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

- 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 costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
- Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- 3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
- 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.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- 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.

- 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).
- 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.
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- 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.
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HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

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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.

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

Title

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

Spokane County and the City of Spokane conducted joint planning for HOME ARP. A total of eight (8) Presentations were given to member organizations or individuals representing the Continuum of Care, Housing Authority, homeless service and shelter providers (including the homeless coalition), regional government, affordable housing developers, veterans' affairs, and consultations with domestic violence service providers, fair housing, and human rights agencies, beginning December 2021 through June 2022. Member organizations provided a broader reach and included more interested parties, contributing to good feedback through the HOME ARP survey. Membership lists are attached to this Plan with dates of presentations. The lists show that over 100 local agencies, organizations, and jurisdictions were provided information on HOME ARP planning. Included were fire districts, libraries, schools, concerned citizens, DOT, Avista, and many more.

An informational web page was developed where interested parties could review every PowerPoint presentation, the CPD notice and guidance, as well as factsheets on HOME ARP. A link to the regional survey, for feedback on development of the HOME ARP Plan, was also located on the informational web page. The survey had good responses from stakeholders and provided insight on the perceptions of the community regarding the best use of funds.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Spokane Housing Authority	Housing Authority	In person, electronic communication, phone conversations	Needs of homeless youth and young adults in Spokane Continuum of Care homeless response system.
Northwest Fair Housing Alliance	Fair Housing (HUD FHIP)	In person and electronic communication	Fair housing needs of individuals and families who access shelters. Limited ability of shelters to provide modifications. Housing Costs.
Spokane County, Veterans Affairs	Eastern Washington Regional Veterans	In person and electronic communication. Remote presentation	Veteran affairs at Spokane County, using a variety of funding sources have made great progress serving veterans. As part of County leadership, she confirmed the high need for youth preference with HOME ARP funds.

List the organizations consulted:

Human Rights Commission	Racial Equity	In person and electronic communication	Human Rights and Fair housing issues are related. However, there was not a specific concern about racial equity in our shelters. They do a good job of accepting gender identity safety and acceptance. Similarly, BIPOC related issues are isolated issues.
YWCA	Domestic Violence Shelter	Electronic communication, phone conversations, presentation attendee	YWCA support the use of any homeless funds available to serve those at risk and fleeing domestic violence, including youth and young adults.
Volunteers of America	Homeless shelter(s), service provider, permanent supportive housing provider	In person, electronic communication, phone conversations	Youth and young adults are a priority for VOA's shelter system. Several funding streams have been guaranteed and more funding is needed to complete a planned project near Spokane Community College to provide shelter and temporary housing for youth and young adults. Foster children aging out and others who attend college will safe and stable and better able to succeed:
Spokane Low Income Housing Consortium	Affordable housing development organization: membership list attached	In person presentation to the group with electronic communication follow up to those who did not attend in person	Several members of the organization provided feedback on the challenges of funding multi- family housing projects. They began to think about how these funds might be used. They also provided a letter for the record describing a project they believe is appropriate for HOME ARP along with support letter from Empire Health Community Advocacy Fund.
Spokane Regional Governance Council	Local mayors and leadership council	In person presentation, electronic communication, phone conversations.	The region shares concerns about homelessness and the Regional Governance Council discussed the needs of the homeless crisis response system, including the need to safe-guard youth and young adults from chronic homelessness or incarceration.

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Greater Valley Support Network	Concerned representatives from a variety of disciplines and professions addressing the needs of homeless individuals and families Spokane Valley (list of members attached)	Electronic presentation with follow up opportunity to provide feedback with survey or email communication	Participants were anxious to have HOME ARP funds become available due to the many projects underway in the homeless crisis response system that need additional financial support.
Housing and Community Advisory Committee	Representatives of Urban Consortium participating jurisdictions; 12 cities and towns in Spokane Valley	Remote meeting and presentation with follow up of electronic opportunity to comment	As representatives of the Urban County Consortium the HCDAC representatives are supportive of development of HOME ARP Plan to assist with the Spokane Regional Crisis Network
Continuum of Care Advisory Board	Continuum of Care for Spokane City/County	Remote meeting and presentation with follow up of electronic opportunity to comment	The CoC Advisory Board was interested to learn about the HOME ARP Plan and future funding opportunities to complete projects that have gaps in funding.
Spokane Homeless Coalition	Membership organization for agencies who serve and house people experiencing homelessness	In person presentation, electronic distribution of HOME ARP survey and documents	Several agencies chose to participate in the online survey to provide input on the potential uses of HOME ARP in Spokane County.
Catholic Charities of Eastern Washington	Lead organization for family Coordinated Entry System for Spokane Regional homeless crisis support network.	Zoom Meeting to discuss the CE System Chart to ensure accuracy	There is Individual CE and Family CE serving the regional homeless response system. Furthermore, there is YYA CE under development, Right of Way (ROW) CE serving Camp Hope, and The Salvation Army which has CE for the "Way-Out" Shelter. HOME ARP will meld into the CE system serving all qualified populations.
Empire Health Foundation	Lead organization for updating the CE for the Spokane Regional homeless	ZOOM Meeting to discuss the planned update and coordination	Although administering the ROW CE system, Empire Health foundation has funds to assist with the other CE lead organization to make the system even more

crisis support	with existing CE	responsive the homeless
 network	systems	individuals and families.

