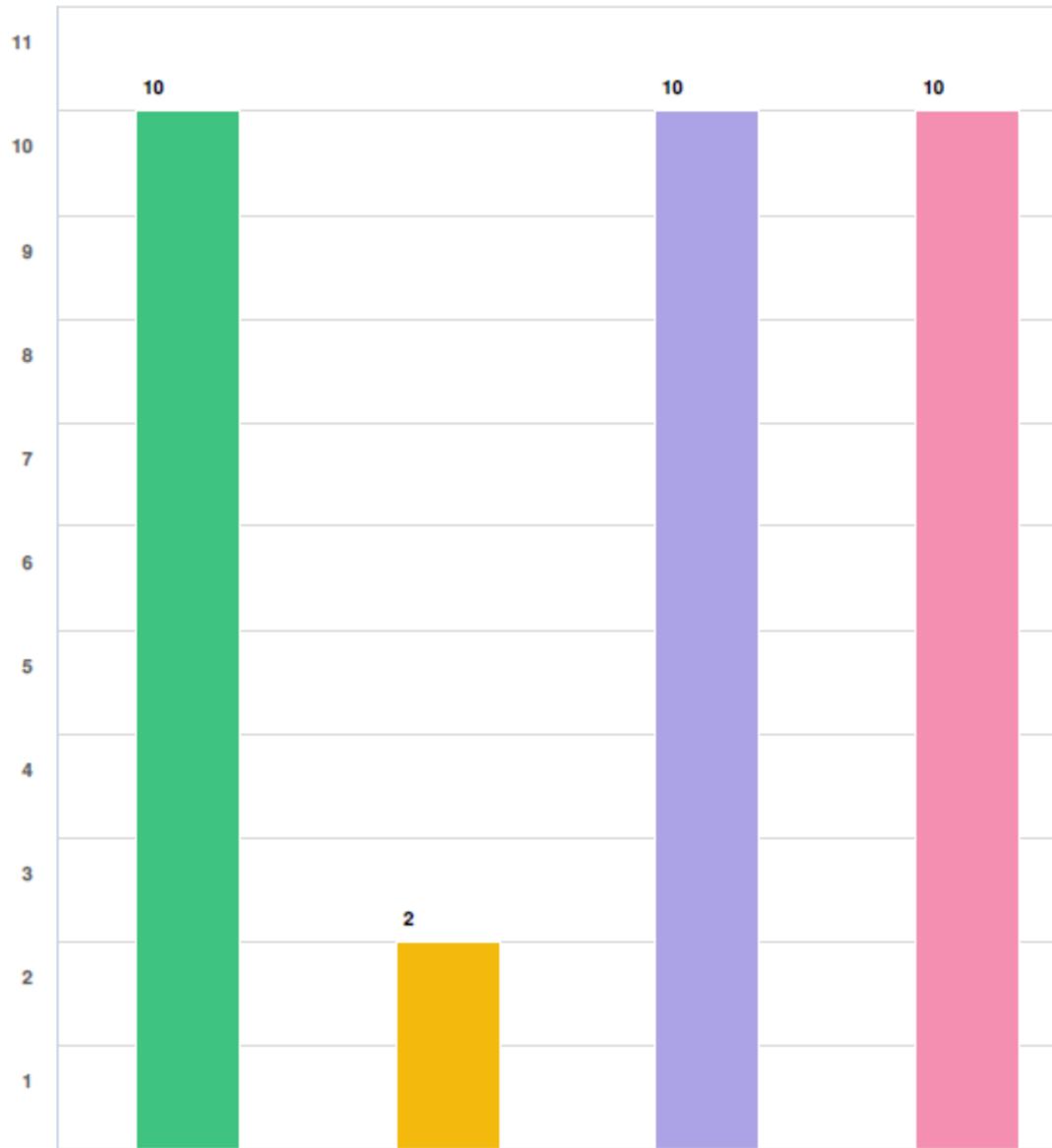
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Anonymous

2/28/2022 05:55 PM

Anything!

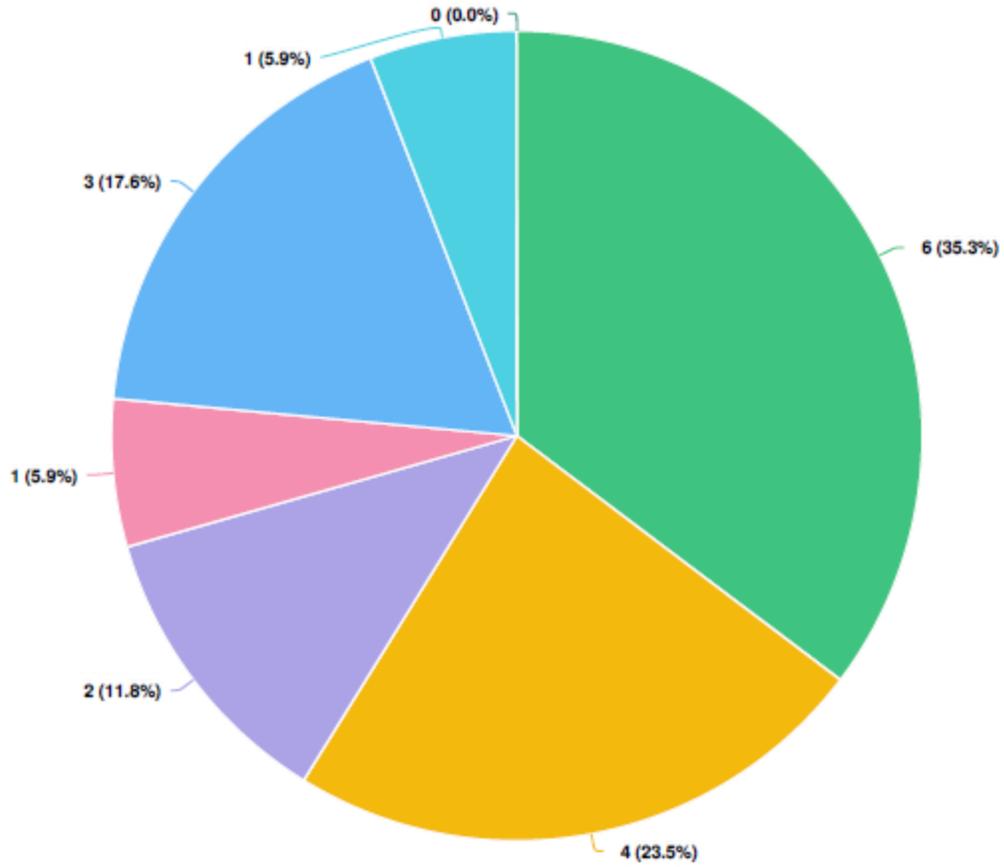
Q7 The City of Missoula has parameters within which it can use HOME-ARP funds. What project(s) do you feel would be the best use of these funds?



