

New Brunswick Draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

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

The City partners with non-profits organizations in the delivery of its CDBG and HOME annual allocations. Several were consulted with during the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. These consulted entities provide housing and services to the eligible populations of the HOME-ARP program on an on-going basis and have relevant knowledge on the needs, service gaps, and potential activities that would best benefit qualified populations. Entities consulted include those who work with families or individuals experiencing homelessness, are at-risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable qualifying populations such as veterans.

In the development of the allocation plan, the City consulted with the entities below and asked for their input concerning the HOME-ARP grant, eligible activities, and the proposed budget. Entities articulated their gap in services and housing needs by providing written and verbal comments. The following table summarizes the feedback received.

On December 1, 2022 the City sent an email with a request for consultation to all the entities below and held a virtual call on December 16, 2022 to gain feedback from our community partners in this consultation process.

The City will continue to meet with entities throughout the implementation of the HOME-ARP activities in an effort to assess the ongoing needs of our community and will continue to work together to develop strategies that will help address chronic homelessness

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Middlesex County Continuum of Care	COC	Email correspondence.	Recommends the City utilizes the Coordinated Entry System through the CoC.
New Brunswick Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Email correspondence.	Provided useful data for the plan.
Elijah's Promise	Nonprofit Homeless	Email correspondence	Submitted their feedback as part of CoC submission.
Coming Home of Middlesex County	Nonprofit Homeless	Email correspondence	Submitted their feedback as part of CoC submission.
Women Aware	Nonprofit Domestic Violence	Email correspondence and virtual meeting.	Recommends using funds for supportive services and TBRA.
Middlesex/Somerset VSO	Veterans' Organization	Email correspondence	Submitted their feedback as part of CoC submission.
Civic League	Civil Rights	Email correspondence and virtual meeting	No feedback received.
PRAB	Non-Profit Social Services and Fair Housing	Email correspondence	Submitted their feedback as part of CoC submission.
Catholic Charities	Non-Profit Social Services and Homeless	Email correspondence	Was supportive of the City's draft plan.
NJ Re-Entry	Non-Profit Social Services and Civil Rights	Email correspondence	Submitted their feedback as part of CoC submission.
Office of Aging and Disabled Services	Public Senior and Disabilities	Email correspondence	Expressed the need for affordable housing for seniors and their growing risk of homelessness.
New Brunswick Rent Control	Public Fair Housing and Affordable Housing	Email correspondence and in-person discussion	Expressed the need for affordable housing and homeless shelter options.
New Brunswick Code Blue	Public Homeless Services	Email correspondence and in-person discussion	Expressed the need for affordable housing and homeless shelter options.
Dina's Dwellings	Nonprofit Domestic Violence	Email correspondence phone call	Expressed the need for additional funding in general for all affordable housing and homelessness related uses.

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

Consultation was initiated via email to applicable agencies providing the services and efforts as outline in the HOME-ARP requirements. On December 16, 2022 we held a virtual meeting for our consultation partners for further feedback if they wanted to participate.

The feedback from the consultation with these groups varied. Generally, our consultation partners supported the proposed work in the draft allocation plan (the development of new housing units for the qualifying populations. The CoC and its partners shared in their feedback the need to include the CoC coordinated entry system as part of the plan. Additionally, we received feedback regarding using the funds for TBRA and supportive services for people suffering from homelessness. Another entity wanted to make sure we considered the needs of seniors that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Public Participation

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

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

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

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

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

- ***Date(s) of public notice: 12/4/2022***
- ***Public comment period: start date - 12/4/2022 end date - 12/20/2022***
- ***Date(s) of public hearing: 12/19/2022***

Describe the public participation process:

The City published a public notice on December 4, 2022 in the Home News Tribune in English and Spanish announcing the availability of the plan for public comment and the planned public hearing on the use of the funds. As required, the notice provided the amount of HOME-ARP funds expected to be received and the range of activities that the City can undertake.