Summarize feedback received and results of upfront consultation with these entities: Spokane County, in coordination with the City of Spokane's CHHS staff, conducted eight presentations in person and electronically to five member organizations and conducted in person consultations with representatives of specific agencies, as required. Follow up for presentations was provided electronically with a link to the HOME ARP Survey. Participants were encouraged to provide feedback within the survey and/or e-mail comments directly to the two HOME ARP Plan developers at the City of Spokane and Spokane County.

While some survey responders did review home ARP guidance and requirements, most survey responses were from people who simply expressed their perception of the Spokane regional homeless crisis network serving Spokane County.

The development of affordable housing units was the highest priority need identified by survey respondents. It is common knowledge that Spokane County lacks adequate affordable housing to address the housing crisis. Support services for people experiencing homelessness also ranked high; with comments indicating lack of support services keeps people in crisis and unaware of their fair housing and equal opportunity rights.

Shelter and transitional housing, as well as affordable housing units for youth and young adults is currently high priority in the Spokane regional homeless crisis network. While several funding streams have been secured for this type of housing there is a gap in funding to complete projects. In the meantime, youth, and young adults (YYA) lack adequate shelter, transitional housing, and the ability to rent affordable units. This is particularly true for those aging out of foster care.

Public Participation

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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: 9/27/2022
- Public comment period: start date 10/2/2022 end date 10/18/2022
- Date(s) of public hearing: 10/18/2022

Describe the public participation process:

The Regional Governance Council received information on HOME ARP Planning in December 2021. This organization consisted of mayors from each jurisdiction within Spokane County. The Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee (HCDAC), which consists of representatives from 12 cities and towns in Spokane County, were informed April 2022 about the planning process and where provided a draft of the HOME ARP Plan again prior to submission and BOCC approval.

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Eight presentations were provided to stakeholder groups, reaching well over 100 businesses, organizations, and agencies. Please see attached lists of those reach through presentations. County-wide, citizens were invited to participate in the HOME ARP survey through an informational website, press release to local media outlets, and community presentations. Three consecutive public notices invited interested parties to submit comments electronically or in person at the public hearing before the Board of County Commissioners on October 18, 2022, after a 15-day public comment period beginning October 2, 2022, through October 18, 2022.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

During outreach activities and presentations attendees were encouraged to pass along information and comment opportunities to their friends, families, and colleagues. 162 people participated in the survey.

A press release was provided to local media outlets encouraging participation in the HOME ARP planning process on November 22, 2021.

The Spokane County website provides translation tools to reach those who may not speak English or are sight impaired.

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

One person testified at the public hearing. Speaking in support of the HOME ARP Plan developed by Spokane County was Eric Robison, the Housing and Homeless Coordinator for the City of Spokane Valley. The HOME ARP Plan is consistent with the affordable housing goals for Spokane Valley and the high need for youth and young adult housing is needed. He continued by emphasizing the need to provide support services for those who gain housing to become successful. No written comments were received regarding the HOME ARP Plan during the public comment period.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why: All comments and recommendations are accepted during the public comment period and will be considered by the Board of County Commissioners prior to finalizing the HOME ARP Plan, Spokane County's application to HUD for HOME ARP implementation funds.

Spokane County HOME ARP Plan Substantial Amendment to Spokane County 2021 Annual Action Plan Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

Template:

					Н	omeless							
	Current Inventory				Н	Homeless Population			Gap Analysis				
	Family		Adults Only Vets		Vets	Family	Adult			Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	HH (at least 1 child)	HH (w/o child)	Vet s	Victims of DV	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	299	30	667	25	10								
Transitional Housing	218	74	80	70	22			La cal					
Permanent Supportive Housing	197	57	928	928	494								
Other Permanent Housing	724	226	97	97	0								
Sheltered Homeless						87/277	647/651	#66	97#				
Unsheltered Homeless						3/13	766/806	45	60				
Current Gap										1,148	297	318	318

OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Data Sources: 1. Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Consultation; 4. American Community Survey; 5. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)

* This includes all beds at family shelters - regardless of use at the time of the 2022 HIC that had bed/unit usage for HH without children.

** This includes season beds that were scheduled to end on or after 2/27/2022 and overflow beds.

*** Adults Only Units are estimated as that isn't included in the HIC, only beds are.

**** Total ES count discrepancy is related to 24 beds from Child Only Households

***** Homeless Population is pulled from the PIT Summaries in the HDX. The counts represent Households/Persons.

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Non-Homeless							
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis				
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households				
Total Rental Units	74,150						
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	38,530						
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	17,270						
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		12,070					
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		11,385					
Current Gaps			23,455				

Data Sources: 1. CMIS Community Management Information System

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

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Of the 1,757 people counted as meeting the HUD definition of Homeless during the 2022 Point In Time count, the following demographics were identified:

- 63% Male, 35% Female, and Less than 2% identified as Transgender, gender nonconforming.
- 74% White, 10% Multiple Races, 8% Black or African American, 6% American Indian or Alaska Native, 2% Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, & >1% Asian.
- 2% Children < 18yo, 5% Young Adults 18-24, 93% Over the age of 24.
- 47% were unsheltered.
- 41% were sheltered.
- 12% were in transitional programs.

When looking at the data collected for those who experience sheltered and unsheltered homelessness, it was estimated that approx. 1,460 single count of persons, with 290 families count of persons, and 10 children only count of persons. On the night of the 2022 PIT count, slightly more of the unhoused population were found in emergency and transitional shelters (934). Eight hundred and twenty-three individuals were surveyed on the streets (or unsheltered).

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Other qualified populations include a subset of the over 12,000 households with at least one severe housing burden who are at 0-30% of the Area Median Income and an additional 11,385 households with at least one severe housing burden making 30-50% of the local AMI.