Question options

- Development of rental housing
- Development or acquisition of emergency shelter(s)
- Creating more temporary housing meant to bridge the gap between homelessness and being permanently housed
- Community support services (ie: job creation, childcare resources, transportation, etc)

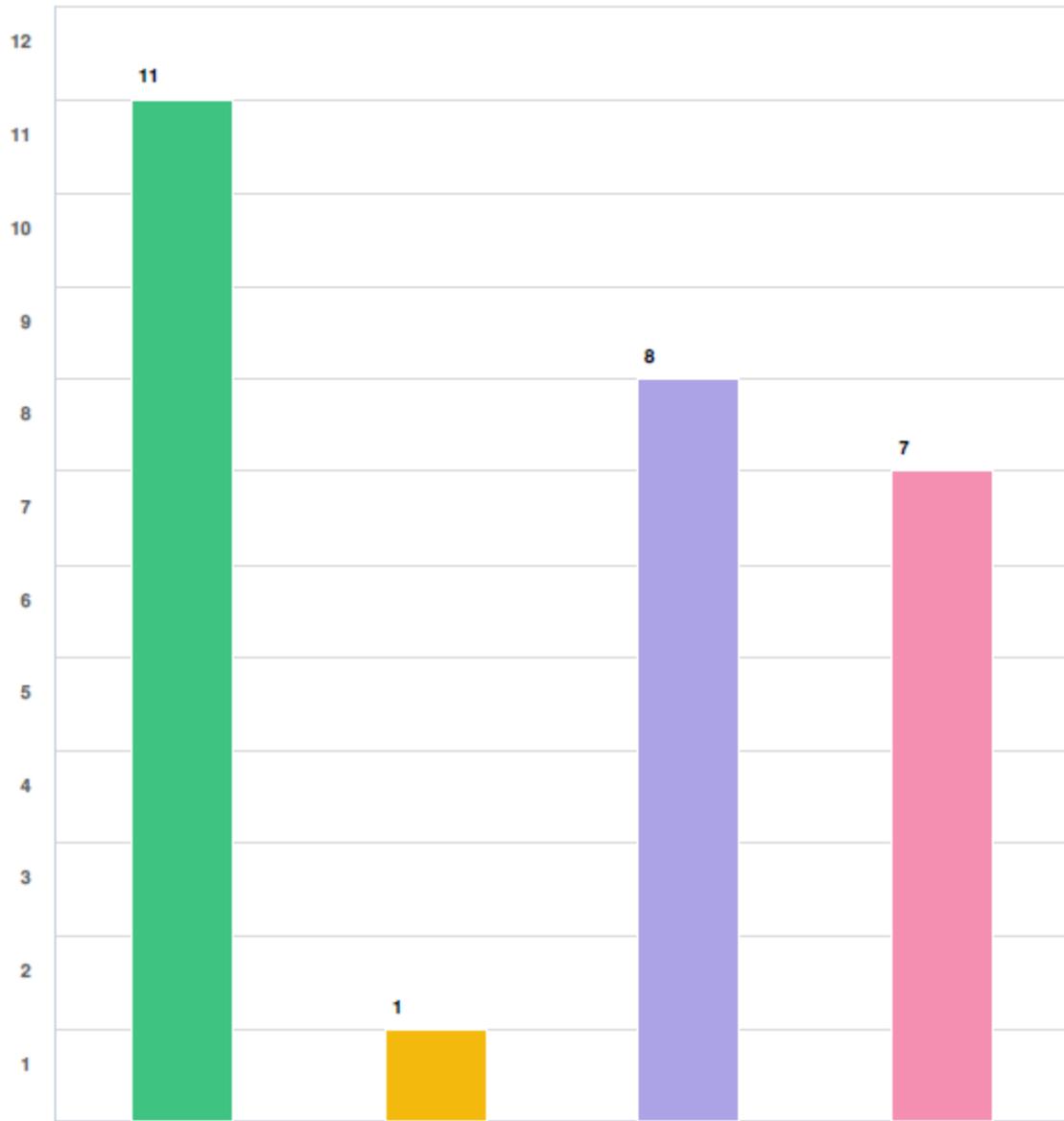
Q8 | In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any of the following populations?



Question options

- Homeless
- At-risk for homelessness
- Survivors fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence
- Other at-risk populations
- No preference
- Other (please specify)
- Veterans

Q9 | What HOME-ARP eligible activities or projects do you think would have the greatest impact on the populations the funds can serve?



Question options

- Development of rental housing
- Development or acquisition of emergency shelters
- Creating more temporary housing to bridge the gap between homelessness and being permanently housed
- Community support services (ie: job creation, childcare resources, transportation, etc)

Q10 | Do you have anything else you'd like to share regarding the use of the HOME-ARP funds?

Bdv62

2/08/2022 06:07 PM

Create help and program for first time home buyers. And down payment assistance

Scoops

2/09/2022 02:09 PM

There is no "one" solution. Developers that have access to vast amounts of land simply don't develop it in a timely manner. Subdivisions are granted never-ending delays, deferrals, and postponements, which just drives up the cost of everything. If a builder were willing to build, say 20-50 houses on spec, they would sell. BUT- the profit would be lower. I'm not suggesting the city subsidize that, but it sure isn't encouraged. The city could stop granting all of these extensions, however. In regards to ARP funds, I believe it's meant to mitigate local issues due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In some cases, that is loss of work, childcare, and housing. That's probably what the funds should go to, or to long-overdue infrastructure that will benefit citizens the greatest. It should not go to pet projects, "handouts", or vanity projects. The city has had a housing dept. for years, yet has developed no housing. We could spend this money to build city-owned subsidized (actual low-income, yet temporary to a point) housing on city-owned land. Buying a former ski resort? No. Adding more government offices? No. Adding more six-figure administration jobs without public input? No.

amn3

2/16/2022 01:40 PM

Housing is Healthcare. We have seen nationwide that Housing First and Permanent Supportive Housing models DO WORK. We need to be able to offer a variety of affordable housing to the citizens of Missoula much like the Trinity Project will offer.

Anonymous

2/17/2022 08:32 PM

I'm not sure what the rules are but other cities I visit that have the most stable environment sell housing without real estate agents getting 6% of the sales and resales. Limit neighborhoods to only owner-occupied making the industries unable to buy for rental markets taking all the money out of our people's pockets. Help get families into homeownership. Stop the money being made on sales by RE agents, stopping corporations from buying and renting in our neighborhoods will help more than helping the homeless as then we will have a stable city with fewer homeless that will be able to help other homeless people rather than creating more homelessness. I wish the best for Missoula but unless we stop corporation ownership of our housing, we are sunk as a state and as a city. Thank you and I wish the best for Missoula.

Anonymous

2/18/2022 05:19 PM

Missoula has rapidly become unaffordable for most working-class people, let alone those experiencing a major life disruption like homelessness. While I believe having transitional housing allows people breathing room in a crisis, the real problem is where do you go once you have to leave? If there are not options for people to move in to, they will be stuck in an endless cycle of crisis.

Fiona from Ward 6

2/26/2022 10:23 AM

Buy up a massive amount of property that is undeveloped, and get construction started. While you're doing that, make the big buildings downtown transition from office-space that is unneeded because of Zoom and the pandemic, and make it into housing. Also, all of the abandoned buildings in town - like the old Missoula Water offices, the old building for Adam and Eve, and so on - make those into emergency housing. We are in a CRISIS. Also get all of the hotels in the area doing emergency housing. You can pay the hotels rent (fair market price, not the amount they'd usually charge) and get these people off the streets while new housing is being made. PEOPLE ARE FUCKING DYING. THIS IS AN EMERGENCY. DO SOMETHING. BTW, did you know that there are counter-top dishwashers and induction hot plates and kettles? Instant kitchen in a hotel room. They're pretty damn cheep too. GET ON IT.

Anonymous

2/28/2022 01:02 PM

no

Anonymous

3/01/2022 06:28 PM

No. Congrats on securing the funds!

Additional Community Outreach: Housing Displacement Meetings

The HOME-ARP funds, Allocation Plan, and survey were cross-promoted at two public meetings aimed at housing displacement. The goal was to engage those who have been affected or are at-risk of being displaced from their homes.

Community Solutions: Housing Displacement



What is Displacement?

Displacement occurs when households lose their housing due to external reasons. Market and neighborhood-level factors such as low available stock and rising housing demand can lead owners of rental properties to raise rents when leases expire, sell or repurpose their properties to realize a higher rate of return.

Additionally, households that can typically afford their housing costs may be vulnerable to eviction or foreclosure because of unexpected expenses, changes in circumstances or personal emergencies.

