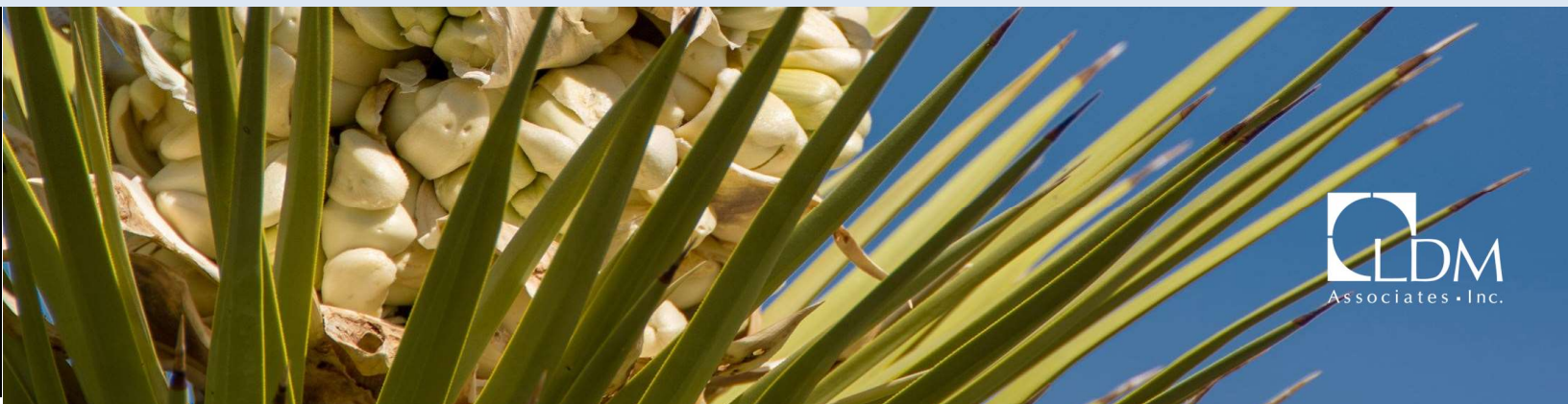




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Executive Summary

The City of Palmdale has been allocated \$2,093,986 of HOME-American Rescue Plan Act (HOME-ARP) funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In order to receive the HOME-ARP allocation, the City must develop a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that will become part of the City's PY2021 HUD Annual Action Plan by substantial amendment.

To ensure broad input into the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan from stakeholders and the public, the City engaged in consultation with stakeholders and the public, including a virtual consultation session, a survey of stakeholders, a 30-day public comment period, and a public hearing.

The needs assessment and gap analysis identified the following needs and gaps within the City:

- In February 2022, the annual Point in Time (PIT) count revealed that 61 people were residing in emergency housing, either in shelter or transitional housing. Another 241 people were unsheltered on the streets, in tents or makeshift shelters, or in cars, vans, RVs or campers.
- 2014-2018 CHAS Data from HUD reported 5,575 households with incomes at or below 30% AMI are at risk of homelessness in the City.
- The 2014-2019 HUD CHAS data indicates there are 6,115 renter households with an annual income at or below 30% AMI with a cost burden that are at greatest risk of housing instability.
- The CHAS data reports that there are 2,805 households with incomes more than 30 and but equal to or less than 50% AMI that are at risk of homelessness in the City because of at least one of the housing problems as defined by HUD.
- The greatest need for supportive services is in the areas of Job training and employment services, housing search and housing counseling services, childcare assistance, mental health services, outreach services, and case management services.

To address these needs within the community the City will continue to fund the development and support of affordable housing, tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA), and supportive services through HUD funding available to the City, including annual allocations of CDBG and HOME and focus this new allocation of HOME-ARP funds towards the development of non-congregate shelter units.

Introduction

The City of Palmdale has been allocated \$2,093,986 of HOME-American Rescue Plan Act (HOME-ARP) funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). To receive the HOME-ARP allocation the City of Palmdale must develop a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that will become a part of the City's PY2021 HUD Annual Action Plan by substantial amendment. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan must include the following:

1. A summary of the consultation process and the results of consultation;
2. A summary of comments received through the public participation process and a summary of any comments or recommendations not accepted and the reason why;
3. A description of HOME-ARP qualifying populations within the jurisdiction;
4. An assessment of unmet needs of each qualifying population;
5. An assessment of gaps in housing and shelter inventory, homeless assistance and services, and homelessness prevention service delivery system;
6. A summary of planned use of HOME-ARP funds for eligible activities based on the unmet needs of the qualifying populations;
7. An estimate of the number of housing units for qualifying populations the City will produce or preserve with its HOME-ARP allocation;
8. A description of any preferences for individuals and families in a particular qualifying population or a segment of a qualifying population;
9. HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines; and
10. Certifications and SF-424, SF-424B, and SF-424D Forms.

The following entities are responsible for preparing the Allocation Plan and those responsible for administration of the HOME-ARP grant.

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
HOME Administrator	City of Palmdale	Neighborhood Services Department / Housing Division

HOME-ARP Eligible Qualifying Populations and Activities

HUD's CPD Notice 21-10 Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program establishes the requirements for funds appropriated under section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services.

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) defines qualifying individuals or families, including Veterans, that are:

1. Homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;
2. At risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;
3. Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking (as defined by HUD in 24 CFR 5.2003) or human trafficking (as outlined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 as amended [22 USC 7102]); and
4. Part of other populations, where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the National Affordable Housing Act 42 USC 12472(a) would:
 - a. Prevent a family's homelessness;
 - b. Serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability.

HOME-ARP funds may be used benefit qualifying populations through:

1. Tenant-based Rental Assistance (TBRA);
2. Development and support of affordable housing;
3. Provision of supportive services;
4. Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter;
5. Nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance; and
6. Program planning and administration.