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

When looking at the data for those who report these issues the PIT counted 157 total individuals, 72 of which were living in an emergency shelter, 25 in Transitional homes, and 60 individuals counted who were living unsheltered.

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

Young adults ages 18 to 24 are the largest growing homeless population in the country; homeless children and youth accounted for a third of the homeless population in 2017. Nearly half (46%) of homeless youth escaped a home where they suffered physical abuse; 17% left because of sexual abuse; 43% of homeless young men and 39% of homeless young women say they were assaulted with a weapon while living on the streets. Between 11% and 37% of youth aging out of public child welfare experience homelessness after they transition and an additional 25% to 50 % are unstably housed. 13,000-15,000 unaccompanied young people ages 13-24 are homeless and surviving on the streets of Washington. Young people are experiencing homelessness in every county in our state, yet there are services in only 50% of our counties. The legislature requires that any youth discharged from a public system of care will be released to safe and stable housing by January 2021 (SB 6560 2018). Office of Homeless Youth (OHY) Partnership.

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

According to the most recent Housing Inventory Count, Spokane County has 1,030 year-round emergency shelter beds, 298 transitional housing beds, and 22 safe haven beds. 615 households were counted for rapid rehousing programs, 347 of whom were families with children as well as some veterans with children (299 families, 48 veterans), and 2,242 units of Supportive Housing.

According to the last conducted Housing Needs Assessment, in Washington State, 118,092 units of subsidized rental housing have been built using state, local, federal, and private capital funds. In addition to these physical units, 40,169 tenant-based rent vouchers are in circulation across the state. Currently, at least 7,303 affordable units are in the development process, but 12,663 of the existing units are at risk of being converted to market-rate housing in 2017 due to expiring affordability agreements.

In addition, a significant unmet need remains for special groups with limited incomes such as seniors, people with physical and cognitive disabilities, families, victims of domestic violence, and the homeless. For extremely low- and very low-income households, Washington State has a deficit of 327,136 affordable and available housing units. In other words, for every 100 extremely low and very low-income households, only 51 units are affordable and available to them. The remaining 49-unit gap represents households in the state who are paying more for housing than they can reasonably afford. Since 2000, incomes in the state have declined by 2.4 percent but median rents have increased 7.8 percent in real dollars. This means that housing affordability in the state has been a growing problem over the past decade.

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Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations: Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

When looking at the 2022 Point in Time count the data that was collected for those who experience sheltered and unsheltered homelessness, it was estimated that approx. 1,457 single counts of persons, with 290 families count of persons and 10 children count of persons. On the night of the 2022 PIT count, 823 individuals were reported to be living unsheltered, with 725 counted in shelters along with 209 individuals living in transitional housing programs. Although the number of people staying in emergency shelters has fluctuated over time, the trendline has sloped upwards over the past 3 years. These fluctuations occur due to a complex set of factors

including overall need, weather, and disease outbreaks (most recently COVID-19).

The unsheltered respondents were asked, "What keeps you from using one of the regional shelters, check all that apply." Of the Eight Hundred and Twenty-Three (823), Five hundred and twenty-three (523) people answered that the most common response was safety or fear of violence (44%), followed by privacy (38%), anxiety (34%), rules (31%), and hours of operation or entry time (24%).

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Among those who are at risk of homelessness, the Corporation for Supportive Housing estimates Another 17,131 households need supportive housing in Washington each year. This includes individuals who are incarcerated and have behavioral health needs, individuals in nursing homes, developmental centers, psychiatric hospitals, and residential treatment facilities, as well as families and youth involved in the child welfare system due to a lack of safe and affordable housing.

There is an unknown additional number of households who are facing eviction, behind on rent, and not otherwise counted in this data. (Source: 2019 Affordable Housing Update Pursuant to RCW 43.185B.040)

While housing starts are at a 13-year high in fast-growing areas of Washington, affordability remains a problem for most households. In 2019, despite increased permitting activity, housing affordability worsened throughout the state by 10%. For low and extremely low-income households, the situation is worse than ever. Twenty-two percent of Washington renters (234,362 households) are extremely low-income, and there is a deficit of 165,345 units that are both affordable and available to them.

In Washington state, nearly half of renters are cost burdened. Those with extremely low incomes, meaning their household income is 30% or less of the Area Median Income, have the hardest time finding and keeping housing. When housing costs are more affordable and housing opportunities are more readily available, there is a lower likelihood of these households becoming homeless, and households who do become homeless can exit homelessness more quickly and with a greater likelihood of sustaining that housing long-term.

The National Low-Income Housing's most recent state housing needs report notes that there is a shortage of 158,225 housing units available to people at extremely low income. (Retrieved from Washington | National Low Income Housing Coalition (nlihc.org)

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

Existing vulnerabilities compound the effects of poverty. Among the unhoused population in Spokane, like other cities, there is a greater proportion of individuals suffering from substance use disorder (23% compared to 9% in Washington State), domestic violence survivors (10% compared to 1% in Spokane County), and people with serious mental illness (31% compared to 4% in Spokane County). While these vulnerabilities are undeniably a piece of the puzzle, they do not explain the rise in homelessness in Spokane. According to a variety of indicators, there have not been major increases in the prevalence of substance abuse or serious mental illness over the years. Where there are increases, they certainly are not on par with the 54% increase in the unhoused population from the 2020 PIT count to the 2022 PIT count. Many of the current shelters operating do not have separate (non-congregate) sleeping quarters for individuals and families to feel safe and secure during a housing crisis. Furthermore, few emergency shelter programs can accommodate all household compositions, pets, and gender identities, and/or operate in a low-barrier, harm-reduction manner.

