HOME ARP Allocation Plan – FINAL Submitted to HUD July 2022

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CONSULTATION

Summarize the Process:

Shelby County Department of Housing (SCDH) conducted thorough consultation with relevant agencies including the local Continuum of Care (CoC). A coordinated effort between the City of Memphis' Housing and Community Development (HCD) team was part of this process and will continue throughout HOME-ARP program implementation for the City and County.

List the Organizations Consulted:

SCDH consulted 17 organizations throughout the County. Table 1 provides a summary of all meetings related to HOME-ARP planning and stakeholder feedback conducted by SCDH. Table 2 provides an expanded list of participants for the large group gathered for the 11/16/21 Continuum of Care Stakeholder Meeting. The Urban County Consortium Meeting on 03/08/22 included representatives from the Town of Collierville, City of Germantown, City of Arlington, City of Bartlett, City of Lakeland, City of Millington, and unincorporated Shelby County.

Table 1. List of meetings to gather and synthesize feedback for HOME-ARP priorities and needs. Abbreviations are as follows: CAFTH – Community Alliance for the Homeless (local CoC); CoC – Continuum of Care; CS – Community Services (Shelby County Government); HCD - Housing and Community Development (City of Memphis); MCIL – Memphis Center for Independent Living; MHA – Memphis Housing Authority; MillHA – Millington Housing Authority; SCDH – Shelby County Department of Housing (Shelby County Government)

Date	Participants	Topic or Takeaways	Platform
10/07/21	SCDH	Initial brainstorm	In Person
10/20/21	SCDH, CAFTH	Gauge capacity, initial ideas	Virtual
11/09/21	SCDH, Community	Overlap with CS clientele, gauge needs and	Virtual
	Services	capacity	

11/15/21	SCDH, CAFTH, HCD	Coordination of City and County plans, identifying needs	Virtual
11/16/21	CoC + List in Table 2	Broad community leader engagement	Virtual
11/18/21	SCDH, CAFTH	Summarizing needs heard over last meetings, identifying themes	Virtual
11/22/21	SCDH, HCD	Identify data gathered thus far, coordinating allocation plan development, summarize needs	Virtual
12/09/21	SCDH, Community Services	Expand on supportive services ideas, supporting program components, needs	Virtual
12/13/21	SCDH, CAFTH	Allocation Plan development and next steps	Virtual
12/14/21	SCDH, MillHA	Client needs, program capacity and need for additional services	Phone
12/14/21	SCDH, HCD	Timeline for City and County, data sharing	Virtual
12/17/21	SCDH, Women's Advocacy Center	Discussion of initial needs, eligibility for potential qualifying populations	Phone
01/13/22	SCDH, Community Services	Budget development for supportive services activities	Virtual
02/04/22	SCDH, Women's Advocacy Center	Budget development for supportive services activities, gauging scale of eligible clientele	Virtual
02/18/22	SCDH, Women's Advocacy Center	Identifying data gaps, compiling budget information and outlining local need	Virtual
03/08/22	SCDH, County Jurisdictions	Urban County Consortium Meeting covering entitlement grant updates and HOME-ARP updates and feedback solicitation	In Person
03/09/22	SCDH, HCD	Allocation Plan timing, data assessment, public hearings	Virtual
03/17/22	SCDH, HCD, CAFTH	Progress updates, timeline, content overview, additional detail for Allocation Plan considerations	Virtual
03/17/22	SCDH, Women's Advocacy Center	Review of material for Allocation Plan	Virtual
3/28/22	SCDH, MALS	Fair housing needs and litigation/legal representation needs	Virtual
5/11/22	SCDH, MCIL	Needs related to disabled persons and clientele served by MCIL	Phone + Email
5/27/22	SCDH, MCIL	Gaps assessment of draft Allocation Plan to address needs of disabled persons and clientele served by MCIL	Email
4/1/22 -	Multiple	Note comments received during the public	Email
4/30/22		comment period are captured in Appendix I.	
7/18/22	SCDH, MHA	Needs identified for those at risk of homelessness and review of Allocation Plan priorities	Phone + Email

Table 2. Participant List for HOME-ARP Community Needs Meeting November 16, 2021. This convening was led by the Community Alliance for the Homeless (CAFTH) as part of their Planning Committee meetings schedule.

Name	Agency	Туре
Ceaira Brunson	Agape	Housing provider (families/youth/domestic violence)
Darren Bell	Alliance Healthcare Services (AHS)	Housing provider (individuals), mental health provider
Elizabeth Fletcher	Alliance Healthcare Services (AHS)	Housing provider (individuals), mental health provider
Adrean Hawkins	Alliance Healthcare Services (AHS)	Housing provider (individuals), mental health provider
Vandi Walker	Alpha Omega Veterans Services	Veterans service organization, housing provider
Jewel Weatherspoon	Alpha Omega Veterans Services	Veterans service organization, housing provider
JeCarta Suggs	Behavioral Health Initiatives	Housing provider (individuals), mental health provider
Lawrence Wilson	Behavioral Health Initiatives	Housing provider (individuals), mental health provider
Dana Brooks	Catholic Charities of West TN	Street outreach team, housing provider (individuals)
Ursula Thomas	CMI Healthcare Services - PATH Team	Street outreach team, mental health provider
Jonquil Johnson	CMI Healthcare Services	Housing provider (individuals/families), mental health provider
Porsha Goodman	Door of Hope	Housing provider (individuals)
Mia Cotton	Friends for Life	HIV/AIDS service organization, housing provider (individuals/families)
Kenneth Fields	Friends for Life	HIV/AIDS service organization, housing provider (individuals/families)
Kim Moss	Friends for Life	HIV/AIDS service organization, housing provider (individuals/families)
Yoshi Matthews	FTP Nonprofit	new organization (not yet providing services)
Kiya Black	OUTMemphis	LGBTQ+ service organization; shelter provider, housing provider
Stephanie Bell	OUTMemphis	LGBTQ+ service organization; shelter provider, housing provider
Dorothy Ford	Salvation Army	Shelter provider (families)

Shearry Bobo	SHIELD Inc	Housing provider (individuals), shelter provider (families)
Shirley McClain	YWCA	Domestic Violence shelter
Grant Ebbesmeyer	CAFTH	CoC Lead
Dustin Kane	CAFTH	CoC Lead
Andrea Wilkins	CAFTH	CoC Lead
Chere Bradshaw	CAFTH	CoC Lead
Ebunoluwa	City of Memphis	City Government
Odeyemi		
Felicia Harris	City of Memphis	City Government
Lee Ann Lawrence	City of Memphis	City Government
Ashley Cash	City of Memphis	City Government
Mairi Albertson	City of Memphis	City Government
Kimberly Mitchell	City of Memphis	City Government
Scott Walkup	Shelby County	County Government
Dana Sjostrom	Shelby County	County Government

Feedback Received:

Throughout this process, an overwhelming need for Supportive Services and case management support emerged from area stakeholders. There is a notable lack of social work capacity, and eligible expenses under the HOME-ARP notice are often excluded from other funding sources, making Supportive Services an ideal way to meet the needs of those experiencing housing instability, are cost burdened, or experiencing other difficulties that align with HOME-ARP qualifying populations. Social services such as life skills, budgeting, money management, parenting support, childcare, and finding more comprehensive ways to connect clients to relevant programming also emerged as recurring themes. Millington Housing Authority identified such life skills classes as an ongoing need to support their existing clients. Legal support and addressing employment barriers for vulnerable or cost burdened families or individuals is another stated need. Support for domestic violence victims also remains a great need in the urban county, as these locations are lacking in comprehensive programming to meet the needs identified. The needs of disabled persons are also inadequately provisioned with existing funding and programming. See Needs Assessment sections below for additional data to support this collective feedback.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Amount of HOME-ARP funds received: \$1,557,263

Range of Activities:

Supportive Services and Administration Costs

Focusing on Supportive Services, SCDH plans to support other programs and social work efforts that often require more intensive case management and social work intervention than funding allows.

Public Comment Period:

April 1-30, 2022

Public Hearings:

February 3, 2022 at 5:30pm and April 21, 2022 at 5:30pm

Efforts to Broaden Public Participation:

Efforts to broaden public participation included offering both virtual and in person options for the Public Hearings held February 3, 2022 and April 21, 2022. The first public hearing focused on housing and community development needs in preparation for the forthcoming annual plan as well as gathering community needs for qualifying populations identified in the HOME-ARP guidance. Ongoing efforts also included regular, progress-focused check ins with internal government staff and external stakeholders throughout the development of this Allocation Plan ahead of the public comment period. Further, specific and targeted efforts to follow up and engage with agencies that serve SCDH's qualifying populations including (but not limited to) The Women's Advocacy Center, CAFTH, Division of Community Services, Memphis Area Legal Services (MALS), Memphis Center for Independent Living (MCIL) and Millington Housing Authority (MillHA). These organizations serve clientele that span all five eligible categories as outlined in subsequent sections of this Allocation Plan below. The public was notified of all HOME-ARP eligible activities and qualifying populations. Feedback from this outreach then guided the content of this Allocation Plan and the priority spending needs.

Advertisements for each the Public Hearings and Public Comment Period appeared in the Memphis Flyer, Daily News, Collierville Herald, Bartlett Express, Millington Star, Germantown News, and La Prensa Latina. In addition to broad public readership in all of the aforementioned newspapers, the La Prensa Latina reaches LatinX readers (in Spanish). Proof of advertisements are included in Appendix II. The final plan was also distributed through our Memphis Library Listserv via email for public comment in early April 2022. Copies are housed on our website with instructions to provide comments in writing to the Planning and Programs Manager, Dana Sjostrom, via email.

Comments received through public participation process:

Comments received directly through the first of two public hearings related to HOME-ARP included a request for more information. Links to the guidance along with a summary of our progress were included in the response. Comments received throughout the stakeholder engagement period resulted in the content of this Allocation Plan and represents the comprehensive response to voiced community need.

One comment was received following the second of the two public hearings included a note of interest to attend but a work-related conflict did not permit attendance. These comments are captured in the compiled comments in Appendix I.

Written comments received during the Public Comment period April 1-30, 2022 included 35 separate emailed comments. Comments received were largely geared towards HOME-ARP Allocation Plan details and overlapped with our Annual Plan comment period, which permitted comments on our planned annual planning cycle that includes HOME, CDBG, CDBG-CV, and the HOME-ARP funds. Some comments

relate to potential public services under CDBG, but most comments directly respond to this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and the supportive services or programming needs that exist in our entitlement area.

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

No comments received were not accepted or considered in preparation for this Allocation Plan content. Recommendations or initial ideas that were heard throughout the stakeholder period that were identified as beyond the scope of this funding amount and/or capacity to administer included tenant based rental assistance (TBRA), construction of congregate or non-congregate shelters, and acquisition or construction of affordable rental housing. Supportive services remained the overwhelming preference given limited funds, staff capacity, and numbers of beneficiaries that could be supported with these funds.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND GAPS ANALYSIS

Through data collection and input from area stakeholders, SCDH generated the following information to illustrate the needs identified and gaps that can be served by this HOME-ARP allocation. Discussions of patterns in these data along with linking these values to voiced community needs are included below in subsequent sections of this Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis. See also Tables 1 and 2 for lists of organizations, nonprofits, government agencies, and other local stakeholders consulted in this process that allowed SCDH to compile this locally-relevant plan to expend these funds. All four broad categories of qualifying populations are captured in this analysis, including (1) Homeless, (2) At risk of Homelessness, (3) Fleeing or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, and (4) Other Populations as defined more thoroughly in section below outlining Priority Needs for Qualifying Populations.

Size and Demographic Composition of Qualifying Populations:

Cost burdened families pay a large share of their income towards their household expenses which includes mortgage payment, utilities, real estate taxes, insurance, and association fees. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data for Shelby County exclusive of the City of Memphis were calculated by subtracting the City of Memphis values from total Shelby County values for 2014-1028 American Community Survey (ACS) Community Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data.

In compiling these data, SCDH illustrates the magnitude of the population experiencing housing-related cost burden along with those experiencing housing problems (See Table 3). Note that the Totals column values are calculated from full estimates (using ACS 2014-2018) for Shelby County less the City of Memphis data, and are therefore not precise calculations of values shown in the table – however these estimates show important patterns and relative size of these vulnerable populations in the Urban County. Figure 1 shows a subset of Table 3 to illustrate specific cost burdened populations paying greater than 30% of their income towards housing costs (in blue) and those paying more than 50% of their income towards housing costs (in orange).

Table 3. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) Data showing population size of each category of individuals or households in the Shelby County Urban County (i.e. Shelby County excluding the City of Memphis). HAMFI = HUD Area Median Family Income.