Stakeholder Consultation and Public Participation

HUD requires each HOME-ARP Participating Jurisdiction to consult with agencies and service providers whose clientele include the HOME-ARP qualifying populations. Agencies that must, at a minimum, be consulted include the Continuum of Care serving the jurisdiction's geographic area, homeless and domestic violence service providers, veterans' groups, public housing agencies (PHAs), public agencies that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities.

HUD also requires that each Participating Jurisdiction provide opportunities for the public to comment on the proposed Allocation Plan, including the amount of HOME-ARP funds that will be received and the range of activities that the City may undertake.

To ensure broad input into the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan from stakeholders and the public, the City engaged in consultation with stakeholders and the public, including a virtual consultation session, a survey of stakeholders, a 30-day public comment period, and a public hearing.

Stakeholder Consultation

The City of Palmdale consulted with representatives from multiple agencies, groups, and organizations involved in the development of affordable housing, addressing homelessness, and the provision of services to qualifying populations in preparing this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

A virtual session was held March 3, 2022. Representatives from multiple agencies, groups, and organizations were invited via email to attend. Those unable to attend were invited to submit written comments via emails or schedule a phone call to share their thoughts.

The virtual consultation session included an overview of the HOME-ARP notice to inform attendees of the qualifying populations and eligible activities, an opportunity to ask clarifying questions, a request for input into needs and gaps, and priority populations and activities, and an overview of the Allocation Plan timeline and process.

A survey instrument was designed and available online and invited representatives from multiple agencies, groups, and organizations to rank the qualifying populations and eligible activities and services in order of perceived need, and the best approach for carrying out those activities for the community.

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), the lead agency for the Los Angeles Continuum of Care (CoC), held a virtual session to provide their recommendations to jurisdictions being allocated funds. That session was held February 6, 2022, and attended by staff and representatives of the City. LAHSA also provided a written memorandum outlining their HOME-ARP funding recommendations

The City's virtual session was attended by 19 representatives of 14 agencies. The survey was completed by 27 representatives of seven agencies. All HUD-required agency types and qualifying populations were represented in either the virtual session or the online survey.

Organizations Consulted by Type and Method

Organizations Consulted by Type and Methods		
Organization Consulted	Type of Organization	Method of Consultation
ACLU	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including civil rights	Virtual Session
Advancing Communities Together (ACT)	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless youth and transitional age youth	Virtual Session
Antelope Valley Domestic Violence Center dba Valley Oasis	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or human trafficking, lead agency on coordinated entry system (CES)	Virtual Session Survey Email
Antelope Valley Partners for Health (AVPH)	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including the health and mental health needs of homeless and those at-risk of homelessness	Virtual Session Survey
AV Vets 4 Veterans	Nonprofit, addresses needs of veterans included in any or all of the qualifying populations	Survey
Dolores Huerta Foundation	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless and those at-risk of homelessness	Virtual Session
Hope of the Valley	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless	Virtual Session Survey
Housing Authority of the City of Palmdale	Public, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless and those at risk of homelessness, serves as public housing authority	Virtual Session Survey

Housing Rights Center	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including disabled, provider fair housing services to the City	Virtual Session
Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless	Agency-Sponsored Virtual Session
Mental Health America of Los Angeles	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including veterans	Virtual Session Survey
South Antelope Valley Emergency Services (SAVES)	Public, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless and those at risk of homelessness	Virtual Session Survey
Victory Outreach	Nonprofit, addresses needs of qualifying populations including homeless and those at risk of homelessness	Virtual Session

Summary of Feedback Received from Consulted Organizations

Consultation revealed strong support for the following:

Development and support of affordable housing. Participants in the virtual session discussed the need for additional affordable housing. Specific issues mentioned included the shortage of affordable housing inventory; shortage of affordable housing available to voucher holders; and competition favoring those that can meet extreme income requirements, applicants without children, and those with steady jobs. Of respondents to the survey, 78% believed there was a high need for this activity.

Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter. Many participants mentioned the need for shelter in general and for specific populations including families, those fleeing domestic violence and other situations, people with service animals, the elderly and single people. Of respondents to the survey, 59% believed there was a high need for this activity.

Provision of supportive services. Many examples of supportive services were mentioned in the virtual session including fair housing, mental health services, credit repair services, housing counseling, substance abuse services, and eviction defense. Survey respondents were asked to rate what they believed is the current need for various services eligible under HOME-ARP. Of respondents to the survey, 48% believed there was a high need for this activity. The activities with the most ratings for “high need” were job training and employment services (81%), housing search/counseling and childcare services (70%), and mental health services, outreach services, and case management (67%).

Rating of Current Need for Supportive Services				
Supportive Services	High Need	Moderate Need	Low Need	No Need
Child Care Assistance	70%	26%	0%	4%
Education Services	63%	30%	7%	0%
Job training and employment services	81%	19%	0%	0%
Food assistance	56%	22%	22%	0%
Housing search and counseling services	70%	30%	0%	0%
Legal services	41%	44%	11%	0%
Mental health services	67%	30%	0%	0%
Outpatient health services	52%	30%	11%	4%
Outreach services	67%	15%	11%	4%
Substance abuse treatment	52%	37%	4%	0%
Transportation assistance	59%	33%	7%	0%
Case management services	67%	22%	7%	0%
Mediation services	19%	41%	33%	4%
Credit repair services	37%	41%	15%	4%
Landlord/tenant liaison services	44%	44%	7%	0%
Services for special populations	48%	48%	4%	0%
Financial assistance costs	74%	26%	0%	0%

Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA). In conjunction with affordable housing, many attendees mentioned the need to increase availability of the TBRA program and as a companion to the development of affordable housing. Of respondents to the survey, 63 % believed there was a high need for this activity.

Nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance. In the survey, respondents were asked if they believed there was a need for nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance. Of respondents to the survey, 100% responded affirmatively that there was a need in the nonprofit sector for this assistance.

In their memorandum and their agency sponsored virtual session, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) recommendations for the use of HOME-ARP funds within Los Angeles County. They advocated that a “balance of resources to within the homeless services system is critical to ensure effective operations” and recommend a ration of five permanent housing resources for every interim housing bed. That balance informs their recommendations:

1. Acquisition of permanent housing resources if other funds are available to leverage for the purchase of multi-unit buildings, scattered sites properties, or individual units.
2. Master leasing, which is not outlined in the HOME-ARP guidance but is being explored through conversations between LAHSA and HUD.
3. Supportive services that support emergency housing vouchers and services based in problem solving, prevention and diversion to prevent the need for interim housing or accessing the homeless services system.

Public Participation

To provide opportunities for public participation, the City of Palmdale sent an email to all agencies and individuals on its email list notifying them of the opportunity to participate in the virtual consultation session held on March 9, 2022. In addition to attending the virtual consultation session, they were asked to complete an online survey regarding their views of the level of need for the eligible activities and qualifying populations as described by the CPD Notice 21-10. Those unable to attend, or who had further comments after the virtual session were invited to email them directly to City staff.

A combined notice of public comment period and public hearing was published in the Antelope Valley Press on April 1, 2022. The public notice was published in both English and Spanish. The Antelope Valley Press qualifies as a newspaper of general circulation.

Efforts to Broaden Public Participation

To broaden public participation, members of the public who are on the City's email list were also invited via email to attend the virtual consultation session held in the formulation of the Allocation Plan.

Public Comments and Recommendations Received

There were no public comments received during the public comment period held April 1 through May 4, 2022. One comment was received during the public hearing held before City Council on May 18, 2022.

Public Comments and Recommendations Not Accepted and Reasons Why

All comments received were accepted.

Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis

The needs assessment and gap analysis must evaluate the size and demographic composition of HOME-ARP qualifying populations, and unmet needs of HOME-ARP qualifying populations. In addition, the needs assessment and gap analysis must identify any gaps within its current shelter and housing inventory, and service delivery system. This needs assessment and gap analysis focuses on the following:

1. Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations;
2. Currently housed populations at risk of homelessness;
3. Other families requiring services or housing to prevent homelessness; and
4. Those at greatest risk of housing instability or unstable housing situations.

Housing Inventory Count

The annual Housing Inventory Count (HIC) provides useful context regarding the number and type of beds and units that are available for individuals and families experiencing on any given night. The following tables summarize beds and units available as of January 2021 in the City by bed type.

Emergency housing beds include emergency shelter and transitional housing; emergency shelter generally allows for short-term or nightly stays, while transitional housing generally allows for a stay up to 24 months. Both types of emergency housing may include supportive services designed to facilitate movement to independent living.

The 2021 HIC did not include details about housing available for subpopulations.

Emergency Housing Beds Available January 2021					
	Family Units	Family Beds	Adult-Only Beds	Child-Only Beds	Total Year-Round Beds
Emergency Shelter	10	20	7		37
Transitional Housing			11		11
Total Emergency Housing Beds	10	20	18		48

Rapid rehousing provides security and utility deposits and/or monthly rental and utility assistance for rental units that rent for less than the fair market rent. Assistance is generally provided for the shortest period of time necessary for a household to gain stable housing and can range from 3 to 24 months. Permanent supportive housing provides for an unlimited lease term; residents receive services necessary to promote continued housing stability.

Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing Available January 2021					
	Family Units	Family Beds	Adult-Only Beds	Child-Only Beds	Total Year-Round Beds
Rapid Rehousing	172	79			251
Permanent Supportive Housing	1		28		29
Total Year-Round Beds	173	79	28		280

Size and Demographic Composition of Qualifying Populations

The February 2022 point-in-time (PIT) count of both sheltered and unsheltered homelessness is used for this analysis.

Sheltered Homeless Populations

The 2022 sheltered point-in-time count identified 68 people experiencing sheltered homelessness in the City on between February 22 and 24, 2020. People are considered sheltered when they are residing in emergency shelter or transitional housing, but not when they are receiving rapid rehousing assistance or residing in permanent supportive housing. Among individuals experiencing sheltered homelessness:

- 61 (89.7%) were in emergency housing
- 7 (10.3%) were in transitional housing

LAHSA does the official PIT count in Los Angeles County and does not publish demographics or family status.

Unsheltered Homeless Populations

The 2022 unsheltered point-in-time count identified 241 people experiencing unsheltered homelessness on between February 22 and 24, 2022. Among individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness:

- 41 (16.9%) were in cars
- 12 (4.8%) were in vans
- 100 (41.4%) were in RVs/campers
- 33 (13.9%) were in tents
- 28 (11.7%) were in makeshift shelters
- 27 (11.2%) were in cars
- 0 (0%) were in safe parking

At-risk of Homelessness

Households at risk of homelessness are those with incomes at or below 30% AMI that lack sufficient resources or support networks to prevent homelessness, and

- Have moved more than two times due to economic reasons in the past 60 days, or
- Are doubled up with another household due to economic hardship, or
- Will be evicted within 21 days, or
- Live in a hotel or motel without financial assistance from a nonprofit or government entity, or
- Live in an efficiency apartment and are overcrowded, or
- Are exiting a publicly-funded institution or system of care

The CHAS 2014-2018 Data Table 10 indicates that there are approximately 5,575 households with incomes at or below 30% AMI that are at risk of homelessness in the City.

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

The State of California Department of Justice maintains statistics on domestic violence statewide by jurisdiction. In 2018, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department responded to a total of 951 calls related to domestic violence. Of these calls:

- 97 of these domestic incidents did not involve a weapon
- 854 calls involved a weapon
 - 12 domestic incidents involved a firearm
 - 21 domestic incidents involved a knife or cutting instruments
 - 125 domestic incidents involved other dangerous weapons
 - 696 domestic incidents involved personal weapons (i.e. feet or hands, etc.)