Homelessness is a complex issue, with many risk factors that can make one vulnerable to becoming homeless. However, not all risk factors operate in the same way. There is a distinction between what is called the "structural determinants" (e.g., housing and labor market dynamics) and the "individual risk factors," such as mental illness, substance abuse, domestic violence, physical disabilities, and so on.

Below is the breakdown of the reasons given by the unhoused population for why they became homeless. Note that a person could provide more than one reason, so the totals don't sum to the population number.

334 reported a Lack of affordable housing,

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187 reported Substance Abuse,
177 reported unemployment/underemployment,
174 reported a Lack of Family/support network,
167 reported mental health problems,
104 reported access to transportation,
99 physical disabilities,
74 due to covid,
60 reported due to Domestic Violence,
32 reported due to healthcare costs,
21 reported due to criminal history, and
16 by choice.

What are the primary reasons why you became homeless?

56% reported a lack of affordable housing, 33% reported Substance abuse, 31% reported unemployment, 30% reported a lack of support, 29% reported mental health issues, 18% reported transportation access, 17% reported Physical disability issues/concerns, 13% reported COVID related issues, 10% due to DV, and 5% reporting health care costs.

What's missing from the shelter system?

53% reported permanent Housing, 44% reported bed space, 44% reported day space, 33% reported transportation, 32% reported Behavioral Health, 27% reported other, 21% reported Drug or Alcohol Treatment, 18% reported Health Care, 13% reported Employment training services, 12% reported job search, and 7% reported to want Family Reunification Services.

What services are you most in need of?

84% reported Housing, 40% reported Transportation, 36% reported Behavioral Health, 28% reported Drug or Alcohol Treatment, 25% reported Job search support, 21% reported Health care, 20% reported Employment training, 15% reported other, and 9% reported Family Reunification Services.

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 Housing Needs Assessment was commissioned by the diverse, governor-appointed membership of the Washington State Affordable Housing Advisory Board to create an unbiased accounting of housing affordability in Washington. It is meant to serve as a foundation for current and future policy discussions. In future years this study can be replicated to understand trends and the effectiveness of policy decisions and investments. The data that they have collected shows; Thirty-six percent (936,260) of Washington's households are cost burdened. More than 390,000 households (15.2%) are severely cost-burdened. The proportion of the lowest-earning households (earning less than 30% of the state's median family income) that are

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severely cost-burdened is greater than those who can reasonably afford their housing. Homelessness is another critical affordability problem one step beyond the cost burden.

HUD's Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data (https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/cp.html) reports that 64,325 Spokane County households have at least 1 of 4 severe housing problems. These households lack safe, economically sustainable housing and are at increased risk of housing instability and homelessness.

Therefore, households that spend more than 30% of their income and live-in substandard housing is unstably housed and at risk of homelessness. Substandard housing is defined at 24 CFR § 5.425, which reads:

(A) When the unit is substandard. (See § 5.415(a)(2) and (c)(2)(ii) for applicability of this section to the Section 8 Certificate/Voucher, Project-Based Certificate, Moderate Rehabilitation programs and the public housing program.) A unit is substandard if it: (1) Is dilapidated.

(2) Does not have operable indoor plumbing.

(3) Does not have a usable flush toilet inside the unit for the exclusive use of a family.

(4) Does not have a usable bathtub or shower inside the unit for the exclusive use of a family.

(5) Does not have electricity, or has inadequate or unsafe electrical service;(6) Does not have a safe or adequate source of heat;

(7) Should, but does not, have a kitchen; or

(8) Has been declared unfit for habitation by an agency or unit of government.

(B) Other definitions—

(1) Dilapidated unit. A housing unit is dilapidated if:

(i) The unit does not provide safe and adequate shelter, and in its present condition endangers the health, safety, or well-being of a family; or

(ii) The unit has one or more critical defects or a combination of intermediate defects in sufficient number or the extent to require considerable repair or rebuilding. The defects may involve original construction, or they may result from continued neglect or lack of repair or from serious damage to the structure.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

The priority needs among the qualifying populations are affordable and supportive housing, as well as appropriate shelters. The proportion of people sleeping in outdoor encampments has more than doubled since 2020. Although proportionally less, there are also more people (numerically) sleeping on the street, under bridges/overpasses, and in vehicles. We may begin to understand something about different unsheltered populations' needs based on their chosen sleeping location and the reason that they don't use a shelter.

For example, those sleeping on the streets were less likely to cite safety or fear of violence as the reason for not using a shelter but more likely than the unsheltered population to cite privacy,

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rules, hours of operation, and alcohol or drug dependency. Those sleeping in encampments were more like to cite safety/fear of violence and pets as their reason for not using shelters and less likely to cite all other reasons. Finally, those sleeping in a vehicle boat, or RV were more likely to cite safety/fear, privacy, anxiety, pets, and non-traditional family units.

These trends point to what kinds of improvements to the emergency shelter system might better accommodate persons making alternative sheltering choices. For example, if the goal is to encourage more people in encampments to use emergency shelters instead, then we need to address why people perceive shelters to be unsafe.