Housing displacement is caused by a variety of factors and have different solutions depending on the experience and need. The Community Development division of Community Planning, Development and Innovation is exploring potential policy solutions to support residents impacted by housing displacement. In order to develop effective, community-based solutions we need to hear from residents about experiences, ideas and recommendations to influence housing policy.

Your Voice Matters!

Ways to engage:

- Check the **Newsfeed** for updates and other opportunities to get involved
- Share experiences, ideas and policy recommendations in the **Forum** feature
- Take a short **Survey** on housing displacement
- Use **Places** to share how you've been impacted by housing displacement in Missoula
- Answer the **Quick Poll** to share your opinion about the City's role in addressing housing displacement

Thank you for your time and input! Enter your email address [here](#) for a chance to win a \$25 gift card to Missoula Fresh Market!

News feed

Forum

Places

Surveys

Take the Housing Displacement Survey by March 25!



01 Mar 2022

There's still time to share your input on how housing displacement is affecting you and those close to you. The survey will close on Friday, March 25 and the forum and other tools will stay open for ongoing insight to be shared.

We want to hear from you - here's your chance to influence where federal dollars are spent in our community!



08 Feb 2022

In 2021, the City of Missoula received \$1.3 million in HOME-ARP funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. (HOME stands for the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and ARP is the American Rescue Plan).

HOME-ARP dollars will primarily be used to address homelessness and supportive service needs in our community. This means we can fund things like developing additional rental housing, homeless shelters or transitional housing, and services that support our community like childcare, job training, housing search & counseling services, among others.

Share your ideas for this funding through a short survey and ideas activity!

<https://www.engagemissoula.com/home-arp-funds-forum-and-survey>

Upcoming: Community Listening Sessions



26 Jan 2022

Missoulians face challenges in the housing market including risk of losing their current housing for several reasons. The Community Development Division of Community Planning, Development and Innovation is hosting community listening sessions to hear from residents about their experiences, concerns, and solution ideas to inform future policy strategies. Please join us for one of these vital community conversations!

To simultaneously respect privacy and follow current COVID-19 guidance, listening sessions are held on Zoom and will not be recorded or broadcast on YouTube. Information shared in the listening sessions will be shared without names and reported out as themes, rather than individual experiences.

Both listening sessions will follow the same format and are being offered at different times for schedule convenience. Community members are encouraged to attend one (1) session.

Tuesday, February 8 from 12-1:30pm [Zoom Link](#)

Thursday, February 17 from 6-7:30pm [Zoom Link](#)

You may be able to participate in this session on a computer at the Public Library if you need technology access to join the listening session by Zoom. You are also welcomed to share individual feedback with Emily Harris-Shears outside of the listening sessions if you're unable to attend.

Contact Emily Harris-Shears, Affordable Housing Trust Fund Administrator with questions. Harris-shearse@ci.missoula.mt.us or 406.552.6394

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Public Hearing Before City Council

HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

HOME-ARP funds are to be administered through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) to primarily address homelessness and supportive services needs.

The City of Missoula received:
\$1,323,209

Homeless	At Risk of Homelessness	Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking
Veterans and families that include a veteran family member	Other households requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness	Other households at greatest risk of housing instability


 "Q.P.s"

Who Can We Help?

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

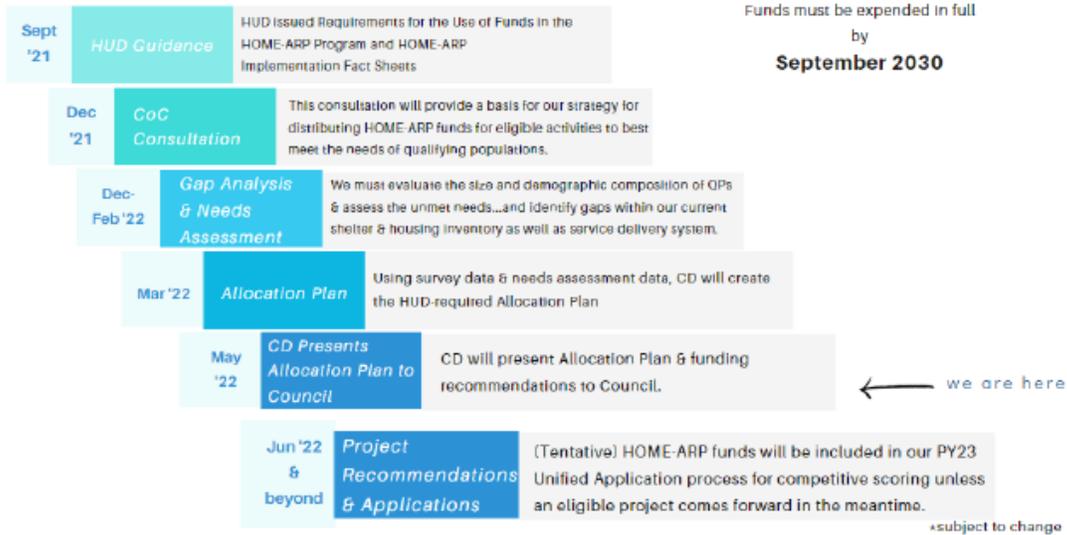
Development of Rental Housing	Supportive Services	Development of Non-Congregate Shelter
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	Operating Support of Non-Profits*	Capacity Building for Non-Profits*

What Can We Fund?

*must be associated with a funded HOME-ARP project

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Proposed Timeline*



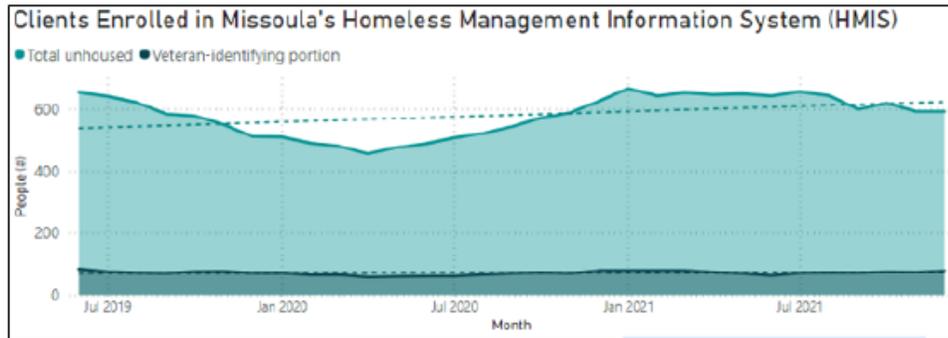
Gaps & Needs

- 109% increase in home prices in 11 years
- We're short 2,400 units
- Less than 1% rental vacancy rate

A market that's out of reach for many Missoulians.

QP: Homeless

666 individuals seeking services



Source: Missoula Organization of Realtors

QP: Homeless – Fleeing Domestic Violence



- 1,653 individuals
- 1,468 individuals helped via the crisis line

“70% of the homeless families we see are headed by women, and domestic violence is a significant cause of their homelessness.”

QP: Homeless – Families

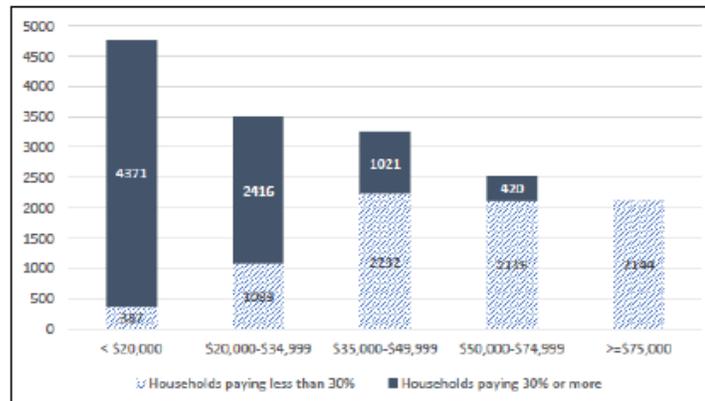
Family Housing Center FY21					
	Families	Women	Men	Children	Total
Family Housing Center Residents (FHC)	32	29	9	49	87
Emergency Housing Participants (EH)	51	47	17	104	168
Total Unduplicated FHC & EH Participants	71	64	25	130	219

Source: YWCA Family Housing Center

QP: At-Risk of Homelessness

Cost-burdened – households paying more than 30% of their income on housing.

