

# **HOME-ARP Allocation Plan 2022**

## **Submitted to HUD as a Substantial Amendment to the Approved 2021 Annual Action Plan**

**St. Joseph County Housing Consortium**



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## **I. Consultation**

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

The St. Joseph County Housing Consortium (“Consortium”) coordinated stakeholder consultations for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan with a variety of local service providers, many of them members of the Balance of State Regional Planning Council. These meetings were held on August 10 and 31, 2022 with virtual and in-person options available.

The first session began with a presentation of the HOME-ARP opportunity, offered time for information sharing as to need and gaps, discussion on the four funding options, and round table discussion on the issues. A survey was provided to those in attendance and emailed to those attending virtually. The survey responses of the stakeholders can be seen in Appendix B. The second session provided a re-cap but then focused discussion, with an exercise, on the four funding options.

Engaged stakeholders included leadership and homeless service providers of the local planning Council, public housing authority, domestic violence provider, veteran services, public agencies serving Qualifying Populations, and community advocates.

Additionally, a series of stakeholder listening sessions, to hear directly from those with lived experiences, including those recently housed in permanent supportive housing, were held on site at the providers’ locations. Listening sessions were held September 2, 6 and 27, 2022, at Hope Ministries, the Center for the Homeless, and Motels4Now respectively. Another meeting was held January 30, 2023, at the YWCA, to hear from those who have experienced and/or are fleeing domestic violence.

Individual meetings were also held with: the South Bend Human Rights Commission management on February 1, 2023, who indicated based on client issues that TBRA, Non-Congregate Shelter and Supportive Services are critical; and Family Justice Center (FJC) on February 2, 2023, who indicated there is a need for a safe and secure shelter for their clients to stay in for two weeks to 30 days. FJC also indicated there is a need for supportive services and non-profit capacity building.

While not a meeting specific to HOME-ARP, a broader public meeting was held on September 29, 2022, called by the Mayor of South Bend to discuss with the Homeless Implementation Group, the concept/need for a low-barrier shelter and additional PSH/affordable housing.

***List the organizations consulted:***

<b>Agency/Org Consulted</b>	<b>Type of Agency/Org</b>	<b>Qualifying Populations</b>	<b>Method of Consultation</b>	<b>Feedback</b>
<b>Center for the Homeless and Miller Vet Center</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Veterans	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22	As CE Lead they believe there are not enough units (PSH or otherwise) to move people from CE and those that are on list get frustrated at wait times.
<b>Hope Ministries</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Other	In-person Meeting 8/31/22	HOPE noted the danger is in spreading resources too thin. They believe the construction of a small number of units (10-15) many have a more lasting effect.
<b>Veterans Administration</b>	Veterans' Group	Veterans; Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10/22	No feedback provided.
<b>Youth Service Bureau</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Other	In-person Meeting 8/31/22  Survey	YSB stated there is a need to provide shelter for those that are unsheltered which should be done by constructing more affordable rental units. YSB stated there is a strong need for transitional housing for youth and young adults. YSB stated there are supportive services needed for those that are of color or identifying as LGBTQ, as they experience homelessness at significantly greater rates than their peers and the approach to ending youth homelessness is distinctly different from ending adult homelessness.
<b>Housing Authority of South Bend</b>	Public Housing Agency	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/31/22	HASB believes capital spending is important as there is a need for more affordable housing. Additionally, mental health is a huge issue as HASB staff are not qualified to handle those issues so supportive services are key.



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<b>St. Joseph County Department of Health</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations	Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22	SJCHD stated there is a need to create more affordable rental units. They stated it is hard to deliver services when they don't have units to go into. They stated there are not enough spaces for those coming into shelters.
<b>Our Lady of the Road</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Other	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22  Survey	OLR stated it is difficult to transition people out of shelters to permanent housing to open up space in shelters for others.
<b>Oaklawn Psychiatric Center</b>	Public or Private Organization that Addresses the Needs of Persons with Disabilities	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Other	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22  Survey	Oaklawn stated people are falling through the counts making the data incomplete. Oaklawn stated application and related fees for leasing units are high and assistance is needed paying for those.
<b>Michiana 5</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22	M5 stated the lack of affordable housing is absolutely the most important issue facing placement of people.
<b>YWCA</b>	Domestic Violence Service Provider	Fleeing Or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence etc.	In-person Meeting 8/31/22  Survey	The YWCA stated they are at or overcapacity. They stated that there are concerns that their clients would be triggered by low-barrier occupants in a NCS since they come from abusive homes. They stated that loud and aggressive behavior can be very detrimental to the fragile psyche of those served by the YWCA – both women and children will feel they are again in danger.

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<b>Motels4Now</b>	Homeless Service Provider	Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22	M4N stated the need for a building that is tenant-friendly, less restricted, and a low-barrier intake emergency shelter with onsite staff is imperative.
<b>St. Joseph County Regional Planning Council</b>	COC Serving the Jurisdiction's Geographic Area	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; Fleeing DV; Other	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22	SJCRPC supports PSH unit development. They stated vouchers also necessary so working with landlords to create other housing options is critical. RPC sees a need for multiple types of shelters including a low barrier shelter. They recognize the need to address mental health issues. RPC stated supportive services should receive some funding as the bus passes are very effective as well as the Laundry Program.
<b>South Bend Heritage Foundation</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22  Survey	SBHF stated PSH developments are important but so is the Landlord/Tenant relationship and something needs to be done to encourage landlords to take vouchers.
<b>Brightpoint</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations		In-person Meeting 8/10/22	No feedback provided.
<b>Aids Ministries Aids Assist</b>	Public or Private Organization that Addresses the Needs of Persons with Disabilities	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/10 and 8/31/22  Survey	AIDS stressed a need for a NCS and more affordable housing. AIDS stated a good use of the money would be to build an apartment building and allocate units to agencies around the area for use.

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<b>Broadway Christian Parish</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	In-person Meeting 8/31/22  Survey	BCP stated there is a need for a non-congregate shelter as well as affordable rental housing. BCP stated that supportive services should help faith-based communities connect with people in need. BCP stated the resources should be diversified around the City and not limited to one area.
<b>REAL Services</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations	At Risk of Homeless; Other	In-person Meeting 8/31/22  Survey	REAL stated that supportive services and TBRA is extremely important but there is a need to work with landlords and developers to create more affordable housing.
<b>Family Justice Center</b>	Domestic Violence Service Provider	DV/Family Violence/Sexual Assault and Stalking	In-person Meeting 2/2/23	The FJC sees a strong need for a safe and secure shelter that could serve as temporary housing for those clients that are in need of a two week to one month stay somewhere to get back on their feet. There is also a strong need for supportive services and non-profit capacity building, as they believe it is better to build up those services that are already in place, as opposed to creating new ones that will drain more resources on the community.
<b>South Bend Human Rights Commission</b>	Public or Private Organization that Addresses Fair Housing and Civil Rights	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless; DV/Fleeing DV/Sexual Assault/Stalking; Other	In-person Meeting 2/1/23	SBHRC stated there is a need for supportive services, tenant-based rental assistance, and a non-congregate shelter in the area. SBHRC stated that while they deal with all qualified populations, they see a need for assistance of domestic violence survivors, veteran's, and those at-risk of homelessness.

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<b>United Religious Community of St. Joseph County</b>	Public Agency that Addresses the Needs of the Qualifying Populations	Homeless; At Risk of Homeless	Survey	URC stated they believe the biggest need would be for non-profit capacity building as well as TBRA. URC stated there is a need for affordable housing.

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

These consultations were held during, and after, multiple County Council and Commissioner, City Council, BOS Regional Homeless Planning Council, and the Mayor's Implementation Group sessions had all discussed the concept of a low-barrier shelter. This potential project was discussed at length by Mayor Mueller's Homeless Implementation Group, resulting in a consensus that this type of service/facility was needed to be in the broader plan/strategy of services, as an initial point of entry into a continuum of service for those experiencing homelessness. This includes strong support for a low barrier shelter where individuals and families can live while waiting and/or arranging for more permanent housing. With that as a main point of agreement among service providers, more of the meeting discussions centered on the critical issues of affordable and PSH housing units with supportive services. Attendees were asked to participate in an exercise to place their suggestions as to which area resources should be directed. They placed percentage opinions on each of the four qualifying areas with a collective response at approximately 41% for affordable housing, 39% for non-congregate shelter, 15% for supportive services and 6% for TBRA.

These results were echoed by those with lived experiences at Hope Ministries, Hope Avenue, Center for the Homeless, Motels4Now and YWCA, who shared their thoughts in listening sessions. Many of the same issues were mentioned: not enough units available so where do people go until there are more; services prioritizing mental health but also including transportation, employment, childcare, technology, education, life skills and general health. It was noted that the mental health issue affects even those without any issues as it is hard to work on your issues when others around you are not capable of understanding even the basics of life skills, cause issues for others, and can create an unwelcome environment. Many of the lived experiences interviews also noted that safety in the shelters was a major factor. The interviews conducted at the YWCA also noted that there is a big need for affordable housing and shelters that can take adults with children.

The issue of not enough affordable housing options being available was another significant point. More funding for one-bedroom units, as well as the need for larger units to accommodate people with multiple children. It was noted that when mothers with multiple children have a hard time finding housing with adequate space, people stay longer in a shelter because there is nowhere to go.

Additionally, even those who had received a Section 8 voucher, noted having issues finding housing. Plus, once found, security deposit and utility assistance was a significant need. Current TBRA and re-HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

housing services in place were noted as having challenges in placing families mainly due to not enough units being available. Discussion also included the challenge of landlords unwillingness to participate with a voucher program, and/or lease to the subject populations.

## **II. Public Participation**

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

- *Date(s) of public notice: 2/8/2023; 5/15/2023*
- *Public comment period: 2/9/2023 – 3/13/2023; 5/15/2023 – 6/13/2023*
- *Date(s) of public hearing: 2/23/2023, 2/24/2023; 6/7/2023*

*Describe the public participation process:*

In addition to the homeless service provider consultations the PJ conducted, lived-experience interviews were held at five local organizations to gain insight into the homeless services provided in Saint Joseph County and what services are needed. Those interviews were conducted on September 2, September 6, September 27, 2022, January 18, and January 30, 2023. Those interviews were conducted in-person at the respective facilities to ensure there were no hardships or limitations with the participation process and to accommodate any persons with disabilities or lack of transportation.

Prior to posting the draft Allocation Plan, a survey was developed to solicit public comment electronically. Notice that the Allocation Plan was available for public comment was posted in the local newspaper, the South Bend Tribune, as well as an online Spanish newspaper, El Puente. The notice detailed how public comments could be made and provided information on how to request a reasonable accommodation and translation services. The Allocation Plan was disseminated to and made available for the entire public comment period with a notice on how to submit public comments to the following local libraries: New Carlisle Public Library, Walkerton Public Library, the following St. Joseph County Public Libraries: Main, Lakeville, Centre, Francis, German, LaSalle, North Liberty, River Park, Tutt, and Western, and the following Mishawaka Public Libraries: Mishawaka, Bittersweet, and Harris. The electronic survey and a link to the draft Allocation Plan was made available on the City of South Bend's website and the St. Joseph County Facebook page. The draft Allocation Plan was also made available at the office of the Mishawaka Planning and Community Development Department.