Shelby County - Urban County Only									
Data for: Shelby County; Tennessee									
Year Selected: 2014-2018 American Community Survey (ACS)									
Income Distribution Overview	Owner	Renter	Total						
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	2,440	2,490	4,930						
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	2,740	1,820	4,560						
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	6,180	3,875	10,055						
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	4,400	2,715	7,115						
Household Income >100% HAMFI	60,390	12,400	72,790						
Total	76,150	23,295	99,450						
Housing Problems Overview 1	Owner	Renter	Total						
Household has at least 1 of 4 Housing Problems	13,905	9,395	23,300						
Household has none of 4 Housing Problems OR cost burden not available no other problems	62,245	13,905	76,150						
Total	76,150	23,295	99,450						
The four housing problems include: incomplete kitchen	<u> </u>		·						
than 1 person per room; and cost burden greater than 3	•	prece prantisming racin	111010						
Severe Housing Problems Overview 2	Owner	Renter	Total						
Household has at least 1 of 4 Severe Housing Problems	5,520	4,610	10,130						
Household has none of 4 Severe Housing Problems OR cost burden not available no other problems	70,630	18,685	89,315						
Total	76,150	23,295	99,450						
The four severe housing problems are: incomplete kitch more than 1 person per room; and cost burden greater		omplete plumbing fa	acilities;						
Housing Cost Burden Overview 3	Owner	Renter	Total						
Cost Burden <=30%	62,365	13,895	76,260						
Cost Burden >30% to <=50%	8,425	5,025	13,450						
Cost Burden >50%	5,030	3,800	8,830						
Cost Burden not available	340	570	910						
Total	76,150	23,295	99,450						
Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household in (contract rent plus utilities).	ncome. For rente	ers- housing cost is g	ross rent						
Income by Housing Problems (Owners and Renters)	Household has at least 1 of 4	Household has none of 4 Housing Problems OR cost	Total						

	Housing Problems	burden not available no other problems	
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	3,680	1,245	4,930
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	3,665	905	4,560
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	6,310	3,745	10,055
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	3,045	4,070	7,115
Household Income >100% HAMFI	6,605	66,180	72,790
Total	23,300	76,150	99,450
Income by Housing Problems (Renters only)	Household has at least 1 of 4 Housing Problems	Household has none of 4 Housing Problems OR cost burden not available no other problems	Total
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	1,765	720	2,490
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	1,585	240	1,820
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	3,070	805	3,875
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	1,420	1,295	2,715
Household Income >100% HAMFI	1,555	10,845	12,400
Total	9,395	13,905	23,295
Income by Housing Problems (Owners only)			
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	1,915	525	2,440
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	2,080	665	2,740
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	3,240	2,940	6,180
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	1,625	2,775	4,400
Household Income >100% HAMFI	5,050	55,335	60,390
Total	13,905	62,245	76,150
Income by Cost Burden (Owners and Renters)			
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	3,630	3,280	4,930
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	3,645	2,250	4,560
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	6,200	1,995	10,055
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	2,910	575	7,115
Household Income >100% HAMFI	5,895	725	72,790
Total	22,280	8,830	99,450
Income by Cost Burden (Renters only)			
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	1,710	1,600	2,490
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	1,580	1,100	1,820
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	3,025	825	3,875

Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	1,330	125	2,715
Household Income >100% HAMFI	1,180	150	12,400
Total	8,825	3,800	23,295
Income by Cost Burden (Owners only)			
Household Income <= 30% HAMFI	1,920	1,680	2,440
Household Income >30% to <=50% HAMFI	2,065	1,150	2,740
Household Income >50% to <=80% HAMFI	3,175	1,175	6,180
Household Income >80% to <=100% HAMFI	1,580	450	4,400
Household Income >100% HAMFI	4,715	575	60,390
Total	13,455	5,030	76,150

Figure 1. Absolute numbers (per CHAS data in Table 3) of households experiencing cost burden. Those that are paying greater than 30% of their income towards housing costs are shown in blue and those paying greater than 50% of their income towards housing are shown in orange.

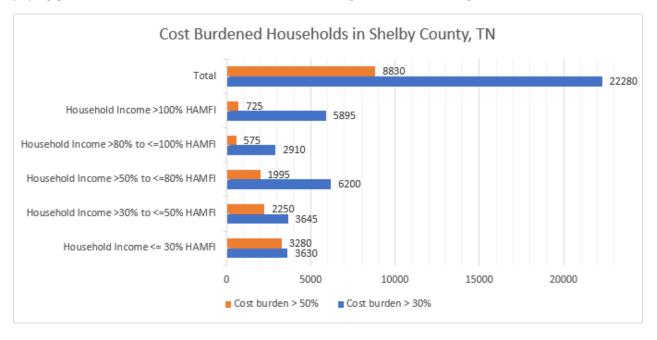
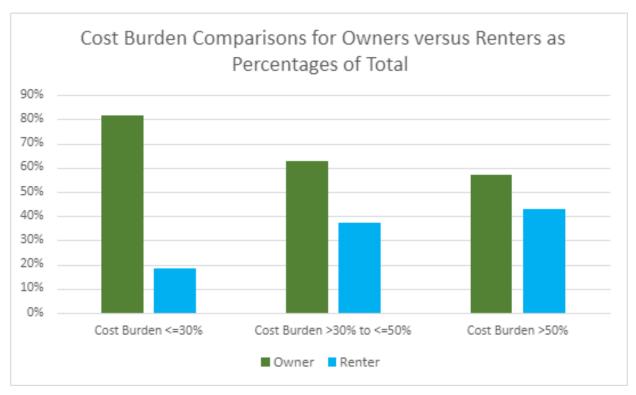


Figure 2. Cost burden comparisons using CHAS data per Table 1 but shown as a percentage of each category's total. Total values for each category include: Cost burden <=30% at 76,260, >30% to <=50% at 13,450, and >50% at 8,830 total individuals. Note an additional 910 individuals for which cost burden was not available are not part of this graph. Owners shown in green, renters shown in blue.



CAFTH captures a breakdown in their 2021 Gaps Analysis Report of all clients in Memphis/Shelby County who received an assessment between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 along with their subsequent exist destination by gender identity/expression and race/ethnicity (See Figure 3). These data help identify disparities and refocuses our work to ensure equity in outcomes. The term BIPOC refers to clients who self-identify as Black, Indigenous, or People of Color. 'Safe Exit Destination' refers to solutions that are not permanent housing (PH), but indicate the client has self-resolved, such as "staying with friends/family on permanent tenure." 'Negative/Unknown Exit Destination' refers to any destination that represents temporary housing, institutionalization, or when exit destination has not been captured. 'Still Active' indicates clients still enrolled in coordinated entry. Data are from Coordinated Entry (CE) that shows who we serve, and also helps address and uncover disparities in *how* we serve.

Figure 3. Self-reported data aligning with HUD's FY22 Data Standards showing breakdown of clients in Memphis/Shelby County. A total of 1,104 individuals were assessed. See <u>CAFTH's full report</u> for further breakdowns for veterans.

> for se	Single Adults > This population is disproportionately made up of BIPOC individuals, accounting for 82% of the CE population, while representing 53% of the Memphis population. > Example: BIPOC Males account for 50% of the population, but only 18% exited to PH. This is a clear disparity.				BIPOC Female	BIPOC Gender Diverse	White Male	White Female	White Gender Diverse	Exit to PH	Safe Exit Destination	Still Active	Negative/Unknown Exit Destination
		TOTAL		50%	29%	3%	9%		0%	19%	7%		51%
		BIPOC Male			-	-	-	-	-	18%	3%	22%	57%
	>	BIPOC Female		-		1	-	-	-	22%	11%	26%	-
	iţi.	BIPOC Gender Diverse		-	-		-	-	-	24%	7%	24%	45%
	dentity	White Male	9%	-	-	-		-	-	26%	1%	19%	54%
		White Female	10%	-	-	-	-		-	14%	17%	18%	51%
		White Gender Diverse	0%	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
	no	Exit to PH	19%	18%	22%	24%	26%	14%	-		-	-	-
	Exit tinati	Safe Exit Destination	7%	3%	11%	7%	1%	17%	-	-		-	-
	Exit Destination	Still Active	23%	22%	26%	24%	19%	18%	-	-	-		-
	De	Negative/Unknown Exit Destination	51%	57%	41%	45%	54%	51%	-	-	-	-	

Unmet Housing and Service Needs:

The Community Alliance for the Homeless (CAFTH) serves as the local Continuum of Care (CoC) and provided extensive data to illustrate and capture the gaps analysis in Memphis and Shelby County. A 2021 Point-in-Time (PIT) Summary for Memphis/Shelby County identified 537 sheltered and 202 unsheltered individuals over the course of one week (total 739). This PIT count was limited due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, as a result this count did not fully collect information pertaining to chronicity specifically. Given this absence of chronicity-specific information, these data were recorded for consistency but are not considered legitimized and are a likely a vast underrepresentation of true populations. Techniques included open service site visits to reduce contact with volunteers, and then was thoroughly deduplicated. Family members in family units accounted for 18.4% of this population, and 13.4% of this total were children under the age of 18. Individuals not in family units comprised 81.6% of the 739 total counted, 16.5% of which are veterans. This PIT count was not specific to the geographic regions within Shelby County's entitlement area, illustrating further gaps in data for the urban county. Lack of rigorous data on homelessness in the area outside the City of Memphis is a continued issue that should be noted as evidence of under-representation in the data presented.

There are a greater percentage of Black/African American represented in the PIT counts than the general population, indicating disparate impacts and racial disparities. Specifically, PIT counts show

545/739, or 74% (see Figure 4) Black while the general population per census.gov show Shelby County's Black population comprising 54% of total population levels. These statistics demonstrate the need for equitable approaches to address these racial disparities to promote more equitable access to opportunity and support systems.

Figure 4. Race breakdown of 2021 Point-in-Time counts, shown in absolute numbers. Total = 545 Black, 167 white, and 3 Indigenous or Alaskan Native.



Unmet needs also include supportive services for those seeking shelter and housing stabilization. Although there are few available shelters and housing options for both single victims or domestic abuse and women with children who are victims of domestic abuse in Shelby County, there are shelters located in the City of Memphis. Shelters and larger-scale infrastructure and capacity to construct, maintain, and run shelters are located in Memphis, where there is also the greatest need for such services. Nursing home transition is another locally identified need. People with disabilities are lacking support to find housing, have limited access to skill-building or training to maintain housing, and would also benefit from more robust peer mentoring opportunities. Vulnerable populations including those

with disabilities need opportunities to maintain health care, socialization, and faith activities that allow them to remain out of nursing homes and continue in-home quality of life. Improving services that help stabilize the home environment would benefit local qualifying populations.

Identify and Consider current resources available:

In the Urban County in Shelby County, TN, there are limited resources available for congregate and non-congregate shelter units, supportive services, TBRA, and few affordable and permanent supportive rental housing units. These funds will help address this lack of resources available for residents of our Urban County entitement area.

Current programs in the local area help support rental, mortgage, and utility assistance. Programs include those such as Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA), Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LiHEAP), CDBG-CV Mortgage and Utility Assistance, and Tennessee Housing Development Agency's (THDA) COVID-19 Rent and Utility Relief Program, among others. Gaps include coordinated case management and supportive services for those receiving these other forms of assistance. Although these resources are currently available for residents of Shelby County, there lacks a comprehensive support system for other needs related to stabilizing housing and other household needs (including but not limited to budgeting, childcare, moving costs, counseling, life skills, or mental health support).

There are several commercial housing options in and around East Shelby County, TN. While these options are good short-term options, they are not long-term, victim-centric options for women and their children who have left abusive relationships. Several studies, including one by the Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Volunteers of America Home Free Program in Portland, Oregon indicate that for women impacted by domestic abuse a 'housing first' approach that expedites the move of homeless people into permanent housing and then provides tailored services to support housing retention has been very successful in many communities. Eligible non-profits could increase their capacity to serve victims of domestic abuse in this way and provide improved support to our vulnerable populations.

CAFTH is currently developing plans to administer a HUD-funded Youth Housing Demonstration Program (YHDP), which will serve youth 18-24 over the next two years. This YHDP will focus on expanding housing programs for youth that may be aging out of foster care with rapid rehousing, housing navigation components, and supportive services to meet the needs of these populations. The gaps include comprehensive case management funds, which can be addressed and supported through this HOME-ARP funding opportunity to augment and complement these populations with supportive services. Qualifying populations consistent with the HOME-ARP Notice CPD-21-10 will be considered for support and partnerships with CAFTH will facilitate dedicating these funds to organizations able to serve these populations.

Identify Gaps within current inventory:

Service delivery needs emerged throughout SCDH's stakeholder engagement, as program capacity is currently unable to meet current needs. Therefore, supportive services emerged as a key element to strengthen and augment the capacity for local nonprofits and governmental agencies to address more comprehensive, coordinated case management for social workers and staff currently working with qualifying populations. Although there are also needs identified related to shelters and affordable

housing, the total amount of this HOME-ARP allocation will serve more eligible clients if supportive services remain the priority for the use of these funds.

Those experiencing domestic violence in the urban county outside the City of Memphis lack resources and organizations with sufficient capacity to address their needs. Currently, there are no homeless shelters in Shelby County (outside the City of Memphis) for men, women, or families with children. This is especially problematic for women. The closest shelters for women who experience homeless in the six municipalities of Shelby County are in the City of Memphis. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families, "Among U.S. city mayors surveyed in 2005, 50% identified intimate partner violence as a primary cause of homelessness in their city." In a report by this organization, "Domestic violence and homelessness are likely to occur together and can increase the need for resources and services, especially housing." In Shelby County, women who face homelessness after leaving an abusive relationship must travel approximately 16-22 miles outside the municipalities of Arlington, Bartlett, Collierville, Germantown, Millington, and Lakeland to Memphis for possible shelter. The total number of beds in Memphis, available for women seeking shelter, according to The Hub, a local housing resource for women in Memphis was measured in 2018. That year, "the HUB provided support to 588 newly homeless women, comprising 37% of the city's homeless population. However, with only 6% of the available beds open to homeless women—and even fewer to female identifying HUB clients—counselors found themselves in a position every day of not having shelter beds." This does not include women from the six municipalities listed above that are part of the entitlement area for these HOME-ARP funds. Although there are no shelters for women in eastern Shelby County, there is a shelter in neighboring Fayette County. The total beds available in Fayette County are not only for victims of domestic abuse, but also other homeless individuals. Information on the total number of beds available through Fayette Cares in Fayette County, TN is not currently available. If capacity is increased to better serve the multi-faceted needs of those seeking shelter (in the form of supportive services), greater numbers of those experiencing domestic violence will have access to support and resources to stabilize their lives.