A family of four at 30% AMI earn approx. \$22,000/year in wages



Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 2019

Gaps

Emergency Shelter Capacity in Missoula (# of beds)	
Poverello Center	88
Housing MT Heroes (transitional housing)	10
YWCA Transitional Housing	6
YWCA Family Housing Center	178
Valor House	17
Temporary Safe Outdoor Space	40
Emergency Winter Shelter	150
Authorized Camp Site	80
Total	569

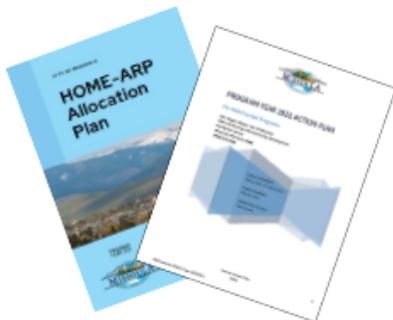
Source: CoC Gaps & Needs 2021 Gaps Analysis

Versus 666 homeless individuals



Source: Missoula Organization of Realtors

Open for Public Comment!



EngageMissoula.com

- ✓ HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
- ✓ PY21 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment

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SF424 and Certifications

OMB Number: 4040-0004
 Expiration Date: 12/31/2022

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424			
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		* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/>	
* 3. Date Received: <input type="text"/>		4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text" value="81-6001293"/>	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text" value="City of Missoula, Montana"/>		5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text" value="M21-MP300219"/>	
State Use Only:			
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>		7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="City of Missoula"/>			
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="81-6001293"/>		* c. UEI: <input type="text" value="NBMKDLVHBMF1"/>	
d. Address:			
* Street1:	<input type="text" value="435 Ryman"/>		
Street2:	<input type="text"/>		
* City:	<input type="text" value="Missoula"/>		
County/Parish:	<input type="text"/>		
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Province:	<input type="text"/>		
* Country:	<input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/>		
* Zip / Postal Code:	<input type="text" value="59802-4207"/>		
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name: <input type="text" value="CPDI"/>		Division Name: <input type="text" value="Community Development"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:			
Prefix:	<input type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name:	<input type="text" value="Montana"/>
Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>		
* Last Name:	<input type="text" value="James"/>		
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>		
Title:	<input type="text" value="Deputy Director, Community Development"/>		
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text" value="City of Missoula, CPDI"/>			
* Telephone Number:	<input type="text" value="406-552-6396"/>	Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Email:	<input type="text" value="jamesm@ci.missoula.mt.us"/>		

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<p>* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text" value="C: City or Township Government"/> <p>Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>* Other (specify):</p> <input type="text"/>	
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<p>13. Competition Identification Number:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>Title:</p> <input type="text"/>	
<p>14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</p> <input type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/> </div>	
<p>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</p> <input type="text" value="Home Investment Partnership Program - American Rescue Plan - Allocation Plan, Participating Jurisdiction, City of Missoula, Montana"/>	
<p>Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </div>	

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424	
16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant	MT-All
* b. Program/Project	MT-ALL
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
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17. Proposed Project	
* a. Start Date:	7/1/22
* b. End Date:	6/30/23
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	1,323,209.00
* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	1,323,209.00
* 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="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	
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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, 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:	* First Name: John
Middle Name:	
* Last Name:	Engen
Suffix:	
* Title:	Mayor
* Telephone Number:	406-552-6001
Fax Number:	
* Email:	jengen@ci.missoula.mt.us
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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.

John Engen

John Engen (Apr 27, 2022 11:02 MDT)

Signature of Authorized Official

Mayor

Title

04/27/2022

Date

Marty Ruhnbein

Marty Ruhnbein (Apr 27, 2022 12:44 MDT)

Signature of

Legislative Services Director

04/27/2022

Date



Updated HOME-ARP Announcement – City Departments & Partners

From: [Kendra Lisum](#)
To: [Kendra Lisum](#)
Cc: [Karen Gasvoda](#)
Bcc: "asum.student@mso.umt.edu"; "nrush@missoulapartnership.com"; "gkier@missoulapartnership.com"; "ibonny@thepoverellocenter.org"; "sdonoghue@thepoverellocenter.org"; "rut@hrcxi.org"; "sfc@hrcxi.org"; "nmcdc@montana.com"; "brittany@nmcdc.org"; "cweese@ywcaofmissoula.org"; "areich@ywcaofmissoula.org"; "andrea@homeword.org"; "karissa@homeword.org"; "jmcrath@missoulahousing.org"; "director@habitatmtla.org"; "slavenl@missoula.lib.mt.us"
Subject: Comments Requested: Updated HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 9:18:27 AM

Good morning!

We have published an updated draft of the City of Missoula's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and are seeking comments **through October 28th**. You can view the document [here](#). If you would like to comment on the plan or future best uses for the funds, you can do so on [EngageMissoula](#), by replying to this email, or you can call or email Karen or myself directly.

Background:

The City of Missoula received \$1.3 million in HOME-ARP (HOME Investment Partnerships Program American Rescue Plan) funds to primarily address homelessness and supportive service needs. This is a separate allocation from the ARP funds that will be administered through the city. HOME-ARP is subject to the same regulations as the HOME program, with a few exceptions, and is in addition to the HOME funds that we receive each year as an entitlement City. You can learn more on [EngageMissoula](#).

Thank you for your participation, we really appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Kendra Lisum | She/Her/Hers | Grants Administrator
Community Planning, Development & Innovation
406-552-6630 | LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us

Updated HOME-ARP Announcement to Missoula Neighborhoods Listserv

From: [Office of Neighborhoods](#)
To: [Karen Gasvoda](#)
Subject: The City received \$1.3 million in HOME-ARP Funds
Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 9:46:39 AM

City of Missoula E-Notifications Banner



If you would like to get involved or want more information on your Neighborhood Council, please contact Kelly Elam by phone at: 406-552-6084 - Kalina Wickham at: 406-552-6081 or email: contact@missoula-neighborhoods.org

Good morning all,

In 2021, the City of Missoula received **\$1.3 million in HOME-ARP** funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. (HOME stands for the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and ARP is the American Rescue Plan).

HOME-ARP dollars will primarily be used to address homelessness and supportive service needs in our community. This means we can fund things like developing additional rental housing, homeless shelters or transitional housing, and services that support our community like childcare, job training, housing search & counseling services, among others.

The Community Development division of Community Planning, Development and Innovation is exploring potential uses for these funds. You can read about the HOME-ARP funds in the newly updated HOME-ARP Allocation Plan on [EngageMissoula.com](https://www.missoula.com/engage).

In order to develop effective, community-based solutions **we need to hear from residents like you** with ideas and recommendations to influence the use of these funds.

Please visit [EngageMissoula.com](https://www.missoula.com/engage) for more information and to submit a comment or recommendation.

Thank you!

