

HOME-ARP

ALLOCATION PLAN

OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

City of Tyler, TX

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Template with Guidance

Instructions: All guidance in this template, including questions and tables, reflect requirements for the HOME-ARP allocation plan, as described in Notice CPD-21-10: *Requirements of the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, unless noted as optional. As the requirements highlighted in this template are not exhaustive, please refer to the Notice for a full description of the allocation plan requirements as well as instructions for submitting the plan, the SF-424, SF-424B, SF-424D, and the certifications.

References to "the ARP" mean the HOME-ARP statute at section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2).

Consultation

In accordance with Section V.A of the Notice (page 13), <u>before developing its HOME-ARP allocation plan</u>, at a minimum, a PJ must consult with:

- CoC(s) serving the jurisdiction's geographic area,
- homeless service providers,
- domestic violence service providers,
- veterans' groups,
- public housing agencies (PHAs),
- public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and
- public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities.

State PJs are not required to consult with every PHA or CoC within the state's boundaries; however, local PJs must consult with all PHAs (including statewide or regional PHAs) and CoCs serving the jurisdiction.

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

The City of Tyler has developed this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan in accordance with Notice CPD-21-10 issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on September 13, 2021. HUD announced the allocation of \$1,312,072.00 to the City of Tyler through a newly developed grant called the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant American Rescue Plan) HOME-ARP). The purpose of HOME-ARP funds is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services through a variety of eligible activities. These eligible activities to address homelessness through activities such as acquisition and development of noncongregate shelter, tenant-based rental assistance, supportive services, rental housing development, administration and planning, and non-profit operating and capacity building assistance.

To be more specific, HOME-ARP funds must be used to assist people in HOME-ARP "qualifying populations", which includes the following:

- 1. An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.
- 2. An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence.
- 3. Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth who do not qualify as homeless but may be "at risk" of becoming homeless.
- 4. An individual or family who is fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or labor trafficking, etc.

The City of Tyler's goal for citizen participation is to ensure a broad participation of City residents, housing, economic and service providers in the planning and implementation of community development and housing programs. The city also seeks valuable input from citizens regarding the lack of affordable housing and homeless needs of low-income and moderate residents. Citizen Participation takes the form of advertised public hearings. The consultation and public participation process for the development of this HOME-ARP Plan consisted of a public hearing and public comment period. Public notice of the meeting was publicized in local newspaper in the accordance with the Community Participation Plan. In addition, staff met with City officials, consultants and other necessary and needed agencies to identify projects and possible partnerships for funding.

To receive funding, the City must develop and submit to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, which will describe the distribution of HOME-ARP funds, as well as identify any preference for eligible activities.

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org	Type of	Method of	Feedback	
Consulted	Agency/Org	Consultation		
People Attempting to Help (PATH)	Homeless Services, Housing Shelter Affordable Housing, Clothing	Interview	On the pulse of things, rent has gotten too high for the average person to afford. COVID did a number on people, and after COVID investors purchased up	

			rental units and now there is a tremendous shortage. We are now experiencing a skyrocketing number of people who are asking for rental assistance. As far as PATH is concerned, rental assistance would be a top priority going forward. They have 42 rental units and that is not enough to address the citizens at risk of becoming homeless. More funds need to be used to renovate properties, PATH has 8 houses that need to be renovated to bring them up to standard, which will provide units for 8 at-risk families. Funding also needs to be directed toward rehabilitation and reconstruction in order to get needed structures into livable condition. We currently have bids to tear down 3 homes because they are substandard, and need to have a new structure built in their place. The PATH director stated, "We are hindered by finances and capacity. Rental assistance is simply a band aid; however, the real issue is there needs and has to be more places to rent and more affordable home to purchase. Each with reasonable prices that the average person can afford. That in itself will provide more opportunities, and help address homelessness issues we are experiencing more of today.
Housing Choice Voucher	Public Housing. Affordable Rental Units	Consultation	The Tyler Housing Manager has actively 1,008 tenants who currently use the Housing Choice Voucher program to assist with subsidized rent. The administrator says It is definitely a challenge for low-income families to locate available and affordable housing. There are many families who are

			voucher holders who cannot utilize the long-awaited assistance due to the limited number of available housing units in the area. Additional single-family and multi-family homes; apartments, condos, duplexes, townhomes, row houses, etc. throughout the Tyler/Smith County area would be such a tremendous opportunity for low-income families. The more available and affordable housing the more stability our communities will sustain. Stable housing is a necessity for all humans and is critical to creating strong, sustainable and inclusive communities.
Habitat for Humanity	Affordable Homes, Services, Rehab.	Interview	Habitat for Humanity works with those families that work, but are at risk if becoming homeless. They feel that because of their financial model, HOME-ARP funding will be great to assist in single-family home construction, which will help drive the cost down and make those home even more affordable for those families with limited income. Also, for those seniors living in homes that are becoming substandard, these funds can help in the renovation and repair of homes, which will keep the seniors in a non-congregate environment without having to go to a shelter to live.
CAMP V Community Assisting Military Personnel and Veterans	Homeless services and housing provider for Veterans	HOME-ARP Meeting Session	By bringing together Veteran Service Providers into one central location at CampV, Veteran families, active duty, reserves, and guards receive a more efficient and effective way to connect to services, support groups, and each other. We serve an average of 340 clients each month. Through our work with Veterans, we have

			identified a big gap in Smith County regarding one of the most requested needsaffordable housing. Our emergency assistance fund provides short term housing in motels, but a more sustainable long-term solution is sadly underserved. Since CampV has 20 acres on Front Street, board members voted to bring transitional housing to our campus. We are in the early stages of planning, but collaboration with the City of Tyler would be a tremendous benefit in serving those who have served us. We envision great success for those in need due to the resources close at hand, programs, and community partnerships supporting Veterans. CampV will be prepared to alleviate the Veteran homeless
East Texas Cares Resource Center	Food Pantry to address food insecurity, Longand Short-term Housing Assistance, Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), HIV Prevention.	Interview	problem in Tyler and Smith County. ETC has an active Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) with families and individuals in scattered locations throughout the city. The Director stated that temporary housing is extremely important and desperately needed because it will ensure that families are intact and not separated due to lack of available space to live. This is especially true for women and children who are being abused. The HOME-ARP program will be a proactive step in getting things actively done as it relates to the homeless. Non-congregate shelters and affordable single- family homes need to be located in scattered sites to ensure that