In the CAFTH's 2021 Gaps Analysis reports, we see an overwhelming female head of household, and of those only 38% exit to permanent housing (PH) (See Figure 4). This need to support female head of household and women fleeing from domestic violence is also illustrated in Table 4. Numbers of women seeking services to The Women's Advocacy Center during the last calendar year are listed, and it should be noted that need greatly exceeds the capacity to serve the needs of these women. There exists tremendous need to improve and increase capacity for domestic violence victims in the urban county, as most services are specific to the City of Memphis.

Figure 4. Self-reported data aligning with HUD's FY22 Data Standards showing breakdown of clients in Memphis/Shelby County. A total of 1,203 head of household were assessed.

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		TOTAL		4%	92%	0%	0.2%	3%	0%	38%	39%	7%	15%
		BIPOC Male	4%		-	-	-	-	-	56%	24%	9%	11%
	>	BIPOC Female	92%	-		-	-	-	-	38%	40%	7%	15%
	Identity	BIPOC Gender Diverse	0%	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	de	White Male*	0.2%	-	-	-		-	-	50%	0%	50%	0%
		White Female	3%	-	-	-	-		-	26%	37%	3%	34%
		White Gender Diverse	0%	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
	on	Exit to PH	38%	56%	38%	-	50%	26%	-		-	-	-
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	ă	Negative/Unknown Exit Destination	15%	11%	15%	-	0%	34%	-	-	-	-	

Table 4. Domestic violence cases in municipalities in Shelby County. Total current population and associated cases of domestic violence with those requesting assistance from The Women's Advocacy Center (TWAC).

	Total Population	Percent of Women	# of Domestic Violence Cases	# Requesting Housing Assistance to TWAC	# Requesting Other TWAC Services
Arlington	14,549	47.9%	N/A	0	7
Bartlett	57,786	50.9%	435	3	3
Collierville	51,324	52.5%	160	5	13
Germantown	39,373	51.5%	90	4	5
Millington	10,669	52.4%	181	0	0
Lakeland	12,657	49.2%	N/A	0	1
TOTALS	186,358	-	866	12	20

Table 5. Total numbers of domestic violence reported incidences in municipalities in and around Shelby County, TN. Values for the unincorporated county are unknown. Note Rossville is located in Tipton County.

Reported Incidents	2018	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL
Bartlett	380	476	435	NA	1291
Collierville	205	171	160	NA	536
Germantown	135	92	90	NA	317
Millington	176	170	181	NA	527
Rossville	5	0	4	NA	9
TOTAL	901	909	870		

COVID-19 has further reduced the number of available beds at shelters in Memphis. Some shelters have reduced the number of beds available to women. Others have been forced to close temporarily due to outbreaks of COVID-19. This further reduces the number of available beds for women and their children. In suburban and rural communities such as the six municipalities in eastern Shelby County, this can present a challenge to women seeking housing assistance.

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

Should SCDH consider Other Populations-At Greatest risk of Housing Instability, defined as: "Additional qualifying populations included in this notice are those that either (a) have annual income less than or equal to 30% of area mean income (AMI) and is experiencing severe cost burden (greater than 50% of household income toward housing costs) or (b) have annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of area median income AND meets one additional condition as outlined in paragraph iii of the "At risk of homelessness" definition established in 24 CFR 91.5, which includes but is not limited to moving two or more moves in 60 days due to economic hardship, is living with another because of economic hardship, lives in a housing unit where there resides more than 1.5 people per room, or are exiting a system of care such as health/foster/correctional institutions," SCDH will describe with each beneficiary the characteristics of housing associated with their respective forms of instability. For example, housing costs including mortgage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes would be calculated as a percentage cost burden based on the client's income. Should a household or individual pay more than 50% towards housing costs, they are considered severely cost burdened. Should this same household or individual have income less than or equal to 30% of AMI they are considered eligible under stipulation (a) above. Should this household or individual meet one additional condition that deems them eligible for consideration of those "At risk of homelessness" the criterion will be included in that client's file for verification. This may include (but is not limited to) evidence of two or more moves in the past 60 days or paperwork demonstrating their exit from a system of care. This may also include a self-attestation if formal paperwork documenting such criteria are not available, which could include a description of housing conditions, number of persons occupying the structure, and evidence of greater than 1.5 persons per room. Due to the vulnerable nature of these populations and the instability of their respective situation, care will be taken to address their specific condition and SCDH staff will

ensure such conditions are eligible under paragraph iii of the "At rick of homelessness" definition established in 94 CFR 91.5.

Identify Priority Needs for Qualifying Populations:

Qualifying Populations include the following four categories per Implementation Notice CPD-21-10 and are eligible for assistance through provision of these supportive services planned with these funds, all of which will be considered and included as part of our program:

- Homeless (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5) including any individual or family who lacks regular or adequate nighttime residence or who will imminently lose their primary residence. This includes unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age that are defined homeless per the Implementation Notice including (but not limited to) section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), and section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2)).
- 2. At Risk of Homelessness (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5) including those cost burdened individuals or families with less than 30% of median income, do not have the resources to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter (or similar) and meets one of the following conditions including but not limited to: two or more moves in 60 days due to economic hardship, is living with another because of economic hardship, lives in a housing unit where there resides more than 1.5 people per room, or are exiting a system of care such as health/foster/correctional institutions. Children or youth qualify here as well as "homeless" under section 387(3) of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a(3)), section 637(11) of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832(11)), section 41403(6) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2(6)). This also includes children or youth that qualify as homeless under section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a(2)), and the parent(s) or guardian(s) of that child or youth if living with them.
- 3. Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD. This population includes any individual or family who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. Definitions for each of these types of qualifying populations includes details outlined in 24 CFR 5.2003, encompassing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Human Trafficking includes both sex and labor trafficking, as outlined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102).
- 4. Other Populations-At Greatest risk of Housing Instability. Additional qualifying populations included in this notice are those that either (a) have annual income less than or equal to 30% of area mean income and is experiencing severe cost burden (greater than 50% of household income toward housing costs) or (b) have annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of area median income AND meets one additional condition as outlined in paragraph iii of the "At risk of homelessness" definition established in 24 CFR 91.5, which includes but is not limited to moving two or more moves in 60 days due to economic hardship, is living with another because of economic hardship, lives in a housing unit where there resides more than 1.5 people per room, or are exiting a system of care such as health/foster/correctional institutions.
- 5. Note that veterans or families that have a veteran family member that meet any one of the above outlined in 1 through 4 are eligible to receive this assistance.

Priority needs for qualifying populations in SCDH's programming include supportive services and increased access to affordable housing units for cost burdened households and victims of domestic violence. Existing sources of support including rental, utility, and mortgage assistance programs often lack the comprehensive support and case management needed for wholistic stabilization. The Division of Community Services helped identify this program coordination as a local need and identified how existing social workers could utilize this HOME-ARP funding to improve and create more well-rounded support systems for clientele experiencing housing instability.

Another clear solution identified during stakeholder engagement is support for those impacted by domestic violence in the urban county, included the establishment of a housing and support services model that serves these women impacted by domestic abuse in the six municipalities of eastern and northern Shelby County, TN. A housing option that uses learnings from communities across the U.S. is necessary to provide women facing homeless with safe options for them and their children. Four such models include the cluster model, the communal living model, the scattered site model, or the transitional housing model. A scattered site model was proposed by local entities to best serve the population in need. This scattered site model has the following benefits over the other two models: (a) Survivors live in an apartment in the community in a full market rental unit; (b) The program provides some financial assistance for relocation, rent, etc. for some period; (c) Survivor holds a lease in her own name. Alternatively, the program holds the lease and subleases to the survivor; (d) The program is not in the role of the landlord unless subleasing to survivor; and (e) This model may allow the survivor to remain in the unit once the financial assistance has ended, thus eliminating the need to relocate again.

Priority needs for persons with disabilities were also identified during stakeholder engagement and include supportive services that could help assist with securing housing, support to maintain such housing, and other measures to stabilize housing conditions. This will improve the ability for disabled or elderly qualifying populations to age-in-place and delay or avoid nursing homes, for example, and build and maintain social capital in our communities.

Explain How Needs and Gaps were Determined:

Gaps and needs were identified through extensive stakeholder engagement during fall and winter of 2021-2022 (see Tables 1 and 2). Ongoing coordination between City of Memphis and Shelby County offices assisted in identifying local needs, which also allowed thoughtful and detailed local voice to emerge in prioritizing how this HOME-ARP allocation is best utilized. Data were used to illustrate demographic and housing stability issues in the area, and also illustrate the difficulty with securing accurate data on such vulnerable populations as those experiencing or are at-risk of homelessness. Data collection was further hampered by COVID-related issues, making Point-in-Time counts less reliable (per CoC's 2021 data description and methodology notes).

HOME ARP ACTIVITIES

Method for Soliciting Applications for Funding:

SCDH plans to work with agencies, nonprofits, and other service providers that serve clientele that fall into one (or more) of the five qualifying populations categories. Shelby County Division of Community Services will also administer eligible activities for qualifying populations that are already part of an existing program but lack access to key support services that are eligible under this opportunity.

Criteria used to select external service providers and subrecipients will include the following:

- Ability to serve eligible qualifying populations in accordance with the directives listed in the previous section of this Allocation Plan and in compliance with the Implementation Notice CDP 21-10.
- 2. Ability to serve clientele eligible based on geographic location including those clients with connections to or who are located in the Urban County. This includes areas outside the City of Memphis but within other jurisdictions including Millington, Arlington, Bartlett, Collierville, Germantown, Lakeland or unincorporated Shelby County, TN. SCDH plans to consider qualifying populations from these areas that are seeking services in the City of Memphis or neighboring municipalities eligible for supportive services, as long as all other eligibility criteria are met.
- 3. Ability to manage administration and provision of supportive services, as well as agree to SCDH reporting requirements and compliance with Shelby County's vendor requirements and procurement regulations as needed.
- 4. Ability to identify how clientele are eligible in accordance with this Allocation Plan and clearly link all expenses to eligible supportive service activities.

Applications will be solicited through direct outreach with agencies consulted during this process and as required by procurement regulations through a competitive bid process. Funding breakdown is identified in Table 6 below, and is responsive to voiced community need identified during the public engagement process.

Table 6. Funding breakdown for HOME-ARP funds.

Funding Category	Funding Amount	Percent	Statutory
		of Grant	Limit
Supportive Services	\$1,323,673.50		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$0		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$0		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$0		
Non-Profit Operating	\$0	0%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$0	0%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$233,589.50	15%	15%
TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$1,557,263		

Additional Narrative:

SCDH consulted at length with area stakeholders to determine that supportive services would best serve our eligible qualifying populations and best address needs left by existing programs that lack capacity or specific funding sources to conduct such activities. SCDH does not intend to use funds for nonprofit operating expenses or capacity building costs. Administration and Planning is budgeted for \$233,589.50, which amounts to 15% of the grant and remains in compliance with the statutory limit. SCDH intends to put forward \$1,323,673.50 towards supportive services, which was broadly supported and encouraged throughout our extensive public engagement efforts. No HOME-ARP Administration funds were provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of this Allocation Plan.

Describe Rationale:

The rationale for selecting supportive services stems from the extensive stakeholder engagement undertaken by SCDH during the development of this Allocation Plan. It was noted that there are

multiple other agencies and federal funding streams addressing rental assistance, and that the amount of this particular allocation is not conducive to address the development of either affordable housing units or non-congregate shelters. In order to help a greater number of qualifying populations and address voiced needs for more comprehensive case management, it was widely supported to allocate the majority of our funds to Supportive Services. No funding is planned to support Non-Profit Capacity Building, Non-Profit Operating, TBRA, or Development of either Non-Congregate Shelters or Affordable Rental Housing. Administration and Planning will comprise 15%, or \$233,589.50 of this allocation. Supportive Services will amount to \$1,323,673.50.

HOME-ARP PRODUCTION HOUSING GOALS

Estimate Affordable Rental Units: 0

SCDH will not pursue the production of new affordable rental units with this allocation of HOME-ARP funds. This is as a result of stakeholder preferences for supportive services and comprehensive case management for eligible qualifying populations.

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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: SCDH intends to make these funds available to all qualified populations per earlier definitions, however

some preferences to address those most vulnerable will include the following three (3) considerations:

- 1. Preference will be given to those individuals or families that are existing or potential clients of organizations or agencies that contributed data or information that helped guide the content of this Allocation Plan (captured in Tables 1 and 2).
- Preference will be given to those eligible individuals or families that address two more
 vulnerability criteria outlined in the discussion of qualifying populations including (1) Homeless,
 (2) At risk of Homelessness, (3) Fleeing or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating
 Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, and (4) Other Populations as defined
 within this Allocation Plan.
- 3. Preference will be given to those eligible individuals or families that require services or support not otherwise covered by an existing program or funding source. Project partners and subrecipients will determine and document for SCDH which services are lacking from other program funding sources.

These preferences allow SCDH to address unmet needs and gaps identified by project partners, and serve vulnerable populations that are eligible under this notice. Furthermore, this prioritization plan helps provide specific and targeted support that complements other sources of financial support not otherwise available. These priorities help address needs captured in our analysis of local gaps and provides key supportive services to eligible clients in need.

Each agency that undertakes an activity will keep records of their respective client lists, and each agreement with those project partners will be structured to identify which Qualifying Population is covered and which type of eligible expense is incurred for that client. Should the clients served fall into one or more of the preferences above it will also be captured in the beneficiary data forms. All eligible

Qualifying Populations are included in this process and will not be excluded from SCDH's HOME-ARP activities.