The comment period ran from December 4, 2022 to December 20, 2022 with a public hearing on December 19, 2022.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

The City of New Brunswick followed its adopted Citizen Participation process, except that the length of the public comment period was shortened to 15 days as allowed by HUD guidance/waiver.

The City also placed notice of the comment period and public hearing on the City website, physically at the Planning Department, New Brunswick Housing Authority, and The New Brunswick Free Public Library, social media, and shared it with community partners to share on their social media.

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

The City received comments through the public participation process regarding using the funds to primarily assist homeless persons, through new housing units available to them and shelters.

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

The City agrees with the comments, but intends to utilize the ARP funds for new housing units for persons in or at risk of homelessness instead of a shelter as a more permanent solution to the housing and homelessness crisis.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

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

The New Brunswick Housing Authority provides:

285 Public Housing Units for Families and Seniors; and
1016 Housing Choice Vouchers that it manages

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	98	32	47	0	0								
Transitional Housing	0	0	25	0	0								
Permanent Supportive Housing	182	73	254	0	115								
Other Permanent Housing	111	38	69	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						76	261	15	82				
Unsheltered Homeless						0	85	4	0				
Current Gap										10	80	100	370

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

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	13,215		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	1,795		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	5,140		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		5,720	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		955	
Current Gaps			6,675

Data Sources: Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)

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

The City utilized the most recent Comprehensive Affordability Strategy (CHAS) 2015-2019 data set. The City also used data and feedback received from local stakeholders, including the Point in Time Homeless Count, and CoC Housing Inventory. The information below is summarized by the four qualifying populations eligible for assistance under HOME ARP, including (1) homeless individuals and families, (2) individuals and families at risk of homelessness, (3) individuals and families fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking, and (4) populations outside of the first three groups with the greatest risk of housing instability.

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

According to the 2022 Point in Time Count, there were 426 households including 586 persons experiencing homelessness on a single night in Middlesex County. A bit more than a quarter (28.4%) of these individuals were in New Brunswick. This total only measures homeless persons who meet HUD's specific definition of homelessness staying in shelters and unsheltered persons who can be located.

Of the counted population, approximately 41.6% are African American, 36.7% are Hispanic/Latino, and 18.8% are non-Hispanic White. Compared to the population of the county, African Americans and Hispanic/Latino are overly represented in the homeless population. Approximately 18% of the households have a child under 18 and 23.5% of persons are children under 18.

62% of homeless persons reported having some type of disability. 77.7% of adults 18 or older reported some type of disability compared to 10.1% of children. Among persons identifying a disability, 68.2% reported mental health issues; this accounts for 42.2% of the total identified population experiencing homelessness. An additional 40.3% of disabled adults reported a substance abuse disorder. 26.6% were identified as chronically homeless, chronically homeless include persons with a long-term disabling condition who have been continually homeless for more than one year or multiple times within the last three years where the total duration is more than one year. There were 82 survivors of domestic violence and 19 veterans counted.

Among all households experiencing homelessness on the night of the count, 26% had no source of income; and 13% reported having earned income. The most common sources of income among homeless households were General Assistance/Welfare (24.9%) and SSI (13.5%) followed by Work Income (13%). The primary reported factor that contributed to, or caused, their homelessness, was being asked to leave a shared residence (111 households, 20.3%) than any other cause. The next two most common factors reported were mental illness and drug/alcohol abuse (14.1% respectively) followed by loss of income (10.1%).

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

According to the Census Data in the table above, there are 5,720 rental households earning less than 30% of the area median income that have a severe housing problem. The majority of housing problems experienced by these households is a housing cost burden where more than half of their income. Any disruption to income, including a cut back in the number of hours worked, can threaten the household's ability to pay its rent and lead to eviction and possibly homelessness.

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

According to 2022 PIT Count there were 82 households that were victims of domestic violence that were homeless in Middlesex County. All 82 households were sheltered. Income sources varied among various social support programs but only 9 had work income/wages. 33 of the victims reported a disability with a mental health issue being the primary one reported (14).

We expect this section to expand through consultation prior to final submission.