Therefore, if each one of these calls represented a household with member(s) who required housing assistance, it can be estimated that there were up to 951 households in 2018 who were in need of some form of housing assistance. The form of housing assistance required may vary depending on the specific circumstances of each case.

Other Populations

Other populations, as defined by HOME-ARP, include those who:

1. Are currently housed and at risk of repeat homelessness;
2. Have incomes at or below 30% AMI and are experiencing severe housing cost burden; and
3. Otherwise meet the definition of at risk of homelessness and have incomes income of more than 30% and at or below 50%

Other Populations: At greatest risk of housing instability – Households with incomes <30% AMI and experiencing housing cost burden

The 2014-2019 HUD CHAS data indicates there are 6,115 renter households with an annual income at or below 30% AMI with a cost burden that are at greatest risk of housing instability.

These renter households include:

- Two-person households, one or both of whom are age 62 or older: 150
- Small families with 2-4 non-elderly people: 155
- Large families with 5 or more people: 60
- People living alone or with non-relatives who are age 62 or older: 330
- People living alone or with non-relatives, none of whom are age 62 or older: 45

Other Populations: At greatest risk of housing instability – Households with incomes 30-50% AMI that meet HUD's §91.5 definition of at risk of homelessness

Households in this category are those with incomes at more than 30% and at or below 50% AMI that lack sufficient resources or support networks to prevent homelessness, and

- Have moved more than two times due to economic reasons in the past 60 days, or
- Are doubled up with another household due to economic hardship, or
- Will be evicted within 21 days, or

- Live in a hotel or motel without financial assistance from a nonprofit or government entity, or
- Live in an efficiency apartment and are overcrowded, or
- Are exiting a publicly-funded institution or system of care

HUD Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) 2014-2018 Data Table 10 provides information on households that include more than one family, household income level and overcrowding. The CHAS data indicates that there are approximately 2,805 households with incomes between 30 and 50% AMI that are at risk of homelessness in the City because of at least one of the housing problems as defined by HUD. In addition, 22 are living in households with more than one family.

Unmet Housing Needs of Qualifying Populations

The greatest unmet housing need of qualifying populations is the availability of affordable rental housing. As the table below shows, only 12% of the more than 15,000 rental units in the City are available to households with incomes at or below 50% AMI. Of these, 10% of the more than 15,000 rental units in the City are available to households with incomes at or below 30% AMI. The level of need for affordable rental units for households with incomes at or below 50% AMI is more than four and a half times the available units, according to HUD CHAS data for 2014-2018.

Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis					
		Available Units	Level of Need	HH with at least 1 Housing Problem	GAP (units-level of need)
Total Rental Units	15,865				
<=30% AMI		1,655	5,575	4,715	(3,920)
>30% to <=50% AMI		280	3,320	2,805	(3,040)
Total <=50% AMI		1,935	8,895	7,520	(6,960)

This housing need impacts all four of the qualifying populations and veterans: Homeless lacking the resources to find and/or afford permanent housing; those at risk of homeless for a variety of reasons, including housing instability due to their income; those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence and other forms of violence may flee their situation with adequate resources to find housing or be trying to flee but lack resources; other populations needing assistance or supportive services to prevent homelessness or housing instability.

Unmet Service Needs of Qualifying Populations

Based on consultation with service providers in the City, the greatest unmet service needs of qualifying populations including sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations, currently housed populations at risk of homelessness, other families requiring services or assistance to prevent homelessness, those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or human trafficking, and those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations are:

- Job training and employment services
- Housing search and housing counseling services
- Childcare assistance
- Mental health services
- Outreach services
- Case management services

Additional unmet service needs of qualifying populations, including sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations, currently housed populations at risk of homelessness, other families requiring services or assistance to prevent homelessness, and those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations include the following as described in HUD CPD Notice 2021-10, as may be amended:

- Education services
- Food assistance
- Legal services
- Outpatient health services
- Substance abuse treatment
- Transportation assistance
- Mediation services
- Credit repair services
- Landlord/tenant liaison services
- Services for special populations
- Financial assistance costs

Research on national statistics shows that homeless individuals and families are in need of mental health services and substance abuse treatment to treat what are often the underlying issues causing homelessness. In addition, this qualifying population would benefit from additional case management services and services addressing their basic needs such as food, housing, and health care.

Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking need services in housing services, childcare assistance, and legal services. For those facing housing instability, additional housing search and housing counseling services are needed to address the causes of the instability and assistance to stabilize their housing.

Current Resources Available to Assist Qualifying Populations

Current available resources include:

- Congregate beds and non-congregate shelter units;
- Supportive services;
- Tenant-based rental assistance; and
- Affordable and permanent supportive housing
- Housing vouchers

Current Resources: Congregate Beds and Non-congregate Shelter Units

In January 2021, there were 48 congregate beds and 280 beds in non-congregate shelter units. Congregate beds include emergency, safe haven, and transitional housing beds and units. Non-congregate shelter includes permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing.

Current Resources: Supportive Services

The lead agency on coordinated entry system (CES), Valley Oasis, considers 39 agencies providing a range of supportive services as referral partners and another 20 agencies as participating partners in the CES system. Although Valley Oasis serves communities other than Palmdale, most of the agencies also service an area larger than Palmdale. The range of services available in the network includes mental health services, domestic violence prevention, children's services, jobs, food assistance, education services, veterans' services, and housing services.

Current Resources: Tenant-based Rental Assistance

The City funds one agency using HOME funds to provide tenant-based rental assistance to 30 senior households with income at or below 30% AMI.