Hiway 80 Rescue Mission	Ministry that helps the homeless with shelter and full services for the homeless. Transitional Housing	Interview	available housing will be convenient in all areas of the city. What is missing for this community is the service needs for community health workers. The lack of service workers creates an unnecessary gap. Funding should be developed with the UT Health Center community workers programs to help to make sure workers are available to provide the necessary training to address the issues of the qualifying populations for the HOME-ARP program. Community health workers as well as social service workers can play a significant role in helping people facing homelessness. This organization was established to provide food and shelter, and to share the gospel with homeless men. They have grown to help this ministry to include an emergency shelter for women and families. They primarily operate in Longview, TX which is approximately 35 miles from Tyler. The Mission wants to partner with the City of Tyler to develop a homeless shelter and warming center here in Tyler. This unmet need can be met by purchasing closed or abandoned hotels and renovate them to establish non-congregate shelter units for the homelessness who fit within the qualifying population. A facility like this could provide a safe place for the homeless As an agency that can manage and run such a center daily, it can provide the much needed services to the
			agency that can manage and run

			Our Mission: Hiway 80 Rescue Mission exists to glorify God by providing a safe and supportive environment where homeless and hurting men, women and children can experience life
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East Texas Human Needs Network (ETHNN)	Developing Sustainable Community Solutions to Poverty, CoC, and Point In Time count	HOME-ARP Meeting Session	the challenges of the homeless population and wanted to help people understand that the homeless numbers will increase substantially in the coming year. Discussions ensued about the vital need for non-congregant shelters as a first step toward helping the homeless, and from there adding appropriate services and case workers to monitor progress. It was suggested that there is a need for a tiered system where there are efforts to get the homeless off the street, help them find jobs, help them find rental units, and eventually help toward purchasing a home. A shelter would be a great step for Tyler. It would work in conjunction with other non-profit organizations providing assistance with needed support systems, which will help the homeless begin rebuilding their lives. It was suggested that Hwy 80 Rescue Mission would be a good partner for assisting in a homeless shelter if developed in Tyler. It was also suggested that the NBS department join ETHNN's monthly meeting "The Table and Bridges Out of Poverty." This will be a great opportunity for all agencies to work together to
			address homelessness.

East Texas Crisis Center	To provide safety shelter and education to victims of family violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and other violent crime	Telephone Session	One of the things that can help the program is when clients are at the end of their term, the agency would be looking at situations where they would be able to find a safe place to live at the end of their stay. There is a great need for affordable housing after their required stay. Housing and shelter are always needed to assist clients as they move on to the next step.
NAACP Tyler, TX Chapter	Chapter advocates for equal political, educational, social & economic rights of all persons	Interview	Members of the local NAACP organization believed that more affordable housing units should be place into the low to moderate income areas of the City. This would provide the opportunity for people to purchase a home in this price range. Rent has gotten too high for many people just trying to find a basic place to live. One member stated, "I think the people will be more receptive if they had a secure and safe place to call home" Additionally, members believed that Gentry Parkway should become a business corridor like on Broadway where businesses and more roof tops will generate more income for the betterment of the area.

Fair Housing	Discussed by area	Fair Housing	Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of
	Realtors and Lenders	Policy Issue	1968 (also know as the Fair Housing
		-	Act or the Act) prohibits
			discrimination in the sale, rental and
			financing of housing based on race,
			color, religion, sex, national origin,
			disability, and familial status (which
			protects families with children under
			the age of 18, pregnant women, and
			people securing custody of children
			under the age of 18).
			As part of its protections for disabled
			persons, the Act also requires all
			"covered multifamily dwellings"
			designed and constructed for first
			occupancy after March 13, 1991 to
			be accessible to and usable by people
			with disabilities. The above are the 7
			"protected classes" under federal
			law. State and local fair housing
			laws often go beyond the scope of
			the federal law to include additional
			protected traits, such as source of
			income (the use of housing
			vouchers), criminal history and
			sexual orientation or gender identity.
			In addition to federal, state and local
			fair housing laws, the U.S.
			Department of Housing and Urban
			Development's (HUD) regulations
			and guidance require an additional
			layer of compliance for rental housing providers.
			nousing providers.

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

Public Participation

In accordance with Section V.B of the Notice (page 13), PJs must provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan. Before submission of the plan, PJs must provide residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME-ARP allocation plan of **no less than 15 calendar days**. The PJ must follow its adopted requirements for "reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment" for plan amendments in its current citizen participation plan. In addition, PJs must hold **at least one public hearing** during the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan and prior to submission.

PJs are required to make the following information available to the public:

- The amount of HOME-ARP the PJ will receive, and
- The range of activities the PJ may undertake.

Throughout the HOME-ARP allocation plan public participation process, the PJ must follow its applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements and procedures for effective communication, accessibility, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and providing meaningful access to participation by limited English proficient (LEP) residents that are in its current citizen participation plan as required by 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.115.

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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: 2/5/2023
- Public comment period: start date 2/8/2023 end date 2/23/2023
- Date(s) of public hearing: 2/8/2023

Describe the public participation process:

The City of Tyler Neighborhood Services posted notice of the Public Review Period and Public Hearing online and in the local newspaper. The Hearing was held online at https://www.facebook.com/CityofTylerTexas/ on Wednesday, February 08, 2023 at 9:00 am and on the Internet website http://www.cityoftyler.org and Cable Access Channel 3, open to all members of the public who wished to attend. The Hearing included a PowerPoint outlining the Qualifying Populations, Eligible Uses and feedback received from consultation with stakeholders. It included a draft expenditure plan. The meeting was opened for questions and comments, with Neighborhood Services staff prepared to respond and recording all feedback received. There were no comments or questions.