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

According to the Census Data in the table above, there are 955 rental households earning between than 30%-50% of the area median income that have a severe housing problem. Just shy of half of this population (415) are over 50% cost burdened.

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

The following grants and resources are geared towards assisting qualifying populations:

- Social Services for the Homeless/211,
- HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME),
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG),
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI),
- General Assistance/ Emergency Assistance,
- Temporary Rental Assistance, and
- Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF).

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

There is a lack of shelter beds and units in the County to accommodate the full amount of sheltered and unsheltered homeless that exist based on the PIT Count. Based on Housing Inventory there are 201 beds and units available in the County for immediate shelter and transitional housing while there are 586 homeless persons based on the PIT Count. However, adding in the entirety of the HIC reflects more available beds (861) than homeless persons (586). As many homeless persons and households suffer from additional impediments such as mental health, substance abuse disorder, domestic violence, and several other issues such services are needed to assist persons in homelessness.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

As described above, there is a need for an additional 3,560 rental units affordable to households earning less than 30% of the area median income. Common needs are those related to employment, including job training, childcare, and transportation.

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

The data does not show an unmet housing demand, but service and unknown housing demand issues may come up during consultation with providers of such services.

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

As described above, a total of 1,960 households in this income category have a severe housing problem, compared to the 3,560 at or below 30% of AMI. Supportive services needed are similar to other qualifying populations in that the most effective services would be those that increase income and employment opportunities.

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

Based on the Census data above a net shortage of 3,565 dwelling units exist for households between 0-50% of AMI.

Based on reported homelessness data the County has an estimated shortage of:

10 Bed for Families
100 Units for Families
80 Beds for Adults without Children
370 Units for Adults without Children

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

Homeless Populations

For homeless populations, priority needs include an increase in affordable housing units to help households transition from shelters to stable rental housing and support services to help ease that transition. Rapid re-housing and tenant based rental assistance would help households secure existing rental housing currently in the private market. The development of additional housing options, including permanent supportive housing, is also needed to provide long term housing solutions for chronically homeless populations that will need on-going supportive services to remain in stable housing.

At-risk of Homelessness

For extremely-low income households, priority needs include the creation of additional rental units affordable to families with less than 30% of area median income.

Victims of Domestic Violence

Providing housing options and supportive services is considered to be a priority for the purposes of this plan. This priority includes ensuring there is adequate affordable rental housing available for such persons.

Other Qualifying Populations

The need is still high for other qualifying populations, while the level of need is higher for those households earning less than 30 percent of the area median income. The City will still consider projects and programs that serve other qualifying populations as a priority as they create downstream openings and openings in the housing system for those in need.

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

The City relied on HUD-provided census data sets, such as CHAS, Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory information. The City supplemented this information with the required consultations, including the New Brunswick Housing Authority, the Middlesex County Continuum of Care, and other local stakeholders.

HOME-ARP Activities

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

The City will accept applications from developers and service providers on a rolling basis to best suit the timing and needs of their development timelines. If the City does not receive sufficient requests for funding, it will publicize the availability of funding and reach out directly to local service providers to gauge interest in administering programs that will best serve the priority needs of qualifying populations.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

Yes, City will administer these eligible activities directly.

If any portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds are provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan because the subrecipient or contractor is responsible for the administration of the PJ's entire HOME-ARP grant, identify the subrecipient or contractor and describe its role and responsibilities in administering all of the PJ's HOME-ARP program:

Not Applicable.

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

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 0		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 0		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 0		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 1,900,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 2,967.00	0.002 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,902,967.00		

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

The City intends to deploy its funds in accordance with its priority needs by making the funds for purposes of developing affordable rental housing dwelling units. As the City sees the development of housing units for all four qualifying populations as a priority the City will distribute those funds to projects that meet the needs of those populations.

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:

Development of new affordable housing units creates new, affordable, high-quality dwelling units for persons in the qualifying populations. Further, the occupancy of such developments creates further openings downstream at the shelter and transitional level that lower the burdens and pressures on those parts of the system.