There were four public hearings held, on February 23, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the County-City Building in South Bend, and on February 24, 2023, at 2:00 PM at City Hall in Mishawaka. Both public hearings had options for calling in and attending virtually. Two additional public hearings were held after HUD's review of the HOME-ARP plan on June 7, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the County-City Building in South Bend, and on June 7, 2023, at 2:30 PM at City Hall in Mishawaka.

*Describe efforts to broaden public participation:*

In addition to the public hearings and comment period, the draft plan was posted on the city's website and a link to the plan was posted on the City's Facebook page and Twitter. An on-line public survey was provided to invite public comment. An option to mail in comments was also provided for those without internet access. The draft Allocation Plan was posted at the Mishawaka Planning and Community Development office and posted on the St. Joseph County's Facebook page. Virtual and in-person public

hearings were offered to the public at different time during the day on four separate days to accommodate those with different work schedules. The public notice noted that persons with Limited English Proficient (LEP) and persons with disabilities could contact the City for accommodations attending the public hearings or submitting comments.

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

One person was in attendance at the South Bend hearing on February 23, 2023, and there were no attendees at the Mishawaka hearing. There were no attendees at the June 7, 2023, public hearings. The individual attending the South Bend hearing thanked staff for the work, and noted the draft spoke to the issues at hand and what was discussed in the consultations. There were three comments received during both the public participation process via the online survey. The comments received provided suggestions that were in line with what the PJ had listed in the allocation plan. The comments in their entirety are attached in Appendix C.

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

No comments or recommendations were provided in the hearings however there were three online surveys received during the public participation period. Those comments suggest low barrier shelters, assistance to those families and individuals that have been displaced due to the pandemic and increasing affordable housing inventory.

All comments were accepted as they were all appropriate and in support of the PJ's plan for eligible activities with the HOME-ARP funds.

### III. Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

**Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table**

Point in Time Counts								
St. Joseph County, Indiana PIT Counts								
		Sheltered		Unsheltered		Total		WA*
Year	Date	# households	# Individuals	# households	# Individuals	# households	# Individuals	Bed Stays
2015	1/28/2015	383	521	12	12	395	533	
2016	1/27/2016	336	457	11	11	347	468	43
2017	1/25/2017	325	429	23	23	348	452	57
2018	1/24/2018	362	451	1	1	363	452	58
2019	1/23/2019	325	413	14	15	339	428	84
2020	1/22/2020	411	516	19	21	430	537	109
2021	1/27/2021	243	291	0	0	243	291	41
2022	1/26/2022	262	326	33	36	295	362	36
Average:		366.00	480.79	24.00	25.07	390.00	505.86	

\*WA – Weather Amnesty

**2016** – Salvation Army Rehab center closed the summer before

**2018** – Unsheltered count did not happen due to an assault incident at a service provider location

**2021** – Motels4Now (M4N) opened; unsheltered count didn't happen due to Covid

The years of PIT counts do not reflect the complete issue in St. Joseph County. The fact that weather amnesty persons are counted as sheltered results in a data picture that does not match the reality the community has and continues to face. The community has worked diligently in recent years to address the continuing issue of chronic street homelessness. While the majority of service providers, and all of the shelters are located in South Bend, it is recognized this is a County wide issue. Additionally, as noted above there were issues with the count in certain years.

The Balance of State Regional Planning Council agencies participate in the Coordinated Entry (CE) process and work with CE staff as to maintaining the CE list. The January 2023 list denotes 371 persons encountered who were homeless in the last year. Of the 371 persons on the list, 183 or 49 percent were contacted within the last 90 days. Of the 183, 74 or 40 percent, self-reported being homeless for at least two years. Of the 183, there were 15 families with a total of 34 children.

South Bend is the largest city in the St. Joseph County area and has been the prime if not the only, location for both service providers, shelters, and the majority of street homeless and encampments. Historically, emergency shelters located in South Bend have been at capacity, leaving the most disabled and vulnerable to sleep on the streets during the summer months and to only secure overnight shelter during the winter cold. Further, it is agreed that emergency shelter is not a long- term solution. For many



years prior to 2016, a volunteer-based Project Warm had managed a smaller weather amnesty service, along with a few agencies providing a small number of beds as they could. As the chronically homeless population grew, the service was no longer adequate and a more “permanent” location/service was needed. Between 2016 and 2019 weather amnesty services continued at two locations, both funded and facilitated by the City of South Bend. This included the donating of funds to Hope Ministries in 2016, to purchase a building for one weather amnesty location, while also partnering with the Center for the Homeless who offered a second, smaller location for the October through March months.

The emergence of encampment scenarios, and in 2020, COVID-19, highlighted an immediate additional need for shelters. At the time, approximately one hundred displaced people set up tents around downtown South Bend. Additionally, while weather amnesty services ended in the early Spring, the Spring of 2020 saw unprecedented challenges with the coronavirus outbreak. It was clear there was a greater need to address the safety of the homeless and the community. This is the point at which the Motels4Now (M4N) service came into existence. It has now been in operation for more than two years, augmenting weather amnesty and providing temporary shelter for the most vulnerable of populations. The M4N nightly census is approximately 115 persons. M4N provides statistics indicating 79% of the people who have come to M4N self-report as being unhoused for over a year, with 1 in 10 unhoused for over a decade.

Also in 2020, the Mueller administration convened the Mayor’s Homeless Implementation group, to analyze the homeless issue locally and to create policy recommendations for solutions. Having evaluated assets and resource gaps for chronic homelessness policy in South Bend, the recommendations continued with support for the coordinated "Housing First" approach, laying the foundation to permanently house all chronically homeless individuals. This strategy requires two components that build on existing South Bend service infrastructure: an “intake center” to provide a single, coordinated point of entry into the homeless care systems, and additional units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) assigned to individuals according to vulnerability and severity of need.

The Implementation Group included BOS Regional Homeless Planning Council service providers, elected officials, city and county staff, business leaders, community leaders, advocates, and academic institutions. The Mueller Implementation Group called for a local community plan with longer-term solutions: one of which is a permanent low-barrier intake center, and another is affordable housing with wrap around services. Specific related recommendations were:

- Continue operations at Weather Amnesty
- Make available cold weather shelter locations
- Extend current Motel4Now Program
- Work to utilize vacant buildings to house individuals (i.e., schools and churches)
- Develop a low barrier resource center with partners
- Locate parcels for bridge housing units or affordable housing community with wraparound services
- Expand PSH units, developers, and funding sources in the city

The two components, the low barrier shelter and more PSH units, have been the primary basis of county wide discussion and efforts within the last few years. While there have been other on-going programs and services, there is acknowledgement that a low barrier shelter and PSH/affordable units go hand in hand. The total shelter bed capacity remains below demonstrated need. It is recognized this can create reverse incentive for individuals to self-harm, use alcohol or drugs, or commit crimes for purposes of accessing shelter. A low barrier shelter would serve as the single-entry point into the system of care, linking chronically homeless individuals with shelter, case management, and appropriate community services. The shelter will function as a no-demand shelter for clients prior to their transition to permanent housing. The goal of the shelter is to move clients into appropriate permanent housing as quickly as possible, as determined by case managers and their clients. If housing is not immediately available, clients will be allowed to remain in the shelter until housing becomes available.

While still operating, the M4N site is located in what is recognized as a temporary and less than ideal location in a hotel building with significant challenges and tenuous funding support set to expire in the next few months. Having said that, M4N reports service to 538 people since the inception date of November 2020. Since the 2020/2021 weather amnesty season to date, the two weather amnesty sites have a collective average nightly census of 40 which includes men, women, and children. In addition to the challenges of the current M4N location, one of the weather amnesty sites will no longer be available beginning with the 2023/24 season. While there is one location that will serve as many as 50 men, 10 women and 2 families, this only becomes viable if a low barrier shelter is operating.

The Housing First strategy requires the active development of additional PSH and affordable housing units so there are units to place those from shelter. To that end, the commitment of the community to Housing First and the priority of PSH (permanent supportive housing) has been successful and continues. Oaklawn as the community mental health center, local hospitals, EMS, and service providers, all have been part of the efforts to develop, build, and meet the stated goal of additional PSH units. The Consortium has continued its efforts supporting Housing First since its initial 2016 support of a FUSE (Frequent Users of System Engagement) 32 unit PSH development project, by prioritizing PSH as an annual HOME funding activity. This action has supported the development of the FUSE Oliver Apartments as well as the 22 unit Hope Avenue Apartments that opened in 2022. Additionally, a third 20 unit scattered site PSH project is being implemented with funding committed, and a fourth project of 54 affordable units includes 13 PSH units approved January 26, 2023, for Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) tax credit support. A fifth PSH project will be developed as an outcome of the fifth successful application to the Corporation for Supportive Housing 2023 Institute, that begins in February 2023.

The need for more quality affordable housing is recognized and has been a strategic effort by the City and its partners. In 2022, the City of South Bend contracted with the Rice University Kinder Institute for Urban Research for a report on the City's existing housing market including issues of housing affordability. The following excerpts and renter Affordability Map, shown on page 16, from Kinder's final Housing South Bend report speak directly to the issue of affordable housing challenge.