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

Other qualifying populations that are not included in the aforementioned three priorities will be considered and supported as need and opportunity emerge. Project partners and subrecipients are familiar with and will adhere to all eligibility criteria noted in the HOME-ARP Guidance, and as such connect SCDH with eligible clientele served by their organization to better serve their needs with this source of funding. This Allocation Plan does not exclude any of the qualifying populations listed in HOME-ARP Notice CPD-21-10.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

SCDH does not plan to refinance any properties during the administration of this HOME-ARP allocation.

Appendix I: Compilation of Public Comments Received during the Public Comment Period

Public Comments Received

Shelby County Department of Housing

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and Annual Action Plan (AP4) Public Comment Period April 1-30, 2022

1. Via Email 4/1/22

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"Angelic Mister I am Angelic Mister, a financial and small business coach with Operation Hope, Inc. Operation Hope has partnered with the Women's Advocacy Center for several years. I have had the opportunity to provide many financial literacy sessions to the women of the Women's Advocacy Center. I have helped the women to rebuild their credit and create budgets in an effort to get their lives back on track. I totally support the Women's Advocacy Center and its mission. I will continue to support this organization in the future."

R. Romona Jackson, Esq.

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Our Mission: To empower and support survivors of domestic abuse.

2. Via Email 4/1/22

Hi Dana,

The Women's Advocacy Center is the only comprehensive victim-service provider for survivors and victims of domestic abuse in this area. Our mission is to empower and support survivors of domestic abuse in East Shelby County, focusing on women and children. I have worked for many businesses over the past 30 years and interacted with many non-profits, and can honestly say that there is no

"waste" in this organization. With additional funding we could significantly increase the number of DV victims we help each year, and the funding would go directly to making their lives better.

CJ

3. Sent Via Email 4/1/22

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J. Powell

April 1, 2022

Dear Ms Sjostrom,

I retired from the field of social work after a 30 year career in medical social work and higher education. Moving from Ohio to Collierville, TN in 2016 was a decision made to be closer to grandchildren. Shortly after moving I met Romona Jackson, Founder and CEO of the Women's Advocacy Center. I was immediately impressed with this soft spoken, intelligent, straight forward and compassionate woman. To add to my amazement was the fact that the Women's Advocacy Center was only chartered in 2018 and had already made an important, life saving difference in Collierville and surrounding communities. It may surprise some that the Advocacy Center has even been getting calls from other parts of the country asking for advice, direction and referrals. This clearly speaks to the great need for these underserved women and children. As a former hospital social worker I clearly remember holding the hand of an abused woman and looking desperately for a shelter, or a comprehensive service that would not turn us away because of long waiting lists. Returning to an abuser can never be the only option. These women are already fighting with everything they have.

The Women's Advocacy Center had grown into a comprehensive program that goes beyond meeting the basic needs. Recover of health and well being comes with their intentional A.I.M. program which includes mentoring and one-on-one coaching. Women learn and receive encouragement to make healthy and thoughtful decisions when help from concerned volunteers and professionals are offered.

Programs such as the Women's Advocacy Center can only succeed when women and their children are supplied with tangible things like food, housing, job readiness, transportation and the list continues. Often just knowing and having the knowledge of where to get further assistance is needed. It's finding legal assistance, and programs for your children. The Woman's Advocacy Center has helped with all of these things including assistance with summer camps and seasonal sports. All of this brings healing and hope.

I found out about the Woman's Advocacy Center through my church and meeting Romona Jackson. It was an honor to have several conversations with her and see she was a woman of faith and was faithful in providing help to others. This remarkable woman knows how to network, include others in the mission and vision, ask for what she and the center most needs and, she listens. She is a devoted listener and loves to learn and grow. She looks for talented people to assist in leading and directing. Ms Jackson goes wherever she is invited to get the message out.

Having worked on grants in my profession, I can say without reservation the Women's Advocacy Center is a valuable asset in Shelby County and should be supported by all the necessary resources we have for them to continue and to grow. Lives are depending on them and our county's ability to support their services. As stated previously, waiting lists can never become an option if services are spread too thin. Abused women have often been invisible, including suburbs where we wrongly think it either doesn't exist or they have the resources to escape. As a recent member to this community, I appreciate the ability to write this letter of support. My love and respect for this county continues to grow as I observe the support and kindness given to those who are most vulnerable and at risk.

Sincerely,

J. Powell MSW, LISW retired

Sent from my iPad

4. Sent via email 4/1/22

4/1/2022 Pam

Dana.

I have been working with Women's Advocacy Center for 4 years.

I was a victim and survivor of domestic abuse, so this organization has special meaning to me.

I've had several rolls for TWAC and I have seen first hand the women in need and what we have done for them.

- -We support and empower these women
- -We have helped ladies move into their own apartments and feel safe with their children.
- -We coach, provide legal help, councilors for them and their children, and so many other things -We have a donation center that provides the ladies with basic needs.

We are needed in these communities. We need to continue to help these women to become strong independent women.

Thank You,

Pam

Sent from my iPhone

5. Sent via email

4/2/2022

Martha

TWAC is an all service Organization for women who are in dire need of assistance.

Domestic violence is not talked about in the suburbs, so unfortunately it is not addressed.

TWAC plays a major role in helping women find the strength and resources to leave their abusers.

Thank you

Martha

Sent from my iPhone

6. Sent via email

4/2/2022

Melanie M.

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It is obvious The Women's Advocacy Center serving East Shelby County is truly an asset to the community. It appears you have an outstanding group of committed volunteers. I sincerely wish for you the best moving forward as you continue to serve the greater community using resources available and talents of your dedicated team.

Melanie

7. Sent via email:

4/2/2022

Ashley Housman

Good afternoon, Ms. Sjostrom.

I am writing you on behalf of the Women's Advocacy Center. I am close friends with the founder, Romona Jackson and the work she is doing to help women and children in Shelby Country is astounding. I am continually amazed how she and so many others involved with the center so selflessly give to help families in crisis get to a safe place, begin to settle, and rebuild. I hope you will consider giving the HOME-ARP grant to this amazing non-profit. I've included some helpful information about the Women's Advocacy Center below.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Ashley Housman

 The Women's Advocacy Center is the only comprehensive victim-service provider for survivors and victims of domestic abuse. Their mission is to empower and support survivors of domestic abuse in East Shelby County, focusing on women and children.

- Services through The Women's Advocacy Center are delivered using a holistic and relational approach that provides assistance, investment, and mentoring. It's called the A.I.M. Program. They assist women in meeting their basic needs. They invest in a woman's overall well-being, and they mentor them through one-on-one coaching.
- Since being chartered in 2018, the organization has delivered over 200 individual services to women in Arlington, Bartlett, Cordova, Collierville, Germantown, Memphis, Millington, Lakeland, and Rossville. They have also made numerous referrals to women who call from other parts of the country seeking direction and assistance.
- Clients of The Women's Advocacy Center receive financial assistance for childcare, counseling, groceries, housing, job readiness preparation, legal consultations, transportation, and utilities. They also have on-going access to free supplies for babies, their households, and personal care. Additionally, clients may participate in a support group where attendees share a meal and have available childcare provided. Their staff is trauma-informed and trained to serve survivors and families in crisis.
- Children of the clients served by The Women's Advocacy Center are survivors, too. The
 Women's Advocacy Center offers recreational intervention for these children in the form of
 summer camps and seasonal sports. The purpose of the recreational intervention is to help
 address risk factors prevalent in children with the adverse childhood experience of domestic
 abuse.
- The Women's Advocacy Center receives referrals from attorneys, churches, counselors, hospitals, and other agencies. These referrals come from those who trust the organization to serve ladies with compassion and understanding while maintaining their confidentiality.
- There were over 2,600 reported incidents of domestic abuse in six of the communities served by The Women's Advocacy Center, from 2018-2021. Many more incidents went unreported. There are numerous women in need of their services, often requiring ladies who need services to be placed on a waiting list. To service more women more funding is needed for staff, office space, technology updates, and of course resources for expanded services in the areas of housing and legal assistance.
- The two most requested services from clients are housing and legal representation. The Women's Advocacy Center works with community partners to identify affordable housing for clients. They also work with local family law attorneys who provide free legal representation to their clients. The impact is women feel empowered to stop harmful cycles of abuse in their lives. They can pursue economic independence, learn to form healthy relationships, stabilize their families, and strengthen their faith.
- There is no shelter in Shelby County, outside metropolitan Memphis for women leaving abusive relationships. Shelters in surrounding counties, such as Fayette and Tipton, are unable to fully serve women in those areas, while also serving women in the six municipalities surrounding Memphis, and unincorporated Shelby County.
- The Women's Advocacy Center is needed for the work they do in the community with local law enforcement, other agencies, and community partners to serve survivors of domestic abuse. They need the benefit of additional funding to continue to serve those in need.
- The Women's Advocacy Center maintains a high ethical standard and they take their fiduciary responsibility to donors and grantors seriously.

Thank you in advance for helping us achieve our mission to empower and support survivors of domestic abuse in East Shelby County!

Sent from my iPhone

8. Sent via Email:

4/2/2022

Romona Jackson rjackson@womensac.org>

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Hi Dana,

There are so many reasons this grant would be beneficial to us. One, of course is the great need for housing. This is very real today.

Cath Jo received a call this week from a woman with two teens. The woman is in an abusive relationship. Despite the abuse and her fear, when she called other agencies, according to her, she was told either they couldn't help her because of the ages of her children, or they had no room available to shelter them.

We have temporary housing to provide for her, but only for 10 days. This evening, we are taking her and her children there. It's better than nothing, but the safe house will only provide for one family. If we receive another request for assistance like this, we'll have to put them on a waiting list. At the end of 10 days, we need to be able to help this mom move into an affordable and safe place. The grant would help us help her with that.

It would also help us provide her with legal assistance, if we had our own attorney, as well as bi-weekly meals, access to our donation center, and financial assistance for counseling. Most women who come to us rarely only need one type of service. Thankfully, we have been able to deliver our services to up to 20 women at a time, but there are more we could serve with additional funding.

This is the way we serve daily. Thanks for the opportunity to offer our comments on our organization and how this grant would benefit us and those we serve. Thanks for your interest in what we do.

Sincerely,

R. Romona Jackson

Our Mission: To empower and support survivors of domestic abuse.

9. Sent via email:

4/2/22 -

cj@womensac.org

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Hi Dana,

I just helped put a mother and her 2 children in a safe house tonight. Very sobering. The need to help more domestic violence victims in Shelby County is so great. Did you know that no shelter in Shelby County will take a domestic violence victim with teenage children? Thankfully, we have a safe house connection through our organization, but it can only serve one family at a time. With more funding, we could help more DV victims not only find temporary safe shelter, but assist in getting them affordable housing, including helping them with the first few months of rent, in a home or apartment they can afford to sustain on their own once our organization helps them get back on their feet, rebuilding their lives after their trauma.

Cathy Jo

Our Mission: To empower and support survivors of domestic abuse.

10. Sent via email

4/2/2022

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To Whom it May Concern:

The Women's Advocacy Center has been doing an excellent job in advocating for the women of Shelby County, so I wanted to take the time to advocate for them.

I have seen first hand how TWAC has walked alongside of women and provided them with assistance in every area of need. The women they are helping are personally being walked out of the life of domestic abuse one step and one decision at a time by a trauma-informed caring individual.

The Women's Advocacy Center provides financial assistance for childcare, housing, transportation, utilities, legal help and more.

Please consider extending this grant to The Women's Advocacy Center so they can continue the incredible work they have been doing to change the lives of these women and their families.

Sincerely,

Kathy

Sent from Mail for Windows

11. Sent via email:

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Renee

Home-ARP Grant Consideration for Women's Advocacy Center

Good Morning!!

The Women's Advocacy Center receives referrals from attorneys, churches, counselors, hospitals, and other agencies. These referrals come from those who trust the organization to serve ladies with compassion and understanding while maintaining their confidentiality.

I ask that they be considered for this grant. It is a comfort for me as I serve our congregation that when I am approached by a woman in need I have a trusted source with real, practical help for her.

Sincerely,

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Renee

12. Sent via email:

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Donna N.

Dear Ms. Sjostrom,

I am writing to you today in support of The Women's Advocacy Center and their application for HOME-ARP grant. TWAC has received funding from us and we are strong supporters of their work. In addition to funding, they have participated in equipping sessions with our Board Chair to further develop and scale their work. Below are a few important points:

- There were over 2,600 reported incidents of domestic abuse in six of the communities served by The Women's Advocacy Center, from 2018-2021. Many more incidents went unreported. There are numerous women in need of their services, often requiring ladies who need services to be placed on a waiting list. To service more women more funding is needed

- for staff, office space, technology updates, and of course resources for expanded services in the areas of housing and legal assistance.
- The two most requested services from clients are housing and legal representation. The Women's Advocacy Center works with community partners to identify affordable housing for clients. They also work with local family law attorneys who provide free legal representation to their clients. The impact is women feel empowered to stop harmful cycles of abuse in their lives. They can pursue economic independence, learn to form healthy relationships, stabilize their families, and strengthen their faith.
- There is no shelter in Shelby County, outside metropolitan Memphis for women leaving abusive relationships. Shelters in surrounding counties, such as Fayette and Tipton, are unable to fully serve women in those areas, while also serving women in the six municipalities surrounding Memphis, and unincorporated Shelby County.

Thank you,

Donna N.

Executive Director

13. Sent via email:

4/4/2022

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Daynette

Hello Grantor,

I am writing this note on behalf of The Women's Advocacy Center in hopes this non-profit organization may be awarded one of your grants to continue the great work being done in East Shelby County. The Women's Advocacy Center is the only comprehensive victim-service provider for survivors and victims of domestic abuse. The services are delivered using a holistic and relational approach that provides assistance, investment, and mentoring through the A.I.M. Program. They assist women in meeting their basic needs, they invest in a woman's overall well-being, and they mentor them through one-on-one coaching.