Kendra Lisum | She/Her/Hers | Grants Administrator
Community Planning, Development & Innovation
406-552-6646 | LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us

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<p style="text-align: center;">Notice of Close of Regular Voter Registration</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that <u>regular</u> registration for the <u>Federal General Election</u> to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, will close at 5:00 p.m., on Monday, October 11, 2022.</p> <p>Voters who wish to appear in person at their polling location must be registered by Monday, October 11, 2022. Ballots will be automatically mailed to active and provisionally registered Electors on the Absentee List on Wednesday, October 14, 2022.</p> <p>*Note: Voters who miss the Close of Registration deadline may late register for the Federal General Election at the Elections Center (Missoula County Elections Center, 140 N Russell St, Missoula, MT)</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMENTS ON CITY'S DRAFT HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN REQUESTED</p> <p>The City of Missoula is also asking for public comment on its draft Home Investment Partnership Program-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan. This draft reflects changes made to the original plan.</p>	

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Between noon and the close of business the day before the elections, voters can complete & submit a voter registration card, but they will need to return to the local election office on Election Day to pick up and vote a ballot. Election day registration is available at the Elections Center on Election Day – November 8, 2022. The deadline to request an absentee ballot is noon on the day before the election.

All active and inactive electors of Missoula County are entitled to vote at said election. Inactive electors may reactivate by appearing at the polling place in order to vote, by requesting an absentee ballot in any election, or by notifying the County Election Administrator in writing of the elector's current address in the county.

If you are a registered voter and do not receive a ballot, contact the County Election Administrator to update your information as necessary and receive a ballot.

Subject to the regular registration and late registration requirements above, if you are not currently registered to vote or have updated your address since you last registered to vote, you can visit the county election office and complete a voter registration application, or you can fill out, print, and sign a voter registration application and drop it off at your county election office, or mail it to the county election office. If mailing application, it must be postmarked by 10/11/22 and received by 10/14/22.

If you are not sure of your current voter registration status, please visit www.MyVoterPageMT.com or call 406-258-4751.

Please visit our current election webpage at www.MissoulaVotes.com or contact the Elections Office at (406) 258-4751.

DATED this 14th of September 2022

Missoula County

Bradley Seaman, Elections Administrator
September 18, 25, October 2, 2022 124548

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Legal Notice

Proposed Partial Bond Release for Meadow Holdings, LLC, Located in Granite County, MT.

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has received a request for bond release for Meadow Holdings, LLC (MHL). MHL is authorized to operate the Yellow Dog sapphire mine under Operating Permit No. 00044 (OP 00044). The mine is located on private land in Section 16 of Township 6 North, Range 16 West, approximately 22 miles southwest of Philipsburg, Montana in Granite County.

DEQ currently holds a reclamation bond in the amount of \$204,000. DEQ is proposing to release \$174,480 and retain \$29,520. The decrease in the bond amount is due to an amendment to the reclamation plan, which was updated to reflect current conditions at the mine. Mining at the Yellow Dog mine ceased in 1998 and reclamation activities continued into 1999. In 2020, OP 00044 was transferred to MHL and a revised reclamation plan was submitted under Amendment 001. The revised reclamation plan identifies remaining interim reclamation activities including recontouring the northern slope of the dredge pond to enhance egress, additional seeding to establish vegetation near the former processing area and weed control.

Pursuant to Section 82-4-338(5), Montana Code Annotated (MCA), DEQ may not release or decrease a reclamation bond until the public has been provided an opportunity for a hearing and a hearing has been held if requested. Requests for a hearing or comments on the proposed bond release must be submitted to DEQ by October 28, 2022, and sent to Eric Dahlgren, Department of Environmental Quality, Hard Rock Mining Section, Mining Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901, or to edahlgren@mt.gov.

Information about the proposed bond release or copies of the bond calculation may be obtained by contacting Eric Dahlgren at (406) 444-5245 or edahlgren@mt.gov.
September 25, 2022 125347

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COMMENTS ON CITY'S DRAFT HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN REQUESTED

The City of Missoula is also asking for public comment on its draft Home Investment Partnership Program-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan. This draft reflects changes made to the original plan and describes the HOME-ARP funds and possible uses for those funds.

Oral and written comments and questions are encouraged.

The plan is now available online at www.EngageMissoula.com for a public review and comment period ending October 28, 2022. Submit any written comments on EngageMissoula.com or to Karen Gasvoda or Kendra Lisum with Community Development (CD) division by Friday, October 28, 2022: City of Missoula Community Planning, Development, and Innovation, 435 Ryman, Missoula, MT, 59802. To receive a copy of the draft Allocation Plan or to review it in an alternative format, or to request special accommodations in order to participate, please contact CD at 406.552.6218 or email gasvodak@ci.missoula.mt.us; or 406.552.6646, lsumk@ci.missoula.mt.us; or contact the Montana Relay Service at TTY 711.

Public comments on the City's proposed Allocation Plan submitted by October 28, 2022, will be included in the final version of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).



COMENTARIOS DEL PLAN PRELIMINAR CONSOLIDADO DE LA EVALUACIÓN ANUAL DE RENDIMIENTO QUE FUE SOLICITADO

El borrador del Informe de Evaluación y Desempeño Anual Consolidado (CAPER) que describe los logros del programa para los programas Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) y Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) para el año del programa que termina el 30 de junio de 2022, se presentará provisionalmente en la Comité de Vivienda, Reurbanización y Programas Comunitarios del Concejo Municipal en su reunión ordinaria el 24 de agosto de 2022. El tema está programado tentativamente para una audiencia pública ante el Concejo Municipal en su reunión ordinaria el 19 de septiembre de 2022 a las 6 pm. Actualmente, las reuniones del Ayuntamiento se llevan a cabo virtualmente a través de Live Stream y On Demand. Las instrucciones sobre cómo ver la reunión y hacer comentarios públicos están disponibles aquí <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/webcasts>; haga clic en una reunión específica dentro del calendario de la Guía de participación ciudadana.

Se anima a formular preguntas y comentarios orales y escritos. Envíe cualquier comentario por escrito a Karen Gasvoda o Kendra Lisum con la división de Desarrollo Comunitario (CD) antes del 26 de septiembre de 2022: Planificación, Desarrollo e Innovación Comunitarios de la Ciudad de Missoula, 435 Ryman, Missoula, MT, 59802. Para recibir una copia del borrador de CAPER o para revisarlo en un formato alternativo, o para solicitar adaptaciones especiales para poder participar, por favor comuníquese con CD al 406.552.6218 o envíe un correo electrónico a gasvodak@ci.missoula.mt.us; o 406.552.6646, lsumk@ci.missoula.mt.us; o comuníquese con el Servicio de retransmisión de Montana al TTY 711.

Los comentarios públicos sobre las actividades propuestas por la Ciudad presentados antes del 26 de septiembre de 2022, se incluirán en la versión final del CAPER anual presentado al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD).

Updated HOME-ARP Website: EngageMissoula.com

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HOME-American Rescue Plan Grant

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We want to hear from you - here's your chance to influence where federal dollars are spent in our community!

An updated draft of the Allocation Plan associated with the HOME-American Rescue Plan is available to view now. This report primarily reviews the gaps and needs facing the Missoula community, and no project has been chosen for funding yet.

You can view the report [here](#). It can also be found in the "Documents" sidebar.

Comments are welcomed and encouraged through 10/28/22. You can submit comments in the forum below!

What is HOME-ARP?

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HOME-ARP dollars will primarily be used to address homelessness and supportive service needs in our community. This means we can fund things like developing additional rental housing, homeless shelters or transitional housing, and services that support our community like childcare, job training, housing search & counseling services, among others.

These funds, however, are restricted for use to benefit certain populations. These populations include those who are:

- experiencing homelessness,
- fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence in all its forms,
- veterans, and
- those at-risk of homelessness, which can include those who are living in poverty, those who have moved 2 or more times due to economic reasons, or those who are paying more than 50% of their income on housing.

HOME-ARP FUNDS

WHAT WE GOT

\$1.3 million
from the
Department of Housing and Urban Development

WHAT WE CAN SPEND IT ON



development of rental housing



emergency shelters



community support services



transitional housing

WHO IT MUST BENEFIT

Individuals who are:

- experiencing homelessness
- veterans
- fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence
- at-risk of homelessness...

• being in poverty
• being priced out of the market due to economic factors
• paying more than 50% of their income on housing

Have other natural disaster poor thoughts today!

