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City of Saint Paul HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

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Introduction

In 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provided \$5 billion in funding to be administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program to address the critical need for homelessness assistance and supportive services. The City of Saint Paul, as HOME Program Participating Jurisdiction, was awarded \$6,789,929 in HOME-ARP funds to benefit our community's qualifying populations. HUD issued guidance for the utilization of the HOME-ARP funds through [CPD-Notice-21-10](#) on September 13, 2021. HOME-ARP funds are a one-time allocation and must be spent by September 30, 2030.

Activities eligible under the program include:

1. planning and administration of the HOME-ARP program,
2. affordable rental housing development,
3. tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA),
4. supportive services,
5. acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, and
6. nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance.

HOME-ARP funds must be used to primarily benefit individuals or families in the following qualifying populations:

1. Homeless, as defined in 24 CFR 91.5
2. At risk of homelessness, as defined in 24 CFR 91.5
3. Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking (as defined by HUD in 24 CFR 5.2003) or human trafficking (as outlined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 as amended [22 USC 7102]); and
4. Other populations, where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the National Affordable Housing Act 42 USC 12472(a) would prevent a family's homelessness or serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability.

As described throughout the plan, there are needs for qualifying populations in each of the eligible activities, yet activities adding new shelter beds or housing units to the system were identified as more impactful. This plan does not include activities for affordable rental housing development because the City has a substantial program underway for deeply affordable rental using other American Rescue Plan Resources. HOME-ARP is unique in offering non-congregate shelter as an eligible activity.

The City of Saint Paul will focus its funding on acquiring and developing noncongregate shelter to benefit the qualifying populations in our community. In addition, the City will focus resources toward supportive services, and for nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance to foster successful HOME-ARP program delivery.

HOME-ARP funds will be incorporated as a substantial amendment to the City's 2021 Annual Action Plan, and will follow HUD guidance for public participation specific to the HOME-ARP program.

Consultation

HUD requires Participating Jurisdictions - such as the City of Saint Paul - receiving an allocation of HOME-ARP to consult with stakeholder organizations to determine the needs and gaps related to these funding priorities and eligible activities.

Prior to the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan, the City of Saint Paul worked closely with Ramsey County, the Heading Home Ramsey Continuum of Care (CoC), housing authorities, and providers to coordinate efforts that serve the qualifying populations addressed in the HOME-ARP guidance. The consultation process began in 2021 as part of larger engagement related to ARPA resources, including HOME-ARP, and continued most recently with targeted consultations to provide updated priorities and data in the current environment.

The consultation process can be summarized in two phases of engagement:

- 1) Initial ARPA engagement during the fall of 2021 focused on a lack of deeply affordable housing units in the City of Saint Paul and Ramsey County. This engagement covered HOME-ARP and as part of broader ARPA resources received by Saint Paul and Ramsey County. The City and County dedicated a combined \$75 million of ARPA funds beyond the HOME-ARP allocation toward expanding the supply of 30% AMI and Permanent Supportive Housing. Consultations as part of this phase of engagement included nine targeted interviews with service providers with a specific focus on reaching providers who serve African American, American Indian, immigrant residents and youth. In addition to targeted interviews, staff attended seven large group meetings where housing providers, service providers, and staff from other public agencies already meet, including the Heading Home Ramsey CoC Steering Committee, Unsheltered Provider meeting and several Ramsey County provider and team meetings. An online survey was also used during this phase of engagement and obtained 34 responses from key stakeholders.
- 2) The second phase of engagement was conducted during the fall of 2022 to obtain more up to date trends and data, and follow up with key stakeholders with a focus on the utilization of the HOME-ARP resource. During this phase of engagement, staff met with the Heading Home CoC Steering Committee, The Saint Paul Homeless Assistance Response Team, and held five additional targeted consultations with additional stakeholders. A follow up online survey was conducted and obtained an additional 10 responses.

Consultations

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Heading Home Ramsey	Continuum of Care (CoC)	Group meetings 9/2021, 11/2022, and 12/2022	Need for additional, sustainable resources to expand the system. There is a need for housing options for all, ongoing funding for supportive services and unsheltered outreach.
Saint Paul Homeless Action Response Team	Public Agency/ Homeless Service Provider Coalition	Group meeting 11/2022	Consider sustainable long term resources. Non congregate shelter option if ongoing operating support leveraged
Ramsey County – Community and Economic Development	Public Agency/Service Provider and HOME-ARP Grantee	Interview 10/2022	Coordination of activities, to extent feasible, would leverage the funds. Ramsey County's HOME-ARP allocation plan includes development of affordable rental housing and supportive services
Ramsey County – Veterans Services	Public Agency/Veterans	Group discussion 9/2021	Affordable housing needed across all AMI levels for veterans. Some with mental health supports.
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency	Public Agency/ Housing Funder and HOME-ARP Grantee	Interview 11/2022	Coordination of activities, if state resources were used in Saint Paul, should be completed. The State's plan is not yet developed.
Women's Advocates	Domestic Violence Service Provider	Interview 12/2022	There is a need for transitional shelter type housing (non-congregate shelter may be of value) and permanent housing. Resources should be coordinated with Office of Justice Programming for this population.
Saint Paul Public Housing Agency	PHA	Interview 12/2022	Some funding could be valuable as capital incentives for developing deeply affordable rental housing. Housing search assistance also a high need.
Metro HRA	PHA	Group discussion 9/2021	Invest in housing units that accept vouchers. Provide supportive services that help reduce housing instability and prevent eviction.
Fair Housing Implementation Council	Civil Rights/Fair Housing	Staff interviews 9/2021	Provided feedback on fair housing within the HOME-ARP program and how preferences could be set.