Upon completion of the draft plan, the draft information was available for the 15-day public comment period from February 8, to February 23, 2023 for citizens to review and ask questions

and to make comments. Additionally, a HOME-ARP survey was created and distributed to various agencies and citizens in order to obtain input from external sources. The survey consisted of several area of homelessness asking their ranking of importance.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

Efforts to broaden participation included the Public Notice being published in the local newspaper, creation and distribution of a HOME-ARP public survey. Also, emails were sent to agencies and community stakeholders, requesting feedback and comments. Comments were asked to be submitted back by email, fax or telephone calls.

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

Tyler will consider all comments or views of residents during the preparation of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. There was one citizen who provided an informal oral comments after the hearing stating that the city was not doing enough to help the homeless population; however, the person did not readily provide any suggestions, ideas or recommendations.

The Tyler City Council approved the Substantial Amendment for the HOME-ARP funds for the FY2021 Annual Plan at the official council meeting on February 8, 2023. The meeting was held in the Council Chamber and was available to all citizens. The Public Hearing was held for HOME-ARP starting at 9:00 am. There were no comments made at the public meeting; however, a question was asked after the meeting about who were the "qualifying population" for this program, and staff explained that to the citizen.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why: The City of Tyler will accept all comments and/or recommendations. At the time of this entry, there were no public comments received during the Public Comment Period.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

In accordance with Section V.C.1 of the Notice (page 14), a PJ must evaluate the size and demographic composition of **all four** of the qualifying populations within its boundaries and assess the unmet needs of each of those populations. If the PJ does not evaluate the needs of one of the qualifying populations, then the PJ has not completed their Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis. In addition, a PJ must identify any gaps within its current shelter and housing inventory as well as the service delivery system. A PJ should use current data, including point in time count, housing inventory count, or other data available through CoCs, and consultations with service providers to quantify the individuals and families in the qualifying populations and their need for additional housing, shelter, or services.

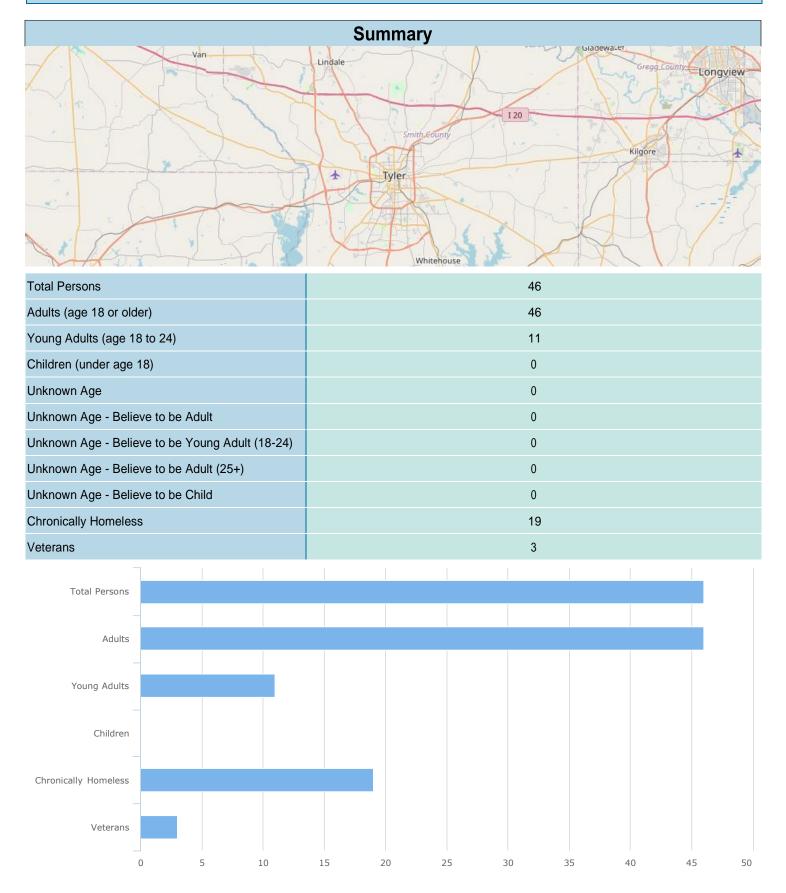
The East Texas Human Needs Network (ETHNN) released its 2022 annual Point-In-Time (PIT) count that included informative data for addressing the needs of residents who are experiencing

homelessness. It showed a population of 261 people were homeless. The breakdown shows the particular number count of 214 were adults, age 18 or older; 30 young adults, ages 18-24; and 48 children under age 18; More details showed that 34 were chronically homeless, and 10 were veterans. It was also noted by ETHNN that during the point in time count process, there were other homeless veterans who were camped out deep into the wood, and were resistant about being located. Unaccompanied youth households show a count of 26, with 5 being females, 14 males and one transgendered. There were 7 chronically homeless, and 34 domestic violence survivors in emergency shelters.

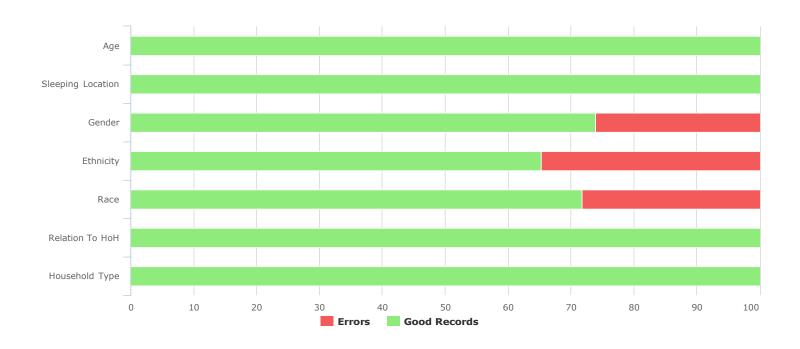
Overall, the majority of homeless were men (see charts below).