Clients of The Women's Advocacy Center receive financial assistance for childcare, counseling, groceries, housing, job readiness preparation, legal consultations, transportation, and utilities. They also have on-going access to free supplies for babies, their households, and personal care. Additionally, clients may participate in a support group where attendees share a meal and

have available childcare provided. Children of the clients served by The Women's Advocacy Center are survivors, too. The Women's Advocacy Center offers recreational intervention for these children in the form of summer camps and seasonal sports. The purpose of the recreational intervention is to help address risk factors prevalent in children with the adverse childhood experience of domestic abuse.

Thank you in advance for helping The Women's Advocacy Center achieve its mission to empower and support survivors of domestic abuse.

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Daynette

14. Sent via email

4/7/2022

CJ

HOME-ARP public comment period

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

Clients of The Women's Advocacy Center receive financial assistance for childcare, counseling, groceries, housing, job readiness preparation, legal consultations, transportation, and utilities. They also have ongoing access to free supplies for babies, households, and personal care. Additionally, clients may participate in a support group where attendees share a meal and have available childcare provided. Their staff is trauma-informed and trained to serve survivors and families in crisis. With additional funding, we could more than triple the case load of clients across the suburban towns of Shelby County that we serve.

Cathy

Children of the clients served by The Women's Advocacy Center are survivors, too. The Women's Advocacy Center offers recreational intervention for these children in the form of summer camps and seasonal sports. The purpose of the recreational intervention is to help address risk factors prevalent in children with the adverse childhood experience of domestic abuse. I'm in the process of surveying our clients to sign up each of their children for one free week of summer camp to provide a healthy, positive experience for them. With additional funding, we could offer more weeks to more of our clients' children as well as longer-term trauma counseling assistance.

Cathy

15. Sent via email 4/8/22

HOME-ARP public comment

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]
Hi Dana,

I've spent all this week trying to find 5 of our clients emergency housing and/or affordable housing. None of them qualify because they don't make 3x the rent and/or have a good enough credit score and/or have a job they've been with for at least 6 months. Most safe housing options in Collierville, Cordova, Bartlett, Arlington, Germantown and East Memphis range from \$1300/month to \$1800/mo. After utilities, every DV victim has to make over \$60k/year to qualify for an apartment anywhere! The crisis is real. So you say, apply for rental assistance? Well, Shelby County's CSA website is not accepting rental assistance applications at this time. Without a significant rental assistance budget, The Women's Advocacy Center cannot help our clients qualify for affordable housing. Housing costs are way out of whack vs. our victims' income or potential income levels, shelters are full or don't accept any candidates with children, and we only have one safe house...too remote and without internet access, so only viable for one client at a time, and only temporary. The local housing crisis is real! With a significant housing budget, our organization can outline strategies to at least get our victims qualified and into housing, with longer-term parameters that they be able afford same housing after getting past the initial deposit and first month's rent requirements. Currently, they each face homelessness, which we're working hard to avoid, but with significant barriers.



16. Sent via email 4/4/2022

Grant for the Women's Advocacy Center in Memphis suburbs

Gena

The Women's Advocacy Center is serving a previously unserved community of women and children who desperately need out of abusive relationships. Without the help of the various services the center provides, children are growing up in unhealthy violent households that leads to a more violent society as they grow up and perpetuate the violence they have watched and of which they have been a victim. These funds can help the violence stop, children and women heal and become not only productive citizens but also advocates for helping others. Please help fund the Women's Advocacy Center for the children, the women and for us all!

Sent from my iPhone

17. Sent via email 4/4/2022

HOME-ARP public comments

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Since being chartered in 2018, the Women's Advocacy Center has delivered over 200 individual services to women in Arlington, Bartlett, Cordova, Collierville, Germantown, Memphis, Millington, Lakeland, and Rossville. They have also made numerous referrals to women who call from other parts of the country seeking direction and assistance. With additional support, this organization could make a more significant impact, helping those we currently turn away due to limited funding resources.



18. Sent via email 4/4/2022

Brendan

Women's Advocacy Center Comments

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

I was introduced to this organization by a family member, and I believe that they could do some great work with extra funding. The employees and volunteers associated do a great job of assisting anyone and everyone who needs help. They will also go out of their way to sacrifice their own time to assist their clients. Furthermore, the assistance they provide as previous survivors is unparalleled to those who do not have any experience.

Brendan

19. Sent via email 4/12/22

Romona Jackson <u>rjackson@womensac.org</u>

Public Comment

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

Hi Dana,

I hope you are well. See below my comment for today.

The Women's Advocacy Center has 21 women we are currently serving. Of that number, four women are desperately looking for housing. Three of the four are in emergency housing at an average of \$150/night. All have at least two children.

Housing instability contributes to women returning to abusive relationships. It also contributes to poor mental and physical health, and it can impact a survivor's ability to maintain needed employment. There is no emergency shelter available to women in the communities we serve, other than hotels. Living in a hotel with uncertainty about housing, exacerbates the stress felt when a woman leaves an abusive relationship.

At The Women's Advocacy Center, we are committed to supporting these women in finding affordable and safe housing. Our Client Services Manager and I are diligently working our referrals and other sources to identify possible housing options. In the process, we are covering not only the emergency housing, but also leasing applications and food costs.

To meet the increased demand for housing and services, we would benefit from additional funding.

Thanks for being interested in our work.

R. Romona Jackson

20. Sent via email 4/17/22

Public Comment

Romona Jackson

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Dana,

Everyday last week, we received a request from someone new for services. We had to refer three of the women who called us to other agencies, because we could not serve them. Donor giving is down and survivor requests are up.

Having funds to help us meet the needs of women and children impacted by domestic abuse is more important than ever.

R. Romona Jackson

21. Sent via email 4/18/22

HOME-ARP public comment

Cathy

There were over 2,600 reported incidents of domestic abuse in six of the communities served by The Women's Advocacy Center, over a three-year period. Many more incidents went unreported. There are numerous women in need of their services, often requiring ladies who need services to be placed on a waiting list. To service more women more funding is needed for staff, office space, technology updates, and of course resources for expanded services in the areas of housing and legal assistance.

Cathy

22. Sent via email 4/18/22

Cathy

The number one requested service from our clients is housing, followed closely by legal representation. The Women's Advocacy Center works with community partners to identify affordable housing for clients. They also work with local family law attorneys who provide free legal representation for clients. The impact is women feel empowered to stop harmful cycles of abuse in their lives. They can pursue economic independence, learn to form healthy relationships, stabilize their families, and strengthen their faith.

Housing options have become almost impossible to find for our victims/clients over the past 3-6 months, and pro bono attorneys are understaffed and overbooked. With additional funding through the HOME-ARP grant, we can address both of these issues and make a bigger impact helping our clients move forward.

Cathy

23. Sent via email 4/19/22

Grant for The Women's Advocacy Center

Anne

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

Dear Ms. Sjostrom,

My name is Anne S. and I am here to ask for a grant for The Women's Advocacy Center, that will help many women and children. I am 76 years old and remember what it is like to live with abuse and fear. I also know what it is like not to have a safe place to turn to when there is no one. Very briefly, here is my story. Back in the 1980's, my college educated husband became angry and bitter when he was fired from his job. He was physically bigger and stronger than me and we had two small boys. We lived in the Washington, DC area. Back then, "domestic violence" was not recognized as a crime nor did the term exist. Also, there weren't any organizations like The Women's Advocacy Center. My family was of the mind, "you made your bed, now lie in it", so they weren't there for me or their grandsons. I

had/have wonderful friends, but they had their own lives and couldn't be there for me whenever I needed help. So, because I was living in such a state of fear, I probably made some bad decisions. If an organization like The Women's Advocacy Center existed, I would have felt safe. I also could have spoken to staff for sound advice, and been able to access the other services. Remember, I was raising my two young sons, who needed food and clothing and a place to live!

The environment in which we live today has become extremely violent!!!! And, probably in family homes! Please grant funding for this wonderful, caring organization. There are mothers and their children in need of their services.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Anne S.

24. Sent via email 4/21/22

Cathy

HOME-ARP public comment

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

There is no shelter in Shelby County, outside metropolitan Memphis for women leaving abusive relationships. Shelters in surrounding counties, such as Fayette and Tipton, are unable to fully serve women in those areas, while also serving women in the six municipalities surrounding Memphis, and unincorporated Shelby County. Both emergency shelter services and affordable housing are either full, waitlisted, or unable to accept our clients with children, poor credit scores, or less than 3x rent in income. Additional funding would allow our organization to assist with the initial 1st month rent and security deposits so that we could get DV victims past the approval hurdles, yet into housing they can afford to pay for month-to-month once they get in.

Cathy

25. Sent via email 4/21/22

Cathy

HOME-ARP

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

The Women's Advocacy Center is needed for the work they do in the community with local law enforcement, other agencies, and community partners to serve survivors of domestic abuse. They need the benefit of funding to continue to serve those in need. They maintain a high ethical standard and take their fiduciary responsibility to donors and grantors seriously.

Cathy

26. Sent via email 4/22/22

Romona Jackson

Public Comment

Dana,

Yesterday, I spent seven hours with a client in mediation. This is not unusual. Many of our clients have no previous experience with divorce, the judicial process, or working with a mediator. Moreover, for quite a few, attending mediation will be their first encounter with their abuser, since separating from him.

Having an advocate with them is their legal right, and quite often they want to exercise that right. When that happens, someone from our staff will attend the mediation with a client. Having the funding to hire our own attorney would ensure three things: clients are well prepared for mediation, clients will attend mediation with an attorney who has worked with them from the beginning of their case, our attorney and our advocate will be able to work more closely as a team in helping to successfully guide our clients through the mediation process.

Receiving grant funds from the HOME-ARP grant will allow us to hire our own attorney.

Thank you for allowing us to comment.

R. Romona Jackson

Hi Romona! That's quite alright - just have any comments sent to me via email and they will be recorded.

Thank you for all you do.

-Dana

Dana Sjostrom

Planning and Programs Manager

Department of Housing

Division of Planning and Development

From: Romona Jackson [rjackson@womensac.org]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2022 5:29 PM

To: Sjostrom, Dana **Subject:** Meeting at 5:30

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Dana.

I am in mediation and can't make this meeting. I thought we would have been done at noon! One of our clients wanted an advocate with her, so I'm here.

Not sure when we will be done. Sorry to miss the meeting.

R. Romona Jackson

27. Sent via email 4/22/22

Cathy

HOME-ARP Public Comment

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

The housing crisis continues for our domestic violence clients, as well as urgent calls/inquiries. I tried to help a call yesterday, a DV victim who had to be out of her house by 7 pm, with no car/transportation (spouse took her car), no cash (spouse ruined her credit and controlled the finances), no family, and no place to go. I was unsuccessful because our organization doesn't have sufficient funding for emergency housing (i.e., putting a DV victim up in a hotel for 5, 10, 30 days while we assist with finding housing), there are NO emergency shelters available same day in Shelby County, and the small budget we do have for housing is being used to help 25% of our current clients with longer-term (3 to 4 weeks) temporary housing costs because it is taking 30-60 days for each client to find affordable apartment or home rentals with immediate availability and criteria they'll qualify for. In Collierville and Germantown, a DV victim (keep in mind, many aren't employed due to raising children and/or abusive husband controlling all finances) has to show income of \$6,000 per month, a job they've had for at least 6 months, and a credit score over 600 to qualify for most rentals (\$1800-\$2400/mo rent rates). This means that an abuse victim cannot feasibly leave her abuser until a divorce is final, or she's making over \$70k/year! The costs (legal, housing, food, gas) required to leave an abusive relationship are simply not achievable for many DV victims, suburban lifestyle or not, middle income HH levels or not.



28. Sent via email 4/26/22

HOME-ARP

Cathy

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

The DV assistance needs always seem to ramp up in the spring...housing availability gets tighter...resources are limited in Shelby County. We continue to need pro bono and discounted family law attorney assistance, housing assistance, transportation/gas assistance, and meal/food assistance as our top priorities for the domestic violence victims we support in trying to rebuild their lives, emotionally and economically.



29. Sent via email 4/26/22

Public Comment

Romona Jackson

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Dana,

Thanks for taking all the public comments that have been sent. I hope they help give you an idea of how we serve in the community. Especially for women who have reached out to other organizations.

Today, I received an email from one such client about the difference TWAC has made to her. See her comments below. We helped "K." with legal representation, food, housing, and with resume and job readiness. That resulted in her getting a new place to live of her own, a new job earning almost \$60K and we enrolled her in the Tennessee Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program so she could live without her husband being able to track her. Below she recounts what her experience was like until she found The Women's Advocacy Center.

"I have probably sent 100 emails to different attorneys and domestic violence resources that I found online begging for help. I needed help with everything from a protection order, to surviving while not working, to getting a divorce. Legal aid only helped me by reading the law to me about domestic violence and harassment and stalking. I emailed them months later asking if they could help me with my divorce and they told me they didn't have the staff or resources. The one person that helped me is Romona Jackson with the Women's Advocacy Center. She has held my hand along the way and just recently was finally able to get me my order of protection. My husband harassed me from February 2021 until the protection order in 11/2021." K.

R. Romona Jackson

30. Sent via email 4/26/22

HOME-ARP public comment

Cathy

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

It is so rewarding every time our organization can help our domestic violence clients. Just this week, I've assisted with housing referrals for several of our clients, provided emergency housing assistance to a few of our clients to prevent them from being homeless while they search for work and/or search for affordable housing, offered job opportunities to our clients, provided family meals, and conducted budgeting/financial education meetings. We've taken on new clients who have recently fled their

abusive situations, and the need to support and assist them over the next 6 to 12-plus months is great. With additional funding, we could provide emergency housing for up to 30 days instead of 10 while each client relentlessly searches for apartments that will qualify them based on their income and/or credit history. We could take on more clients at a time instead of simply referring many to local services that are often backed up. We hope to double or triple the number of clients we serve at a time, and to better assist with not only housing, but legal/advocacy, food/gas and counseling services. We will put grant dollars to good use directly assisting more clients in more holistic ways.