The Arc of MN	Service Provider for Persons with Disabilities	Group meeting 9/2021 Interview 12/2022	There is a gap in services resources that can provide for activities like security deposits. Persons with disabilities may need more 1:1 assistance, including to navigate the coordinated entry process.
Catholic Charities	Homeless Service Provider	Interview 9/2021 Interview 12/2022	Increase in low barrier affordable housing, greater shelter investments, and a priority around mental health services.
Ain Dah Yung Center	Homeless Service Provider	Interview 9/2021	Discussed need for flexible funding for permanent supportive housing and culturally specific services.
Avivo	Homeless Service Provider	Interview 9/2021	Low barrier options for unhoused residents and greater funding for supportive services to transition people to independence.
Face to Face	Youth Services Provider	Interview 9/2021	Make sure homeless youth are not forgotten as investments are made. Flexible funding for youth programming.
Model Cities	Housing Services Provider	Interview 9/2021	Ongoing funding for supportive services and deeply affordable housing units.
Metro Transit Homeless Action Team	Homeless/Law Enforcement Agency	Interview 9/2021	Mental Health services and housing specifically for those experiencing mental health crises.
Ramsey County Veterans Services	Veterans Services	Group Meeting 9/2021	Affordable housing needed for all AMI levels for veterans. Some with strong mental health supports.
Ujaama Place	Homeless Service Provider	Interview 9/2021	Low barrier options for those leaving correctional system.
Unsheltered Provider Workgroup	Housing/Homeless Service Providers	Group meeting 9/2021	All new units need to be available for those that are experiencing unsheltered homelessness and provide more mental health supports

Results of Consultations

Both phases of engagement pointed to the need for deeply affordable housing options and more resources to support preventing and ending homelessness in our community. There are increasing levels of homelessness in Saint Paul (and Ramsey County CoC region more broadly) and BIPOC households, older individuals, and larger families are most acutely impacted by a shortage of housing options. We heard that deeply affordable housing

without supportive services and permanent supportive housing are both needed in our community to meet the needs of all qualifying populations.

We heard that for some individuals experiencing homelessness, community residences and other forms of congregate settings are in need. However, there is concern about lack of privacy in congregate settings, and non-congregate settings with private bathrooms and other shared common space would be best for individuals with significant medical barriers, especially for elders, and for survivors of domestic violence. Yet, there is also concern about ongoing operating support when considering the one-time funding of HOME-ARP. To consider a project with non-congregate shelter, a coordinated effort to obtain operational funding is necessary

Throughout our consultations, we heard that while all eligible activities under HOME-ARP are needed, and even difficult to prioritize, activities that can provide permanent resources are needed to support long term impacts to benefit the housing and homeless systems.

Public Participation

The City of Saint Paul published a draft plan with a comment period and held a public hearing in order to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on its proposed HOME-ARP allocation plan.

Public Participation Process

On January 23, 2023, the City published notice of the upcoming availability of the draft HOME-ARP plan in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press, as paper of record. The City published the draft plan on its website at <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-and-economic-development/consolidated-plan>, and printed copies were available on request. The plan was available for comment from January 24, 2023 through February 8, 2023. A hybrid (remote via Teams and in person) public hearing took place on February 8, 2023, at 3 PM.

On April 20, 2023, the City published an updated notice of the availability of the HOME-ARP Plan draft in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press. The updated plan was available for a fifteen day public comment period from April 20 through May 5, 2023 at the website above. A hybrid public hearing scheduled for May 3, 2023, at 3 PM.

Translation services were offered in advance of the public hearing and for the plan on request, as noted in meeting notifications and public notice.

Efforts to Broaden Public Participation

In addition to distributing materials through its traditional email list serve, the City also distributed the draft plan to a list of community stakeholders developed during the consultation process and through social media.

Comments and Recommendations Received

The City of Saint Paul did not receive any comments.

Comments or Recommendations Not Accepted

The City of Saint Paul did not receive any comments.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

The following describes the size and composition, existing resources, and unmet needs of each of the four qualifying populations in the HOME-ARP program and the priority needs for qualifying populations.