HUD Point in Time Report - Unsheltered

Count:	Texas Balance of State 2022 PIT Count	Geography:	Tyler
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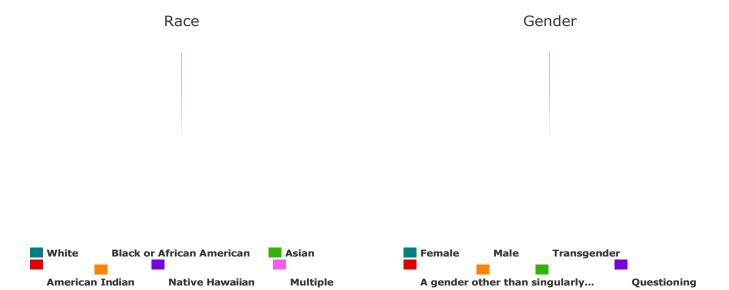
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Persons Missing Sleeping Location	0		
Persons Missing Gender	12		
Persons Missing Ethnicity	16		
Persons Missing Race	13		
Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0		
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0		



All Households

Households with at Least one Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
Number of Children (under age 18)	0
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	0
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	0
Gender	
Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0



Households without Children

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Total Number of Households	43
Total Number of Persons	46
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	11
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	35

Gender

Female	7
Male	26
Transgender	1
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

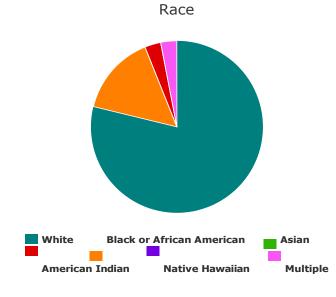
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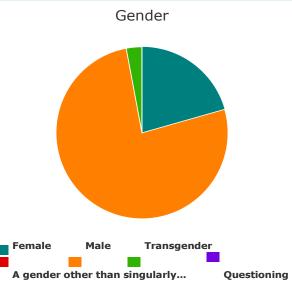
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	28
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	2

Race

White	26
Black, African American or African	5
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	1

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Total Number of Persons	19





Households with Only Children

Households with Only Children	
Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Children	0
Gender	
Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Persons	0
Race	Gender

Female

Male

A gender other than singularly...

Transgender

Questioning

Native Hawaiian

Multiple

Black or African American

White

American Indian

Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown Total Number of Households Total Number of Persons	0
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Total Number of Veterans	0
Gender	·
Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g.,	0
nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	•
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
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Veteran Households without Children

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Total Number of Households	3
Total Number of Persons	3
Total Number of Veterans	3

Gender

Female	0
Male	3
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	
Questioning	0

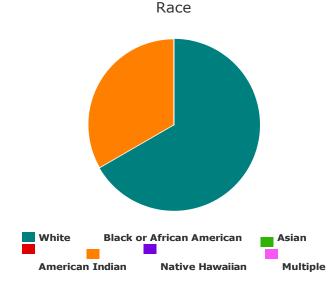
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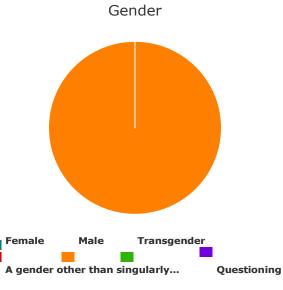
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	3
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	2
Black, African American or African	1
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Total Number of Households	2
Total Number of Persons	2





Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

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Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth Households	8
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth	8
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	0
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (18 to 24)	8

Gender

Female	1
Male	2
Transgender	0
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Questioning	0

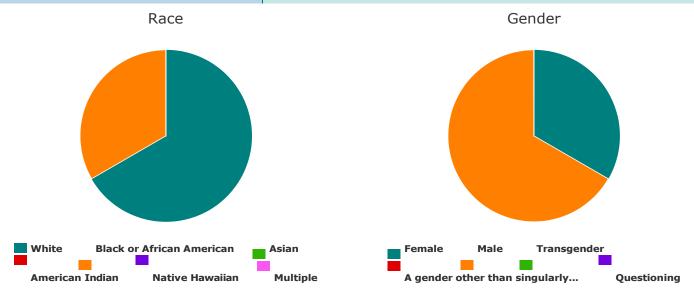
Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	3
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

Race

White	2
Black, African American or African	1
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Total Number of Persons	3
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Parenting Youth

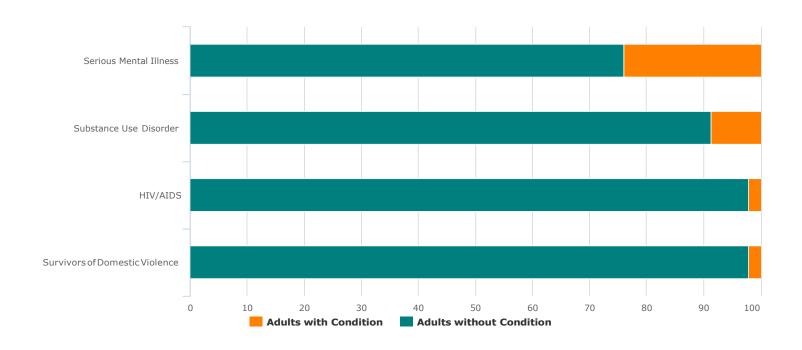
Total Number of Persons

Household and Person Breakdown		
Total Number of Parenting Youth Households	0	
Total Number of Persons in Parenting Youth Households	0	
Total Parenting Youth	0	
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	0	
Number of Parenting Youth Under 18	0	
Children in Households with Parenting Youth Under 18	0	
Number of Parenting Youth 18 to 24	0	
Children in Households with Parenting Youth 18 to 24	0	
Gender		
Female	0	
Male	0	
Transgender	0	
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0	
Questioning	0	
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0	
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0	
Race		
White	0	
Black, African American or African	0	
Asian	0	
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	
Multiple Races	0	
Chronically Homeless		
Total Number of Households	0	

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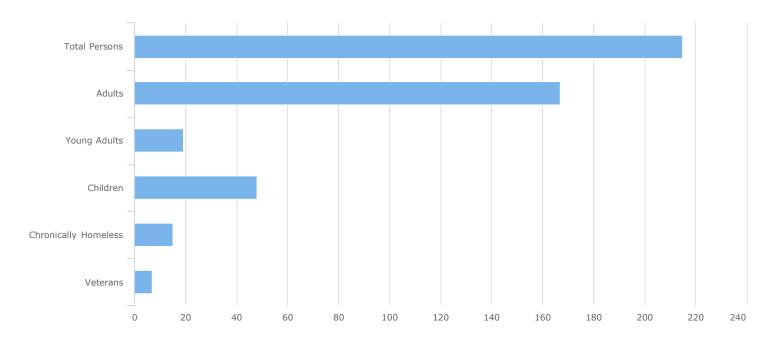
Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)	
Serious Mental Illness	11
Substance Use Disorder	4
HIV/AIDS	1
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	1