Current Resources: Affordable and Permanent Supportive Rental Housing

There are 21 apartment complexes within the City that have been identified as being affordable rental housing units. The City makes the contact information on these properties available to people and agencies assisting people seeking housing. The properties offer at least 1,838 affordable units. Of those properties, two properties are identified as permanent supportive housing (52 units), four properties are project-based Housing Choice Voucher programs, and seven rent only to seniors.

Of the seven complexes renting to the general population that responded to the survey, three complexes (with a total of 176 units) had waiting lists that totaled 245 (there may be duplicates on the three lists); two complexes do not maintain a waiting list; and one had closed their list but did not state how long the list was. Based on the survey and information found online, none of the 14 complexes had units available for rent.

Of the three complexes renting to only seniors that responded to the survey, two complexes reported waiting lists totaling 50 (there may be duplicates) and reported that the lists included names dating back from 6 months to 1.5 years ago. Based on the survey and information found online, only one complex reported one senior unit available.

Current Resources: Housing Vouchers

The Los Angeles County Development Authority sponsors more than 100,000 Housing Choice Vouchers. The waiting list is currently closed. Information about the size and age of the waiting list was not available via telephone or email to staff and is not available through their website or other public sources on the internet.

The City does not sponsor any Housing Choice Vouchers.

Shelter, Housing and Service Delivery System Gaps

Shelter Gap

There is an estimated need for 241 additional shelter beds based on the 2022 PIT count. The PIT count found that there were 61 persons in emergency shelter in the City but 241 unsheltered persons in a variety of situations, including on the street, in tents or makeshift shelters, or in cars, vans or RVs/campers.

The 2022 PIT count does not define how many were individuals, in family units, or children.

Tenant-based Rental Assistance Gap

There is an estimated gap of 4,984 tenant-based rental assistance vouchers for households with income less than 50% AMI and paying more than 50% of household income for rent, including utilities.

The number of tenant-based rental assistance vouchers was calculated using HUD CHAS data Table 7 and is equal to the number of renter households with income at or below 50% AMI and paying more than 50% of household income for rent, including utilities.

Tenant-based Rental Assistance Gap	
Renter Households with Income at or below 50% AMI paying more than 50% of income for rent, including utilities	5,014
TBRA vouchers available	30
<i>TBRA gap</i>	<i>4,984</i>

Affordable Supportive Rental Housing Gap

There is an estimated gap of 5,425 rental units affordable to renter households with income at or below 30% AMI and an estimated gap of 2,480 rental units affordable to renter households with income above 30% and up to 50% AMI.

The number of Affordable Rental Units was calculated using HUD CHAS Data Table 7 and is equal to the number of renter households' income category paying more than 50% of household income for rent, including utilities.

Affordable Rental Unit Gap	
Renter Households with Income at or below 30% AMI paying more than 50% of income for rent, including utilities	5,425
Renter Households with Income 30% to 50% AMI paying more than 50% of income for rent, including utilities	2,480
<i>Total Affordable Rental Unit Need</i>	<i>7,905</i>

Permanent Supportive Rental Housing Gap

Permanent supportive rental housing is a subset of the affordable rental housing gap, primarily for households with income at or below 30% AMI. In addition to affordable rent, permanent supportive housing provides an array of services necessary to help people with disabilities and/or experiencing chronic homelessness to retain housing stability. There is an estimated gap of 451 permanent supportive housing units in the City.

The number of Permanent Supportive Rental Housing Units needed was calculated by multiplying the current population of the City, according to the California Census 2020, by the per capita need (.003182) in California as calculated by the Corporation for Supportive Housing.

Permanent Supportive Housing Gap	
Population of Palmdale Census 2020	157,358
Per capita estimate of permanent supportive housing need	.003183
Estimated need for Permanent Supportive Housing	501
Permanent Supportive Housing Available	52
<i>Total Permanent Supportive Housing Gap</i>	<i>451</i>

Housing Voucher Gap

The size of the housing voucher gap is unknown; information on the number of Palmdale residents on the list is not available. With 100,000 names on the waiting list, in a county of 9.8 million, it is conceivable that with 1.54 percent of the population living in Palmdale, there could be 1,539 names on the waiting list currently residing in Palmdale.

Service Delivery System Gap

To identify gaps in the service delivery system, the City relied on its consultation with stakeholders and experience working with the organizations working in the City. The stakeholders believe that the most critical service gaps are in the areas of job training and employment services, housing search and housing counseling services, childcare, mental health services, outreach services, and case management. The stakeholders also believed there was a need for assistance with general administrative costs and building capacity among the service providers serving the City's qualifying populations.

Characteristics of Housing Associated with Increased Risk of Homelessness for Other Populations

For other populations, severe housing cost burden, or paying more than 50% of household income for rent and utilities is the primary characteristic of housing associated with the risk of homelessness in the City. The HUD CHAS Data Table 7 indicates there are 7,905 household at or below 50% AMI who are spending more than 50% of the household income on rent and utilities.

Priority Needs for Qualifying Populations

Homeless. An article on the website policyadvice.net, *The State of Homelessness in the US-2022*, uses PBS as a source for the following statistics:

- 25% of homeless people have a mental illness
- 38% have an alcohol abuse issue
- 26% have a drug abuse issue

That information, and other research, indicates that there is a need for mental health services and substance abuse services for the homeless in the City. Participants in the consultation process believed that homelessness was best served by the development of additional shelter beds, affordable housing, and TBRA assistance for housing. The priority needs for supportive services included housing search, mental health services, financial assistance, and case management.

At risk of homelessness. One of the indicators of risk of homelessness is housing cost burden. According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, in their *State of Homelessness: 2021 Edition*, households experiencing a severe housing cost burden and households “doubling up” or sharing housing are both at a greater risk of homelessness than they were in 2007. They used numbers from 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic and project that reduced work hours and elevated unemployment will have increased those at risk.