To determine the level of need and gaps in the shelter and housing inventory, the City of Saint Paul used a variety of data sources, including the 2022 Housing Inventory Count (HIC), the 2022 Point in Time (PIT) count, American Community Survey Data, Comprehensive Housing Assessment Strategy data, and local information collected in community consultation meetings.

1. Homeless Population

For the purposes of the HOME-ARP program, HUD defines “homeless” as defined in 24 CFR 91.5 or as in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)) (“McKinney-Vento”), as follows:

- (1) An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
 - (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
 - (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or
 - (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;
- (2) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:
 - (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
 - (ii) No subsequent residence has been identified; and
 - (iii) The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks needed to obtain other permanent housing;
- (3) Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:
 - (i) Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)), or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);

- (ii) Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;
- (iii) Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
- (iv) Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment.

Size and Composition

The City of Saint Paul is part of the Ramsey County Continuum of Care (CoC), Heading Home Ramsey, and the following data about the homeless population reflect data for the entire CoC.

As of the Point in Time Count for January 26, 2022, of 1,713 persons experiencing homelessness, there were 1,056 residing in emergency shelters, 300 who were unsheltered, and 357 in transitional housing in the CoC region. Table 1 categorizes by population type (in a family household and in a household without children), combining emergency shelters and transitional housing into one category of “sheltered”.

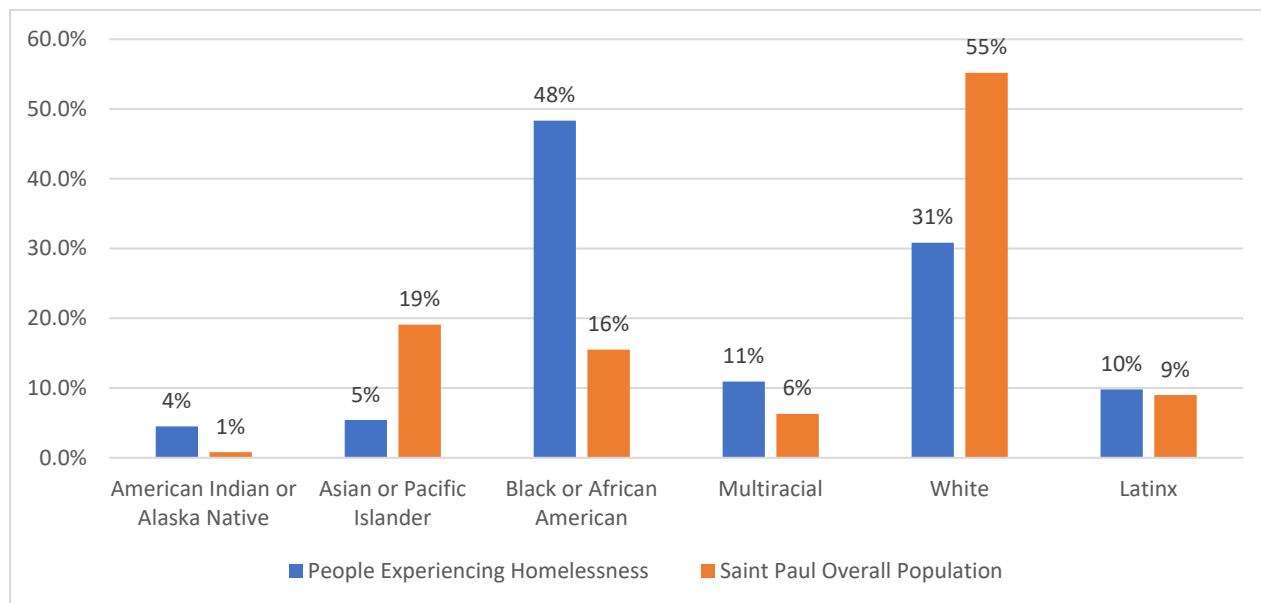
Table 1: Homeless Point in Time Count

	Homeless Population		Subpopulations		
	In Family Household	In Household (w/out child)	Veterans	Unaccompanied Youth	DV Survivors
Sheltered	497	916	64	17	210
Unsheltered	35	265		1	
Total Combined	1713				

Source: 2022 Ramsey County Point in Time Count (PIT)

As shown in the Figure 1 below, Black, Indigenous and Persons of Color (BIPOC) are disproportionately impacted by homelessness. People who are Black or African American make up 48% of the population experiencing homelessness, while they represent 16% of the overall city of Saint Paul population. People who are American Indian or Alaska native have a similar disparity, with 4% of population experiencing homelessness and less than 1% of the overall city population.

Figure 1 - Race and Ethnicity of Population



Source: 2022 Ramsey County Point in Time Count and American Community Survey 2016-2020.