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:

With current construction costs and the limited stretch of subsidy we expect the funds to produce approximately 10-11 units. We do however expect the subsidy will make larger projects viable. As an example, subsidizing 11 units in a 30-unit building might be sufficient to make it viable. But we expect 10-11 units to be directly subsidized.

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

The City proposes to subsidize approximately 11 rental units to households earning less than 30% of area median income. his affordable housing production goal directly addresses the lack of affordable rental housing for this income category.

Preferences

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The City does not expect to provide any preferences among the qualified populations. If the City subsidizes a development that will serve a specific population, such as veterans or senior housing, it will ensure that the tenant selection policy complies with the Fair Housing Act.

If a preference was identified, explain how the use of a preference or method of prioritization will address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

Not applicable

Referral Methods

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

All qualifying populations eligible for a project or activity will be included in the CE process.

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

The CoC's CE prioritizes based on several factors including length of homelessness and presence of disabilities.

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

The City intends to only use the CE process by the CoC at this time.

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

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

- PJs must follow all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a). This includes, but is not limited to, the Fair Housing Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, section 504 of Rehabilitation Act, HUD's Equal Access Rule, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as applicable.
- A PJ may not exclude otherwise eligible qualifying populations from its overall HOME-ARP program.
- Within the qualifying populations, participation in a project or activity may be limited to persons with a specific disability only, if necessary, to provide effective housing, aid, benefit, or services that would be as effective as those provided to others in accordance with 24 CFR 8.4(b)(1)(iv). A PJ must describe why such a limitation for a project or activity is necessary in its HOME-ARP allocation plan (based on the needs and gap identified by the PJ in its plan) to meet some greater need and to provide a specific benefit that cannot be provided through the provision of a preference.
- For HOME-ARP rental housing, section VI.B.20.a.iii of the Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan.
- PJs may limit admission to HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS to households who need the specialized supportive services that are provided in such housing or NCS. However,

no otherwise eligible individuals with disabilities or families including an individual with a disability who may benefit from the services provided may be excluded on the grounds that they do not have a particular disability.

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

Not at this time.

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

Not Applicable

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

Not Applicable

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

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

Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.

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

Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.

- ***State whether the new investment is being made to maintain current affordable units, create additional affordable units, or both.***
 Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.
- ***Specify the required compliance period, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer.***
 Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.
- ***State that HOME-ARP funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.***
 Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.
- ***Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable:***
 Not applicable. The City does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

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

*** Other (Specify):**

*** 3. Date Received:**

01/23/2023

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

138388587

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

M21-MP340227

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:**

CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

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

226002127

*** c. UEI:**

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d. Address:

*** Street1:**

78 BAYARD ST

Street2:

*** City:**

NEW BRUNSWICK

County/Parish:

*** State:**

NJ: New Jersey

Province:

*** Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:**

08901-2133

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

PLANNING, COMMUNITY & ECON DEV

Division Name:

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

Prefix:

Mr.

*** First Name:**

DANIEL

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:**

DOMINGUEZ

Suffix:

Title:

DIRECTOR

Organizational Affiliation:

*** Telephone Number:**

732-745-5050

Fax Number:

*** Email:**

DDOMINGUEZ@CITYOFNEWBRUNSWICK.ORG

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

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

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

14.239: HOME Investment Partnerships Program; HOME-ARP

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

HOME-ARP

* Title:

HOME-ARP

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

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

THE USE OF HOME-ARP FUNDS IS EXPECTED TO BE USED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW UNITS OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**16. Congressional Districts Of:*** a. Applicant * b. Program/Project

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

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

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="1,902,967.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="1,902,967.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

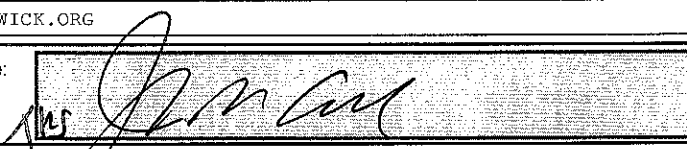
21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an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

☒ ** I AGREE

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

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

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK	DATE SUBMITTED 01/23/2023

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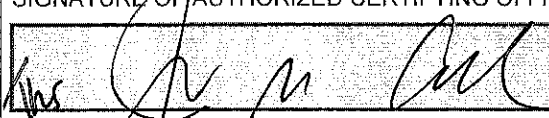
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	MAYOR
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
CITY OF NEWBRUNSWICK	01/23/2023

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For HOME-ARP

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.