Participants in the consultation process believed those at risk of homelessness in the City would benefit from additional affordable housing, TBRA assistance for housing, and supportive services offering housing counseling, fair housing, credit repair services, and eviction defense.

Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking. The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence reports that domestic violence is frequently an immediate cause or precursor to homelessness and housing instability and that more than a third of domestic violence survivors report becoming homeless immediately after separating from their partners. The national Institute of Justice reports that one homeless woman in four is homeless mainly because of her experiences with violence. That violence can include categories of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking.

Participants in the consultation process believed those dealing with fleeing unsafe relationships or living situations, would benefit from supportive services offering housing

counseling, mental health services, fair housing, case management services affordable housing and TBRA assistance.

Housing instability and homelessness prevention. Housing instability encompasses a number of challenges, such as having trouble paying rent, overcrowding, moving frequently, staying with friends or family, or rent burden. Those populations affected by housing instability can include children and people who have spent time in prison. According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, those affected by housing instability may live in substandard housing subjecting them to health and safety risks, live in overcrowded units, or forced moves that may result in homelessness.

Participants in the consultation process believed that housing instability, often caused by rent burden, and preventing homelessness was best addressed with affordable rental housing, TBRA assistance, non-congregate shelter, and supportive services including job training and employment services, housing search and housing counseling services, childcare, mental health services, outreach services, and case management.

HOME-ARP Activities

The City will solicit applications from developers, service providers, and/or nonprofits to administer eligible activities and/or develop shelter and housing. A Notice of Funds Available (NOFA) will be issued. The NOFA will, at a minimum, specify eligible activities, eligible applicants, minimum and maximum funding amounts, application thresholds, and will provide instructions on how to submit a proposal.

Uses of HOME-ARP Funding

Activity	Funding Amount	Percent of Allocation	Statutory Limit
Non-congregate Shelter	\$1,779,932	85%	
Affordable Rental Housing			
Tenant-based Rental Assistance			
Supportive Services			
Nonprofit Operating Assistance			5%
Nonprofit Capacity Building			5%
Administration and Planning	\$314,054	15%	15%
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$2,093,986		

Rationale for Uses of HOME-ARP Funding

There is need for additional projects, programs and services in all the eligible activity areas and serving the qualifying populations as evidenced by the consultation process and the needs assessment and gap analysis undertaken in the preparation of this allocation plan.

The City currently funds a TBRA program serving 30 senior households with its annual allocation of HOME funds. While the need is great for affordable housing development, the City has already earmarked CDBG and HOME funds for future development projects to assist in addressing this need. There are a wide range of agencies in the City and regionally offering a range of supportive services to qualifying populations.

The City has determined that the highest and best use of this allocation, for the greatest impact in the lives of individuals and families, is to allocate the funds to a facility that has been considered in the City to house a navigation center and non-congregate shelter. The City has been assembling land for the facility and has informally discussed the structure to be built. With a navigation center on the ground floor (housing representatives of many of the

agencies offering supportive services) and two floors of non-congregate shelter (one floor for individuals and families without children and a second for families with children).

This allocation of HOME-ARP funds will be used for the construction of the portion of the facility providing non-congregate shelter. The City will leverage other funds for the navigation portion of the facility. The project is still in the pre-development phase and the property is currently being cleared and prepared for development. The facility has not been named and the ownership/management structure is still to be determined. HOME-ARP funds will be used for the development and construction, and not operating assistance in the future.

Outreach to Qualifying Populations. When operating, the City plans to have the non-congregate shelter accept referrals from the CoC, other nonprofits supporting outreach teams, and walk-in homeless individuals and families. The shelter is intended to serve the basic needs of homeless members of the community and help get people back on their feet with food, shelter, clothing, and supportive services available in the navigation center, such as help getting identification documents, financial assistance, and long-term housing. The shelter will also serve those fleeing domestic violence and other forms of violence as needed when shelters serving that qualifying population are full or vouchers are not available. The shelter will also be available to those at risk of homelessness as a safety net if it becomes necessary to vacate their housing.

Administration and planning. HOME-ARP administration and planning funds were used to pay City staff working on this allocation plan. HOME-ARP administrative and planning funds were not used to hire consulting services in the preparation of this plan. After the Allocation Plan is approved, administration and planning funds will be used for standard expenses in managing the HOME-ARP program, including the costs of City staff, and hired consultants. Consultants may assist with administrative tasks such as grant administration, monitoring, and reporting. There are no planned allocations for non-profit operating assistance or non-profit capacity building. Administration expenses are within the statutory limits.

HOME-ARP Housing Production Goals

The City of Palmdale will produce approximately 25 units of non-congregate shelter with the HOME-ARP funding. The units will accommodate individuals, families without children, and families with children. The City has not determined the design or mix of the units but will leverage qualitative input and quantitative data to meet the needs of a changing population.

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Preferences

The City of Palmdale will not provide preferences to any population or subpopulation.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

The City of Palmdale does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds. Therefore, refinancing guidelines pursuant to 24 CFR 92.206(b) are not applicable to this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.



APPENDIX A

Citizen Participation

Summary of Citizen Participation Comments

Allocation Plan Public Review and Comment Period

April 1 - May 4, 2022

There were no public comments received during the public comment period held April 1 through May 4, 2022.

Public Hearing before City Council

May 18, 2022

One comment was received during the public hearing held before City Council on May 18, 2022.

A Palmdale resident requested that the Council survey the seniors to find out their needs. See the May 18 City Council meeting minutes, page 7, item 16.3, screen shot follows. Full document can be found here:

[DocumentViewer.php \(google.com\)](#)

The comment received was accepted.