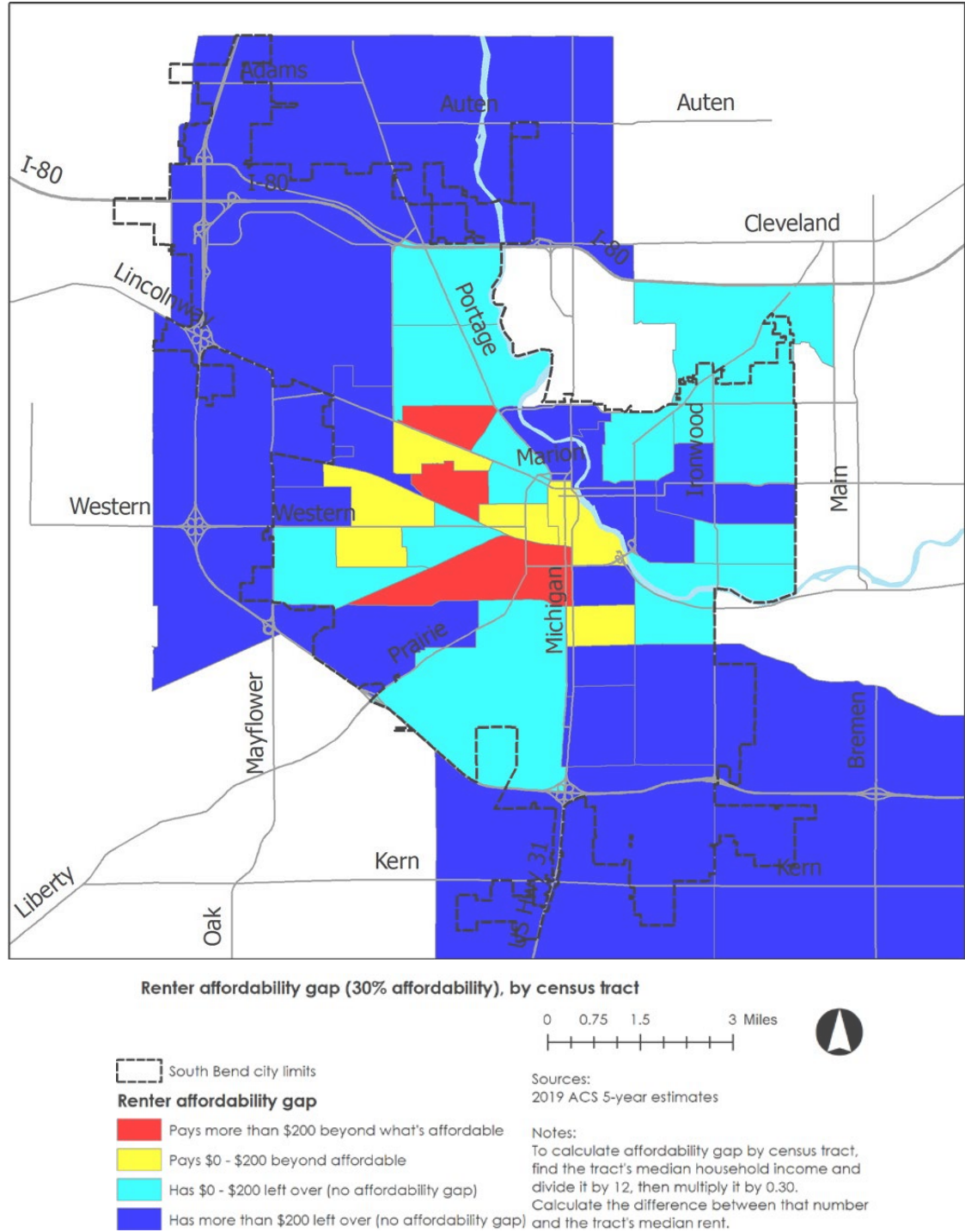
- (1) In about one quarter of South Bend census tracts (10 of 43), rent exceeds 30% of the tract's monthly MHI. These tracts are geographically concentrated south and west of downtown. Households on the lowest end of the income spectrum are the most squeezed.
- (2) The households in the lowest income bracket, earning less than \$15,000, represent about 18% of South Bend's households, but only about 11% of the city's housing stock is affordable to these earners. Because of the undersupply of affordable housing for lower earners, households earning less than \$15,000 must compete for housing with higher-earning households or face becoming unhoused.
- (3) There is a strong demand for affordable housing across all areas studied, not only in less wealthy neighborhoods. Across all geographies, lower-income households are projected to be about half of the total potential demand for housing. All geographies have a higher absorption rate for rental properties, which signifies an undersupply of high-quality affordable rental properties across South Bend.
- (4) The city's neediest residents need quality housing. There are four census tracts within South Bend—mostly covering downtown and the areas to its west—where the median household income is less than \$20,000. (In 2021, the federal definition of living in poverty for a family of four was an income of \$26,500 or less). Residents are housing cost-burdened. While neither researchers nor the city possesses detailed and reliable parcel-by-parcel building quality surveys, these same areas also have extensive vacancy, suggesting blight and lower-quality structures in which residents live. These two phenomena jointly suggest the need for quality, affordable housing. Citywide, there is evidence that the poorest residents are those which face the largest under-supply of housing.

There is a need for a broader range of affordable and quality housing units, as well as more subsidy for the high cost of getting into a unit.(See Appendix A CHAS Data 2015-2019). The aging housing stock is in need of repair, households are rent burdened without many choices which can result in substandard housing being their only option. Often even if housing is available, the cost to lease and pay upfront security deposits is not attainable. To that end, the City of South Bend and the South Bend Redevelopment Commission have and continue to work to leverage through financial support, a number of developments to include affordable units: the rehab of 48 or 40% low/mod existing units in a project known as Marmain Apartments, as well as Miami Hills development with 160 units. Additionally, the January 2023 IHCD award of two tax credit projects: Diamond View with 120 units, 60 of which are affordable, and SB Thrive, a 54 unit development of which 13 are PSH; and Monreaux Place, another IHCD award for 60 units, of which 46 will be affordable are all supported by the city.

Additionally, in the past years, the City has supported the duplex and quadplex developments with CDBG and HOME funding, adding another rental option. Administrative support is also being provided to the Housing Authority of South Bend to assist with the processing of the Housing Choice Vouchers, and their committed homeless vouchers. There has been a concerted effort to reach out to private

landlords to encourage participation in the voucher program. One of the issues most often voiced by landlords is that the individuals to be placed have issues needing support. The PIT Count demographics indicate One Hundred Fifty Five (155) with a substance abuse disorder: 12 in emergency shelter, 11 in transitional shelter and 22 unsheltered.

**Renter Affordability Gap by Census Tract Map**  
*Provided by Rice University Kinder Institute for Urban Research*



The Housing Authority of South Bend's waiting list for public housing and the Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) shown below, support a need for more affordable housing. Both lists indicate the vast majority of requests/need is for 1-bedroom units with 68.82% for public housing and 47.74% for HCV. Additionally, the highest percentage of requests is from households at <30% AMI at 83.30% as indicated on the HCV list.

**The following HASB waiting lists detail supports the need for more affordable rental units.**

<u>Housing Needs of Families on the <b>Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List</b></u>		
<u>Waiting List Type: Section 8 tenant-based assistance (2022 Waiting List)</u>		
	<u># of Families</u>	<u>% of total Families</u>
<b><u>Waiting List Total</u></b>	5095	100%
Average Number of People in the Family	2.28	
Average Family Income	\$11,884	
Average Age	32.26	
Extremely Low Income (<=30% AMI)	4244	83.30%
Very Low Income (>30% but <50% AMI)	633	12.42%
Low Income (>50% but <80% AMI)	181	3.55%
Over Income (>80% AMI)	37	0.73%
Male	926	18.17%
Female	4169	81.83%
Families with children	2923	57.4%
Elderly Families	147	2.89%
Families with Disabilities	756	14.84%
Race/Ethnicity African American	4438	87.11%
Race/Ethnicity White	604	11.85%
Race/Ethnicity American Indian	82	1.61%
Race/Ethnicity Hispanic	230	4.51%
Race/Ethnicity Asian	30	.39%
Race/Ethnicity Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	14	.27%
Race/Ethnicity None Listed	0	0%
<b><u>Characteristics by Bedroom Size</u></b>		
No BR Selected	0	0%
<b>1 BR</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>47.74%</b>
2 BR	1454	27.55%
3 BR	874	17.71%
4 BR	231	5.23%
5 BR	33	.69%
6+ BR	3	.08%

<u>Housing Needs of Families on the Public Housing Waiting List</u>		
<u>Waiting List Type: Public Housing (2021/22 Waiting List)</u>		
	<u># of Families</u>	<u>% of total Families</u>
<b><u>Waiting List Total</u></b>	1392	100%
Extremely Low Income (<=30% AMI)	N/A	N/A
Very Low Income (>30% but <50% AMI)	N/A	N/A
Low Income (>50% but <80% AMI)	N/A	N/A
Over Income (>80% AMI)	N/A	N/A
Families with children	644	46.27%
Elderly Families	301	21%
Families with Disabilities	309	22%
Race/Ethnicity African American	1044	75%
Race/Ethnicity White	321	23%
Race/Ethnicity American Indian	12	0.86%
Race/Ethnicity Hispanic	56	0.40%
Race/Ethnicity Asian	2	.0%
Race/Ethnicity Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	9	.0%
Race/Ethnicity None Listed	1	.0%
<b><u>Characteristics by Bedroom Size</u></b>		
No BR Selected	0	0%
<b><u>1 BR</u></b>	<b>958</b>	<b>68.82%</b>
2 BR	358	25.71%
3 BR	47	3.55%
4 BR	24	1.72%
5 BR	1	.0%
<b><u>6+ BR</u></b>	4	.0%

In addition to affordable housing, mainstream services were identified as a crucial element to the housing and service delivery system. Supportive services noted in all discussions included a broad range of services: programs that provide food support, mental health and medical health connections and assistance after discharge, job training, life skills, child-care, employment readiness, transportation, conducting outreach, providing referrals, assisting with benefit applications for entitlement programs and housing, in addition to working with landlords, and providing innovative programs such as Wash Wednesdays, a program that allows homeless persons to wash their clothes for free every other Wednesday at a laundromat, in South Bend and more.

Two primary areas for additional services were noted for Housing Location/Landlord Engagement and in Housing Tenancy Supports. A Housing Location/Landlord Engagement must be directly tied to facilitating leasing opportunities to people exiting homelessness and connected with rental assistance/voucher programs from the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV), Housing Authority of South Bend (HASB), or other CoC PSH and RRH programs. The ability to make this process smoother, faster, and encourage landlords is essential to getting people out of shelters when a resource exists.

The Coordinated Entry (CE) process has worked to identify the most vulnerable clients and move people into more permanent housing. This process matches those with housing best meeting their needs, including rapid re-housing and permanent housing. Case management is an important aspect of this service as agencies work with clients. Case management is necessary to assist with the path and process for developing a plan for housing and following through with that plan. The application process, finding resources, appointments, and follow-up can all be a challenge to those homeless and at risk of homelessness. A significant number of homeless have a mental health and/or substance abuse issue. Consistent case management and service delivery are essential for these individuals and often make a difference in their success in placements and maintaining housing. Recovery coaches have been critical in the M4N program, and with the PSH developments recently opened.

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

***Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

The 2022 PIT Count, identified 367 households experiencing homelessness. Of these, 40 were households with at least one adult and one child, and 327 were households without children. Of the 40 households or 135 persons with children, 94 were under the age of 18, 6 between 18-24, and 35 over the age of 24. The majority of these persons were female, and Non-Hispanic with 45 white, 71 black and 18 of multiple races. Of the 135 persons, 86 were in emergency shelter and 49 in transitional shelter.

The 327 households without children had 236 in emergency shelter, 58 in transitional shelter and 33 unsheltered. The majority of these households were male at 231, female at 97, 1 transgender, and 2 a gender other than singularly female or male. Non-Hispanic were 313 with Hispanic at 16; 194 were White; 115 Black, African American or African; 2 Asian or Asian American; 7 American Indian or Alaska Native or Indigenous; 1 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander and 9 Multiple Races.

The Balance of State Regional Planning Council agencies participate in the Coordinated Entry (CE) process and work with CE staff as to maintaining the CE list. The January 2023 list denotes 371 persons encountered who were homeless in the last year. Of the 371 persons on the list, 183 or 49 percent were contacted within the last 90 days with 78 or 44 percent, self-reported being homeless for at least two years. There were 15 families with a total of 34 children, the balance of 149 being adults. The below graph shows the racial demographics for the 183 persons.

<b>Demographics of Coordinated Entry List (Contacted within past 90 days)</b>		
<b>Race</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>
<b>Black or African American</b>	91	50%
<b>White</b>	80	44%
<b>Two or More Races</b>	6	3%
<b>Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, or Alaska Native</b>	2	1%
<b>Asian</b>	2	1%
<b>Other</b>	1	.5%
<b>Refused to Provide</b>	1	.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100%</b>

The PIT counts spanning several years fall short of representing the full extent of homelessness in St. Joseph County. Including weather amnesty individuals among those categorized as sheltered distorts the accuracy of data, and fails to capture the actual situation faced by the community. There have been concerted efforts in recent times to tackle the persistent problem of chronic street homelessness, although most service providers and shelters are based in South Bend, it is acknowledged that this is a county-wide issue. Moreover, as previously mentioned, there were certain years when the count faced challenges.

Per the January 26, 2022 PIT Count there were:

Twenty Two (22) unaccompanied youth: 13 in emergency shelter of which 10 were male and 3 female. All but 2 were 18-24 years of age. 1 Hispanic, 4 White, 8 black, and 1 of multiple races. Nine (9) were in transitional housing: 3 male, 3 female, 1 transgender, and 1 other than singularly female or male; 6 white, 1 black and 2 of multiple races.