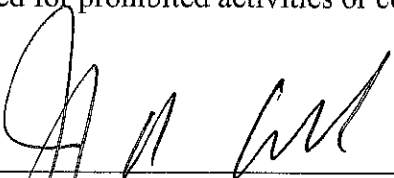
Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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.

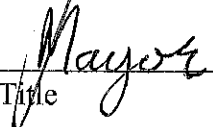
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Section 3 --It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

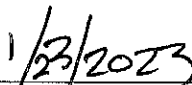
HOME-ARP Certification --It will use HOME-ARP funds consistent with Section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) and the CPD Notice: *Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, as may be amended by HUD, for eligible activities and costs, including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



Signature of Authorized Official



Title



Date

BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL:

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated funds to the City of New Brunswick for the HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan Program in the amount of **One Million Nine Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$1,902,967.00)** to be used for eligible uses as described in the Federal regulations for the program; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Brunswick has prepared a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for program year 2021 (2021-2022) to coordinate the expenditure of these funds with other funds made available to the community through Federal and non-Federal sources for community development and affordable housing purposes; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 19, 2022 to provide the public with the opportunity to have input and comment regarding the proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan; and

WHEREAS, as provided for by HOME-ARP regulation a reduced public comment period of not less than fifteen days was provided for from December 4, 2022 until December 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Brunswick requested consultation with several entities related to the effectuation of this plan for their insights and feedback, including an on-line web meeting for interested consultation parties to provide their thoughts on December 16, 2022.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Brunswick City Council that the One Year Consolidated Action Plan for program year 2021 is hereby amended to include the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and that same be submitted to HUD for review and approval of the City's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan as amended;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to accept said grant funds and are authorized to execute documents associated with the submission of the plans to HUD for approval and the acceptance of said funds, the form of said documents to be approved by the City Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Certified Copies of this Resolution shall be sent by the City Clerk to the following:

- City Administrator
- Chief Financial Officer
- Director of Planning, Community and Economic Development

ADOPTED: January 4, 2023


COUNCIL PRESIDENT


CITY CLERK

APPROVALS:


CITY ADMINISTRATOR


CITY ATTORNEY

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COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSENT
ALFREDO J. GARCIA	X			
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I, Leila R. Zolotor, City Clerk of the City of New Brunswick, N.J., do hereby certify the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of the original resolution adopted at the regular meeting of the New Brunswick City Council on the meeting of January 4, 2023.

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Leila R. Zolotor, City Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of New Brunswick
Substantial Amendment to the PY2021 Annual Action Plan
(AAP) HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
Saturday, December 4, 2022

City of New Brunswick hereby announces that it will be submitting a Substantial Change Amendment Request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requesting substantial changes to the PY 2021 Annual Action Plan. The Amendment consists of changes to the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Grant to include the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

These proposed changes have been identified in the corresponding FY Annual Action Plan (AAP) and can be found on City of New Brunswick's website at www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/homearp. Pursuant to HUD's regulations, the substantial change amends the AAP to include the current HUD program waivers and increases the HOME fund allocation to reflect the additional funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, (ARP) Public Law 117-2 to the FY 2021-2022 HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) –HOME ARP.

The City will be receiving \$1,902,967 in HOME-ARP funding under the ARP Act funding allocation. The HOME-ARP funding will be used for Affordable Housing Units and Administration and Planning Costs.

Prior to submission of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, City of New Brunswick will hold a public hearing to receive comments regarding the use of funds and eligible activities on Monday, December 19 at 4:30 PM at City Council Chambers, 78 Bayard Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

Citizens are encouraged to review the draft substantial amendment information on the City's website at www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/homearp. Copies of the documents are available for review and comment during the 15-day period commencing on Sunday, December 4, 2022 and ending December 20, 2022. Please provide comments to Dan Dominguez, Director of Planning, Community & Economic Development, at: ddominguez@cityofnewbrunswick.org.