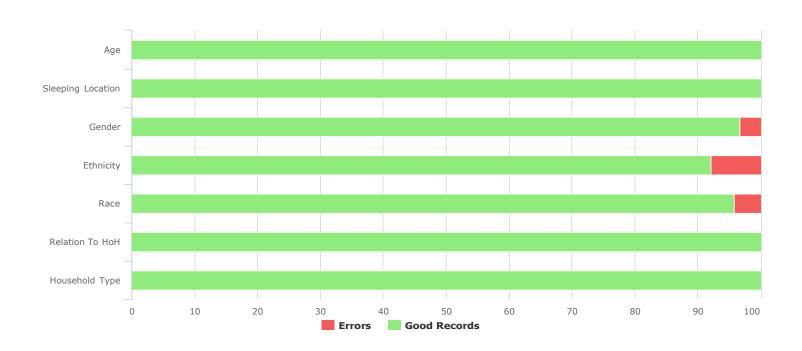
HUD Point in Time Report - Sheltered

Count:	Texas Balance of State 2022 PIT Count	Geography:	Tyler
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Project:	All Projects	Project Type:	All Project Types
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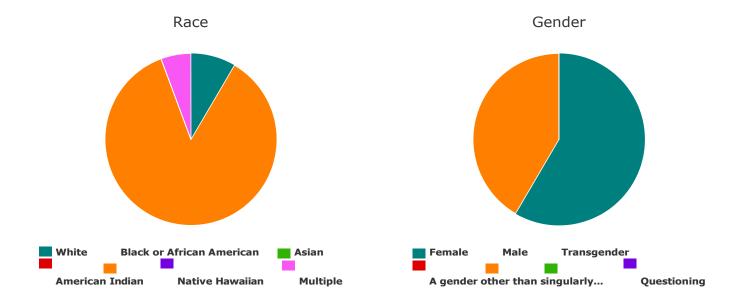
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Persons Missing Sleeping Location	0
Persons Missing Gender	7
Persons Missing Ethnicity	17
Persons Missing Race	9
Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



All Households

Households with at Least one Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown		
Total Number of Households	25	
Total Number of Persons	77	
Number of Children (under age 18)	47	
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	2	
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	28	
Gender		
Female	45	
Male	32	
Transgender	0	
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0	
Questioning	0	
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	64	
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	13	
Race		
White	6	
Black, African American or African	61	
Asian	0	
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	
Multiple Races	4	
Chronically Homeless		
Total Number of Households	0	
Total Number of Persons	0	



Households without Children

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Total Number of Persons 137 Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24) 17 Number of Adults (age 35 or older) 120	Total Number of Households	137
	Total Number of Persons	137
Number of Adulta (ago 25 or older)	Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	17
Number of Adults (age 25 of older)	Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	120

Gender

Female	42
Male	86
Transgender	2
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

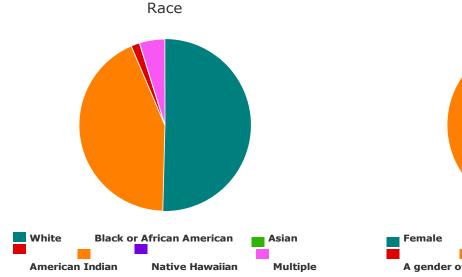
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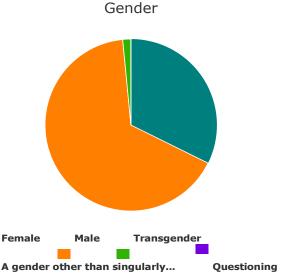
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Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	7

Race

White	63
Black, African American or African	54
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	6

Total Number of Persons	15





Households with Only Children

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Total Number of Households	1
Total Number of Children	1

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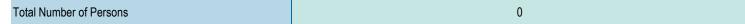
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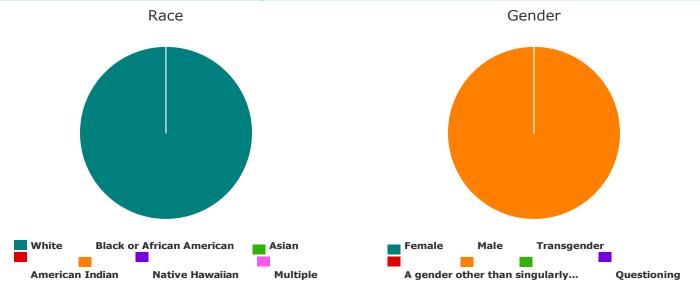
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Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0





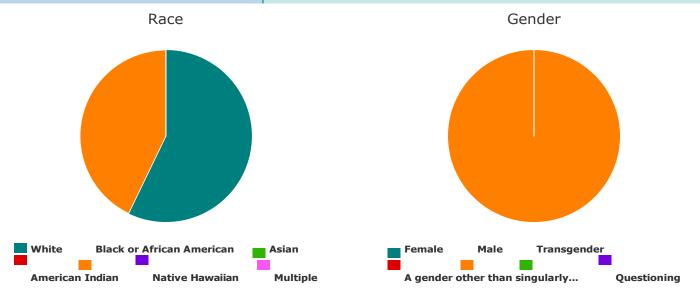
Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

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Gender

Veteran Households without Children

Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Households	7
Total Number of Persons	7
Total Number of Veterans	7
Gender	
Female	0
Male	7
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	6
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	4
Black, African American or African	3
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Households	1
Total Number of Persons	1



Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth Households	18
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth	18
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	1
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (18 to 24)	17

Gender

Female	4
Male	12
Transgender	1
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Questioning	0