One Hundred Fifty One (151) with a serious mental illness: 104 in emergency shelter, 29 in transitional shelter and 8 unsheltered.

One Hundred Fifty Five (155) with a substance abuse disorder: 12 in emergency shelter, 11 in transitional shelter and 22 unsheltered.

Eight (8) Adults with HIV/AIDS: 4 sheltered and 4 unsheltered.

Forty Five (45) Adult survivors of Domestic Violence: 37 sheltered and 8 unsheltered.

#### ***At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

The Housing Authority of South Bend's waiting list for public housing and the Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) previously shown, support a need for more affordable housing. Both lists indicate the vast majority of requests/need is for 1 bedroom units with 68.82% for public housing and 47.74% for HCV. Additionally, the highest percentage of requests is from households at <30% AMI at 83.30% as indicated on the HCV list. The Housing Authority of South Bend waiting list for Section 8 Tenant Based assistance denotes the needs of families in terms of income and race. The greatest need indicated is from those families at incomes <30% AMI with 83% of the 5,095 families or 4,244 in that situation. Of the 5,095 families, 87.11% are African American, 11.85% White, 4.51% Hispanic, and 14.84% families with disabilities.

The Public Housing Waitlist of the Housing Authority of South Bend indicates a total of 1,392 families with 46.27% of those with children. Elderly families make up 21% and Families with disabilities are at 22%. A total of 75% of the 1,392 families denote their race as African American and 23% as White.

The graph, shown on page 16, from the Eviction Lab, graphically details the continual increase of evictions since COVID. The total number of eviction filings from January 2021-September 30, 2021 was 1,140.



Renters in St. Joseph County experience housing problems which demand more affordable housing in the county. 43% of renters in St. Joseph County have at least 1 of the 4 housing problems. 25% have at least 1 of 4 severe housing problems.

20% of renters are cost burden (paying more than 30% but less than 50% on housing costs). Another 21% of renters are severely cost burdened (paying more than 50% of income on housing costs).

44% of households below 30% AMI have at least one housing problem. Another 34% between 30% and 50% AMI experience at least one housing problem, which means housing problems are disproportionately affecting lower income renter households.

The largest proportion of cost burdened households are extremely low income households with 30% AMI and below making up 46% of those experiencing cost burden and 74% of those experiencing severe cost burden.

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

The YWCA North Central Indiana (YWCANCIN) is the provider of HUD priority demographic of women (~97%) and children fleeing domestic violence and 3% men affected by intimate partner violence. Per the YWCANCIN, of the 676 clients served, it should be noted that 516 were female, 157 male and 3 of multiple genders. The majority of the 676 clients were White at 346, with 244 Black/African American. Other is listed as 10 American Indian, 4 Asian, 61 Multi-racial, 1 Native Hawaiian, and 10 Not Listed. The 2022 PIT Count indicates 45 households as adult survivors of domestic violence. Per the Family Justice Center, on average, they deal with 280 high risk cases of domestic per year, however, due to COVID, that number jumped to 343 cases in 2021. FJC assisted 8 clients with rental assistance, 8 clients with utility assistance, all female, and provided 39 nights of hotel stays between April 2022 and January 2023, for those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, again all female. There are approximately 1,000 persons fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking per year that need assistance, both housing and supportive services. Using the PIT Count, there are 45 households in the HOME-ARP Qualifying Population 3 that are experiencing homelessness. The YWCA noted that not all domestic violence survivors reach out for assistance so the number may be greater than what has been recorded. The demographics breakdown of approximately 51% of those fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking are White, 36% are Black/African American, 1.5% are American Indian, .5% are Asian, 9% are Multi-Racial, .1% are Native Hawaiian, and 1.5% did not provide an answer. The majority of those fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking are Female at 76%, slightly lower than the national average. Another 22% are male, and the remaining 2% identify as more than one gender.

The majority of available statistics about human trafficking are state level data. In the first and only state-issued report on human trafficking, in 2016, the Indiana Attorney General's office shared that the U.S.

Department of Justice believed that the Indianapolis area was at high risk for human trafficking. The AG's office indicated that all of Indiana, a state with a number of intersecting national highways, represented the "crossroads of America."

In 2016, the National Human Trafficking Hotline (NHTH) logged 314 contacts (through telephone, texts, online chats, emails and webforms) in Indiana concerning human trafficking. Of those, 19 contacts were from victims or survivors of human trafficking. From among the total contacts, 85 cases of human trafficking were reported.

Only four years later, in 2020, the number of NHTH contacts had increased by more than 60% in Indiana. NHTH logged over 514 contacts concerning human trafficking. Of those, the percent of contacts from victims or survivors of trafficking was up almost 800% (with 170 contacts from victims or survivors). The number of actual reported cases logged at NHTH had increased over the four-year period by 65% (with 140 cases of human trafficking reported in 2020).

Of the 140 Indiana cases reported in 2020, 83% involved sex trafficking. Forty-one of the cases involved minors. By gender, 115 of the cases involved female victims or survivors, while 22 involved male victims or survivors.

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

The need for more affordable housing is supported by the waiting lists for public housing and Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) maintained by the Housing Authority of South Bend. The majority of requests on both lists are for 1 bedroom units, with 68.82% for public housing and 47.74% for HCV. Moreover, the highest percentage of requests comes from households with incomes below 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI), which accounts for 83.30% of requests on the HCV list.

The waiting list for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance maintained by the Housing Authority of South Bend provides further insight into the needs of families in terms of income and race. The list shows the greatest need among families with incomes below 30% AMI, which represents 83% of the 5,095 families or 4,244 in that situation. Of these families, 87.11% are African American, 11.85% are White, and 4.51% are Hispanic. Additionally, 14.84% of families on the list have disabilities.

The Public Housing Waitlist of the Housing Authority of South Bend indicates a total of 1,392 families, with 46.27% of those having children. Elderly families make up 21% and families with disabilities are at 22%. A total of 75% of the 1,392 families identify as African American and 23% as White. Charts showing Housing Authority waiting lists can be seen on pages 17 and 18.

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

While the community has a myriad of resources available, they are not meeting the demand due to the expanding population needing services. Some of those are listed below.

Congregate and Non-congregate Shelters: Center for the Homeless, Youth Service Bureau, YWCA, Aids Ministries, Motels4Now, Miller's Vet Center

Supportive Services: Oaklawn

PSH and Affordable Housing: Center for the Homeless PSH Leasing program; PSH Units and/or Developments of Hope Avenue, Oliver Apartments, SB Resi – scattered site new construction, SB Thrive, and Gemini Apartments; Affordable Housing: Cedar Glen, Marmain Apartments, Housing Authorities of South Bend and Mishawaka, Veterans Administration; YWCA, Aids Ministries, YSB, CFTH and YWCA Rapid Re-housing.

TBRA-Oaklawn Psychiatric Center

***Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:***

***Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

According to stakeholders, a non-congregate low barrier shelter, more affordable housing units, and supportive services are needed. A low/no barrier shelter is a necessary element to the continuum of service available in the area. This type of shelter can provide stability and healing for people who experience homelessness. As needed affordable units are built and become available, the need for safe, decent shelter with services to help manage and stabilize health issues, finances and ready/apply for housing is critical. Further, case management and wrap around supportive services are continued to be required as soon as individuals and families are placed in housing. There is recognition community wide that the need for affordable housing units is critical, including both – PSH and other.

The Balance of State Regional Planning Council agencies collaborate with the Coordinated Entry (CE) process and work together with CE staff to maintain the CE list. As of January 2023, the list included 371 individuals who had been homeless within the past year. Out of the 371 people, 183 (49%) were contacted within the last 90 days. Among the 183 individuals, 74 (40%) self-reported being homeless for at least two years, and 15 families with a total of 34 children were identified.

South Bend, the largest city in St. Joseph County, has been the primary location for service providers, shelters, and the majority of street homeless and encampments. However, emergency shelters in South Bend have historically been at full capacity, leaving the most vulnerable to sleep on the streets during the summer months and only providing overnight shelter during the winter cold. It is widely acknowledged that emergency shelter is not a long-term solution. Prior to 2016, a volunteer-based Project Warm provided a small weather amnesty service, along with a few agencies offering a limited

number of beds. However, as the chronically homeless population grew, the service became insufficient and a more permanent solution was needed. Between 2016 and 2019, the City of South Bend funded and facilitated weather amnesty services at two locations. Hope Ministries received funds in 2016 to purchase a building for one location, and the Center for the Homeless provided a smaller location for the October through March months.

The appearance of encampment situations, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, highlighted an immediate and pressing need for more shelter. At the time, around one hundred displaced individuals set up tents in and around downtown South Bend. Moreover, while weather amnesty services concluded in early Spring, the Spring of 2020 saw unparalleled challenges due to the coronavirus outbreak. It was evident that there was a greater necessity to address the safety of the homeless population and the community at large. This is when the Motels4Now (M4N) service was established, which has now been in operation for more than two years. It supplements weather amnesty and provides temporary shelter for the most vulnerable of populations. The M4N nightly census is approximately 115, and statistics provided by M4N indicate that 79% of the people who have come to M4N report being homeless for over a year, with 1 in 10 being unhoused for over a decade.

In 2020, the Mueller administration formed the Mayor's Homeless Implementation group to examine the homeless problem in the local area and develop policy recommendations for solutions. After assessing the assets and resource gaps for addressing chronic homelessness in South Bend, the group recommended supporting the coordinated "Housing First" approach, which aims to permanently house all individuals experiencing chronic homelessness. This approach consists of two components that build upon the existing South Bend service infrastructure: an "intake center" to provide a unified, coordinated point of entry into homeless care systems and additional units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) allocated to individuals based on their level of vulnerability and severity of need.

The Implementation Group consisted of service providers from BOS Regional Homeless Planning Council, elected officials, city and county staff, business leaders, community leaders, advocates, and academic institutions. The group created a plan for the community with long-term solutions, including a permanent low-barrier intake center and affordable housing with wrap-around services. The Mueller Implementation Group made specific recommendations related to these solutions, which are:

- Continue operations at Weather Amnesty
- Make available cold weather shelter locations
- Extend current Motel4Now Program
- Work to utilize vacant buildings to house individuals (i.e., schools and churches)
- Develop a low barrier resource center with partners
- Locate parcels for bridge housing units or affordable housing community with wraparound services
- Expand PSH units, developers, and funding sources in the city

The focus of county-wide discussion and efforts in recent years has been on the two main components: a low barrier shelter and more units of permanent supportive housing (PSH). While there have been

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ongoing programs and services, it is recognized that a low barrier shelter and PSH/affordable units are interdependent. The current capacity of shelter beds falls short of the demonstrated need, which can lead to a reverse incentive for individuals to engage in self-harm, substance use, or criminal activities in order to access shelter. A low barrier shelter would serve as a single-entry point into the system of care, connecting chronically homeless individuals with shelter, case management, and appropriate community services. The shelter would function as a no-demand shelter for clients before their transition to permanent housing, with the ultimate goal of quickly moving clients into suitable permanent housing, as determined by case managers and clients. If housing is not immediately available, clients would be allowed to stay in the shelter until housing becomes available.

The M4N service is still in operation, but its current location is temporary and suboptimal. It is housed in a hotel building with precarious funding that is expected to end in a few months. Despite these challenges, M4N has served 538 individuals since its launch in November 2020. During the 2020/2021 weather amnesty season, the two sites had an average nightly census of 40 people, including men, women, and children. Furthermore, one of the weather amnesty sites will no longer be available starting in the 2023/24 season. Although there is one location that can accommodate up to 50 men, 10 women, and 2 families, this will only be feasible if a low barrier shelter is established.