Forty-six percent of respondents cited unemployment or lack of affordable housing as the reason that they are homeless. Forty percent of the population cited affordable housing and 16% cited both. In Spokane, average housing sales and rent have both nearly doubled over the last 10 years. About 10 years ago, Spokane was a very affordable city, and our homeless population was decreasing. In recent years it has become much less affordable with a corresponding rise in our unhoused population. The housing affordability index is calculated using median income and median housing price. This is, of course, an oversimplification but imagine that the person in the middle (middle-income person) can only afford the least expensive house. If that were the case, the other two people would be squeezed out of housing.

When the pricing distribution of the stock of housing for sale does not proportionally match the distributions of household incomes then the affordable housing potential for households at the lower end of incomes are squeezed out of the market.

Since at least 2016, there has been a segment of the population for whom purchasing a house was not affordable. In 2016 this was those making below \$15,000 annual income or about 24,859 households. Recently that segment of the population for which housing ownership is unaffordable has increased to about 86,318 households (making less than \$50,000). Note, for example, in 2020 6% of households had incomes in the lowest segment with only 1% of housing sales that would have matched those households.

The story is the same with rentals. Housing experts generally site a vacancy rate below 5% as a tight market - the last time the Spokane vacancy rate was above 5% was in 2011 (orange line). Further, even for those that qualify, HUD specifies a Fair Market Rent value that support organizations cannot exceed. The fair market rent value has diverged from the average rent cost in recent years. In 2021, HUD's fair market rent was \$774 but the average cost of a 1-bedroom apartment was \$988 in Spokane. If providers cannot find rentals at fair market rates, they cannot spend subsidy dollars.

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:

This was amended to reflect annualized data available through the Balance of State HMIS/CMIS and local CoC data. Additionally, Spokane County heard from stakeholders during the consultation process about the priority gaps and needs throughout the state, including other entitlement areas utilized data from the following sources; The City of Spokane Housing Action Plan, 2022 Point in Time Count, The city of Spokane Housing Inventory Chart, HMIS/CMIS, the Washington State Housing needs assessment, the <u>Affordable Housing Advisory Board &</u>

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housing affordability index, the Spokane Housing Action Plan, The Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Office of Homeless Youth, as well as the American Community Survey.

HOME-ARP Activities Template:

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

Implementation of HOME ARP, upon approval of the HOME ARP Plan, will be accomplished through a direct allocation method:

Spokane County, Community Services, Housing and Community Development staff will

- Analyze information and Prioritize Projects/Activities/Needs/Populations from High-Medium-Low;
- Identify the top two or three activities from the Gap Analysis that will most likely benefit from HOME ARP, that "but for" HOME ARP could not be accomplished.
- CSHCD Director solicits HOME ARP Applications from the top two priority activities/projects for further review and assessment based on the highest priorities.
- HCD Staff presents the HCDAC with a staff report identifying the process and analysis of the ultimate project/population/and alignment with HOME ARP requirements, including a funding recommendation.
- HCDAC's recommendation moves forward to the BoCC for final approval.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

Spokane County will provide monitoring and oversight for compliance with HOME ARP regulations. Activities will be carried out through contract with homeless housing or service providers.

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:

No HOME ARP administrative funds were provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to submission of the HOME ARP Plan to HUD for approval.

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

Template:

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$0		
Acquisition and Development of Non- Congregate Shelters	\$ 0		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 103,647.00		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 2,000,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 450,781	# %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 3,005,209.00		

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

Washington State has a deficit of 327,136 affordable and available housing units. In other words, for every 100 extremely low and very low-income households, only 51 units are affordable and available to them. The remaining 49-unit gap represents households in the state who are paying more for housing than they can reasonably afford.

Spokane County plans to allocate the majority, 2,000,000 of its allocation to the development of affordable and supportive housing. The remaining funds will be allocated to Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for \$103,647, which will serve all qualified populations, and \$450,781 will be allocated to Administration and Planning

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:

Spokane County reviewed all the collected data as well as the gap analysis for shelter, affordable and supportive housing, including the investments being focused on by other entitlements, as well as feedback and experience from those working to end homelessness in the Balance of State and those who experience homelessness. There are significant needs throughout Spokane County for each of the HOME-ARP eligible activities, and the lack of affordable and supportive housing, as well as appropriate shelters where all emphasized by the stakeholders.

High-quality affordable and supportive housing can help reduce long-term shelter stays, unsheltered homelessness, and provide a safe and affordable place to recover from substance abuse, mental illness, and other disabling conditions. Spokane County is aware that the existing homeless prevention and supportive housing programs are not adequately funded to meet the current and growing needs of the population they continue to serve. It is Spokane County's intention to structure a competition that both leverages all relevant funding sources (housing vouchers, Medicaid, other HUD, and behavioral health funding), and provides capital, operating, and supportive services funding in fidelity to evidence-based practices. It is imperative that Spokane County gain additional funding to address and aid organizations develop supportive and affordable housing, including funding pre-development activities. Homeless Housing Assistance Act funding may provide training and personnel costs for an entity that will build and serve the affordable and supportive housing units funded with HOME-ARP for qualifying households. Again, it is important to emphasize that 13,000-15,000 unaccompanied young people ages 13-24 are homeless and surviving on the streets of Washington. Young people are experiencing homelessness in

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every county in our state, yet there are services in only 50% of our counties indicating the absolute need for additional High-quality affordable and supportive housing.

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

Template

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

Spokane County intends to support the production of up to 20 new units of affordable housing serving at least one of the qualified populations.

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:

Spokane County intends to increase the supply of new affordable rental housing for low- and extremely low-income households according to the affordable housing goal as stated in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and direct this resource to identified qualifying populations as included in this plan. New unit production is the planned project/activity. A time line has not been established for project completion.