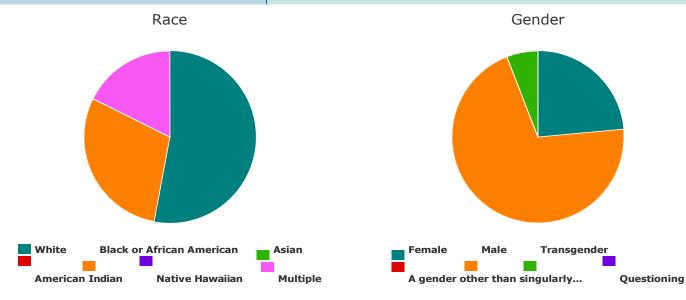
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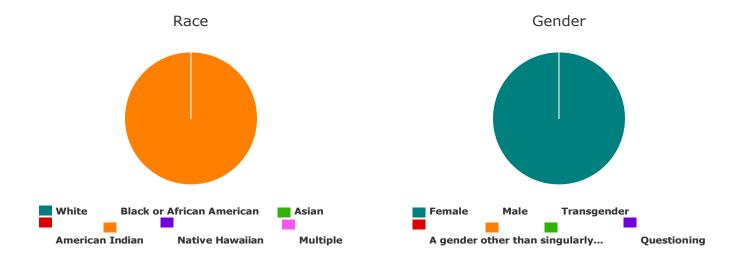
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American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	3

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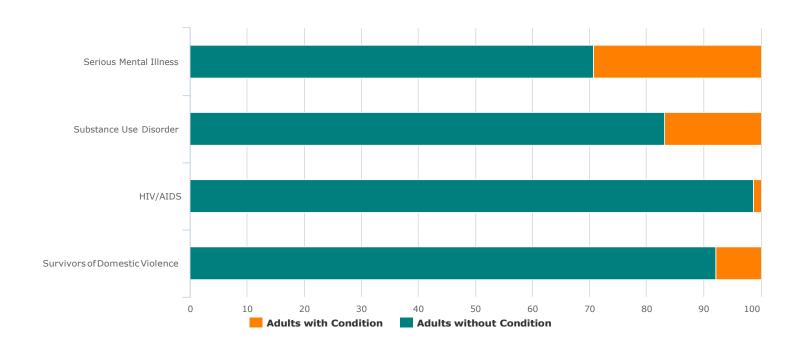


Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Parenting Youth Households	1
Total Number of Persons in Parenting Youth Households	2
Total Parenting Youth	1
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	1
Number of Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Children in Households with Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Number of Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1
Children in Households with Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1
Gender	
Female	1
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	0
Black, African American or African	1
Asian	0
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Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
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Total Number of Households	0

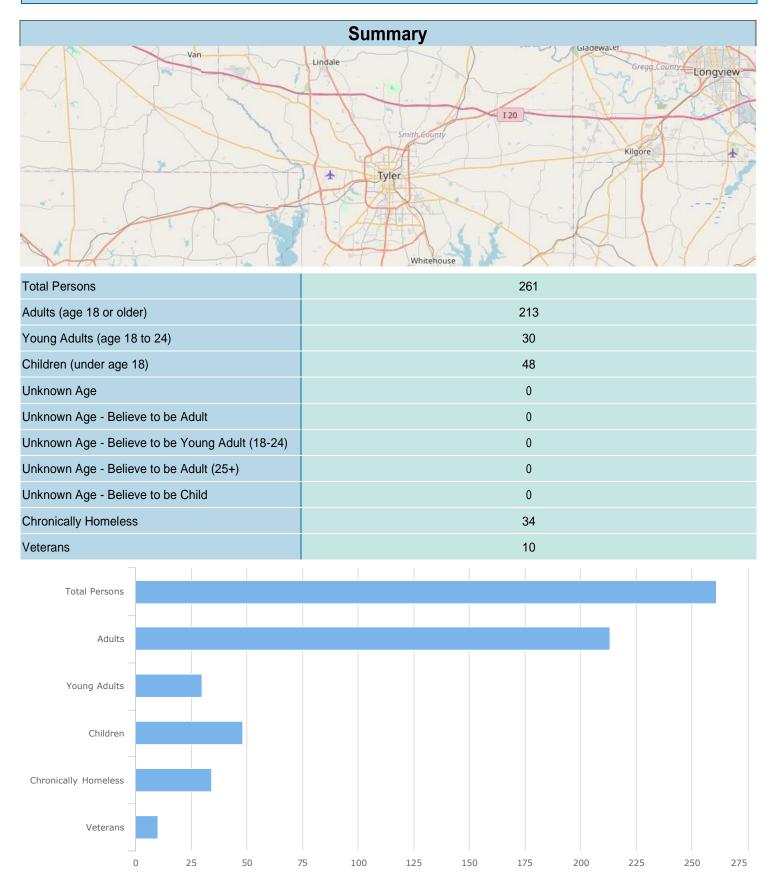


Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)	
Serious Mental Illness	49
Substance Use Disorder	28
HIV/AIDS	2
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	13

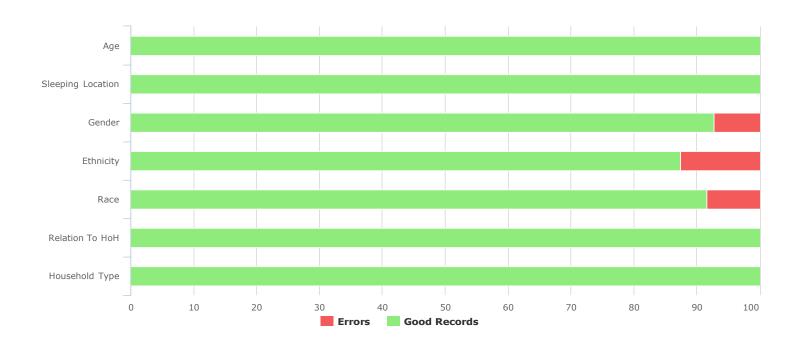


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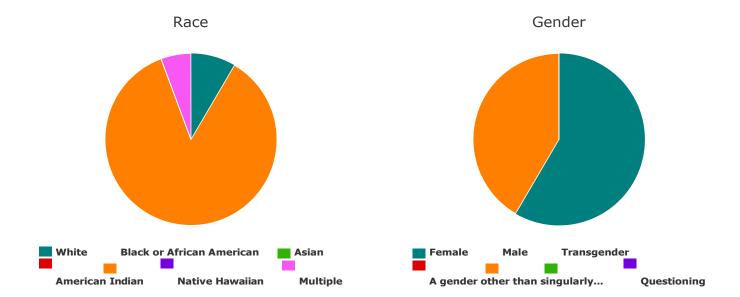
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All Households