31. Sent via email 4/27/22

Tina

The Women's Advocacy Center and Potential Grant

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

Dear Ms. Dana Sjostrom,

Please consider funding the Women's Advocacy Center in our community. There are over 15000 reported domestic violence cases just in Memphis per year. The other areas are just as impacted and we also know it is vastly unreported. We also know there was a spike in murders from it in the pandemic. One in 3 women have experienced some sort of violence by an intimate partner.

My mother was a survivor. I know she did not see a good way out for our family. Please help show Shelby County women there are ways out, that they can get the support they need to be successful, that women are strong, don't deserve to be abused and that Shelby County cares about its women.

Thank you,

Tina

32. Sent via email 4/27/22

AW House

Public Comment for The Women's Advocacy Center

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I am sending this email to encourage you to make a financial grant to The Women's Advocacy Center. This grant will help them continue their work in our communities, where they provide much needed services to women and children who experience domestic abuse. They provide financial assistance for childcare, counseling, food, legal representation, resume and job assistance, and transportation. They are doing good in our communities. Thank you for considering them for this grant.

33. Sent via email 4/27/22

Keri

Public Comment for The Women's Advocacy Center

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I am sending this email to encourage you to make a financial grant to The Women's Advocacy Center. This grant will help them continue their work in our communities, where they provide much needed services to women and children who experience domestic abuse. They provide financial assistance for childcare, counseling, food, legal representation, resume and job assistance, and transportation. They are doing good in our communities. Thank you for considering them for this grant.

The Women's Advocacy Center deserve this grant above anyone else.

I am currently in the AIM program with the Women's Advocacy Center. I am honored to be where I am today. I left my abuser in February 2021. I tried to seek help multiple times. I had probably sent 100 emails to different attorneys and domestic violence resources that I found online begging for help. I needed help with everything from a protection order, to surviving while not working, to getting a divorce. Legal aid only helped me by reading the law to me about domestic violence and harassment and stalking. I emailed them months later asking if they could help me with my divorce and they told me they didn't have the staff or resources.

I started to question my decision. I could see why women didn't leave. The resources are not as widely available as you hear about on the news. It is frustrating and demoralizing. You start to question whether you deserve what your abuser did. At least you won't feel lonely, depressed or crazy. I started to justify what he had done to me. My brain knew it wasn't right, but I had no one to help me and I didn't know where to turn.

The one and only group in Memphis and Shelby County that helped me was The Women's Advocacy Center and Romana Jackson. She has held my hand along the way and just recently was finally able to get me my order of protection. She didn't make me feel bad for seeking help. My thinking was so

bad that I didn't know I was part of a program for many many months, because she made me feel as if she was my personal helper. I could text or email her and she would respond the same day. I was overcome with the way she treated me and continues to treat me.

This grant will help The Women's Advocacy Center help survivors of domestic violence in the Memphis/Shelby County area when they are at their lowest and need all of the support they can get.

Thank You,

Keri

34. Sent via email

HOME ARP

Cathy

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.]

Our organization received two new client leads in the past two days. Both need DV assistance with housing (temporary and finding long-term affordable housing), legal/advocacy (pro bono attorneys) and other areas of support. With additional funding, we could hire an in-house family law attorney to assist each of our clients with divorce/separation/mediation/court hearings and all related legal needs.

Cathy

35. Sent via email 4/29/22

KELLY

Grant for The Women's Advocacy Center

[This EMAIL was not sent from a Shelby County Government email address. Please use caution.] Hello Dana.

I am writing you in the hopes of securing a grant for The Women's Advocacy Center.

The Women's Advocacy Center is important to the communities that they serve. This organization makes an impact in the lives of women and children who have survived domestic abuse by giving them a place where they can find compassion, hope, and support. The funds from the grant will be used to provide more financial assistance to

the families they serve who need childcare, counseling, food, housing, legal representation, and transportation assistance.

I strongly urge you to consider The Women's Advocacy Center to receive a grant to advance their mission to empower and support survivors of domestic abuse.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kelly

//end Appendix I//

Appendix II. Proof of Public Notice Ads in Local Newspapers

Advertisements for each the Public Hearings and Public Comment Period appeared in the Memphis Flyer, Daily News, Collierville Herald, Bartlett Express, Millington Star, Germantown News, and La Prensa Latina. In addition to broad public readership of the aforementioned newspapers, La Prensa Latina reaches LatinX readers (in Spanish). Proof of advertisements are included in this appendix.

Public Notices

*Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, bids will be publicly opened and read via teleconference on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 2:00 PM CDT/CST. Call in Number: 901-729-8200; Conference ID: 4020#; Personal Code 1111#.

Jan. 11, 12, 14, 2022 Brd83758

LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids (or Request for Proposals, where indicated as RFP) will be received at the Office of the City of Memphis Purchasing Agent, Room 354, City Hall, 125 N. Main St., Memphis, TN 38103, until 12:00 noon Wednesday, on the dates indicated below, for furnishing the City of Memphis with the following:

PRODUCTS AND/OR SERVICES

DUE JANUARY 26, 2022

OVERHEAD DOOR PARTS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICE

By Order of the Mayor of the City of Memphis, Tennessee. Jim Strickland Mayor

Tim Boyles, City Purchasing Agent Jan. 11. 12. 2022

ALL INTERESTED RESPONDERS The Shelby County Board of Education will accept written proposals for IFB 01252022KC CCTE Classroom Repairs & Renovations District 7 (3) Locations. A mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this project at Sheffield CTC, 4350 Chuck Ave., Memphis, TN 38118 on January 14, 2022 at 9:30am CST.

Bidders must wear appropriate PPE gear upon entering any SCS location and sign in.

Visit our website for additional information: www.scsk12.org (Click 'Doing Business with SCS') Click on Bids &

Jan. 11, 2022 Brd83905

LEGAL NOTICE Request for Bids MSCAA Project Number 19-1423-26-01 **Terminal C&A Retail Demolition -**

Construction Sealed bids for Terminal C&A Retail Demolition - Construction will be received by the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority (Authority), Procurement Department, 4150 Louis Carruthers Drive, Memphis, TN 38118, until 2:00 PM Local Time on 2/3/2022. Bids will not be received at any other location. Within 30 minutes thereafter, the bids will be opened and publicly read via phone/video conference at (Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/849274 26821?pwd=UHJ4QmlHS1NLQ0N0L0 lyWmcyaFdKZz09; Phone: 1 (312)-626-6799 / Passcode: 399457; Meeting ID: 849 2742 6821). The Bid Documents, including a description of the scope of work, the required response format, and additional instructions may be obtained on or after January 7, 2022 online at www.flymemphis.com.

A virtual Pre-Bid Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 11:00 AM local time via phone/video conferencing (Link: https://us06web. zoom.us/j/81962091448?pwd=USt6 MHdIRIRMaW5RcmpzN2p2Y1ludz09: Phone: 1 (312) 626-6799 / Passcode: 013793; Meeting ID: 819 6209 1448). Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is strongly recommended. The project sites will be available for inspection upon request.

All Bidders are responsible for checking the Authority's website up to the submission deadline for any updates, addenda or additional information. The successful Bidder must sign a contract with the Authority that includes Federal Aviation Administration provisions, if applicable, regarding the Buy American Preference, Foreign Trade Restriction, Davis-Bacon, Affirmative Action, Debarment and Suspension, and Drug-Free Workplace, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Each bid must be made by a contractor licensed in Tennessee and be accompanied by a 5% Bid Guarantee. The successful bidder must execute a

Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the amount of 100% each of the Contract Price and meet the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal for this project, which is 28%.

The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this Request for Bids in whole or in part; to waive any informalities, technicalities, or omissions related to this Request for Bids; and to reject responses on any other basis authorized by the Authority's purchasing policies.

The Authority is an equal opportunity employer and prohibits discrimination based on the grounds of age, race, sex, color, national origin, disability, marital status, military service, or sexual orientation in its hiring and employment practices and in the admission to, access to, or operation of its programs, services, and activities.

By order of: Scott A. Brockman, A.A.E. President and CEO Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority

Jan. 11, 12, 2022 Brd83909

Misc. Notices

Shelby County

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE All Sales are Final

A notice is hereby given that an online auction will be held to satisfy a landlord's lien at www.storagetreasures.

com. Sale is by competitive bidding with bidding ending on 1/18/2022 at 10:30 a.m. Property will be sold by unit to the highest bidder for cash. Sale is subject to cancellation up to the time of the sale. Company reserves the right to refuse any online bid. Unless otherwise noted, units contain household goods/

personal goods. Securlock Storage of Cordova 1570 Bonnie Lane Cordova, TN 38016 Vicki Cox Queen Lockett Mandy Franklin

Jan. 11, 2022

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NOTICE

THESE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD @ AUCTION ON: 01/29/2022 @ 9:00 AM IN LIEU OF ALL TOWING AND STORAGE CHARGES AT 788 S. MAIN ST, MEMPHIS TN. 38106. 2003 FORD F-150 VIN#1FTRF17223NB62271 JEROME WILLIAMS

2017 JEEP RENEGADE VIN#ZACCJAAB6HPE52816 KENDRA ROBINSON CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2008 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN#4T1BE46K88U213403 TYRIE WADE JR 2008 HONDA CIVIC VIN#2HGFA16828H514581 JAVARIUS JOHNSON 2005 NISSAN ALTIMA

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HOT WHEELS OF MEMPHIS

Jan. 11, 2022 Mrd83898

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Lee Harris Mayor

Scott Walkup, Administrator Shelby County Department of Housing Jan. 11. 2021 Mrd83899

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Shelby County Health Department (Department), Pollution Control Section has received applications to construct or modify air contaminant sources at the following locations and of the following descriptions. These permitting actions are not subject to the Prevention of Significant Air Quality Deterioration (PSD) requirements, as described in the Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee, Section 1200-3-9.01 (4)(a)2.

Construction Smith and Nephew Inc.

1450 Brooks Road Requesting a permit to install seven (7) emergency generator engines.

Smith and Nephew Inc. 6409 Holmes Road

Requesting a permit to install one (1) emergency generator engine.

A copy of the application materials used by the Department is available for public inspection at the Pollution Control Section office, during normal business hours (8:00 am - 4:30 pm). Interested parties are invited to review these materials and provide written comments. Written comments will be accepted for a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the date of this public notice at the following address:

Shelby County Health Department Attn: Larry Smith Technical Manager 1826 Sycamore View Road Memphis, TN 38134 Jan. 11, 2022

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NOTICE

Choice Towing 5330 South Third Street Memphis, TN 38109 901-795-6979 Will Auction off the units below:

JANUARY 14 AT 9:00AM 05 HONDA ACC

VIN#1HGCM56735A054446 JANUARY 24 AT 9:00AM 12 TOYOTA SXE VIN#4T1BK1FKXCU505828

15 GMC TEL VIN#2GKALMEK1F6146991 JANUARY 25 AT 9:00AM 12 DODGE CHALLENGER

VIN#2C3CDYAG2CH262201 Jan. 11, 2022

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that BARDETT, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company (herein "Bardett"), has filed Notice of Dissolution with the Tennessee Secretary of State pursuant to T.C.A. § 48-249-603. Pursuant to T.C.A. § 48-245-502(c), Bardett requests that any individual, entity, or other who may have claims against Bardett present them in accordance with this notice. Any such individual, entity, or other with a claim against Bardett should in such claim

provide the following information: (i) the nature and details of the claim in sufficient detail for Bardett to determine the validity of such claim; (ii) the amount of the claim; and (iii) an address where any correspondence relating to the claim may be sent.

Any claim against Bardett may be sent to the following address:

Bardett, LLC c/o Laurel C. Williams, Esq. Burch, Porter & Johnson, PLLC

130 N. Court Ave. Memphis, TN 38103

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 48-245-502(c)(2) (C), any claim against Bardett will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within two (2) years after the publication of this notice.

This notice published in The Daily News, Memphis, on January 11, 2022 regarding the dissolution of BARDETT, LLC is a notice to unknown claimants pursuant to T.C.A. § 48-245-502(c) and said notice to unknown claimants was properly provided pursuant thereto. January 11, 2022 Mrd83906

NOTICE

Vehicle Auction on February 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Wolfsburg Auto, 4907 Old Summer Road, Memphis, TN 38122. 2009 Mini Cooper Vin # WMWML335X9TP97335. Owner: Ashraf K Alatrash.

Vehicle Auction on February 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Rapid Towing, 3588 S Goodlett, Memphis, TN 38118. 2006 Mark Lincoln Vin # 5LTPW-16506FJ08241 Owner: Marcus Clark. Lienholder: Motor Pool

Vehicle Auction on February 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Raines Auto, 600 E Raines Rd., Memphis, TN 38116. 1978 Camaro Vin #1S87KAL542636. Owner: Jack Boyd.

Vehicle Auction on February 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Four T's, 2482 Elvis Presley, Memphis, TN 38106. 2013 Chevrolet Vin #2G1WB5E35D1159362. Owner: Bessie W Tunstall. Lienholder: Credit Acceptance Corp.

Vehicle Auction on February 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Johnnie B Automart, 2055 Covington Pike, Memphis, TN 38106. 2013 Dodge Vin# 2C3CDYAG4DH651939. Owner: Andre D Neal. Lienholder: Credit Acceptance Corp.