Preferences

Template:

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: HOME ARP one-time funds are not the same as annual HOME Program appropriations. They are intended to provide housing, shelter, and supportive services for persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking, and other vulnerable populations at greatest risk of

housing instability.

The Spokane Regional Continuum of Care (CoC) governance structure contains 4 subpopulation focused committees charged with designing and implementing the CoC strategy around ending homelessness for those populations. The subcommittee on youth and young adult (YYA) homelessness has a scope of work with benchmarks on ending YYA homelessness and regularly reviews the COC's policies and procedures to make recommendations to the CoC board to improve services and access for YYA. For example, the committee is actively engaged in a thorough assessment of the coordinated entry (CE) system, with the purpose of designing an effective access point for YYA and tailored to their needs. In addition to the CoC funded youth housing providers, representatives from public schools, youth with lived experience, coordinated entry assessment administrators, the public, workforce systems, substance use and mental health treatment, Spokane Housing Authority, juvenile rehabilitation and non CoC funded youth housing providers sit on YYA subcommittee.

As a result of ongoing coordination and planning for successful outcomes for homeless Youth and Young Adult (YYA) individuals,

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Spokane County intends to give preference to YYA experiencing homelessness, including youth aging out of foster care. Young adults are a subpopulation of each qualifying population and youth may represent each qualifying population except for the veteran population. Veterans experiencing homelessness currently have supports to end homelessness and the CE triages veterans effectively.

Recently, the Washington State Department of Commerce provided funds to produce a robust Coordinated Entry System for the Spokane Regional homeless crisis network. The Empire Health Foundation is spearheading the effort to integrate into and enhance the current CE system shown on the attached chart. Specifically, to serve an unhoused population living on Department of Transportation property, which contains homeless persons who represent every qualified population according to reports.

The resulting CE, which will integrate YYA more fully, will not exclude any qualified populations listed in HOME ARP guidance.

Appropriate interventions exist for each qualified population in Spokane County using the existing system. The planned enhancements will be compliant with the goals for HOME ARP Coordinated Entry.

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 Spokane Region's expertise in providing rental assistance to homeless households is significant but youth and young adults (YYA) face specific barriers in fully accessing and utilizing these services and the system lacks a robust suite of interventions for these individuals. The number one challenge to ending YYA homelessness is a lack of appropriate permanent housing, both in terms of financial resources available to YYA, as well as a lack of diversity in housing interventions to meet the unique needs of YYA within certain subpopulations. For example, youth exiting institutions, such as detention or substance use treatment, higher barrier youth, such as those who have sex offenses or significant disabilities.

HOME ARP funds directed at appropriate affordable housing interventions and rental assistance to assist with their success is consistent with gap analysis and the purpose of HOME ARP funds.

Referral Methods Template:

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

The Coordinated Entry (CE) system used in Spokane County refers to our Continuum wide effort to provide real time response to households experiencing a housing crisis. Our current CE system evaluates and ranks the needs to explore a household's current housing crisis and to best match housing options, including exploring every available resource a household might have to stay housed or provide options to move directly into housing. CE system providers work collaboratively with the Rapid Re-housing, low income, Transitional Housing and Emergency

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Shelter providers to ensure streamline processes that will begin to address the family's or individual's homeless episode. For households that have no alternative but to enter the homeless system, the CE system works to assess vulnerability of the homeless households and connect them to the appropriate housing resources based upon their level of need. The goal of our CE system is to provide each homeless household with the services and supports needed to rapidly return them to permanent housing. Key components of our CE system include housing first, client choice, collaboration between community partners, data quality, performance and data driven decision making and prioritization of chronically homeless households for permanent supportive housing. Specific population will need to be developed once the housing becomes available. We plan to use the existing CE system referral process for folks experiencing homelessness to access permanent supportive housing. Policies will be modified to accommodate the additional eligible population that we look to support with HOME-ARP funds. By utilizing our CE system, we will be able to specifically refer and These funds in turn will help to target major need as well as fill a large gap in our current system by allowing us the opportunity to supply and provide realistic and appropriate housing options for our Homeless youth.

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

Our **Coordination Entry system** is a process developed to ensure that all people experiencing a housing crisis have fair and equal access and are quickly identified, assessed for, referred, and connected to housing and assistance based on their strengths and needs.

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

The Coordinated Entry system is used to utilized, prioritize, and refer eligible participants. Coordinated Entry, paves the way for more efficient homeless assistance systems by:

- Helping people move through the system faster (by reducing the amount of time people spend moving from program to program before finding the right match.)
- Reducing new entries into homelessness (by consistently offering prevention and diversion resources upfront, reducing the number of people entering the system unnecessarily); and
- Improving data collection and quality and providing accurate information on what kind of assistance consumers need.

Coordinated Entry is a system-wide process and can serve any and all populations specifically eligible populations. Coordinated Entry is utilized through the use of a centralized phone hotline, as well as single physical points of assessment. We do this through emergency shelters or a dedicated assessment center. Each assessment point in our CE system handles assessment and screening for consumer need, data entry, referrals, and, potentially, program admissions. These centers are the main access points for prevention and diversion services as well. CE staff, after an

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initial assessment, provide the necessary prevention, diversion services, admit or refer a family/individual to the program that is best equipped to get them into permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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

Spokane County uses the CE system supported by the Continuum of Care.

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

Template

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:

Spokane County will utilize HOME ARP funds to assist with gap funding, where appropriate, to assist with multifamily housing for youth and/or young adults (YYA) and or other qualified populations eligible for HOME ARP.