- 16.3) Public Hearing to hear public comments on the Draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and the proposed expenditure of HOME Investment Partnerships Program American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funds; Review and approve the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan; and Authorize the City Manager or their designee to make necessary changes and submit the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, execute documents related to the submission of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. (Staff Reference: Director of Neighborhood Services Miller - Presented by Housing Manager Reyes)

Housing Manager Reyes provided a detailed overview of the staff report.

Mayor Hofbauer opened the Public Hearing.

Jason Zink requested that Council survey the seniors to find out their needs.

A motion was made and carried unanimously to close the Public Hearing.

Motion: Approve the recommendations and findings as listed in the staff report. Moved by Juan Carrillo, seconded by Richard J Loa.

Vote: Motion carried (5-0)

Yes: Steven Hofbauer, Richard J Loa, Juan Carrillo, Austin Bishop, Laura Bettencourt.

Mayor Pro Tem Loa stated on May 7th in the Los Angeles Times Steve Lopez columnist quoted Congresswoman Karen Bass saying that the solution to the Los Angeles homeless problem was to build a homeless village in the City of Palmdale. Mr. Loa directed Interim City Manager Perez to provide a response on behalf of the city.

17) ADJOURN

Mayor Hofbauer adjourned the meeting at 10:09 p.m. in honor of Sam Spinallo.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 13th day of July 2022


Steven D. Hofbauer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sherrice S. Smith, City Clerk

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**NOTICE OF ACTION PLAN REVIEW AND
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ENGLISH**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer of the **Antelope Valley Press**, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published **daily** in the city of **Palmdale**, County of Los Angeles, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, under date of October 24, 1931, Case Number 328601; Modified Case Number 657770 April 11, 1956; also operating as the Ledger-Gazette, adjudicated a legal newspaper June 15, 1927, by Superior Court decree No. 224545; also operating as the Desert Mailer News, formerly known as the South Antelope Valley Foothill News, adjudicated a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, State of California on May 29, 1967, Case Number NOC564 and adjudicated a newspaper of general circulation for the **City of Lancaster**, State of California on January 26, 1990, Case Number NOC10714, Modified October 22, 1990; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

April 1, 2022

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the fore-going is true and correct.



Signature

Dated **April 1, 2022**
Executed at Palmdale, California

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF PALMDALE
DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES INVITING PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE
DRAFT HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN AND THE PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF HOME INVESTMENT
PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM - AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP) FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Palmdale has prepared the Draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements to prepare and submit an Allocation Plan as a condition of receiving the allocation of HOME Investment Partnerships Program - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funds.

The Allocation Plan establishes the programs and activities to be undertaken using HOME-ARP funds beginning July 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2030. The City anticipates receiving \$2,093,986 in HOME-ARP funds for the program period.

HOME-ARP funding will assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability. The potential types of activities that will be further outlined in the draft may include: acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units, development and support of affordable rental housing, tenant based rental assistance (TBRA), and provision of supportive services.

The Draft Allocation Plan may be reviewed from April 1, 2022, to May 4, 2022 on the City website at <https://www.cityofpalmdale.org/302/CDBG---HOME-Grants>. The documents will be accessible at the following locations:

- City of Palmdale Department of Neighborhood Services, 38350 Sierra Highway (661) 267-5126, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Mon-Thur)
- City of Palmdale Public Library, 700 East Palmdale Blvd. (661) 267-5600
- 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Mon-Thur); 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Fri-Sat); 1:00 pm. to 5:00 p.m. (Sun)
- City of Palmdale Administration Building, 38300 Sierra Highway (661) 267-5100
- 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Mon-Thur)

Individuals wishing to express their views concerning the above-referenced documents and proposed activities may provide written comments to the City on or before 4:00 p.m. on May 4, 2022 to the City of Palmdale, Department of Neighborhood Services, 38250 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, CA 93550 or via email to housingdiv@cityofpalmdale.org. The City Council will hold a public hearing for the above-referenced documents on May 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chamber, 38300 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, California or via telecommunication to hear public comments concerning the draft documents and authorizing submission to HUD.

It is the objective of the City to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendment Act of 2008, the Fair Housing Act, the Architectural Barriers Act, and the City's adopted Limited English Proficiency Plan (LEP) in all respects. If you require public documents in an accessible format, the City will make reasonable efforts to accommodate your request. If you require a reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in a hearing or meeting, including auxiliary aids or translation services, please contact the City Clerk's Office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (661) 267-5151.

Comments may be submitted in advance of the meeting utilizing the City's eComment tool located at <https://cityofpalmdale.org/310/City-Council-Meetings>. Click on "eComment" next to the meeting Agenda once available. **The eComment period will end one hour prior to the start of the City Council meeting.**

--Or--

Verbal comments may be submitted via Zoom meeting technology. Live public comment will be available via telephone. The call-in number and Meeting ID will be provided in the published May 4, 2021, meeting agenda during the Public Hearing.

Shanae S. Smith
City Clerk

Publish: April 1, 2022



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Signature

Dated **April 1, 2022**
Executed at Palmdale, California

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AYUNTAMIENTO DE LA CIUDAD DE PALMDALE
EL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS A VECINDARIOS INVITA A LA REVISIÓN PÚBLICA Y COMENTARIOS
DEL BORRADOR DEL PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN DE FONDOS DE HOME-ARP Y LOS GASTOS PROPUESTOS
DE ASOCIACIÓN PARA INVERSIONES EN VIVIENDA HOME-PLAN DE RESCATE ESTADOUNIDENSE
(HOME-ARP)

Por medio de la presente se notifica que el Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Palmdale ha preparado el borrador del Plan de Asignación de fondos de HOME-ARP, conforme a los requisitos del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés) para preparar y presentar un Plan de Asignación de fondos como una condición para recibir asignaciones de Asociación para Inversiones en Vivienda HOME-Plan de Rescate Estadounidense (HOME-ARP, por sus siglas en inglés).