Jan. 11, 2022 Mrd83908

NOTICE

Be it known by all parties that Katictrice Barnes will apply for the title to a 2010 Hyundai Elantra gray in color. VIN KMH-DU4AD5AU179723. Any parties holding an interest in this vehicle to contact Katictrice Barnes 6776 Aldwych drive Germantown, TN 38138 by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested within ten (10) business days of the date of publication.

Jan. 11, 2022

Notice of Public Sale

The following vehicles will be sold at auction on 2-6-22 at Marion Towing located at 1601 East Brooks Rd., Memphis, TN 38116. Owner of said vehicles have the right to make claim prior to the sale date at the above address. Marion Towing contact #901-345-5128.

Year No. 2013 Jan. 11, 2022

Make Model Hyundai Trailer Mrd83895

Vehicle Identification 3H3V532C2DT460076

NOTICE

TO THE DELINQUENT REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS IN SHELBY COUNTY TAX SALE 1805 TX-2020-1

On Wednesday, March 16, 2022 a motion for default judgment is scheduled to be heard at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM in Part I of Chancery Court, 140 Adams Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee. The defendants named on the Fifth Amended and Supplemental Complaint still owing delinquent taxes for the 2018 or prior tax years are encouraged to enter their appearance or otherwise make defense as required by law or a default judgment will be taken. A list of the taxpayers who were "Not to Be Found" appeared in the Daily News publication on December 31, 2021; January 7, 2022; January 14, 2022; and January 21, 2022.

Contact the Shelby County Trustee's office at 222-0200 to satisfy your tax obligation.

> **Gregory S. Gallagher Delinquent Tax Attorney Shelby County Trustee's Office**

Jan. 11, 2022 Mrd83888

AVISO PÚBLICO

EL PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL DEL AÑO FISCAL 2022 DEL DEPARTAMENTO DE VIVIENDA DEL CONDADO DE SHELBY Y EL PLAN DE RESCATE HOME-AMERICAN (ARP, POR SUS SIGLAS EN INGLÉS) NECESITAN UNA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

El Departamento de Vivienda del Condado de Shelby (SCDH) llevará a cabo una audiencia pública para discutir las necesidades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario del Condado de Shelby en preparación para el Plan de Acción Anual del Año Fiscal 2022 (Programa HUD Año 2021, Año de Planificación Anual 4 (AP4)) el **jueves, 3 de febrero de 2022 a las 5:30 p. m**. y brinda opciones de asistencia presencial y virtual.

Opción de asistencia en persona: aplicación del Código del Condado de Shelby, Sala de capacitación, 6465 Mullins Station Road Memphis, TN 38134. Los asistentes deben ingresar al Edificio de aplicación del código a través de la entrada de la Sala de capacitación; al subir al edificio, los asistentes deberán seguir la señalización que conduce a la sala de capacitación.

Opción de asistencia virtual: también se proporciona una opción virtual para unirse, y los participantes pueden unirse a la reunión con una computadora, tableta o teléfono inteligente en https://www.gotomeet.me/DanaSjostrom o marcando desde un teléfono +1 (224) 501-3412, código de acceso 169-900-933 a la hora de la reunión indicada anteriormente.

Si planea asistir a la audiencia pública y tiene necesidades especiales, comuníquese con el Departamento de Vivienda al (901) 222-7600 antes de las 4:30 p.m del jueves, 27 de enero de 2022 y trabajaremos para acomodarle. Se recomienda encarecidamente la opinión de los residentes y la participación pública.

El proceso de planificación consolidado para el año fiscal 2020-2024 sirve como marco para un diálogo en toda la comunidad para identificar las prioridades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario que alinean y enfocan el financiamiento de los programas de subvenciones en bloque de fórmula de Planificación y Desarrollo Comunitario (CPD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) y el programa de asociaciones de inversión HOME (HOME). El Plan de acción anual para el año fiscal 2022 establece dentro de este Plan consolidado más amplio (año fiscal 2020-2024) la base para el uso de los fondos de derechos para el período del 1 de julio de 2022 al 30 de junio de 2023. El objetivo principal de esta audiencia es recibir comentarios sobre las necesidades de desarrollo de la comunidad para considerarlas en el Plan de Acción Anual FY 2022. El condado de Shelby anticipa recibir fondos de nivel para el próximo año del programa. El Condado de Shelby espera presentar el Plan anual para el año fiscal 2022 a HUD el 15 de mayo de 2022 o antes, luego de un período de revisión y comentarios de 30 días.

El Departamento de Vivienda del Condado de Shelby también está preparando un Plan de Asignación para utilizar los fondos del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense (ARP, por sus siglas en inglés) de HOME destinados a ayudar a las personas y los hogares que se encuentran sin hogar, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y abordar las necesidades de otras poblaciones vulnerables. SCDH proporcionará una actualización sobre este proceso y recopilará información sobre las necesidades de la comunidad que se pueden abordar con actividades elegibles descritas en el aviso HOME-ARP CPD-21-10 publicado en septiembre de 2021.

La audiencia también proporcionará una actualización sobre las actividades actuales bajo los programas CDBG y HOME, información sobre las oportunidades de contratación de la Sección 3 y proporcionará información sobre otros programas operados por SCDH.

Las personas que deseen comentar sobre el Plan de acción anual (AP4) del año fiscal 2022 o el Plan de asignación de HOME-ARP pueden hacerlo escribiendo a Dana Sjostrom por correo electrónico (dana.sjostrom@shelbycountytn.gov), o comentarios por escrito al Departamento de Vivienda del Condado de Shelby, 1075 Mullins Station Road, Memphis, TN 38134. El Condado de Shelby programará una audiencia pública adicional en abril de 2022 para presentar el borrador del Plan de acción anual para el año fiscal 2022 para recibir comentarios del público antes de enviarlo a HUD. Para obtener información adicional, comuníquese con el Departamento de Vivienda al 901-222-7600 o TTY al 901-222-2300.

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Lee Harris Alcalde

Scott Walkup, Administrador Departamento de Vivienda del Condado de Shelby

Djokovic dice que sigue enfocado en el Open de Australia tras decisión del juez

Djokovic Says He Remains Focused on Australian Open after Visa Reinstatement

Un tribunal australiano ordenó el pasado lunes la liberación del tenista número uno del ranking mundial, el serbio Novak Djokovic, quien se encontraba detenido desde el jueves pasado en un hotel de la ciudad de Melbourne tras la revocación de su visado por no estar vacunado contra la covid-19.

El juez Anthony Kelly, del Tribunal del Circuito Federal de Melbourne, ordenó al Gobierno australiano implementar la orden de liberación en los próximos 30 minutos, entregarle su pasaporte y sus efectos personales y pagar los costos legales de Djokovic, quien podría jugar en el Abierto de Australia.

El abogado gubernamental Christopher Tran le dijo al juez después de la decisión que el Ministro de Inmigración, Ciudadanía, Servicios Migratorios y Asuntos Multiculturales, Alex Hawke, "considerará si ejerce su poder personal de cancelación".

Eso significa que Djokovic podría de nuevo enfrentar deportación y perderse el Abierto de Australia, que inicia el 17 de enero. En redes sociales expresó: "Estoy complacido y agradecido de que el juez revocara la cancelación de mi visa. A pesar de todo lo que ha pasado, me quiero quedar y tratar de competir en el Abierto de Australia".

ENGLISH

The world's top-ranked men's tennis player, Novak Djokovic, expressed gratitude that an Australian judge overturned his visa cancellation last Monday.

Djokovic tweeted a photo of himself standing on a tennis court at Rod Laver Arena in Melbourne saying, in part, "Despite all that has happened, I want to stay and try to compete @AustralianOpen I remain focused on that. I flew here to play at one of the most important events we have in front of the amazing fans."

He also thanked his supporters for encouraging him throughout his ordeal, which began when he arrived in Melbourne last Wednesday as government authorities canceled his visa after deciding he didn't meet the criteria for an exemption to an entry requirement that all non-citizens be fully vaccinated.

Court documents state that the 34-year-old tennis star is not vaccinated. But he appealed the cancellation at the virtual court hearing on Monday, arguing he did not need proof of vaccination because he had evidence that he had been infected with the coronavirus last month.

ESPN Deportes

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Lee Harris Shelby County Mayor

Attest: Scott Walkup, Administrator Department of Housing

New Era at St. Paul Chapel

Drummonds church begins under the leadership of new Pastor Wallace Yates and It's always been my pas- "I was in a gas station one classes away from earning the classes away from earning

By Thomas Sellers Jr. Millington Star

A new era has begun in the sanctuary of St. Paul Chapel Missionary Baptist

Throughout March 2022 the transition of new Pastor Wallace Yates has been underway. Making the trip from Memphis almost daily, Yates has been getting to know his new congregation at 8883 Richardson Landing Road in Drummonds.

After years of study on college campuses and under the guidance of longtime Memphis minister Dr. Frank E. Ray Sr. of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, Yates said he is ready for his new role in his calling.

"It's my first church with me being the senior pastor," he said. "Of course that's a high level of commitment

sion to be in full-time ministry. Everybody is receiving

"Had a couple of problems when I first came in but God is working everything out," Yates acknowledged. "Everybody is receiving me well and I am just excited about being in ministry with everybody being receptive to learn about God.'

Not uncommon to churches, St. Paul had some division and the past minister departed. With uncertainty occurring throughout the pews of the Drummonds place of worship, Yates had a chance meeting that led to him becoming the pastor.

The soon-to-be 46-yearold just wrapped up a counseling session in Tipton County when he ran into a woman contacted by St.

day," he recalled. "A lady and I struck up a conversation. I told her I was in the ministry. We were talking about the Lord, our most sovereign God. I told her that I've been preaching since I was a child. She was like, 'So you're a preacher. You're a minister, I just so happen to know a church in need of a pastor."

Yates gave his information to the woman and the members of the church gave him a chance to preach. That led to them asking for Yates to be the senior minister.

"I was just on highway 51 going into Covington," he said. "Visiting a school mate whose mother recently passed. On the way back from counseling, I just stopped by the store to get something to drink."

That chance meeting has led to his new position and



PHOTOS BY THOMAS SELLERS JR.

This Sunday it will become official, Wallace Yates will become the senior pastor at St. Paul Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Drummonds. After years of working in the ministry at New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Memphis, Yates is ready for his first lead pastor role.

new relationship including longtime St. Paul member "Mama" Tena Alexander. Leader of the Media Ministry at the church, Alexander has been promoting Yates arrival, reaching out to all members past and present and getting the word out about the ceremony to officially make Yates the minister this Sunday at 2 p.m.

"That's what we're on the move toward and on a mission toward," Yates said. "Mama Tena is one of my biggest supporters and I love her with all my heart. She works for the Lord untiring — for the furthering of ministry and to hold up the blood-stained banner of the Lord.

"Those rough patches and a few members left when all the confusion was going on," he continued. "And some of them are coming back. So we're just praying for growth. We want the ministry to go to higher heights every chance I get."

Yates, the father of 25-year-old Walesha Yates, years in the ministry, fatherhood and education he brings to the pulpit of St. Paul.

After earning his high school diploma from a correspondence course, the Orange Mound native went on to get Bachelor's of Science in Bible Studies from Crichton College in Word and just letting

classes away from earning his Master's in Divinity at Union University.

"It's been my passion and I always knew God has a place for me because it's always been my passion to be in full-time ministry," he said. "That's what I was born to do. The way this has happened, I know God had something to do with it. God worked it all out in my favor to where I still will receive it. I am the best man for the job because I take God's word seriously and I don't take it for granted. I know what God can do through me and I know I can trust Him."

Yates said he won't be afraid to teach from the word of the Bible and his personal life experiences.

"If they're asking for insight on something, I can definitely comment on that," he said. "I've come from humble beginnings. I was the typical boy. I got in some trouble like a typical boy, typical young man. I had to learn from my mistakes.

'When God found me in the arena of automatics, I had four flat tires,' Yates explained. "My frame was bent out of shape and my headlights were busted. My transmission was slipping and my motor threw a rod. But God picked up the pieces and made me into the man He would have me to be and that I am right now."

Yates said God took him through the storms to make him beneficial to those around him. He noted that God uses those who have been conditioned to help condition others.

Yates said the new era at St. Paul will be successful in growth and spiritual salvation because things will be locked down through the word of God.

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Millington Central High School will be hosting a community career fair. The MCHS Career Fair not only will provide our students with first-hand knowledge of potential career paths, which can have a tremendous impact on a young person's future, but it also provides exposure for your company/school. MCHS Career Fair is scheduled for April 1 from noon to 2 p.m. at the MCHS Gymnasium. Please RSVP by completing the MCHS Career Fair form by visiting this link https:// forms.gle/vbvmULUEzRwb4M7n6

Craft and Vendor Fair set for Saturday

On March 26 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., the 2022 Craft & Vendor Show will take place at the Baker Community Center located at 7942 Church Street. For more information on the event and the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, call 873-5770.

MEF Trivia Night coming this Saturday

The Millington Education Foundation has resched-

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All money raised goes back to the teachers of Millington Municipal Schools in the form of grants. MEF has given back over \$120,000 in grants to our teachers in Millington Municipal Schools!

E-mail Mark Healy at mark.healy817@gmail.com to reserve a table.