Households with at Least one Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Households	25
Total Number of Persons	77
Number of Children (under age 18)	47
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	2
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	28
Gender	
Female	45
Male	32
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	64
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	13
Race	
White	6
Black, African American or African	61
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	4
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0



Households without Children

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Total Number of Households	180
Total Number of Persons	183
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	28
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	155

Gender

Female	49
Male	112
Transgender	3
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Questioning	0

Ethnicity

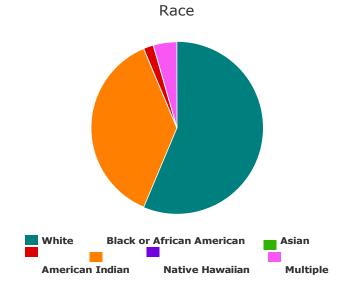
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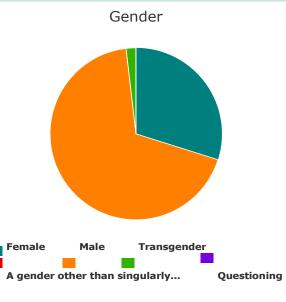
Race

White	89
Black, African American or African	59
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	7

Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Persons	34





Households with Only Children

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Total Number of Children 1	Total Number of Households	1
	Total Number of Children	1

Gender

Female	0
Male	1
Transgender	0
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Questioning	0

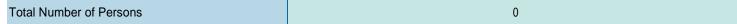
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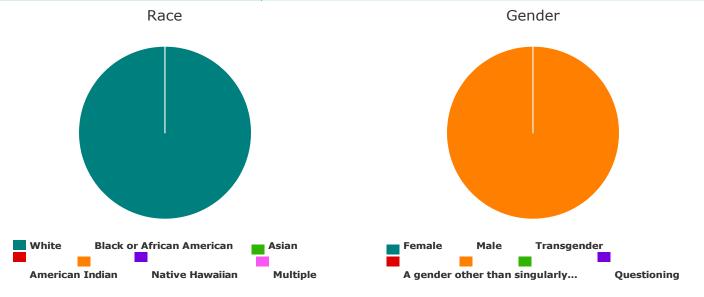
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Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	1

Race

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Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

Chronically Homeless





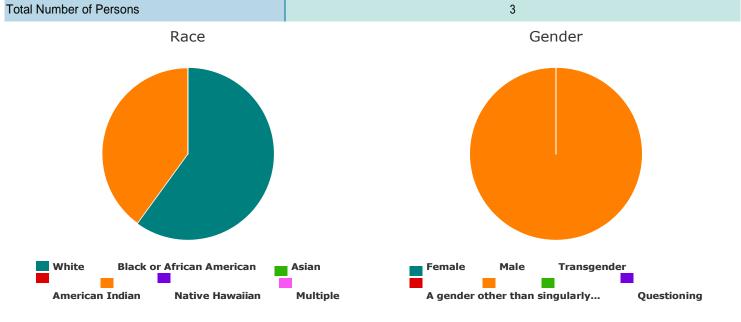
Veteran Households

Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Household and Person Breakdown	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
Total Number of Veterans	0
Gender	
Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g.,	0
nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	V
Questioning	0
Ethnicity	
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Race	
White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0
Chronically Homeless	
Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
Race	Gender
White Black or African American	Asian Female Male Transgender
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Veteran Households without Children

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Household and Person Breakdown		
Total Number of Households	10	
Total Number of Persons	10	
Total Number of Veterans	10	
Gender		
Female	0	
Male	10	
Transgender	0	
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0	
Questioning	0	
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	9	
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0	
Race		
White	6	
Black, African American or African	4	
Asian	0	
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	
Multiple Races	0	
Chronically Homeless		
Total Number of Households	3	



Youth Households

Unaccompanied Youth Households

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Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth Households	26
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth	26
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	1
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (18 to 24)	25

Gender

Female	5
Male	14
Transgender	1
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	
Questioning	0

Ethnicity

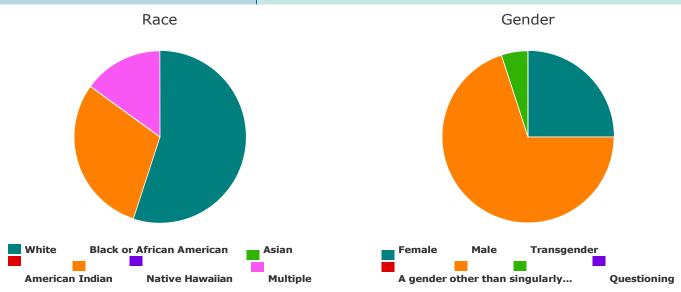
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Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	3

Race

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Black, African American or African	6
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	3

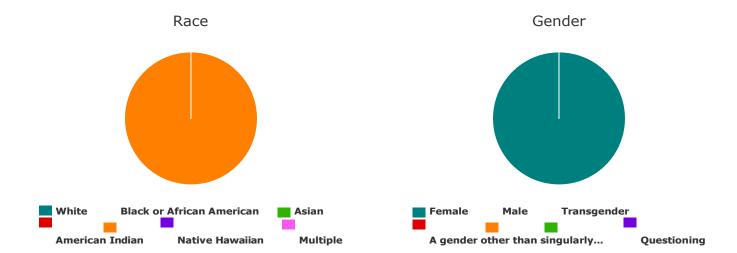
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Total Number of Persons	7