YYA may represent members of each eligible qualified population and are considered a subpopulation of each for the purposes of HOME ARP. With no project details available at the time of submission the type of housing and specific beneficiary details is currently unknown. The rental housing will be analyzed to assure compliance with HOME ARP regulations.

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:

Youth and young adults (YYA) face specific barriers in fully accessing affordable rental housing. The system lacks a continuum of interventions that result in housing. There is a lack of appropriate permanent housing, both in terms of financial resources available to homeless YYA. For example, youth exiting institutions, such as detention or substance use treatment and higher barrier youth, such as those who have sex offenses or significant disabilities. HOME ARP funds directed at appropriate affordable housing interventions and rental assistance to assist with their success is consistent with gap analysis and the purpose of HOME ARP.

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):

Spokane County has administered successful TBRA programs in the past by contracting with the Spokane Housing Authority. A similar contract will be developed meant to serve all qualified

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populations who are ready for housing and need rental assistance. If successful for two years on the TBRA program, housing choice vouchers will be provided to keep beneficiaries stably housed.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

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

- Establish a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing to demonstrate that rehabilitation of HOME-ARP rental housing is the primary eligible activity NA no rehabilitation will be funded with HOME ARP.
- 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.
- State whether the new investment is being made to maintain current affordable units, create additional affordable units, or both. NA
- Specify the required compliance period, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer. NA
- State that HOME-ARP funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG. NA
- Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable: NA

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Two vacant positions

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September 15, 2022

The Honorable Josh Kerns Chair, Board of Commissioners of Spokane County 1116 W Broadway Avenue Spokane, WA 99260

Dear Josh Kerns:

As the new Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development, I'm writing to thank you for your public service and to ask you to develop and submit a plan for your share of the \$5 billion provided by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 for the HOME Program, called HOME-ARP.

These one-time funds are not the same as annual HOME Program appropriations. They are intended to provide housing, shelter, and supportive services for persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, and other vulnerable populations at greatest risk of housing instability. One year ago this month, HUD issued implementing guidance for this new program, obligated HOME-ARP grant funds to state and local governments and insular areas that are HOME participating jurisdictions (PJs), and provided jurisdictions immediate access to 5 percent of their grants to pay for administrative and planning costs associated with developing a HOME-ARP allocation plan.

As you well know, the affordable housing shortage our country has experienced for many years has worsened significantly due to the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. HOME-ARP funding provides your community an opportunity to increase the supply of affordable housing, upgrade or expand the stock of shelter for people experiencing homelessness and other populations by creating non-congregate shelter. You can also enhance or expand supportive services for households that are homeless or experiencing housing instability.

Your HOME-ARP allocation is 3.6 times the size of your recent annual allocations of HOME funds. This one-time funding provides additional flexibility and new eligible activities to help you meet the needs of qualifying populations and make significant, long-term investments in your community.

Specifically, your jurisdiction can use HOME-ARP funding for:

- Acquisition, rehabilitation, adaptive reuse, or construction of affordable rental housing, including permanent supportive housing for qualifying populations.
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) to help qualifying populations pay rent, security deposits, and utility deposits and payments.

- A broad range of supportive services to prevent homelessness and foster housing stability such as emergency assistance, job training, childcare, and educational services.
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter to create private temporary units/rooms for households experiencing homelessness or fleeing abusive situations.
- Capacity Building & Nonprofit Operating to build capacity and financial stability in local nonprofit organizations serving your community with HOME-ARP activities.
- Administration and planning to hire, train, and support new staff to select, manage, monitor, and evaluate HOME-ARP projects and activities.

To access HOME-ARP funds for projects or activities, you must develop an allocation plan assessing the needs of qualifying populations in your area and gaps in your housing and service delivery systems, allocating funds among eligible uses, and establishing preferences among qualifying populations, if applicable.

HUD is committed to providing guidance, training, best practices, tools, and templates to assist you in making your HOME-ARP projects and programs successful. These resources are available through the HUD Exchange at <u>www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/</u>. HUD will also offer direct technical assistance to jurisdictions that seek additional help in designing programs or projects. If you would like this assistance, please contact your local HUD Field Office.