More currently, Ramsey County's weekly situation report for the week ending December 18, 2022, there were an average of 567 persons in first come first served emergency shelters, 183 in family households. There were an additional 125 persons in program specific shelters, making emergency shelter usage averaging 692 persons per night. Note that the PIT data shown above includes transitional housing in addition to emergency shelters. Through our consultations, the City of Saint Paul learned of trends in homelessness that aren't reflected in the PIT data, including an increasing prevalence of older adults experiencing homelessness and larger families or couples and non-traditional families who are often split up in congregate shelter situations. Currently, of 100 people who are unsheltered homeless in the City of Saint Paul, there are thirty couples (sixty individuals) who are not eligible to stay in a congregate shelter together¹. More broadly, the Wilder Foundation conducts a detailed study of homelessness every three years and contains more specific population data than the annual PIT. In the most recent published report², the study noted that older adults (aged 55 and older) are the fastest growing segment of the homeless population, even though they are the age group least likely to experience homelessness. The study also noted that the majority of homeless older adults have complex health conditions, with 90% reporting that a disability limited their ability to work or complete activities of daily living. Those with such health conditions need more assistance and access to private bathrooms to be successful in stabilizing their housing situation.

¹ Saint Paul Homeless Assistance Response Team, December 2022.

² Minnesota Homeless Study, 2018, Wilder Research. <https://www.wilder.org/mnhomeless>

Existing Resources

According to the Housing Inventory Count for 2022 and as shown in Table 2 below, there are over 1,300 beds in Emergency Shelters in the Ramsey County CoC region. Some of the largest shelters located in the City of Saint Paul include Catholic Charities' Higher Ground Shelter (376 beds among various programs), the Union Gospel Mission's Bethel Hotel (163 beds), and Model Cities' Safe Space Shelter (64 beds). Many Emergency Shelters offer transitional housing, and there are nearly 600 total transitional housing beds across the CoC region.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Ramsey County and partners leveraged funding to provide emergency shelter, temporary housing in hotels and respite care facilities for those experiencing homelessness during the pandemic. Contracts with Bethesda Hospital provided specialized temporary shelter for women, elders and couples. The shelter activities initially funded through the CARES Act and other subsequent COVID funding require a long term strategy to resume operations in existing or new locations.

The CoC region has nearly 4,000 beds in Permanent Supportive Housing or other permanent housing through specialized vouchers. Some of the largest providers of permanent housing in these categories include Catholic Charities, Hearth Connection, Project for Pride in Living, RADIAS Health, and the Saint Paul Public Housing Agency.

Table 2: Homeless Housing Inventory Chart

Housing Type	Total Inventory		Subpopulation Inventory		
	Family	Adults Only	Vets	Unaccompanied Youth	DV
Emergency Shelter	329	984	NA	11	196
Transitional Housing	393	196	NA	8	51
Permanent Supportive Housing	1154	1826	NA	-	55
Other Permanent Housing	595	425	NA	-	-
Rapid Rehousing	407	80	NA	-	-

Source: 2022 Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

Gaps and Unmet Needs

There are not enough shelter beds to meet the needs in the community by county. In the 2022 PIT there were nearly 1,850 people experiencing homelessness in emergency shelters or unsheltered, exceeding the number of total beds available in emergency shelters. More recently, the City of Saint Paul has experienced an increase in unsheltered homelessness, a worrying trend that has become more highly visible since 2019 and throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Specific gaps in the shelter system are more than just the number of beds, it is also the configuration of beds and housing options available. Discussions with the Saint Paul HART team and the Ramsey County CoC both noted a lack of shelter capacity for families, non-traditional families (especially couples), and elder singles in noncongregate shelter settings. Safe and private spaces are valuable in responding to COVID-19 pandemic from a public health perspective and will benefit those needing private shelter spaces for a variety of health and family circumstances.

2. At-Risk of Homelessness

For the purposes of the HOME-ARP program, HUD defines those at risk of homelessness as individuals and families who have an income at or below 30% of the area median income (AMI), do not have sufficient resources or support networks to prevent them from being homeless, and are experiencing housing instability. Housing instability under HUD's definition includes those who have moved two or more times during the last 60 days due to economic reasons, living in another person's home due to economic hardship, or exiting a publicly funded institution or system of care. HUD's at-risk definition also includes families and youth that qualify as homeless under the standard used by the Department of Education; those households with children that are doubled up.

Size and Composition

There is no data that provides a complete picture of the number of households at-risk as defined by HUD. However, the HUD Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data offers a part of the picture.

For the City of Saint Paul, the CHAS data show that there are over 25,000 households with incomes less than or equal to 30% of Area Median Income (extremely low income), 21,000 of them renter households. Among these extremely low-income renter households, 65 percent (16,280) have one or more of four severe housing problems reported in the CHAS data. Severe housing problems include incomplete kitchen facilities, incomplete plumbing facilities, more than 1.5 persons per room, or a rent cost burden greater than 50%.

Table 3 details the CHAS data for rental units in the City of Saint Paul by their affordability compared with renter households at these income levels who have one or more of the HUD defined severe housing programs. This table also includes information for units affordable to and households who are at income levels between 30% AMI and 50% AMI. This income range is further described in the "other populations" Qualifying Population type in section 4, later in this plan.