The implementation of the Housing First approach requires the creation of more PSH and affordable housing units in order to house individuals transitioning from shelters. The community has committed to this goal and has been successful in prioritizing PSH. Local organizations such as Oaklawn, hospitals, EMS, and service providers have all played a role in developing and building additional PSH units. The Consortium has also been involved in supporting Housing First, prioritizing PSH as an annual HOME funding activity. This has resulted in the development of the FUSE Oliver Apartments and the Hope Avenue Apartments, with a third scattered site PSH project currently being implemented. Moreover, a fourth project including 54 affordable units, 13 of which are PSH, was approved for Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) tax credit support. A fifth PSH project is set to be developed through the Corporation for Supportive Housing 2023 Institute, which begins in February 2023.

#### ***At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

According to the HUD CHAS data, St. Joseph County has 36,950 rental units with only 5,955 of these affordable to 0-30% AMI households who may be considered at risk of homelessness. Additionally, there are 5,200 renter households with incomes at 0-30% AMI who have one of more of the following housing problems: cost burden (paying more than 30% of income on housing), severe cost burden (more than 50% on housing), living in overcrowded units, or lacking a kitchen or complete plumbing facilities.

According to stakeholders, tenant based rental assistance is a need for populations at risk of homelessness, but the current frustration is that there are very limited units available, extremely challenging for those needing larger family units, and those that might be available are very expensive and outside the allowed parameters for rent assistance.

The Youth Service Bureau of St. Joseph County Homeless has stated that youth are difficult to count and are part of the “invisible” homeless population, being out of sight, unnoticed, mobile, transient, and/or couch surfing. In a 2019 Indiana University School of Medicine-South Bend survey of high school students in the county, 6.6% of the 1,058 responses reported they were unstably housed-never or sometimes having stable housing. That 6.6% of the 15,427 students in the county equates to more than 1,000 students. Additionally, YSB’s independent data gathering efforts with local police agencies tell them that more than 400 youth are reported as runaways annually.

The Kinder Study noted the households in the lowest income bracket, earning less than \$15,000, represent about 18% of South Bend’s households, but only about 11% of the city’s housing stock is affordable to these earners. Because of the undersupply of affordable housing for lower earners, households earning less than \$15,000 must compete for housing with higher-earning households or face becoming unhoused.

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

The YWCA and the Family Justice Center serve those fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. The local YWCA does not hold a waiting list. If someone is fleeing or attempting to flee any of the previously mentioned groups, they make room for them (using lounges, meeting rooms etc.) until they can be accommodated and transferred to another site. They say this can be six (6) plus at any time. The YWCA points out that the population of St. Joseph County is 154,748 and women make up roughly 51% of that number, or 78,900. About 25% of women experience violence at the hands of a partner but many do not report or seek assistance.

The Family Justice Center is currently using grant money to provide rental assistance, utility assistance, and hotel stays for those listed in the third Qualifying Population of the HOME-ARP Notice. However, FJC has stated that the grant will be completed by September 2023, and then that assistance will no longer be available. FJC noted that there is a lack of safe and secure shelter in the area where their clients could safely stay. FJC stated there are major concerns about harassers contacting and getting in contact with their victims at unsecure shelters. With the grant for FJC ending in September, there will be even more demand for tenant-based rental assistance, affordable housing, and supportive services which will assist those fleeing or attempting to flee dangerous situations. Without assistance, those fleeing or attempting to flee will either have to stay in their current situation or risk becoming homeless.

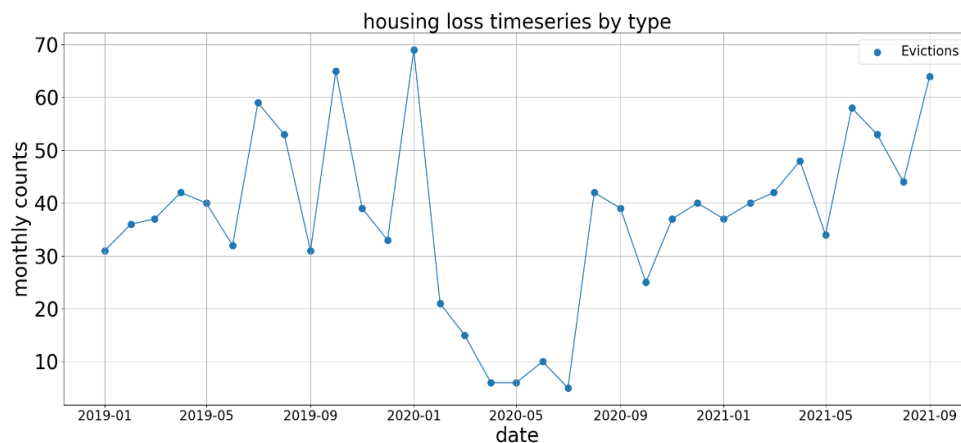
St. Joseph County lacks safe and adequate shelter for those in Qualifying Population 3. It also lacks a stable housing program that can get those survivors into a hotel or help pay for housing. A safe and secure shelter specifically designed for those in danger is needed and lacking in St. Joseph County. The current programs that are assisting those in Qualifying Population 3 find temporary housing do not have stable funding and the funding they do have is slated to expire in the Fall of 2023.

One of the leading causes of homelessness for women and their children is violence which can look like domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or trafficking. While safe housing can

provide a pathway to freedom, other barriers prevent survivors from obtaining or maintaining safe and affordable housing. Supportive services is a great need among those survivors. Those who are fleeing or attempting to flee dangerous situations don't always have access to the extensive resources needed to leave dangerous situations such as funds for a lawyer, childcare, transportation, employment, etc. While some of those resources do exist in our community, there is a great need for support of those services, especially at little to no cost to survivors. This population could greatly benefit from supportive services administered through the YWCA or Family Justice Center via the HOME-ARP grant, as the Saint Joseph Housing Consortium has identified supportive services funding as a need to support projects providing the services needed for survivors to gain their safety and freedom.

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

At risk of eviction: The graph below provides information from the Eviction Lab at Princeton University, a team that has researched and provided nationwide eviction data in the United States going back to 2000.



HIV/Aids infected men, women, children, and their families: per Aids Ministries/Aids Assist agency, approximately 386 of their clients live in St. Joseph County. Seventy-five percent of their clients are at or below poverty with approximately 6% considered homeless. A waitlist consists of 21 households in need of long-term rental assistance or permanent placement. Given full shelters, clients are often unable to get in due to other issues they may have including substance abuse or felonies. Rapid re-housing challenges include the difficulty in working with private landlords given a client may not have a long-standing employment or an income that can meet the high rent levels. This population could benefit from all eligible activities as there is a gap in services which leaves them vulnerable and without shelter.

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

As noted previously, the largest gap is the lack of ability to shelter the chronically homeless with substance abuse and mental health issues given the need for more beds, while waiting for more PSH units with supportive services. Additionally, more affordable housing units whether new or privately held, with willing landlords is crucial for all qualifying populations.



In addition to affordable housing, mainstream services are crucial to the issue of homelessness. Supportive services noted in all discussions include mental health, medical health connections, job training, life skills, child-care, employment readiness, transportation, and more. All were identified as a critical element to the housing and service delivery systems.

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

The PJ is not including any additional characteristics to the “Other Populations” qualifying population.

***Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:***

Based on stakeholder consultations and data analysis, in addition to the HASB wait list, adequate shelter beds for homeless awaiting more permanent housing, rental housing that is affordable to individuals and households at 0-30% AMI, and supportive services are the priority needs. An inadequate inventory of deeply subsidized shelter and permanent housing for Qualifying Populations is a priority due to low vacancy rates and higher rental rates. In addition, a priority for supportive services and homeless prevention to assist homeless individuals and families to access housing and become stably housed, and to prevent homelessness among persons and families who are at greatest risk.

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

While it was noted there were issues with some of the data, shelter and service delivery gaps were identified using surveys, interviews and consultations with service providers, the PIT, the CE and housing authority wait lists, along with the recent Kinder Study for the City of South Bend.



#### IV. HOME-ARP Activities

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

St. Joseph County Housing Consortium will solicit applications from service providers and sub-recipient organizations to administer eligible activities and/or develop shelter and housing. One RFP/application process will be conducted. Each RFP or application will specify eligible applicants, activities, minimum and maximum funding amounts, thresholds, and underwriting criteria, and will provide instructions on how to submit the application. The Saint Joseph Housing Consortium will comply with all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements throughout the entire HOME-ARP process.

***Describe whether the PJ will administer- eligible activities directly:***

The PJ will not directly administer HOME-ARP eligible activities beyond administration and planning.

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

Not applicable – no HOME-ARP administrative funds have been/will be provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan.

#### Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 437,388		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 2,000,000		
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 0		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 1,000,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$52,346	1.5 %	15%
<b>Total HOME-ARP Allocation</b>	<b>\$ 3,489,734</b>		

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

The HOME-ARP budget was determined by priority needs identified through the stakeholder consultation process and data analysis. St. Joseph County Housing Consortium will distribute approximately 57.3% of its HOME-ARP allocation for the development of a non-congregate shelter, approximately 28.6% for affordable housing units, and approximately 12.5% for supportive services. As

explained, the lack of the low barrier shelter element in the service continuum, presented the shelter development as a critical unmet need. The housing funds will augment other funding and on-going investment in affordable housing already committed.

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

Based on stakeholder consultations, data, and real time issues, the Consortium identified priority needs among the Qualifying Populations to be a supportive shelter, affordable housing, and supportive services solutions. Additionally, the M4N nightly census of 115 plus the weather amnesty average of over 50 per night provides the basis for a low barrier shelter of a more permanent nature. It is clear that there is a need for more affordable housing units, whether PSH or otherwise based on the Kinder Study, CE and housing authority lists. There is a grave need for more supportive services given the high rate of mental illness and substance abuse, as well as the general assistance needed to navigate the housing and benefit process.

## **V. HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals**

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

Depending on the project, leveraged funds and financing, the affordable rental unit projection could be between 20 and 40.

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

The development of more affordable housing units will further the effort to increase housing options, ensuring a more adequate supply of housing available to meet the needs and financial capabilities of households.

## **VI. Preferences**

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

The preference for the non-congregate shelter activity is to serve those individuals and families who are members of the homeless Qualifying Population. Affordable housing and supportive services will not use a preference.

For populations that are not included in Coordinated Entry, referrals will be made to the projects from community resources that also serve Qualifying populations. Subrecipients will be responsible for maintaining waitlists and soliciting referrals from appropriate sources.

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

The non-congregate shelter funded under the HOME-ARP will prioritize persons and homeless families experiencing homelessness who meet the HUD definition of homeless as defined by the HOME-ARP public notice: an individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. The unsheltered need indicates a demand for a non-congregate shelter to secure beds for those in a tenuous, temporary shelter environment such as M4N and weather amnesty. Those that fall into the first Qualifying Population have the greatest need among the Qualifying Populations, and by making them a preference, will greatly assist with lowering the population. The PJ will issue guidance in its RFP regarding serving all populations. For the sheltered, unsheltered, and at-risk of homelessness populations, the PJ will recommend the use of the Coordinated Entry as the referral method as the CE was established by the local CoC operating within its boundaries. The CE accepts all HOME-ARP qualifying populations eligible for those activities or projects, in accordance with the preferences and prioritization established by the PJ in this HOME-ARP allocation plan and to be imposed through the PJ's written agreements. The CE assesses homeless and at-risk status of each individual or household to determine program eligibility. Coordinated Entry will also work with the funded non-congregate shelters to secure permanent housing placements for each individual or household served.