Documents

[HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN.pdf \(3.56 MB\) \(pdf\)](#)

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[Forum](#) [Ideas](#) [Survey](#)

Inform: We are giving information to the community.
Consult: We would like the community's opinions and thoughts.

The Community Development division of Community Planning, Development and Innovation is exploring potential uses for these HOME-ARP funds.

In order to develop effective, community-based solutions we need to hear from residents about ideas and recommendations to influence the use of these funds.

Ways to Engage:

- Comment in the Forum

To receive a copy of the draft Allocation Plan or to review it in an alternative format, or to request special accommodations in order to participate, please contact Karen or Kendra (see sidebar); or contact the Montana Relay Service at TTY 711.

Para obtener una versión en español, comuníquese con Desarrollo Comunitario al 406-552-6630. Los comentarios son bienvenidos y alentados.

Forum **Ideas** **Survey**

Discussions: All (1) Open (1)

2021 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Forum

5 months ago

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8 Responses

You need to be signed in to add your comment.

[SIGN IN](#) [REGISTER](#)

Please comment on the 2021 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan! All comments are welcome and will be submitted with the plan to HUD.

[GO TO DISCUSSION](#)

Quick Reply

Updated HOME-ARP Outreach: Disability Services
8/18/22

RE: New Online Message From Kendra Lisum, lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us

 Kendra Lisum
To Travis Hoffman

You forwarded this message on 10/12/2022 8:56 AM.

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Thank you, Travis, we really appreciate it. I've attached the plan. You can simply reply to me with any thoughts, comments, suggestions, and/or recommendations.

Have a great day,
Kendra

From: Travis Hoffman <thoffman@summitilc.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2022 6:02 PM
To: Kendra Lisum <lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: RE: New Online Message From Kendra Lisum, lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us

Hi Kendra,

Thanks for reaching out. I would be more than happy to take a look at the plan and provide some feedback so when ever you have a chance to send it over to me, feel free to do so.

Thanks,



Travis Hoffman, BSW
Advocacy Coordinator

Summit Independent Living
700 SW Higgins, Suite 101
Missoula, MT 59803
(406) 728-1630, x119 – Phone
(800) 398-9002 – Toll Free
(406) 829-3309 – Fax
<https://www.summitilc.org>

10/12/22 - we sent a reminder and received a response:

RE: New Online Message From Kendra Lisum, lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us

 Travis Hoffman <thoffman@summitilc.org>
To Kendra Lisum

You replied to this message on 10/17/2022 9:58 AM.

Hi Kendra,

My apologies that I have not gotten back to you but rest assured, I have not forgotten. I will do my best to get to it here soon continue any feedback I might have.

Thanks,



Travis Hoffman, BSW
Program Coordinator

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Advancing the independence and civil rights of people with disabilities.

At the time of submission, we received no comments or suggestions from Summit Independent Living.

Updated HOME-ARP Outreach: Civil Rights Organization
8/23/22 with the ACLU:

RE: Follow-up on Outreach

 Kendra Lisum
To  'Keegan Medrano'

 You forwarded this message on 10/12/2022 8:55 AM.

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Yes, thank you, Keegan, we *really* appreciate it and look forward to your comments, suggestions, and/or recommendations!

You can simply reply to me.

Thank you again,
Kendra

From: Keegan Medrano <medranok@aclumontana.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 11:40 AM
To: Kendra Lisum <LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: Follow-up on Outreach

Hello Kendra,

I'm available to review any documents or information if this is still an option.

Thanks,
Keegan

Keegan Medrano | Muscogee Creek I pronouns: he/they | Advocacy & Policy Director
PO Box 1968, Missoula, MT 59806 | Cell: 1-406-258-8683

With the Crime Advocate Division:

RE: Civil rights and Missoula's HOME-ARP Plan

 Kendra Lisum
To: Shantelle Gaynor (she/her)

You forwarded this message on 10/12/2022 8:54 AM.

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Yes, thank you so much! I've attached the plan I referred to in the email below. As I mention below, we're seeking input from organizations that support civil rights. We'd appreciate any comments, suggestions, and/or recommendations for the use of these funds in regards to civil rights, especially for those who have interacted with our justice system.

After taking a look at the attachment, you can simply email me with your thoughts, and I will include them when we submit our plan to HUD.

Thank you for your time, we really do appreciate it! Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Kendra

From: Shantelle Gaynor (she/her) <sgaynor@missoulacounty.us>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 1:13 PM
To: Kendra Lisum <LisumK@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: Civil rights and Missoula's HOME-ARP Plan

Hello -

I am Shantelle Gaynor, the director of the Missoula County Community Justice Department -- which includes the Crime Victim Advocate Division. Your original email was forwarded to me without any attachments or links. Can you please resend and then I can respond to your questions. Thank you!

-S

10/12/22 Follow-up with both organizations received no response:

FW: Follow-up on Outreach

 Kendra Lisum
To: Keegan Medrano

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Hi Keegan!

I reached out in August regarding the attached report, and you agreed to read it and offer feedback and/or suggestions for the use of the City of Missoula's HOME-ARP dollars. I'm following up to see if you've had a chance to do so yet. If you haven't and you're still willing to comment, could you please do so by **Wednesday, October 26th**?

And please don't hesitate to reach out with questions. Thank you, we appreciate your time!

All the best,
Kendra

FW: Civil rights and Missoula's HOME-ARP Plan

 Kendra Lisum
To: sgaynor@missoulacounty.us

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Hi Shantelle,

I reached out in August regarding the attached report, and you agreed to read it and offer feedback and/or suggestions for the use of the City of Missoula's HOME-ARP dollars. I'm following up to see if you've had a chance to do so yet. If you haven't and you're still willing to comment, could you please do so by **Wednesday, October 26th**?

And please don't hesitate to reach out with questions. Thank you, we appreciate your time!

All the best,
Kendra

At the time of submission, we received no comments or suggestions from the ACLU or the Missoula County Justice Department advocate.

Updated HOME-ARP Outreach: Montana Fair Housing
8/17/22:

Thank you for your submission on our website.



Montana Fair Housing <inquiry@montanafairhousing.org>

To ● Kendra Lisum

Thank you for your submission. We will respond as soon as possible.

We received your information on 08/16/2022 18:17:38.

Your Name: Kendra Lisum

Address: 435 Ryman

City: Missoula

State: MT

Zip Code: 59801

Email: lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us

Issue: Hello! I'm reaching out today on behalf of the City of Missoula's Community Development Department. In 2021, the city was awarded \$1.3 million in HOME-ARP funds. As part of our HOME-ARP requirements, we've been asked to consult with various organizations who serve and support fair housing. Would someone in your office be willing to take a look at the report and offer suggestions, comments, or recommendations for these funds as they relate to fair housing? If so, feel free to reach out to me at lisumk@ci.missoula.mt.us and I can pass along a copy of the report. We really appreciate your time and consideration during this busy time.

Phone: 4062402544

At the time of submission, we received no response from Montana Fair Housing.