Table 3: Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis

	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	56,225		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	10,985		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30-50% AMI (Other Populations)	16,205		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		16,280	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		7,845	
Current Gaps (30% AMI)			5,295 (gap in 30%)
Current Gaps (50% AMI)			8,360 ("surplus" in 50)

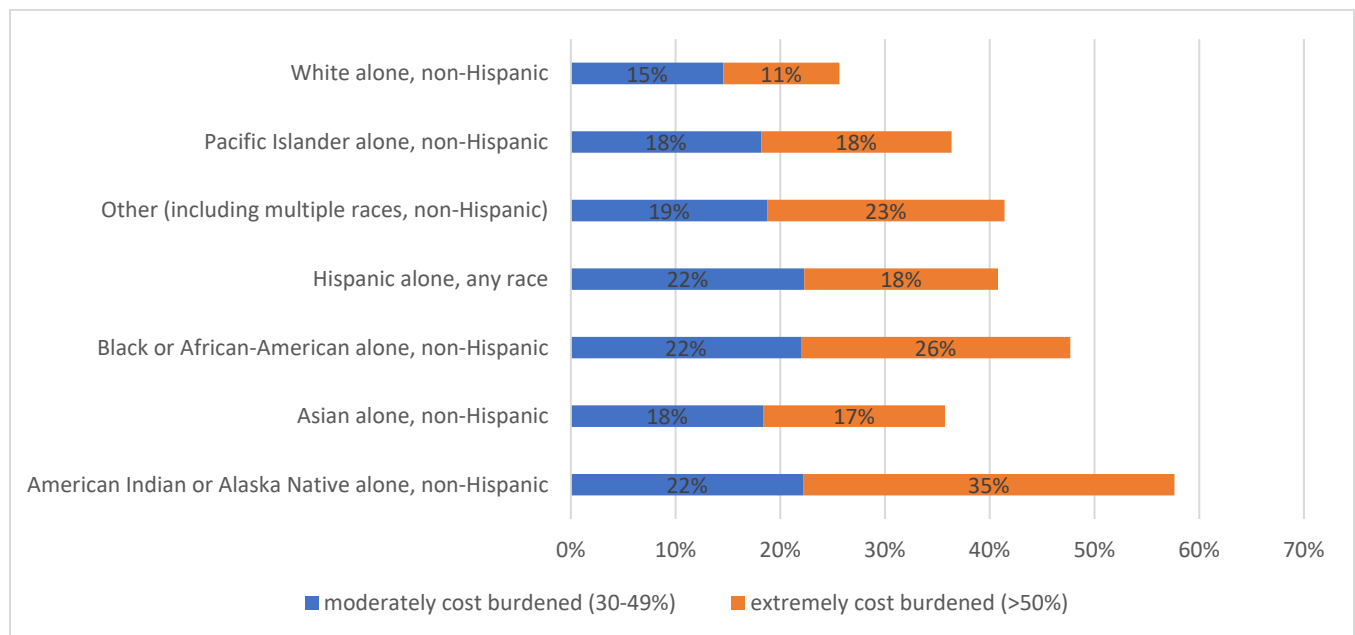
Source: HUD CHAS using ACS 2015-2019

As learned in engagement with housing providers, the lowest income renters at or below 30% AMI have the highest housing cost burdens, fewest housing options and are most at risk of experiencing homelessness. There are over 16,000 households in Saint Paul who are extremely low-income and have at least 1 or more of the severe housing problems, yet there are only 11,000 rental units that are affordable to these households. Even if all of the rental units affordable at this level were occupied by extremely low-income households with a housing problem defined by HUD, there would be a gap of nearly 5,300 rental units.

Families or individuals who are unable to obtain housing may double up with other households, increasing their risk for homelessness. The Saint Paul Public School District noted during a consultation with the CoC that many families experiencing housing instability are doubling up and often highly mobile and having to bus from outside school district to stay in a stable academic environment.

Households who are extremely low income are more at risk of housing instability when they are cost burdened. In Saint Paul, nearly 12,000 extremely low income households are also extremely cost burdened, spending more than 50% of their income on housing. As with people experiencing homelessness, BIPOC households are disproportionately more likely to be cost burdened compared to White households. Table 4 provides the share of all households cost burdened in Saint Paul by race and ethnicity.

Figure 2 : Share Cost Burdened by Severity by Race and Ethnicity



Source: HUD CHAS using ACS 2015-2019

Existing Resources

According to HousingLink through the Streams database, there is an inventory of nearly 9,900 total project based units that are subsidized in the City of Saint Paul to be affordable to households with incomes at or below 50% AMI, with 7,100 affordable to households at 30% AMI, as shown in Table 5, below.