El Plan de Asignación establece los programas y actividades que se llevarán a cabo utilizando los fondos de HOME-ARP a partir del 1 de julio de 2022 y hasta el 30 de septiembre de 2030. El Ayuntamiento de la ciudad anticipa recibir \$2,093,986 en fondos HOME-ARP para el periodo del programa.

La financiación de HOME-ARP ayudará a individuos y familias sin hogares, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y a otras poblaciones vulnerables para reducir la falta de vivienda y aumentar la estabilidad de la vivienda. Los posibles tipos de actividades que se describirán con más detalle en el borrador pueden incluir: adquisición y desarrollo de unidades de albergue no congregadas; desarrollo y apoyo de viviendas de alquiler asequibles; asistencia de alquiler basada en inquilinos (TBRA, por sus siglas en inglés) y prestación de servicios de apoyo.

El Borrador del Plan de Asignación puede ser revisado a partir del 1 de Abril de 2022 hasta el 4 de mayo de 2022 en el sitio web del Ayuntamiento en <https://www.cityofpalmdale.org/302/CDBG---HOME-Grants>. El documento estará accesible en las siguientes ubicaciones:

- Departamento de Servicios a Vecindarios, 38350 Sierra Highway (661) 267-5126, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Lun-Jue)
- Biblioteca Pública de Palmdale, 700 East Palmdale Blvd. (661) 267-5600, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Lun-Jue); 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Vier-Sab); 1:00 pm. to 5:00 p.m. (Dom)
- Edificio de Administración del Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Palmdale, 38300 Sierra Highway, (661) 267-5100, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Lun-Jue)

Los individuos que deseen expresar sus puntos de vista concernientes al documento mencionado anteriormente y las actividades propuestas pueden enviar sus comentarios por escrito al Ayuntamiento antes de las 4:00 P.M. el 4 de mayo de 2022 al Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Palmdale, Departamento de Servicios a Vecindarios, 38250 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, CA 93550, Palmdale, CA 93550 o por correo electrónico a housingdivision@cityofpalmdale.org. El Concejo Municipal del Ayuntamiento llevará a cabo una audiencia pública con respecto al documento mencionado anteriormente el 4 de mayo de 2022 a las 7:00 P.M. en la Cámara del Concejo Municipal, 38300 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, California o vía telecomunicación para escuchar los comentarios públicos concernientes al borrador del documento y la autorización para presentar el documento a HUD.

El Ayuntamiento tiene como objetivo cumplir en todos sus aspectos con respecto a la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, tal y como se enmendó, la Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA) de 1990 y la Ley de Enmienda a ADA del 2008, la Ley de Vivienda Justa, y la Ley de Barreras Arquitectónicas, y al Plan de Dominio del Idioma Inglés adoptado por el Ayuntamiento (LEP, por sus siglas en inglés). Si usted necesita documentos públicos en un formato accesible, el Ayuntamiento hará lo posible dentro de lo razonable para dar cabida a su petición. Si usted requiere acomodo especial para asistir o participar en una audiencia o junta, incluyendo aparatos auxiliares o servicios, por favor comuníquese a la Oficina del Secretario Municipal por lo menos 48 horas antes de la junta al (661) 267-5151.

Los comentarios pueden enviarse antes de la reunión utilizando la herramienta de eComment del Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad ubicada en <https://cityofpalmdale.org/310/City-Council-Meetings>. Haga clic en "eComment" junto a la agenda de la reunión una vez que esté disponible. El periodo de eComment terminará una hora antes del inicio de la reunión del Concejo Municipal.

Los comentarios verbales se pueden enviar a través de la tecnología de reuniones Zoom. Comentarios públicos en directo estarán disponibles por teléfono. El número de convocatoria y el ID de la reunión se proporcionarán en la agenda de la reunión publicada el 4 de mayo de 2022 durante la audiencia Pública.

Shanee S. Smith
Secretario Municipal

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APPENDIX B
SF-424 Grant Applications,
SF-424B Assurances,
SF-424D Assurances, and
Allocation Plan Certifications

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:**

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

152817664

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

M21-MP060562

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:**

City of Palmdale

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

95-2226242

*** c. Organizational DUNS:**

YX39EBRTDCT5

d. Address:

*** Street1:**

38300 Sierra Highway

Street2:

*** City:**

Palmdale

County/Parish:

*** State:**

CA: California

Province:

*** Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:**

93550

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Neighborhood Services

Division Name:

Housing

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

Prefix:

Ms

*** First Name:**

Sophia

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:**

Reyes

Suffix:

Title:

Housing Manager

Organizational Affiliation:

*** Telephone Number:**

661-267-5126

Fax Number:

*** Email:**

sreyes@cityofpalmdale.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:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

N/A

* Title:

N/A

13. Competition Identification Number:

N/A

Title:

N/A

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

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

2021-2022 Action Plan Amendment to add HOME-ARP funds under the American Rescue Plan Act.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

25

* b. Program/Project

25

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

09/30/2021

* b. End Date:

09/30/2030

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal

\$2,093,968

* b. Applicant

* c. State

* d. Local

* e. Other

* f. Program Income

* g. TOTAL

\$2,093,968

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

☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, 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:

Ronda

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Perez

Suffix:

* Title:

Interim City Manager

* Telephone Number:

661-267-5106

Fax Number:

* Email:

rperez@cityofpalmdale.org

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

Ronda Perez FOR R. Perez

* Date Signed:

7/7/22

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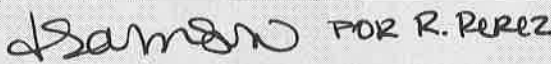
PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

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

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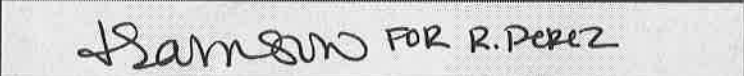
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 FOR R. Perez
Signature of Authorized Official

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