HOME-ARP CoC and Partner Survey Responses:

Timestamp	Email Address	What's your name and who do you represent?
12/7/2021 13:54:35	wlohof@wmmhc.org	Winnie Lohof - PATH Program
12/7/2021 16:09:34	execdirector@hopemontana.org	Jim Hicks Hope Rescue Mission
12/8/2021 11:33:50	sandersonm@phc.missoula.mt.us	Miranda Sanderson, Partnership Health Center

What populations do you serve?	In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?	If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.
Homeless and At-Risk	Homeless and at-risk of homeless	Due to Missoula's high cost of living, many more people are at risk of being homeless and more people are experiencing homelessness with high barriers to housing due to the cost of apartments. Missoula needs transitional housing as well as low-income housing as many people are low income in Missoula. We have a fluctuation of homeless but around 600 or so people experiencing homelessness at this moment. If we have a place to put them all, we could virtually end homelessness in Missoula.
Unsheltered, Life Controlling Substances/situations	At-Risk for Homelessness	With the current rising rent rates, we must stop a source of the unhoused, while they are still housed.
Homeless FUSE population	Homeless	There is not enough affordable housing and people who are qualifying for vouchers are not able to use them at times due to lack of units

<p>In your opinion, how are we best meeting community needs through the systems in place?</p>	<p>In your opinion, which systems in place create the most challenges?</p>	<p>What do you see as the most pressing need in the City of Missoula right now?</p>	<p>What are two (2) actions that you'd take to meet the most pressing need (does not have to be HOME-ARP eligible)?</p>	<p>What HOME-ARP eligible activities or projects do you think would have the greatest impact on the QPs?</p>
<p>The communication between service providers is integral to the work we are doing.</p>	<p>Property managers refusing to work with clients who have vouchers, PMs creating and enforcing high barriers to housing for people experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>Low income housing is a necessity.</p>	<p>Have an easily assessible and user friendly fund to assist landlords in the cost of damages caused by a client (at minimum \$5,000), the creation of low income housing.</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>
<p>Building relationships for structured, empowering compassion for forward movement.</p>	<p>Any system or program that does not provide compassionate enforcement to enable those who desire to move forward.</p>	<p>A broad-based task force created to implement strategies regarding our serving the unhoused. That said, it must include thoughtful, emotionally mature people from across the spectrum who will committed to implement and execute a strategy.</p>	<p>1) Create the wide spectrum, collaborative team to create and execute a plan specific to the unhoused or newly unhoused of Missoula. Defined. Dated. Done. 2) Transitional housing with accountability to provide shelter, security, schooling, skills for sustainable contribution to others, a full circle.</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>
<p>Missoula Coordinated Entry System is huge. There is also affordable housing and project and supportive housing units currently being built. More housing navigator positions being created.</p>	<p>Lack of case management, lack of chemical dependency services, application fees, COVID</p>	<p>More affordable and transitional housing</p>	<p>Look into how air B and B owners can offer their homes to families for rent or temporary stay</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>

What one HOME-ARP eligible activity or project that exists right now has the greatest need for expansion or improvement?	Do you see an immediate need for a particular project (to be completed within 1 year)?	Do you have any data sources that will help us with our Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis (examples include but are not limited to: assessment of unmet needs of each QP; gaps in housing & shelter inventory, homeless services/assistance, homeless prevention service delivery system; wait lists)?
Supportive Services	Low income housing/buying and converting a big hotel into low income housing.	PATH provides case management, disability application assistance, and housing navigation to people experiencing literal or imminent homelessness. We have a large waitlist and are happy to discuss further what services are needed to further support clients.
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter	Transitional housing with accountability.	
Development & Support of Affordable Housing	more units	

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12/8/2021 14:17:50	jmcgrath@missoulahousing.org	Jim McGrath, Missoula Housing Authority
12/8/2021 16:50:37	mawhinneyq@phc.missoula.mt.us	Quinn Mawhinney
12/9/2021 9:53:46	jlyons@missoulacounty.us	Jordan Lyons, Missoula County
12/10/2021 9:24:12	amy.hill1@va.gov	Amy Hill, VA HUD/VASH

What populations do you serve?	In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?	If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.
from homeless to homeownership	depends on the project	for example, to serve chronically homeless, we need supportive services
low-income individuals and families	houseless AND at-risk for houselessness	I believe that PEH and at-risk for PEH should be prioritized because they are a growing number in our community due to the rising cost of living in Missoula.
Residents of Missoula County	No preference	
Veterans and their families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness	No preference	

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		more units --but if we are trying to serve high needs populations, supportive services	more units and supportive services	Supportive Services
I believe the support and funds allocated to the Veteran population has been successful and other programs could learn from their experience of getting to relative zero houseless veterans.	Long and complicated application forms that require a lot from clients. Many programs and support services have a lot of barriers for folks to be able to utilise their services (i.e. wait times for OPA, rental assistance from HRC, application requirements from nonprofits, etc)	Affordable housing	Increase wages and create affordable housing.	TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)
Creating non-congregate shelters, affordable housing projects	I hope in the future the Affordable Housing Trust Fund's goals and policies will match better with applicants, so more funds will be deployed.	The shortage of housing units, especially those that are attainable for people with low to moderate incomes	Creating affordable housing units and preserving existing affordable units	Development & Support of Affordable Housing
Deposit assistance & emergency housing for Veterans	Lack of affordable housing	Development of low barrier affordable housing	Affordable housing development	Development & Support of Affordable Housing

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Supportive Services	commit supportive services to PSH vouchers (and develop linkage to services)	I have waitlists, data on gaps in services, data on lack of housing
Development & Support of Affordable Housing		
Development & Support of Affordable Housing	Offer homeowners or homebuyers money to deed restrict their homes or put them in a land trust.	http://missoula.co/housing , https://scholarworks.umt.edu/renter_center_pubs/
Development & Support of Affordable Housing	Affordable housing	# of Veterans with HUD/VASH Vouchers in hand who are unable to lease up due to lack of affordable housing

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12/15/2021 14:23:40	outreach@hopemontana.org	April Seat Hope Rescue Mission
12/17/2021 12:40:09	hilliards@ci.missoula.mt.us	Sam Hilliard/Reaching Home
12/21/2021 8:46:00	rhill@missoulaagingservices.org	Russ Hill Missoula Aging Services

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Unsheltered	At-Risk for Homelessness	If we can get in front of those falling into homelessness we would be able focus efforts we are doing now to really have a chance at success with helping the unsheltered. We have to prevent people from losing their housing and permanent or stable living situations.
Unhoused, some at-risk	No preference	There is a lot going on in this work of housing right now (a lot of plans up in the air/developments underway/support teams being formed). I'm unsure exactly where everything will land, but however these funds can fill in the gaps of ongoing projects. Low barrier, flexible funding for ALL housing populations will be important, regardless.
Older adults and those who care for them	At-Risk for Homelessness	We are particularly concerned about older adults who are being displaced after many years of living in one place.

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<p>Working together and using the resources in a more effective way. We are now able to do what we are good at as agencies and not serving the same people the same resource. First come first serve was not working really working hard on seeing who is the most vulnerable and surrounding them with supportive services and working with each other has been the game changer. Building RELATIONSHIPS has changed everything!!</p>	<p>We all work hard but the bottle neck is the housing crisis. We can only do so much then wait for an opening for someone to get into. If we don't keep people in their housing then we will triple in the amount of people who will be unsheltered and resources are great but exhausted in many ways.</p>	<p>Affordable Housing!!!</p>	<p>I personally would start getting into the data of systems and see where we are not touching and creating ways to fill in any gaps as possible. Taking the weight off of the many wonderful Organizations and Agencies so they can focus on pressing issues and not get over loaded with the many coming in for help. Prevention efforts and Housing!!!</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>
<p>Missoula has a FABULOUS collaborative of housing providers and frontline staff - legitimately, the most resilient, persistent, positive crew.</p>	<p>Inability or lack of capacity to involve those with lived expertise. Who better to help guide these programs/policies than those experiencing a housing crisis, or those who have recently or previously found housing.</p>	<p>More housing that is affordable; diverse housing options for houseless folks; policy/law/legislation that limits landlord power (I know the constitution holds this up, but - the free reign that LLs get puts vulnerable people at such a high risk).</p>	<p>1. Transitional housing 2. Flexible funding "honeypot" for resident-initiated financial housing support</p>	<p>SO HARD - these all would be impactful. I guess it depends on what development for the non-congregate shelter looks like. Would that be a total demo and rebuild or just a shift in use?</p>
<p>We are not doing much related to older adults, the waiting lists are too long</p>	<p>Lack of affordable options.</p>		<p>1) create a transitional non-congregate housing for older adults transitioning, while on the waiting list, from one place to another, and 2) day center for activities for older adults, and respite care for caregivers.</p>	<p>Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter</p>