Table 4: Total Subsidized Affordable Units in the City of Saint Paul

Affordable to Households 30% AMI	7,136
Affordable to Households 50% AMI	2,703
Affordable to Households 60% AMI	7,639
Affordable to Households 80% AMI	641
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Total Subsidized Affordable	18,119

Source: HousingLink Streams (includes all federal, state and local publicly subsidized properties)

In addition to project-based affordability as documented in the HousingLink database, there are an additional 5,000 tenant-based Housing Choice Vouchers funded through HUD in use in the City of Saint Paul³, and 83% of these vouchers are used by households with extremely low incomes.

Project-based or tenant-based subsidies are not the only forms of affordable housing in Saint Paul. As reported by Minnesota Housing Partnership⁴, there are approximately 11,000 of so called naturally occurring affordable housing (NOAH) units in the city that are affordable to households between 40% and 60% AMI. Notably, none of these NOAH units are identified as being affordable below 40% AMI, so are generally out of reach for households at or below 30% AMI.

Gaps and Unmet Needs

Between the subsidized project based units and the tenant based vouchers available, there are 14,900 housing opportunities available for households who are very low or extremely low income. Yet, as reported in the CHAS data shown in Table 3, there is a gap of over 5,000 units that are affordable to extremely low income renters and

³ HUD Picture of Subsidized Households, 2021, <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/assthsg.html>

⁴ Minnesota Housing Partnership, Saint Paul Market Watch: <https://mhponline.org/issue-2-saint-paul/>

there is a demonstrated gap in both datasets for a need in deeply affordable rental housing, with and without services, for those who are at risk of homelessness and have incomes 30% AMI or below.

3. Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Trafficking

The third qualifying population for the HOME-ARP funds include any individual or family who are fleeing or is attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

Size and Composition

Due to the sensitivity of survivor's circumstances, few data sources provide detailed information about this qualifying population.

In the 2022 PIT for Ramsey County, 210 individuals identified as being a Domestic Abuse Victim, seeking shelter to flee from violence, and are 15% of the total sheltered population.

As reported by Bridges to Safety⁵, each year, the Saint Paul Police Department receives nearly 8,000 domestic violence calls for service and more than 1,400 Orders for Protection are filed with the Ramsey County Court. In the last ten years, 36 women and 23 children in Ramsey County were murdered as a result of domestic violence.

Existing Resources

Some of the resources available for survivors in the City of Saint Paul include the Bridges to Safety program, a collaborative of 18 member agencies who provide services to survivors in Ramsey County. Women's Advocates⁶ provides some hotel styled shelter access. In fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, Women's Advocates served 145 survivors and children in emergency shelter settings. The average stay for residents was 79 days.

Gaps and Unmet Needs

This population has unique needs compared to other populations due to the security needs of survivors. Women's Advocates reported that it is difficult to move survivors and their families from emergency shelter situations to permanent housing and noted that temporary transitional housing in a noncongregate setting may be valuable to serve this purpose. In addition, coordinated case management services are needed for these difficult cases.

4. Other Populations

The fourth category of HOME-ARP qualifying populations are other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of

⁵ Bridges to Safety: <https://www.bridgestosafety.org/aboutdv.html>

⁶ Women's Advocates: <https://www.wadvocates.org/>

housing instability. HUD defines these populations as individuals and households who do not qualify under any of the other qualifying populations for the program but are either 1) previously homeless or 2) are at greatest risk of housing instability.

The temporary emergency rental assistance funded through the American Rescue Plan and earlier COVID legislation had significant impacts on household stability for those at risk of instability or previously homeless for the duration of that assistance. With those programs ending, and the evictions moratorium enacted during the pandemic ended, more of these households are again at risk of instability or a return to homelessness.

Size and Composition

1. Previously Homeless

Previously homeless under the HOME-ARP Qualifying Population definition includes those who have previously been qualified as homeless, are currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance, and who need additional housing assistance or supportive services to avoid a return to homelessness. According to Heading Home Ramsey's dashboard⁷, during 2021, a total of 567 people entered into permanent housing from homelessness, with a total of 3,177 persons in permanent housing who were previously homeless. Additionally, a total of 325 people entered into rapid rehousing during the year, with a total of 792 persons in rapid rehousing. These populations are at risk of a recurrence of homelessness.

2. At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability

Those who are greatest risk of housing instability are defined in HOME-ARP guidance as either being a severely cost burdened extremely low income renter household (household with incomes at or below 30% AMI and paying more than 50% of their income towards housing), or as being a low income household within incomes up to 50% AMI and being at risk of homelessness.

According to the CHAS data, there are 11,190 extremely low income households who are extremely cost burdened in the City of Saint Paul. These are included in Table 3, above.

There are 11,275 renter households in the City of Saint Paul with incomes between 30 and 50% AMI and 7,845 of these households have one of the four CHAS housing problems, which is one way to identify being at risk of homelessness.

Existing Resources

The existing resources for these populations are synonymous with those identified for those at risk of homelessness in section 2 above. As shown in Table 5, there are 7,136 units subsidized and affordable to 30% AMI in Saint Paul and an additional 2,703 units affordable to those households between 30-50% AMI.