### **Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project**

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

The PJ does not intend to limit eligibility, therefore the remainder of this section is not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

## **VII. HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines**

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

The PJ will not be refinancing any project with its HOME-ARP funds. The remainder of this section is not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

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

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

Not applicable.

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### **Appendix A**

**CHAS Data  
2015 - 2019**

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") data

Summary Level: County

Created on: February 2, 2023

Data for: St. Joseph County, Indiana

Year Selected: 2015-2019 ACS

Income Distribution Overview	Owner	Renter	Total
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	4,735	8,545	13,280
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	6,310	6,535	12,845
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	11,785	7,250	19,035
Household Income >80% to less-than or=100% HAMFI	7,435	3,185	10,620
Household Income >100% HAMFI	39,190	6,910	46,100
Total	69,450	32,420	101,870
Housing Problems Overview 1	Owner	Renter	Total
Household has at least 1 of 4 Housing Problems	11,305	14,100	25,405
Household has none of 4 Housing Problems OR cost burden not available, no other problems	58,150	18,320	76,470
Total	69,450	32,420	101,870
Severe Housing Problems Overview 2	Owner	Renter	Total
Household has at least 1 of 4 Severe Housing Problems	5,405	8,000	13,405
Household has none of 4 Severe Housing Problems OR cost burden not available, no other problems	64,050	24,420	88,470
Total	69,450	32,420	101,870
Housing Cost Burden Overview 3	Owner	Renter	Total
Cost Burden less-than or= 30%	58,825	18,045	76,870
Cost Burden >30% to less-than or= 50%	6,005	6,420	12,425
Cost Burden >50%	4,180	6,785	10,965
Cost Burden not available	450	1,170	1,620
Total	69,450	32,420	101,870
Income by Housing Problems (Owners and Renters)	Household has at least 1 of 4	Household has none of 4 Housing Problems	Total



	Housing Problems	OR cost burden not available, no other problems	
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	9,805	3,475	13,280
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	7,660	5,185	12,845
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	5,255	13,775	19,035
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	1,095	9,520	10,620
Household Income >100% HAMFI	1,590	44,515	
Total	25,405	76,470	101,870
Income by Housing Problems (Renters only)	Household has at least 1 of 4	Household has none of 4 Housing Problems	Total
	Housing Problems	OR cost burden not available, no other problems	
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	6,145	2,400	8,545
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	4,790	1,745	6,535
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	2,535	4,715	7,250
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	230	2,950	3,185
Household Income >100% HAMFI	405	6,510	6,910
Total	14,100	18,320	32,420
Income by Housing Problems (Owners only)	Household has at least 1 of 4	Household has none of 4 Housing Problems	Total
	Housing Problems	OR cost burden not available, no other problems	
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	3,660	1,075	4,735
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	2,870	3,440	6,310
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	2,720	9,060	11,785
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	865	6,570	7,435

Household Income >100% HAMFI	1,185	38,005	39,190
Total	11,305	58,150	69,450
Income by Cost Burden (Owners and Renters)	Cost burden > 30%	Cost burden > 50%	Total
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	9,695	7,750	13,280
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	7,315	2,475	12,845
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	4,695	560	19,035
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	880	125	10,620
Household Income >100% HAMFI	805	60	46,100
Total	23,390	10,965	101,870
Income by Cost Burden (Renters only)	Cost burden > 30%	Cost burden > 50%	Total
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	6,120	5,050	8,545
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	4,570	1,465	6,535
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	2,255	200	7,250
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	165	40	3,185
Household Income >100% HAMFI	95	30	6,910
Total	13,205	6,785	32,420
Income by Cost Burden (Owners only)	Cost burden > 30%	Cost burden > 50%	Total
Household Income less-than or= 30% HAMFI	3,575	2,700	4,735
Household Income >30% to less-than or= 50% HAMFI	2,750	1,010	6,310
Household Income >50% to less-than or= 80% HAMFI	2,440	360	11,785
Household Income >80% to less-than or= 100% HAMFI	710	80	7,435
Household Income >100% HAMFI	710	30	39,190
Total	10,185	4,180	69,450

1. The four housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than 1 person per room, and cost burden greater than 30%.
2. The four severe housing problems are: incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than 1 person per room, and cost burden greater than 50%.
3. Cost burden is the ratio of housing costs to household income. For renters, housing cost is gross rent (contract rent plus utilities). For owners, housing cost is "select monthly owner costs", which includes mortgage payment, utilities, association fees, insurance, and real estate taxes.

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### **Appendix B**

**Service Provider  
Survey Responses**

ID	What best describes the organization you are affiliated with? (Select all that apply)	What types of housing assistance or supportive services does your organization provide for the qualifying populations? (Select all that apply)	Which of the following qualifying populations does your organization serve? (Select all that apply)	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, or American Indian, Alaska Native	Two or more races
1	Domestic violence service provider;Services supporting people fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Housing advocate/developer/provider;Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;	Emergency shelters;Transitional housing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Rapid rehousing;	Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;	60 - 79%	20 - 39%	0 - 19%	20 - 39%	0 - 19%	60 - 79%
2	Homeless service provider;Services supporting people fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Housing advocate/developer/provider;People with disabilities;Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;Addressing the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness;	Temporary shelters;Emergency shelters;Transitional housing;Permanent supportive housing;Other permanent housing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Rapid rehousing;Services for persons with disabilities;	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	40 - 59%	40 - 59%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%
3	Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;Addressing the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness;	Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Rapid rehousing;	Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability;Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	20 - 39%	60 - 79%	0 - 19%	40 - 59%	0 - 19%	20 - 39%

ID	What best describes the organization you are affiliated with? (Select all that apply)	What types of housing assistance or supportive services does your organization provide for the qualifying populations? (Select all that apply)	Which of the following qualifying populations does your organization serve? (Select all that apply)	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, or American Indian, Alaska Native	Two or more races
4	Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;	Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Refugee work;	Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;	0 - 19%	60 - 79%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	
5	CMHC;	Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Diversion/homeless prevention;Services for persons with disabilities;Transitional housing;Other permanent housing;	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	60 - 79%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%
6	Homeless service provider;Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;	Day shelters;Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Services for persons with disabilities;	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;	20 - 39%	40 - 59%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%		0 - 19%

ID	What best describes the organization you are affiliated with? (Select all that apply)	What types of housing assistance or supportive services does your organization provide for the qualifying populations? (Select all that apply)	Which of the following qualifying populations does your organization serve? (Select all that apply)	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, or American Indian, Alaska Native	Two or more races
7	Homeless service provider;Services supporting people fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Housing advocate/developer/provider;Addressing the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness;	Temporary shelters;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Day shelters;	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	40 - 59%	40 - 59%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	20 - 39%
8	Homeless service provider;Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;Addressing the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness;Serving homeless and at-risk youth;Services supporting people fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;	Emergency shelters;Transitional housing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Diversion/homeless prevention;Rapid rehousing;	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness ;Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;	40 - 59%	20 - 39%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%
10	Homeless service provider;Housing advocate/developer/provider;Fair Housing;People with disabilities;Serving people with high risk of housing instability ;Addressing the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness;	Permanent supportive housing;Affordable rental housing, Housing Tax Credit Developments;Fair housing or civil rights;	Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness;Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI;Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability;Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability;	20 - 39%	80% or more	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	20 - 39%
9	Domestic violence service provider;	Emergency shelters;Transitional housing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, etc.);Rapid rehousing;	Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness;	40 - 59%	20 - 39%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	0 - 19%	20 - 39%

ID	Temporary or emergency sheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness	Unsheltered individuals/families experiencing homelessness	Individuals/families at risk of homelessness at or below 30% AMI	Individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking	Individuals/families at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations	Individuals/families requiring supportive services or housing assistance that would prevent homelessness	Individuals/families who serve those at greatest risk of housing instability	Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria	Two or more races
1				21 - 40	0 - 20	21 - 40			
2	0 - 20	0 - 20	61 - 80	0 - 20	61 - 80	81 +	81 +	0 - 20	
3	0 - 20	0 - 20	81 +	0 - 20	21 - 40	81 +	81 +	0 - 20	
4									
5	81 +	41 - 60	81 +	81 +	81 +	81 +	81 +	41 - 60	
6	81 +	81 +	81 +	21 - 40	81 +	81 +	81 +	0 - 20	
7	81 +	81 +	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	
8	61 - 80	41 - 60	81 +	21 - 40	81 +	21 - 40	0 - 20	0 - 20	
10	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	
9	41 - 60			81 +		0 - 20			

ID	Please rank the importance of the qualified populations that could benefit the most from the activities offered through the HOME-ARP program in St. Joseph County	Please identify the population with the highest need for services based on your organization's experience (Check all that apply)	Please rank the following eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in terms of priority in St. Joseph County
1	Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);	Victims of domestic violence;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;
2	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Persons with disabilities ;Single adults;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;
3	Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;	Families;Single adults;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;



ID	Please rank the importance of the qualified populations that could benefit the most from the activities offered through the HOME-ARP program in St. Joseph County	Please identify the population with the highest need for services based on your organization's experience (Check all that apply)	Please rank the following eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in terms of priority in St. Joseph County
4	Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Refugees/asylees ;Families;	Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);
5	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Families;Single adults;Unaccompanied youth;Victims of domestic violence;Persons with disabilities ;Veterans;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;
6	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Families;Single adults;Persons with disabilities ;	Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;

ID	Please rank the importance of the qualified populations that could benefit the most from the activities offered through the HOME-ARP program in St. Joseph County	Please identify the population with the highest need for services based on your organization's experience (Check all that apply)	Please rank the following eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in terms of priority in St. Joseph County
7	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Single adults;Persons with disabilities ;Victims of domestic violence;	Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;
8	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;	Unaccompanied youth;Families;Single adults;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Nonprofit operating assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay for operating expenses of CHDOs (Community Housing Development Organizations) and other nonprofit organizations that will carry out activities with HOME-ARP funds;Nonprofit capacity building assistance - up to 5% of HOME-ARP allocation can pay eligible costs related to developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations or successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities ;
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9	Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);	Victims of domestic violence;	

ID	Please share your thoughts below to help us identify any gaps in housing services and any fair housing barriers that the qualifying populations may encounter. Please explain.	Are there any varying needs among racial/ethnic groups within the qualifying populations? Please explain any varying needs.	Please rank in order of importance to be funded the following housing assistance or supportive services for the qualifying populations in St. Joseph County.
1	<p>I think the entire country is suffering from a lack of affordable housing.</p> <p>The challenge for our clients out in their own housing unit is their abuser showing up and causing trouble.</p>		<p>Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing; Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing; New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments; Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments); Services for persons with disabilities; Fair housing or civil rights; Rapid rehousing; Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);</p>
2	<p>low barrier, affordable housing is needed</p>		<p>Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing; New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments; Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments); Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing; Services for persons with disabilities; Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management); Rapid rehousing; Fair housing or civil rights;</p>
3	<p>I think there needs to be a huge focus on rehabilitating downtown vacant buildings into affordable housing.</p>	<p>Yes, I think that not every single person/ethnic group fits into the same box and we need to be considerate to all their needs.</p>	<p>Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing; Rapid rehousing; Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments); Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management); New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments; Services for persons with disabilities; Fair housing or civil rights; Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;</p>