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Development & Support of Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing	YES!!
TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)	Diverse housing options (outdoor spaces, transitional housing, housing for those using substances, housing that is affordable, etc).	Definitely! :) You know where to find me.
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter	Non-congregate housing for older adults	

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1/3/2022 11:48:54	goer@phc.missoula.mt.us	Rebecca Goe -- Partnership Health Center

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	<p>People with the most barriers to housing</p>	<p>I would love to see some of this money used to support permanent supportive housing especially for those with the</p>

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		Housing, low wages and child care	Use funding to support child care for people staying at the YWCA, 24 hour services at Trinity PSH units	Development & Support of Affordable Housing

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Supportive Services		

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1/3/2022 12:19:35	ashleycorbally@gmail.com	Ashley Corbally, Hope Rescue Mission

<p>What populations do you serve?</p>	<p>In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?</p>	<p>If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.</p>
<p>Homeless</p>	<p>At-Risk for Homelessness</p>	<p>The very low vacancy rate and uphill battle to house those that are currently (especially chronically) homeless means we should be focusing on preventing homelessness for those on the cusp. Retaining current housing (rental assistance, financial literacy education, wrap around services should take priority. Retaining housing will be far more effective that trying to undo homelessness once someone enters that space.</p>

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<p>A leveled-up continuum of care--basic shelter, enhanced shelters with services, transitional housing opportunities, etc.</p>	<p>Programs without accountability for those seeking services/help. If there is no natural consequence for poor choices/action, there is no incentive or motivation to change. The discomfort of staying complacent must be more uncomfortable than the discomfort to change the current situation. The housing first model, while supported by HUD, is statistically ineffective. Simply housing an individual has not proven to improve sobriety, housing stability, or reduce homelessness. Individuals who are not equipped or resourced to live independently PRIOR to exiting homeless are not able to maintain housing. Individuals need significant wrap around services and required participation in life skills education prior to ever entering into housing. These wrap around services would need to continue after placement.</p>	<p>Affordable housing units and/or transitional housing program</p>		<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>

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<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>	<p>Transitional housing or sober living facility</p>	

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1/5/2022 18:01:55	andrea@homeword.org	Andrea Davis, Homeword

<p>What populations do you serve?</p>	<p>In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?</p>	<p>If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.</p>
<p>All QP's with majority identifying as "At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability". We also serve moderate income people through out Housing Counseling Agency.</p>	<p>No preference</p>	

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<p>The consolidation of funding priorities and processes allows city staff to evaluate which funding source best aligns with which project/program type. We also believe the city is meeting community needs well by providing funding for several types of responses (congregate and non-congregate shelter, permanent supportive housing, emergency winter shelter, acquisition of buildings in jeopardy of loss to the affordable market, social services to help people connect to housing and keep them stably housed).</p>		<p>Because we are an affordable housing developer and HUD approved housing counseling agency, we see and hear about it all. We are not a direct service provider for homeless populations and don't offer emergency funding or shelter, so often we see this population via our RentWise education class or via our Financial Skill Building and most often we are referring folks who call and need same day service. We know there are many extremely low and low income earning families that cannot find or keep a rental. We know there are many working families that cannot find a reasonably priced apartment or entry level home to purchase.</p>	<p>Build an SRO to enable more people to be served in smaller units. Convert appropriate unit types into entry level homeownership.</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>

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<p>Supportive Services</p>	<p>Poverello's hotel acquisition where they'll be able to provide non-congregate shelter.</p>	<p>We could provide wait lists of our LIHTC properties (managed by Tamarack Property Management) and we could provide participate demographics from our Homebuyer and Financial Skill Building classes.</p>

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1/6/2022 9:20:45	andrea@homeword.org	Andrea Davis, Homeword (second survey response, augmenting project ideas)
1/7/2022 14:53:34	becky@micmt.org	Family Promise

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<p>Homeless Families</p>	<p>Homeless</p>	<p>Homeless with more housing and affordable housing</p>

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<p>MCES and shelters</p>	<p>Adequate housing resources</p>	<p>Transitional housing</p>	<p>Transitional housing Extended motel vouchers</p>	<p>Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter</p>

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	<p>Funding the Service Reserve at Trinity Apartments for either/both the 30 Permanent Supportive Housing homes and the Navigation Center. Both of these serve QP's and the project will be leasing up in early 2022. The funding of the service reserve can be done within 1 year so a budget can be finalized which would facilitate commitments from service providers. Having a Service Reserve in place allows the social service budget to be appropriately funded. By doing so, the necessary partners will have the ability to commit and therefore planning can occur as soon as possible.</p>	
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter	Transitional housing	Yes

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1/7/2022 22:38:14	sue@micmt.org	Sue Harrison-Missoula Interfaith Collaborative
1/11/2022 9:44:13	ldunagan@mt.gov	Laura Dunagan I represent myself as a Missoula County tax payer/citizen
1/11/2022 12:36:40	rstancil@missoulahousing.org	Rebecca Stancil

What populations do you serve?	In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?	If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.
Those experiencing homelessness, returning citizens, those on the verge of becoming homeless, people with barriers to employment	At-Risk for Homelessness	Preventing homelessness is the most efficient way to serve vulnerable populations and prevents trauma, especially in children.
	people homeless for less than a year	the chronically (1 yr +) homeless need difference help. people who are newly homeless need immediate help because they are usually more stable in all other parts of their lives and just need a home to keep themselves stable and able to be contributing members of society.
All	At-Risk for Homelessness	At risk population need support to stay in their current unit or they need help accessing housing

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<p>There is very limited funding and pilot programs for diversion and prevention of homelessness even though it is the most efficient way to serve these populations. There is a huge need for it in Missoula.</p>	<p>Trying to house people who have entered into the system.</p>	<p>Keeping people who are vulnerable housed.</p>	<p>Provide funds that will prevent homelessness or create diversion from entering into the system.</p>	<p>Prevention and diversion funding and services</p>
				<p>Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter</p>
<p>Not enough inventory</p>	<p>Not enough inventory. Criteria is too high for many voucher holders</p>	<p>More housing options for voucher holders that have barriers; criminal credit no references not enough income</p>	<p>Units to house those with barriers.</p>	<p>Development & Support of Affordable Housing</p>

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TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)	Homelessness prevention is ongoing.	https://familypromise.org/what-we-do/programs-services/prevention-and-diversion-programs/
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelter		
Development & Support of Affordable Housing	Affordable housing for those who have barriers	

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1/20/2022 12:37:16	cweese@ywcaofmissoula.org	Cindy Weese, YWCA Missoula

What populations do you serve?	In your opinion, should the City of Missoula implement a preference for any particular qualifying population (QP)?	If you do support preference for a particular QP, please share more on your thoughts on why and how to best meet their needs.
unhoused families and those fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, staking and trafficking	No preference	

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		<p>There is a need for transitional housing for unhoused families who are not able to be rapidly housed with existing rent assistance programs. Many of the families living in the YWCA's Family Housing Center have been unable to secure rental housing because they have significant barriers that can't be fully resolved by the rent assistance programs.</p>	<p>Support transitional housing and additional supportive permanent housing for chronically homeless individuals and high barriered families.</p>	<p>development of affordable housing for very-low income households.</p>

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Supportive Services	Support service staffing costs for congregate and non-congregate shelters have increased at a greater rate than the funding available to pay for these costs. As a result, shelters are struggling to recruit and retain essential staff required for the 24/7 services provided. The YWCA has diverse funding sources and yet soon it will not have enough funding to maintain the current skeleton crew.	yes, we have our program stats that we are willing to share