⁷ <https://data.ramseycounty.us/Demographics-/Homeless-persons-entering-Rapid-Rehousing-or-Perma/6v2s-ycj2>

Gaps and Unmet Needs

While the CHAS data in Table 3 suggest a surplus of housing units affordable to those between 30–50% AMI, the circumstances are such that higher income households often occupy rental housing that is technically affordable to below their AMI level. However, access to deeply affordable housing opportunities may be more limited for populations that don't meet the "at risk of homelessness" definition and are not prioritized through homeless prevention programming.

Determination of Level of Need Gaps in the Inventory and Service Delivery System

This evaluation identified the activities where gaps are largest or most critical. As described throughout each section on Qualifying Populations, there are significant gaps in the shelter system and housing inventory to meet the needs of extremely low income Saint Paul households. Households who are precariously housed or experiencing homeless do not have enough housing opportunities available to meet the needs. The service delivery system remains strained as the infusions of federal resources during COVID are waning.

Priority Needs for Qualifying Populations

Though this analysis, the City has identified the following two priority needs for HOME-ARP resources to meet the needs of all qualifying populations:

- Non congregate shelter (NCS) for unsheltered or sheltered homeless people who are unable to stay in congregate shelters, this may include elders, families, unrelated couples, or others with medical needs or other circumstances where privacy is necessary, such as for DV survivors.
- Supportive services to assist households to achieve and maintain housing stability. These services would prioritize all qualifying populations while the types of services offered may tailored towards the needs of each qualifying population. For example, a household who is homeless will require more intense, immediate services than households needing to stabilize their current housing situation.

The City of Saint Paul determined the level of need and gaps in the community's shelter and housing inventory and in the service delivery systems based on the data analysis and qualitative feedback gained through consultations. There are needs across all of the priority populations and gaps in each system; yet the most acute needs are for those who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or are DV survivors. The priority for these qualifying populations and the NCS and supportive services activities to meet their needs is based in part on the sunseting of the existing NCS stood up during the pandemic and the wish to provide a more permanent solution of this opportunity in the community.

HOME-ARP Activities

The City of Saint Paul will use HOME-ARP funding to acquire and develop non congregate shelter (NCS), and leverage the one-time funds to establish appropriate supportive services consistent with the requirements in the HUD issued notice, CPD-21-10 "Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program".

The City will retain 15% to pay for administration and planning for the grant.

Table 5: Funding Distribution

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 500,000		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 4,592,448		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 0		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 0		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 339,496	5 %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 339,496	5 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 1,018,489	15 %	15%
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$ 6,789,929		

Selection of Developers, Service Providers, Subrecipients and/or Contractors:

The City of Saint Paul will solicit applications for funding through a competitive request for proposals (RFP) to seek developers, service providers, and/or subrecipients to carry out the HOME-ARP activities identified in the plan. The City expects to issue such solicitations during calendar year 2023 and will publicize the availability through the City's email list serves and other distribution channels.

Administration of Eligible Activities

The City of Saint Paul will administer the HOME-ARP grant directly.

No portion of the City's HOME-ARP administrative funds were provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of this plan.

Distribution of HOME-ARP Funds with Priority Needs Identified – Rationale for Proposed Plan

Characteristics of the shelter and housing inventory, service delivery system, and the needs identified in the gap analysis provide a rationale for the plan to fund eligible activities.

Non-Congregate Shelter (NCS)

Consultation and data analysis indicates that NCS is a need among qualifying populations for the HOME-ARP funds. During the pandemic, there were some NCS options created on a temporary basis and was found to be a critical resource for persons experiencing homelessness who were unable to access traditional congregate shelter settings. Qualifying populations with medical needs or other family situations will benefit from the private

nature of NCS. The City has determined NCS as a priority need for HOME-ARP because it is the only resource the City has identified that can assist certain unsheltered and sheltered populations in this manner. While the NCS is a temporary shelter and not permanent or transitional housing, there are not requirements to establish limits on the length of stay and the shelter could serve as a longer-term temporary situation.

Supportive Services

Through the consultations, stakeholders identified the need for supportive services to assist households in accessing and maintaining housing. The supportive services allowable under the HOME-ARP program are wide ranging and include activities that are not presently covered for some service providers, including financial assistance such as security deposits, moving costs, and rental arrears. The range of activities would allow for customized and specific case management to assist qualified populations in the NCS and beyond to establish housing stability for these families and individuals.

Administration and Planning

The City has planned for the use to up to 15% of the total HOME-ARP allocation to fund administration and planning activities, which will be carried out by city staff. If actual staff costs and administration expenses are less than the total 15%, the remainder will be allocated to the NCS or supportive services activities.

Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building Assistance

The City is prioritizing operating and capacity building assistance to nonprofits, up to the statutory caps of 5% of total grant each, to increase the capacity of project developers/administrators in developing NCS and deploying supportive services. These resources would be made available in conjunction other HOME-ARP program activities and if are not needed, or an amount less than the cap is needed, the remainder of the funds will be allocated to the NCS or supportive services activities.