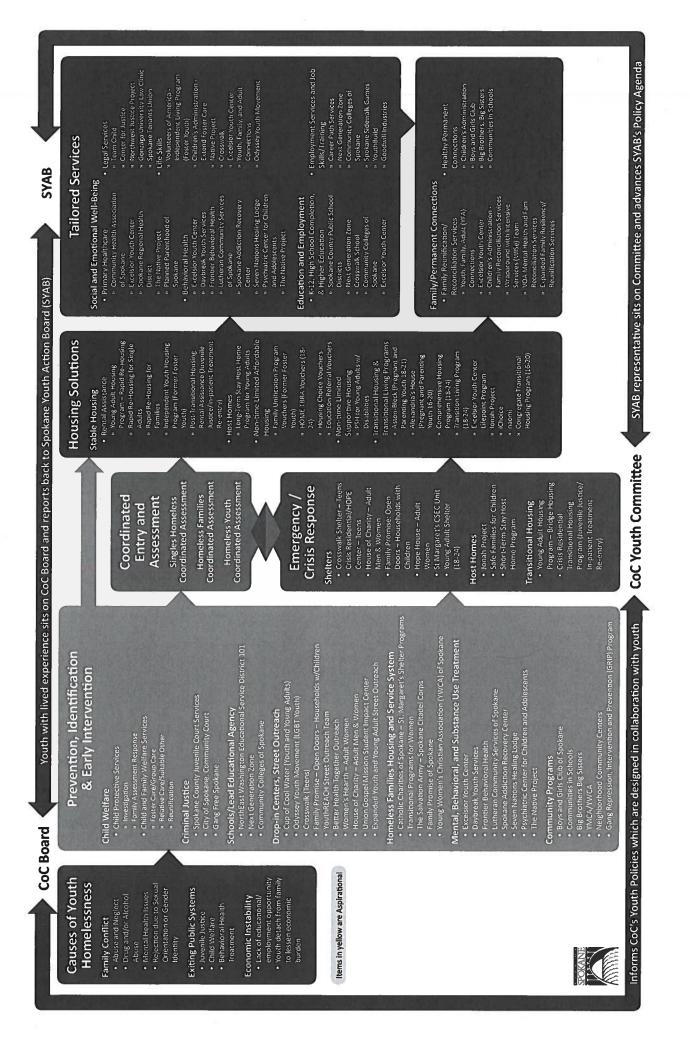
If your jurisdiction is still in the process of developing your HOME-ARP allocation plan, I urge you to prioritize development of your plan and completion of the required consultation and public participation processes and to expeditiously submit your plan to HUD for review. The need for HOME-ARP services, shelter, and housing in communities across the country is urgent and growing, and it is critical for HOME-ARP resources to be deployed expeditiously. Enclosed in this letter is a list of guidance, tips, templates, trainings, and other resources available at to assist your jurisdiction in developing and submitting a complete and compliant HOME-ARP allocation plan so that you can being making these vital investments in your community. If your jurisdiction has already developed and submitted a plan to HUD, thank you for your work.

If you or your staff have any questions about HOME-ARP or would like to share feedback on this process, you may contact your local HUD Field Office or HUD's Office of Affordable Housing Programs at HOMEARP@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

Marion Mollegen McFadden

Principal Deputy Secretary for Community Planning and Development



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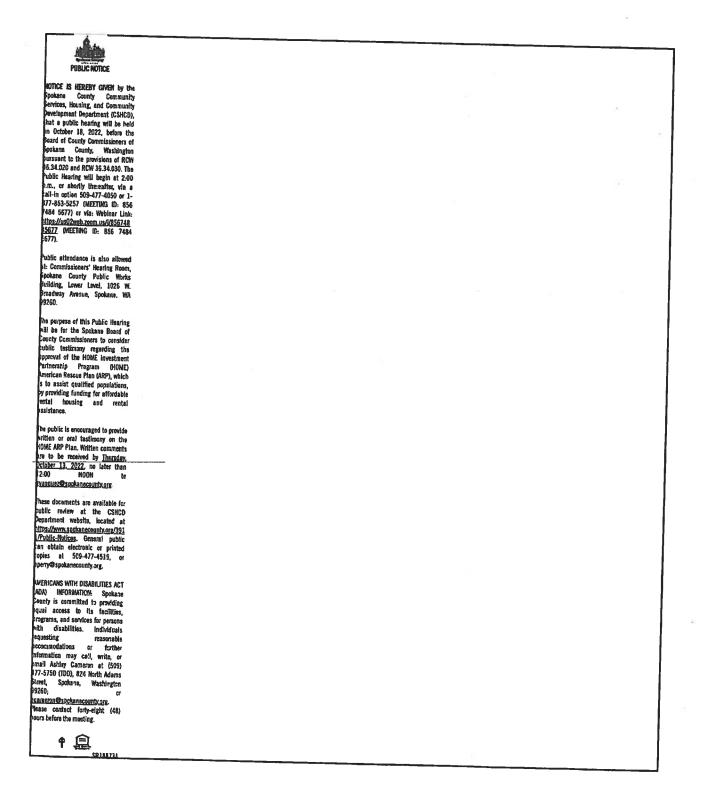
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

THE IN MATTER CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF THE SUBMISSION OF SPOKANE COUNTY DRAFT HOME) INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROGRAM (ARP) PLAN TO THE UNITED STATES (U.S.) DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN) DEVELOPMENT (HUD))

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Spokane County, pursuant to the provisions of the RCW Section 36.32.120(6), has the care of County property and the management of County funds and business; and

WHEREAS, the United Stated Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has the authority to make available to counties, funds for affordable housing purposes pursuant to various federal laws including the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) under 24 CFR Section 92.150; and

WHEREAS, Spokane County has complied with applicable laws, regulations, and guidance while developing the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP). A Notice of Public Hearing was published on September 27, 2022 to provide for the required 15-day public comment period of September 27, 2022 through October 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Spokane County received HOME ARP administration funds, in the amount of \$150,260.45 to conduct outreach and consultations as described in CPD Notice 21-10 to complete a HOME ARP Plan. The HOME ARP Plan will considered to be a substantial amendment to Spokane County's 2022 Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the HOME ARP Plan is to assist individuals or households who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of experiencing homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing funding for rental housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelters; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Public Hearing was published on September 27, 2022. The Spokane Board of County Commissioners in combination with the CSHCD Department reviewed the results of the data and public comments, and;

WHEREAS, the BoCC desires to submit the HOME ARP Plan as written and for submission to HUD as a substantial amendment to the Spokane County 2022 Annual Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Spokane County that the HOME ARP Plan is approved as noted above and in the attached document.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution constitutes authority for the Chair of the Board, or a majority of the Board of Spokane County Commissioners, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Budget Officer, or the Chief Executive Officer, in other than an open meeting, to approve the HOME ARP Plan, attached to this Resolution.