Physical plan copies will be available at the following locations:

New Brunswick Housing Authority: 7 Van Dyke Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
New Brunswick Free Public Library: 60 Livingston Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
New Brunswick Department of Planning, Community & Economic Development: 25 Kirkpatrick Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this hearing should contact the phone number below at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled hearing date.

The hearing will be held in English, but shall be translated into Spanish in real time by the presenter should it be needed. Further translation and/or interpretation services available upon request. If you have Limited English Proficiency (LEP), please notify the New Brunswick Department of Planning, Community & Economic Development at 732-745-5050.

AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA
Ciudad de Nuevo Brunswick
Modificación sustancial del plan de acción anual del ejercicio 2021
(AAP) Plan de asignación HOME-ARP
sábado, 4 de diciembre de 2022

La Ciudad de New Brunswick anuncia por la presente que presentará una Solicitud de Enmienda de Cambio Sustancial al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD) solicitando cambios sustanciales al Plan de Acción Anual PY 2021. La enmienda consiste en cambios a la subvención del Programa de Asociación de Inversión en el Hogar (HOME) para incluir el Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP.

Estos cambios propuestos se han identificado en el correspondiente Plan de Acción Anual (AAP) del año fiscal y se pueden encontrar en el sitio web de la Ciudad de New Brunswick en www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/homearp. De conformidad con las regulaciones de HUD, el cambio sustancial modifica la AAP para incluir las exenciones actuales del programa HUD y aumenta la asignación de fondos HOME para reflejar los fondos adicionales de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Americano de 2021, (ARP) Ley Pública 117-2 al Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME (HOME) – HOME ARP del año fiscal 2021-2022.

La Ciudad recibirá \$1,902,967 en fondos HOME-ARP bajo la asignación de fondos de la Ley ARP. Los fondos de HOME-ARP se utilizarán para unidades de vivienda asequible y costos de administración y planificación.

Antes de la presentación del Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP, la Ciudad de New Brunswick celebrará una audiencia pública para recibir comentarios sobre el uso de fondos y actividades elegibles el lunes 19 de diciembre a las 4:30 PM en City Council Chambers, 78 Bayard Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

Se alienta a los ciudadanos a revisar la información del borrador de la enmienda sustancial en el sitio web de la Ciudad en www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/homearp. Las copias de los documentos están disponibles para su revisión y comentarios durante el periodo de 15 días que comienza el domingo 4 de diciembre de 2022 y finaliza del 20 de diciembre de 2022. Por favor proporcione comentarios a Dan

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octubre de 2022 y finalizó el 20 de diciembre de 2022. Por favor, proporcione comentarios a Dan Domínguez, Director de Planificación, Comunidad y Desarrollo Económico, en: ddominguez@cityofnewbrunswick.org.

Las copias físicas del plan estarán disponibles en las siguientes ubicaciones:

Autoridad de Vivienda de Nuevo Brunswick:	7 Van Dyke Ave, Nuevo Brunswick, NJ 08901
Biblioteca Pública Gratuita de Nuevo Brunswick:	60 Livingston Ave, Nuevo Brunswick, NJ 08901
Departamento de Planificación de Nuevo Brunswick, Comunidad y Desarrollo Económico:	25 Kirkpatrick Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

De acuerdo con las disposiciones de la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA), las personas con discapacidades que necesiten adaptaciones especiales para participar en esta audiencia deben comunicarse con el número de teléfono a continuación al menos 48 horas antes de la fecha programada de la audiencia.

La audiencia se llevará a cabo en inglés, pero será traducida al español en tiempo real por el presentador si fuera necesario. Otros servicios de traducción y/o interpretación disponibles bajo petición. Si tiene dominio limitado del inglés (LEP), notifique al Departamento de Planificación, Comunidad y Desarrollo Económico de New Brunswick al 732-745-5050.
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