Other Activities not Prioritized in Proposed Plan

Rental housing affordable to households at or below 30% AMI is a persistent identified need for the City of Saint Paul. The City is not prioritizing this activity for the proposed HOME-ARP plan because substantial resources through other ARPA funding have been dedicated to a 30% AMI rental housing fund.

Similarly, the City is not prioritizing the need for tenant based rental assistance in this plan because there are existing resources in use and the data and consultations reflected a need for additional capacity in the shelter and deeply affordable housing inventory across the City.

HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

The City does not intend to develop rental housing for qualifying populations with its HOME-ARP allocation.

Preferences & Referral Methods

Preferences

The City does not intend to use preferences in or among the qualifying populations of subpopulations to access the HOME-ARP services.

Referral Methods

Activities funded through the HOME-ARP plan may use multiple referral methods to create site or project specific waitlists. Waitlists will be developed in chronological order of referrals for all eligible households. Providers for NCS or supportive services will develop affirmative fair housing marketing plans to ensure that there is access to the services or shelter by all qualifying populations

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

The City does not intend to limit eligibility for rental housing or NCS activities.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

The City does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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:**

02/15/2023

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:** City of Saint Paul

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

41-6005521

*** c. UEI:**

SHQDV94JYMU4

d. Address:

*** Street1:** 25 West Fourth Street

Street2: 1100 City Hall Annex

*** City:** Saint Paul

County/Parish: Ramsey

*** State:** MN: Minnesota

Province:

*** Country:** USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:** 55102-1662

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Planning and Economic Developm

Division Name:

Administrative Services

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

Prefix: Ms.

*** First Name:** Jessica

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:** Deegan

Suffix:

Title: Grants Compliance Manager

Organizational Affiliation:

*** Telephone Number:** 651-266-6644

Fax Number: 651-266-6549

*** Email:** jessica.deegan@ci.stpaul.mn.us

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

M-21-MP-27-0202

* Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (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:

HOME-ARP: \$6,789,929

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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

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

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

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* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="6,789,929.00"/>

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

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

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

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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

☒ ** I AGREE

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

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

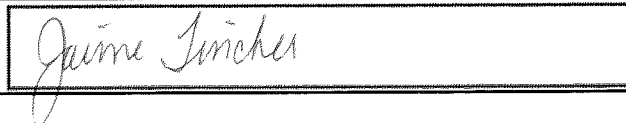
Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

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

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

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<i>Jaime Tincher</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor</i>
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
City of Saint Paul	02/15/2023

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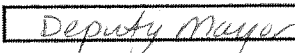
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HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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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.

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Signature of Authorized Official

2/15/2023

Date


Title

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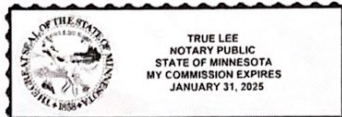


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**CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MN
PROPOSED HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN
AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

In accordance with 24 CFR part 91, 24 CFR part 92, and CPD notice 21-10, the City of Saint Paul will have its proposed HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) plan available for review and comment on April 20, 2023.

Saint Paul's proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is made through a substantial amendment to the program year 2021 Consolidated Annual Action Plan. The City was awarded \$6,789,929 to address critical needs for homeless assistance and supportive services through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Activities eligible under the program include:

1. planning and administration of the HOME-ARP program,
2. affordable rental housing development,
3. tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA),
4. supportive services,
5. acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, and
6. nonprofit capacity building and operating assistance.

The proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is available for review during a 15-day public review and comment period from April 20, 2023 to May 5, 2023, at <https://www.stpaul.gov/conplan>. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than May 5, 2023, to the following:

City of Saint Paul
Jessica Deegan, Grants Compliance Manager
Department of Planning and Economic Development,
Grants Administration
1100 City Hall Annex
25 West Fourth Street
Saint Paul, MN 55102

Comments may also be emailed to Ms. Jessica Deegan at Jessica.Deegan@ci.stpaul.mn.us or provided through a phone call/voicemail at (651) 266-6644 no later than 5:00 p.m. May 5, 2023.

A Public Hearing on the proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be held on Wednesday May 3, at 3:00 p.m. in room 1303 City Hall Annex (25 West Fourth Street, Saint Paul) and concurrently virtually via Microsoft Teams meeting using the following phone number: (612) 315-7905, Conference ID: 612 326 828#.

This hearing affords the public an opportunity to review, ask questions, and comment on the plan. All persons are invited to attend. Any person needing special accommodations due to disability should call or email Ms. Deegan at the contact information listed above at least one week prior to the hearing.

Español: Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para traducir esta información, llame al (651) 266-6691.

Somali: Ogow, Haddji aad dooneysa in laaga kaalmeeyo tarjamadda macluumaadkani oo lacag la'aan wac (651) 266-6212.

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The City will submit the final HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to HUD after the comment period concludes.