Lightfoot Farms Event

On April 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Spring Celebration at Lightfoot Farms will be held. Local farmers market will feature fresh farm raised meat, produce, eggs, baked goods, artisan cheeses, jams, jellies and more. Charlie Hatcher Tennessee Agriculture Commissioner will be in attendance. The location is 7422 Ward Road in Millington. For more information, visit www. lightfootfarmtn.com

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Young Life Golf Tournament set for May

Mark your calendars for May 13 for the annual Young Life Golf Tournament. The annual golf tournament helps raise funds to take kids to summer camp. This is also an opportunity to bring friends and family to see what God is up to in their communities through Young Life leaders. "We would love for you to come out and spend the day at Glen Eagle Golf Course in Millington with Sponsorship opportunities also available." For more information, email shelby. tipton.yl@gmail.com

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He touted his skills of empathy as an officer and his ability to meet the immediate needs of residents, telling the story of an elderly woman he learned about who lived alone, had fallen on tough times, and lost her power one hot summer. He tapped members of his church, Bartlett Baptist, community resources and the police department to help her get a window air-conditioning unit installed for free, clean up her house, get her finances in order and create a budget so she could pay her bills and not lose her home.

"I think it's vital that we work together in our community to help meet the needs of our citizens," he said.

Hammonds said he will be focused on business development.

"I want to bring in additional businesses that focus on what our residents want, businesses that are great for our families and family entertainment."

He said Bartlett has enjoyed some commercial successes the past year.

"We're about 97 percent full, but there are still some vacancies along Stage Road that have been vacant for years," he said. "I want to work with the Bartlett Chamber and identify new businesses that best meet the needs of our community and then work with the property owners to facilitate the businesses moving into those vacant spaces."

He also mentioned the Union Depot mixed-use development on Highway 70 just north of Stage Road at the former Tennessee Baptist Children's Home property.

The estimated \$162 million development by Keith Grant and partners on 74 acres will bring

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The crowd mingles at Brent Hammonds' reception and fundraiser March 17 at Bartlett Banquet Hall.

Photo by T. Hollahan

about 640 residences comprised of single-family homes, townhouses, apartments, and flats.

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Many residents in the adjacent Kirby Lakes and Briarwood subdivisions oppose the development, saying its density will add a lot more traffic and increase utility demands among other concerns.

"I certainly hear, and I understand the concerns," he said. "And as this project progresses, we can ensure the decisions that are made are what's best for Bartlett."

Hammonds also wants to ensure the school system continues to be a top priority, noting that Bartlett City Schools draws families to the city and has been named one of the Top 10 best places to work among large businesses in the Mid-South for many years.

"I think it's vital to invest not only in our students, but the teachers to support the great work they are doing."

Hammonds said protecting property values will be a priority when decisions are made.

"I am a property owner in Bartlett, my parents are property owners in Bartlett, my inlaws and friends are property

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"I want to do that by listening to the residents and applying changes where it makes sense, and where we can," he continued. "Your feedback is very important to me and will continue to be important to me if I become mayor of Bartlett."

In attendance at the reception and fundraiser were candidates for other positions. They included Jimmy Norman, who is running for Alderman, Position 1 on the Bartlett Board of Mayor and Aldermen, and Dewayne Jackson, a candidate for Shelby County Probate Court Clerk.

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Celebrating National Ag Day March 22, 2022

March 22nd is National Ag Day - a day to celebrate the less than two percent of the population who provide food, fiber and fuel to all of us. Agriculture is no doubt our most important industry and National Ag Day is a chance for us to recognize and show our appreciation for all farmers do.

American agriculture is the foundation of our country. It's the backbone of a healthy and prosperous nation, made possible by the hard work of America's farms and farm families. These individuals have been essential since the very beginning, and just like everyone, the past couple of years have presented many challenges, but thankfully, farmers have continued steadfastly toward ensuring we have food on our tables and clothes on our backs. That's why, this year especially, National Ag Day is celebrated as a chance to honor those who deserve to be praised every day for what they do.

Join the celebration all of "National Ag Week" (March 20-26), but especially Tuesday, March 22nd (National Ag Day) when folks across the country will be celebrating agriculture. Share on social media using #AgDay22, and of course, thank a farmer.

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Germantown community to honor Dr. Sandra Franks



n March 25 at 7:30 p.m., Germantown Presbyterian Church will host a

gala concert in the sanctuary honoring the life and legacy of Dr.Sandra Franks.

For those unable to attend in person, the concert will be livestreamed on GPC's Facebook page here: https://www.facebook.com/GermantownPres.

The National Association of Teachers of Singing's Mid-South Region is sponsoring this concert; at the time of her death last April, Dr. Franks was serving as the Memphis Chapter President. No admission will be charged, but donations will be requested to establish the Sandra Franks Award for an Outstanding High School Singer, which will be given annually at the Mid-South Region Audition finals. You can also donate on the NATS website: (https://www.nats.org/cgi/page. cgi/ article.html/What s New/ Concert will establish the Sandra Franks Award for the Mid-South Region).

Dr. Franks served as a member of the faculty of the University of Memphis Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music and an Adjunct Professor of Voice at Rhodes College. She served professionally as Treasurer and President of the Memphis Chapter of NATS, a presenter at The Voice Foundation's Symposium on the Care of the Professional Voice, and a contributor to the book The Larynx, edited by Robert H. Ossoff.

She maintained a private voice studio where she taught hundreds of students with diverse musical styles throughout the years. During summers she worked with young singers as vocal coach and director in the Opera Memphis Conservatory program.

As a Singing Voice Specialist and Vocal Pedagogue, Dr. Franks specialized in the care of the professional voice. She joined the Voice Team in the office of Jan H. Petri, MD/Voice Care Associates in 1996, assisted several local physicians in

the diagnosis of voice patients, and directed research projects, seminars, and masterclasses throughout the Southeast.

Dr. Franks earned a Bachelor of Music from the University of Mississippi, a Master of Music from Louisiana State University, and a Doctorate of Musical Arts from The University of Mississippi where her concentration was vocal pedagogy. Her beautiful soprano voice was heard regularly throughout the Mid-South area. She performed as a soloist with Opera Memphis, the Oxford Community Chorus, the Memphis Vocal Arts Ensemble, the Rhodes MasterSingers Chorale, Germantown Presbyterian Church, and as a recitalist with the Memphis Chamber Music Society.

For more information about online and onsite worship and programs, check out the Germantown Presbyterian Church website: https://Germantown-Pres.org/.

Franks, 51, succumbed to pancreatic cancer at her home in Cordova on April 12, 2021, with her husband at her bedside and son nearby.

She is survived by husband Paul Woodie Whited III, son Johnathan Carter Whited, mother Betty Jean (Long) Franks of Saltillo, MS, brother John Michael Franks (Johnette Bramlett) of Saltillo, niece Leah Brooke Franks (Bailey Davis and Ella) of Phillip, MS, stepbrother Steve Sprinkle (Beth) of Saltillo, and stepsister Stephanie Gooch (John) of Saltillo. She was preceded in death by her father Junior Dean Franks of Saltillo, grandparents Aaron and Vadis Franks of Mantachie, MS, and Leland and Mabel Long of Saltillo, and stepfather Wayne E. Sprinkle of Saltillo.

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Sandy maintained a private voice studio where she taught hundreds of students with diverse musical styles through the years, some of whom went on to pursue careers in musical performance.

Her singing voice was just one of her amazing talents. She had a way about her that drew people to her. She had a beautiful smile and a warm personality that made people want to be her friend. She was so easy to love, and she made those around her feel like they were the most important people in the world to her.

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She enjoyed traveling with her family, shopping with her niece whom she regarded like a daughter and baseball games with friends. But more than anything she loved her family. They remained her first concern even as her health was failing.

Sandy was suffering and now is at rest. We will so miss all that she has shared with us through the years, but she leaves behind a rich legacy of teachers, singers, young Christians, family, and friends. She was as grateful for you as we are grateful for her.

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Memorials can be made in her memory to the Germantown Presbyterian Church Music Fund

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Sandy was born July 25, 1969, in Tupelo, Mississippi, the eldest child of Junior and Betty Jean Franks. She grew up in Saltillo, Mississippi, and had a passion for singing her whole life. She was in the youth choir and youth ensemble and was always ready to sing solos at church. It was clear to her, even at an early age, that music would

be her life's work.

After graduating with honors from Saltillo High School, she attended The University of Mississippi in Oxford, MS where she earned a Bachelor of Music degree. She continued her education at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA, completing a Master of Music, and then a Doctorate of Musical Arts from The University of Mississippi where her concentration was vocal pedagogy.

Sandy and Woodie met while she was a doctoral student. They both sang at First Presbyterian Church in Oxford, Mississippi, and their first date was lunch at McAlister's one Sunday after church. They had only been dating for a week when Woodie started introducing her to friends as "the girl I'm going to marry." Shortly after she graduated, they

The couple relocated to Memphis where Sandy joined the faculty of The University of Memphis Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music, teaching voice and undergraduate and graduate vocal pedagogy. Afterward, and for the past fourteen years, she has been an Adjunct Professor of Voice at Rhodes College.

As a Singing Voice Specialist and Vocal Pedagogue, Sandy specialized in the care of the professional voice. She joined the Voice Team in the office of Jan H. Petri, M.D. / Voice Care

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Donations Needed for Stephanie Mercer

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Diversified Office Products
3933 Summer Ave.,
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Scott Walkup, Administrator

Shelby County Department of Housing

Town offers Greenbelt update near Frank Road

Town of Collierville

You may have been using the Greenbelt trail this week and saw that we will be closing a couple of the bridges. Hopefully we can answer all your questions about this project and assure you that this is a priority for this area of Town.

What is happening on the Greenbelt Trail behind West Collierville School on Frank Road?

The Town's Public Utilities Division is conducting a Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study (SSES). Our goal with this project is to inspect large, aging concrete pipes in our system to prevent the possibility of a future collapse. The sewer line from Frank and Shelton Road is one of the pipes that needs to be inspected.

Why is this work being done now?

Recently, there was a sewer line collapse on Shelton Road. Crews are start-

to provide mowing services

for 33 locations around Col-

lierville. Multiple amend-

ments to this contract were

used to accommodate the

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ing the work to clean and line to be cleaned and ininspect the concrete sewer line from Frank to Shelton Road, because these pipes are a similar age and size to the recent, collapsed infrastructure. With the nearby schools and homes, the demand for a dependable sewer system in this area is a high priority.

What is the timeline for this project?

This project is expected* to take five weeks:

March 21-25: Setup sewer bypass pumping March 27-April 15: Clean

and inspect the sewer line April 18-22: Break down the bypass pipe, clean up the site, and haul away equipment.

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How will this impact everyone using the Greenbelt trail?

Part of this project includes bypass pumping the

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However, three amend-

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spected. We plan to keep the bypass pipe off the Greenbelt except for two locations, where our contractor cannot go under bridges along the trail.

The first of the two locations where the contractor was unable to go under the bridges is near the north property line of West Collierville Middle School affecting the north bridge access from the school to the ball fields. This bridge will be closed but residents will have alternative access 150 feet south at the south bridge to access the ball fields.

The second affected area is along the Greenbelt trail near Crosswinds Elementary school at Deans Creek Drive. We will keep access along the trail open by using a temporary stair system with guardrails that will allow residents to walk over the bypass pipe.

During the first and last week of the project operasewage for the section of tions will impact the park-

moval of one property.

The new annual contract

with Landscape Workshop

is for \$395,988. The \$22,868

reduction will go toward a

future contract with Dee's

Lawn Service to provide

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AVISO PÚBLICO

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Prior Year Unallocated	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 10,000.0	\$ 110,000.00			
Match	\$ -	\$ 96,768.45	\$ 96,768.45			
Program income	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 25,000.00			
TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$ 1,283,763.00	\$ 551,850.45	\$ 1,835,613.45			
Project Name	CDBG	HOME	TOTAL			
Housing Rehab/Minor Home Repair	\$ 204,010.40	\$ 322,561.50	\$ 526,571.90			
CHDO Set-aside	\$ -	\$ 64,512.30	\$ 64,512.30			
Community Development/						
nfrastructure Projects	\$550,000.00	\$ -	\$ 550,000.00			
Public Service	\$75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00			
Program Delivery	\$210,000.00	\$ -	\$ 210,000.00			
Administration and Planning	\$234,752.60	\$ 43,008.20	\$ 277,760.80			
TOTAL	\$ 1,273,763.00	\$ 430,082.00	\$ 1,703,845.00			

<u>Budget Considerations</u>: At the time of this publication, SCDH had not yet received notice on actual allocations for FY22. The above budget summary represents the anticipated level funding amounts from the prior year. If these anticipated resources differ from actual 2022 Fiscal Year allocations, SCDH proposes adjusting funding for each activity either up or down according to the following order of priority: Priority 1- Housing Rehabilitation and Minor Home Repair; Priority 2 - Community Development Projects responsive to high priority non-housing community development needs; and Priority 3: Public Service Activities. Should adjustments take place, both Administration/Planning and Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) setasides will also be adjusted as needed to account for the shift if Priority 1 is scaled up or down.

Allocation Plan: Shelby County Department of Housing is also preparing an Allocation Plan to utilize HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds intended to assist individuals and households that are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations. SCDH will provide an update on this process and put forth its draft Allocation Plan that was developed in coordination with community input and stakeholder engagement after receiving notice HOME-ARP CPD-21-10 published September 2021. Receiving these funds also necessitates a substantial amendment to our previous FY21 Annual Action Plan (AP3). This public hearing serves as opportunity to solicit feedback from the public as to the content of the Allocation Plan and the AP3 substantial amendment.

The hearing will also provide an update on current activities under the CDBG and HOME Programs, information on Section 3 contracting opportunities, and will provide information on other programs operated by SCDH.

Persons wishing to comment on the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, or the Substantial Amendment to the FY 2021 Annual Action Plan may do so by writing to Dana Sjostrom via email (dana.sjostrom@shelbycountytn.gov), or written comment via mail to Shelby County Department of Housing, 1075 Mullins Station Road, Memphis, TN 38134. For additional information contact the Department of Housing at 901-222-7600 or TTY at 901-222-2300.

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