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4			<p>Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Rapid rehousing;Services for persons with disabilities;Fair housing or civil rights;</p>
5	<p>The major issue is lack of affordable housing and FMR restrictions, documentation assistance (including process/funding), strenuous application process, etc.</p>	<p>While the VI-SPDAT is on its way out in Indiana, at present, the wording of the tool is not sensitive the unique needs of the population across racial/ethnic groups</p>	<p>New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Rapid rehousing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Services for persons with disabilities;Fair housing or civil rights;</p>
6	<p>Provide ways for faith based communities to connect with people in need and walk with them. Diversify around the city, not just in one area.</p>		<p>Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Rapid rehousing;Services for persons with disabilities;Fair housing or civil rights;</p>

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7	We need a permanent low barrier intake center, to assist those without identification, those who have SUDs, and those who have criminal histories who are experiencing homelessness. Secondly, we need an apartment building that is addiction/conviction/eviction friendly, to accept housing vouchers.	African American men are disproportionately represented in the homeless population.	Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;Rapid rehousing;Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Services for persons with disabilities;Fair housing or civil rights;
8	A significant gap in housing is the lack of transitional housing for youth and young adults in St. Joseph County. Young people are often not prepared to go into their own housing lacking any reference points for budgeting or household management. Transitional living services are a key part of their ability to be successful. Fair housing barriers for this population include landlords that will not rent to young people with any criminal records, including misdemeanors. Also, landlords who will not rent to those without a rental history, and just the sheer cost of rent.	Youth of color and those identifying as LGBTQ experience homelessness at significantly greater rates than their peers. Because the approach to ending homelessness for youth is distinct and different from the approach to ending homelessness for adults, services are needed that are specifically designed for the diverse population of homeless and at-risk youth in St. Joseph County. We know young people who experience homelessness are five times more likely than their peers to become homeless adults. The failure to address youth homelessness will undoubtedly lead to more chronically homeless adults throughout our county.	Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;Rapid rehousing;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Fair housing or civil rights;Services for persons with disabilities;
10	Need additional landlords with low barriers & staff that can act as case managers or keep communication open with service providers. Need continued case management after people are housed.	Black people seem to face more barriers in getting housed.	Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing;New construction of affordable rental housing, low-income tax credit developments;Temporary shelters, emergency shelters, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing;Services for persons with disabilities;Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Rapid rehousing;Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management);Fair housing or civil rights;
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ID	Imagine that you were awarded \$3 million of unrestricted funding, how would you use the funding to serve the qualifying populations?	Imagine you were awarded \$3 million of restrictive HOME-ARP funding, what would you do with the funding to serve the qualifying populations?	Are there any other areas related to the eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds that should be considered for funding priority in St. Joseph County?	Please put any additional comments below:
1	The YWCANCIN would increase outreach, education, and additional housing advocates.	Rehab units/housing to be livable and affordable. Provide the needed education to help participants with economic empowerment, parenting, job readiness, and other life skills.	affordable housing and supportive services	N/A
2	I would fund new housing building and allocate apartments to the various housing agencies.	Same. Build a building, allocated apartments to the various housing agencies and have hire staff for operational needs		
3	I would try and work with current landlords to see how together we could make more affordable housing and create a program for tenants that ties tenant education and monetary support to help keep them housed.	I would continue with tenant based rental assistance, but focus a ton of effort on working hand in hand with landlords to encourage them to acquire more affordable housing with landlord incentives and support.	I think big name developers should be reached out to and somehow incentivized to provide more affordable housing.	

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4	We would purchase housing that can be used for arriving families		no clue	
5	New construction and rehabilitation of existing units, low-barrier shelter	New construction and rehabilitation of existing units, low barrier shelter		
6	1 for temporary housing. 1 for low income housing, 1 for rehab existing.	1 for temporary, 1 for low income housing, .5 for case management, .5 for other.		

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7	I would use \$3 million to run Motels4Now for two years. In our first two years, we have afforded 537 unique persons motel stays, with 3 out of 4 either moving to better options or remaining at the motel in stability. We have largely ended long term chronic homelessness in South Bend, and in another two years will end shorter term chronic homelessness (5-10 years on the street).	Same as above!	Having more PSH is also important, as we need places to move people to from the motel. Most of the Coordinated Entry list is at the motel, and >80% qualifies for PSH.	Thank you for asking, this is very exciting!
8	We would build additional units of congregate transitional housing for homeless and at-risk youth, including single mothers with children. This would include an array of services from dorm style, supportive apartments as part of the new campus we are building and scattered site units to be meet the needs of the individual youth we are serving.	We would use funding for the eligible costs of supportive services that serve homeless and at-risk youth, including enhanced workforce development supports, a medical clinic to provide a medical home for youth and increased options for childcare as part of the new YSB campus we are building.	Congregate transitional housing for young people. Young people, many of whom have never lived independently, need a structured housing program in order to gain the skills necessary to successfully live independently. Young people are often not prepared to go into their own housing lacking any reference points for budgeting or household management.	Unlike other systems youth interact with, like child welfare or juvenile justice, efforts to serve youth experiencing homelessness are not provided through a single, coordinated system of supports funded by a state or federal agency. There are more homeless youth in St. Joseph County than homeless adults. However, because they are not seen on the street as are homeless adults, homeless youth have been relegated to the end of the queue to receive the resources they need. Youth homelessness continues to be a low priority for local, state and federal funding as a disproportionately large amount of public support has been directed to the higher profile, costlier population of chronically homeless adults. We know young people who experience homelessness are five times more likely than their peers to become homeless adults. The failure to address youth homelessness will undoubtedly lead to more chronically homeless adults throughout our county.
10	1. Rehab existing units that are non-occupied 2. Construct new PSH units 3. Pay an ongoing case manager			
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**Appendix C**

**Public Comment  
Survey Responses**

ID	Please select the best category that describes you (Select one)	Please rank the importance of the qualified populations that could benefit the most from the activities offered through the HOME-ARP program in St. Joseph County	Please rank the following eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in terms of priority in St. Joseph County	Please share your thoughts below on any gaps in housing services and any fair housing barriers that the qualifying populations may encounter. Please explain.	Please put any additional comments below:
1	A person with lived experience of homelessness (current, recent, or formerly homeless)	Homelessness persons (sheltered and unsheltered);Persons at risk of homelessness (housed but at risk of being homeless);Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria;Persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness;	Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);	Homelessness in the US has become an increasing issues for families and individuals of all ages. I love the concept of bridging the gap and help give more hope to those in need.	In the Midst of so much both economically and with so many health concerns, forcing families and Individuals to make hard choices and some of which including jobs and companies shutting down, has displaced many workers skilled in a specific industry or trade, due to A Pandemic and many other financial hardships.
2	Member of the Broader Public (resident, neighborhood association, etc.)			Build as much inventory as possible, at all levels of housing	
3	Non-profit or community-based organization (homeless, housing, civil rights, LGBTQ+, etc.)		Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing (such as transitional or permanent housing, group homes, single room occupancy (SRO) units, and manufactured housing);Supportive services (such as housing counseling, homelessness prevention, childcare, job training, legal services, case management, moving costs, rental applications, and rent assistance);Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters (non-congregate shelters are buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement);Tenant-based rental assistance (such as rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments);	Multiple low barrier shelters to differentiate between those homeless due to addictions, criminal activity, mental health or economic.	

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**Appendix D**  
**Public Notice**

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC  
HEARING  
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY HOUSING CONSORTIUM  
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2021  
ACTION PLAN  
DUE TO AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN HOME  
(ARP) FUNDING**

Notice is hereby given:

- 1) The St. Joseph County Housing Consortium has available for public review and comment, copies of the HOME-ARP DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN 2022 as a substantial amendment to the 2021 Action Plan for the St. Joseph County Housing Consortium.
- 2) Public hearings will be held to solicit comments from individuals and organizations concerning the HOME-ARP DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN 2022 Substantial Amendment. All interested parties are encouraged to participate and provide comments.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provided supplemental allocations of HOME-American Rescue Funds Plan (HOME-ARP) funds as authorized by Section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, for the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services.

Beginning 02/09/2023 the Substantial Amendment to the 2021 Action Plan HOME-ARP DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN 2022 may be reviewed at the following locations in addition to the City of South Bend web site ([www.southbendin.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/](http://www.southbendin.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/)):

- All branches of the St. Joseph County and Mishawaka Public Libraries
- The Walkerton and New Carlisle-Olive Township Public Libraries
- South Bend's Office of the Clerk
- South Bend's Department of Community Investment
- Mishawaka's Department of Community Development

Written comments may be submitted 02/09/23 through 03/13/23 and will be considered when developing the Final HOME ARP Allocation Plan Substantial Amendment to the 2021 Action Plan to be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Written comments for the St. Joseph Housing Consortium may be submitted to: Manager, Neighborhood Grants, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 1300S, South Bend, IN 46601 or via email to: [jhuddleston@southbendin.gov](mailto:jhuddleston@southbendin.gov).

**HEARING TIMES AND LOCATIONS**

Public hearings will be held on Thursday 2/23/23 and Friday 2/24/23:

**Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 5:30 pm in South Bend** at the City of South Bend Department of Community Investment conference room on the 14th floor of the County-City Building, 227 West Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601. This location is handicapped accessible. Community members who cannot attend in person are welcome to join one of two ways:

By phone, tablet, or computer at the below links:

South Bend: <https://tinyurl.com/HOMEARPsB>

Or by phone by calling the following number and entering the meeting ID:

South Bend: 574-367-5480 (meeting ID: 479 860 875#)

**Friday, February 24, 2023 at 2:00 pm in Mishawaka** at Mishawaka City Hall, Board of Public Works Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 100 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka, IN 46544. This location is handicapped accessible. Community members who cannot attend in person are welcome to join one of two ways:

By phone, tablet, or computer at the below links:

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**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE**

Auxiliary aid or other services are available upon request at no charge. Please give reasonable advance request when possible. If special arrangements are necessary to accommodate any person so that they may participate in the public hearings, including translation services, contact South Bend's Department of Community Investment at (574) 235-5841 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**

We are pledged to the letter and spirit of U.S. policy for the achievement of equal opportunity throughout the Nation. We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing and business opportunities because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, gender identity, familial status or national origin.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: that the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan 2022 and Substantial Amendment to the FY 2021 Annual Action Plan will be available for a 30-day public review beginning May 15, 2023. The plan will be available for review at the following locations:

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NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the referenced documents will be discussed during public hearings with the St. Joseph Housing Consortium. Two Public Hearings will be available on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023**. These hearings can be attended in person or virtually. **Hearing times and locations are as follows:**

**Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 2:30 pm in Mishawaka in person** at Mishawaka City Hall, Board of Public Works Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 100 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka, IN 46544. This location is handicapped accessible.

**By phone, tablet, or computer at the below links:**

Mishawaka: <https://tinyurl.com/MISHHOMEARP>

Or by phone by calling the following number and entering the meeting ID:

Mishawaka: 574-367-5480 (meeting ID: 648 995 421#)

**Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 5:30 pm in South Bend in person** at the City of South Bend Department of Community Investment conference room on the 14th floor of the County-City Building, 227 West Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601. This location is handicapped accessible.

**By phone, tablet, or computer at the below links:**

South Bend: <https://tinyurl.com/SBHOMEARP>

Or by phone by calling the following number and entering the meeting ID:

South Bend: 574-367-5480 (meeting ID: 106 804 042#)

In accordance with Section 504 and the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, the City of South Bend offers accessibility and reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities and limited English proficient (LEP) residents. Persons in need of auxiliary aid or other services, including translation services, are encouraged to contact the South Bend's Department of Community Investment at [federalgrants@southbendin.gov](mailto:federalgrants@southbendin.gov) or (574) 235-5841. Kindly submit requests at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

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# AVISO DE DISPONIBILIDAD Y AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA DEL CONSORCIO DE VIVIENDA DEL CONDADO DE ST. JOSEPH PARA LA MODIFICACIÓN SUSTANCIAL DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN 2021 DEBIDO AL FINANCIAMIENTO DEL PLAN DE RESCATE AMERICANO DE VIVIENDA (ARP)

February 8, 2023    EL PUENTE STAFF    Public Notice • Aviso al público, South Bend

Por la presente se notifica:

1) El Consorcio de Vivienda del Condado de St. Joseph tiene disponible para revisión pública y comentarios, copias del PROYECTO DE PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN HOME-ARP 2022 como enmienda sustancial al Plan de Acción 2021 para el Consorcio de Vivienda del Condado de St. Joseph.

2) Se celebrarán audiencias públicas para solicitar comentarios de individuos y organizaciones con respecto al PROYECTO DE PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN HOME-ARP 2022 como enmienda sustancial (HOME-ARP DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN 2022 Substantial Amendment). Se anima a todas las partes interesadas a participar y proporcionar comentarios.

El Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés) proporcionó asignaciones suplementarias de fondos del Plan de Fondos de Rescate Americano HOME (HOME-ARP, por sus siglas en inglés) según lo autorizado por la Sección 3205 de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Americano de 2021, Ley Pública 117-2, para el Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME (HOME, por sus siglas en inglés), para proporcionar asistencia a personas sin hogar y servicios de apoyo.

A partir del 02/09/2023 la Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción 2021 HOME-ARP DRAFT ALLOCATION PLAN 2022 puede ser revisada en los siguientes lugares además del sitio web de la Ciudad de South Bend ([www.southbend.in.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/](http://www.southbend.in.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/)):

- Todas las sucursales de las Bibliotecas Públicas del Condado de St. Joseph y Mishawaka
- Las bibliotecas públicas de Walkerton y New Carlisle-Olive Township
- Oficina del Secretario de South Bend
- Departamento de Inversión Comunitaria de South Bend
- Departamento de Desarrollo Comunitario de Mishawaka

Los comentarios por escrito pueden presentarse del 02/09/23 al 03/13/23 y serán considerados al desarrollar la Enmienda Sustancial Final del Plan de Asignación HOME ARP al Plan de Acción 2021 que se presentará al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano. Los comentarios por escrito para el St. Joseph Housing Consortium pueden presentarse a: Manager, Neighborhood Grants, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 1300S, South Bend, IN 46601 o por correo electrónico a: [jhuddleston@southbend.in.gov](mailto:jhuddleston@southbend.in.gov).

### ***HORARIOS Y LUGARES DE AUDIENCIA***

Las audiencias públicas se llevarán a cabo el jueves 2/23/23 y el viernes 2/24/23:

**El jueves 23 de febrero de 2023 a las 5:30 p.m. en South Bend**, en la sala de conferencias del Departamento de Inversión Comunitaria de la Ciudad de South Bend, en el piso 14 del edificio County-City Building, 227 West Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601. Este lugar es accesible para minusválidos. Los miembros de la comunidad que no puedan asistir en persona pueden hacerlo de dos maneras:

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O por teléfono llamando al siguiente número e introduciendo el ID de la reunión:

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**El viernes, 24 de febrero 2023 a las 2:00 pm en Mishawaka** en Mishawaka City Hall, Board of Public Works Room, 2o. piso, 100 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka, IN 46544. Este lugar es accesible para discapacitados. Los miembros de la comunidad que no pueden asistir en persona son bienvenidos a unirse a una de dos maneras:

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Mishawaka: <https://tinyurl.com/HOMEARPMish>

O por teléfono llamando al siguiente número e introduciendo el ID de la reunión:

Mishawaka: 574-367-5480 (ID de la reunión: 947 826 159#)

### **ASISTENCIA ESPECIAL**

Si lo desea, puede solicitar ayuda auxiliar u otros servicios gratuitos. Le rogamos que, en la medida de lo posible, lo solicite con una antelación razonable. Si es necesario hacer arreglos especiales para acomodar a cualquier persona para que pueda participar en las audiencias públicas, incluyendo servicios de traducción, póngase en contacto con el Departamento de Inversión Comunitaria de South Bend al (574) 235-5841 al menos 72 horas antes de la audiencia.

### **IGUALDAD DE OPORTUNIDADES**

Estamos comprometidos con la letra y el espíritu de la política estadounidense para el logro de la igualdad de oportunidades en toda la Nación. Fomentamos y apoyamos un programa de publicidad y mercadeo afirmativo en

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## AVISO DE DISPONIBILIDAD Y AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA – ST. JOSEPH COUNTY HOUSING CONSORTIUM – MODIFICACIÓN SUSTANCIAL DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN 2021 DEBIDO A LA FINANCIACIÓN DEL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN HOME (ARP)

📅 May 15, 2023   🧑 EL PUENTE STAFF   📌 Public Notice • Aviso al público, South Bend

El Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés) proporcionó asignaciones suplementarias de fondos del Plan de Fondos de Rescate Estadounidense HOME (HOME-ARP, por sus siglas en inglés) según lo autorizado por la Sección 3205 de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense de 2021, Ley Pública 117-2, para el Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME (HOME, por sus siglas en inglés), para proporcionar asistencia a personas sin hogar y servicios de apoyo.

POR MEDIO DE LA PRESENTE SE NOTIFICA: que el Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP 2022 y la Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción Anual del Año Fiscal 2021 estarán disponibles para una revisión pública de 30 días a partir del 15 de mayo de 2023. El plan estará disponible para su revisión en los siguientes lugares:

- El sitio web de la ciudad de South Bend ([www.southbendin.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/](http://www.southbendin.gov/department/community-investment/neighborhood-development/))
- Todas las sucursales de las Bibliotecas Públicas del Condado de St. Joseph y Mishawaka
- Las bibliotecas públicas de Walkerton y New Carlisle-Olive Township
- Oficina del Secretario de South Bend
- Departamento de Inversión Comunitaria de South Bend
- Departamento de Desarrollo Comunitario de Mishawaka

Los comentarios por escrito para el Consorcio de Vivienda de St. Joseph pueden presentarse a: Manager, Neighborhood Grants, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 1300S, South Bend, IN 46601 o por correo electrónico a: [federalgrants@southbendin.gov](mailto:federalgrants@southbendin.gov). El período de comentarios se cerrará el 13 de junio de 2023 a las 5:00 pm.

POR MEDIO DE ESTE TAMBIÉN SE NOTIFICA que los documentos referenciados serán discutidos durante audiencias públicas con el Consorcio de Vivienda de St. Joseph. Habrá dos audiencias públicas el miércoles 7 de junio de 2023. A estas audiencias se puede asistir en persona o virtualmente. Los horarios y lugares de las audiencias son los siguientes:

Miércoles, 7 de junio de 2023 a las 2:30 pm en Mishawaka en persona en Mishawaka City Hall, Board of Public Works Room, 2nd floor, 100 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka, IN 46544. Este lugar es accesible para discapacitados.

Por teléfono, tableta o computador en los siguientes enlaces:

Mishawaka: <https://tinyurl.com/MISHHOMEARP>

O por teléfono llamando al siguiente número e introduciendo el ID de la reunión:

Mishawaka: 574-367-5480 (ID de la reunión: 648 995 421#)

Miércoles, 7 de junio 2023 a las 5:30 pm en South Bend en persona en la ciudad de South Bend Departamento de Inversión Comunitaria sala de conferencias en el piso 14 del Condado-City Building, 227 West Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601. Este lugar es accesible para discapacitados.

Por teléfono, tableta o computador en los siguientes enlaces:

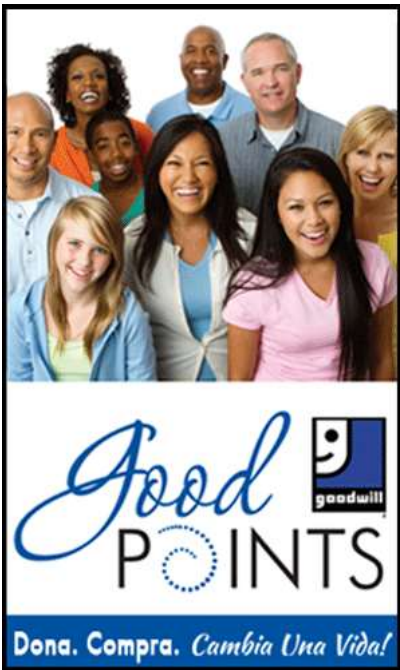
South Bend: <https://tinyurl.com/SBHOMEARP>

O por teléfono llamando al siguiente número e introduciendo el ID de la reunión:

South Bend: 574-367-5480 (identificación de la reunión: 106 804 042#)

De conformidad con la Sección 504 y la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA) y la Sección 508 de la Ley de Rehabilitación, la ciudad de South Bend ofrece accesibilidad y adaptaciones

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# **St. Joseph County Housing Consortium**

## **HOME-ARP Allocation Plan 2022**

### **Appendix E** **SF-424s and Certifications**

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

\* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication  
☒ Application  
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

\* 2. Type of Application:

- ☒ New  
☐ Continuation  
☐ Revision

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

\* Other (Specify):

\* 3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

M-21-DP-18-0208

**State Use Only:**

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

**8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

\* a. Legal Name:

City of South Bend

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

35-6001201

\* c. UEI:

NKA5ZKGL9CC4

**d. Address:**

\* Street1:

227 W Jefferson Blvd

Street2:

Suite 1400S

\* City:

South Bend

County/Parish:

\* State:

IN: Indiana

Province:

\* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

\* Zip / Postal Code:

46601-1830

**e. Organizational Unit:**

Department Name:

Community Investment

Division Name:

Neighborhood Development

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

Prefix:

\* First Name:

Caleb

Middle Name:

\* Last Name:

Bauer

Suffix:

Title:

Executive Director of DCI

Organizational Affiliation:

\* Telephone Number:

5742355898

Fax Number:

\* Email:

cbauer@southbendin.gov

## Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

\* Other (specify):

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

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

### 11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program - American Rescue Plan Program (HOME-ARP)

### \* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

\* Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program - American Rescue Plan Program (HOME-ARP)

### 13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

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

Administration and Planning, Purchase and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter, Supportive Services, Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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

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

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

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="3,489,734.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="3,489,734.00"/>

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

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- ☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

**\* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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

☒ \*\* I AGREE

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

**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix:  \* First Name:

Middle Name:

\* Last Name:

Suffix:

\* Title: \* Telephone Number:  Fax Number: \* Email: 

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:

\* Date Signed:



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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
19. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

<b>SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL</b> 	<b>TITLE</b> Mayor, City of South Bend
<b>APPLICANT ORGANIZATION</b> City of South Bend	<b>DATE SUBMITTED</b> 5/9/2023

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4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
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7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

<b>SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL</b> 	<b>TITLE</b> Mayor, City of South Bend
<b>APPLICANT ORGANIZATION</b> City of South Bend	<b>DATE SUBMITTED</b> 5/9/2023



## HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

  
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Signature of Authorized Official

5/9/2023  
Date

Mayor  
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Title