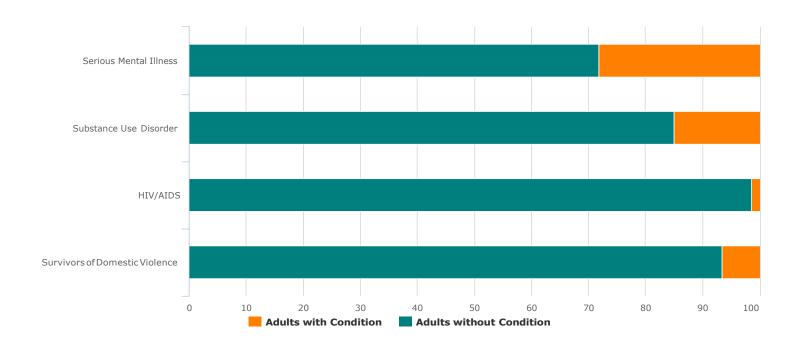


Parenting Youth

Household and Person Breakdown		
Total Number of Parenting Youth Households	1	
Total Number of Persons in Parenting Youth Households	2	
Total Parenting Youth	1	
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	1	
Number of Parenting Youth Under 18		
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Children in Households with Parenting Youth Under 18		
Number of Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1	
Children in Households with Parenting Youth 18 to 24	1	
Gender		
Female	1	
Male	0	
Transgender	0	
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0	
Questioning	0	
Ethnicity		
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	1	
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0	
Race		
White	0	
Black, African American or African	1	
Asian	0	
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	
Multiple Races	0	
Chronically Homeless		
Total Number of Households	0	
Total Number of Persons	0	



Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)			
Serious Mental Illness	60		
Substance Use Disorder	32		
HIV/AIDS	3		
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	14		



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

HUD requires HOME-ARP funds to be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in specific HOME-ARP "qualifying populations." Qualifying populations include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1. An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.
- 2. An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence.
- 3. Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth who do not qualify as homeless but may be "at risk" of becoming homeless.
- **4.** An individual or family who is fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or labor trafficking, etc.

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The best way to describe the composition of the qualifying population with the boundaries of Tyler is to look at the actual numbers of the people who are currently being helped

Agencies providing shelter	Current Bed Used	Beds Year Round	
Salvation Army (Emergency Shelter)	40	173	
PATH (Transitional Housing)	69	75	
PATH (Permanent Supporting Housing)	14	14	
Housing Authority (HUD VASH)	8	39	
ETEX Crisis Center (Emergency Shelter)	31	34	
Compassion Women's Shelter (Emergence	ey) 10	10	

This does not include those who have given up hope in seeking assistance because there are not enough services, facilities, beds, or homes. Additionally, these numbers do not include the 1008 families or individuals receiving Housing Choice Vouchers, and the 500 plus who are patiently on the waiting list. The numbers of homelessness are significant, and their needs will have to be met in various situations. Those of the qualifying population are part of and can be found in all of these areas.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Homeless assistance is the last resort for households in extreme poverty, with few resources of their own and limited connections to others who could offer temporary or emergency support. To prevent people from falling into homelessness, public systems for justice, anti-poverty, prevention, physical health, behavioral health, child welfare, and affordable housing, we must use data to identify how and why people are falling into homelessness. Then prevention strategies and policies need to be put into place to address these issues.

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

Many survivors may not know, or often lack easy access to short-term shelter, as well as access to medical and psychological services. If they cannot find those services who can help their cause, they may accept the fact that they are in a violent situation, or they may flee to wherever they can get away and put themselves into worse situations. It can also include cases where an individual or family concerned that there is a threat of harm or violence due to life threatening conditions, or the threat of physical harm occurring within unstable living conditions. These victims need to be in a stable environment, where they can obtain training and develop skills, and ensure their safety can be maintained.

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability, as defined by HUD in the Notice The lack of affordable rental units is the primary issue affecting many citizens on the verge of becoming homeless. There is a severe cost burden to citizens who are just to trying to live a standard lifestyle to make ends meet. The current affordability issue is considered the greater risk of housing instability. Also, we must keep in mind that individuals who have been incarcerated are part of the "other" population at risk once they come out of their situation to live a normal life. Additionally, those receiving behavioral health services, including substance disorder, may also be at risk upon discharge.

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):

The Salvation Army in Tyler provides emergency shelter, food service, rapid-rehousing, and supportive services, including food and rental assistance, clothing and hygiene. Additionally, access to showers and job searching opportunities. PATH provides rental single-family units to 52 families. As well as provide food and clothing, and medical care for those impoverished and in in desire need. The Tyler Cares agency provides TBRA assistance to HIV clients as well as those with the need for food, clothing and education. With these agencies and several others in Tyler dedicated to providing services, help and support throughout Tyler, there are still shortages of services being able to help those in need and the homeless population; however, it is still not enough assistance to truly address all the people with dire needs

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The primary unmet need as it pertains to homeless need is the availability of beds. Affordable rental units, and affordable single-family homes. There is a need for approximately 300 or more beds in order to provide successful housing services for adults. Additionally, beds

specifically for the youth, and for people exiting incarceration are also needed and can be recognized as special needs.

For the unsheltered homeless population, they are at greater risks to exposure to negative elements outside, lack of access to healthcare, pre-existing health conditions, and lack of service providers. This leads them into social isolation along with a chance of victimization.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

The City of Tyler has no public housing. The city administers the Housing Choice Voucher program assisting 1008 families, and the Family Self-Sufficiency program assisting 25 families. There are 500 plus people on the waiting list, and some of those are at risk of becoming homeless because there are not enough affordable units along with limited services. The City continues to support local non-profit organizations to help to alleviate reduce the possible risk of becoming homeless. These organizations help to provide home maintenance, budgeting, nutrition, parenting, and development incentives utilizing local funds to encourage the retention and creation of employment opportunities available to low income residents. Some agencies are designed to provide supportive services and environments to assist homeless and special needs populations. The East Texas Crisis Center is and will be available to offer short-term, transitional housing programs that helps families transitioning out of situations such as incarceration. The center is a 50 facility based bed center servicing a specialized group such as within the qualifying populations. HOME-ARP funds can definitely help in this regard

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

This high-risk population needs to increase safety measures and more law enforcement or security presence in dangerous areas. Temporary shelter for safe harboring can provide an element of safety to this population These families and individuals need some form of supportive services to assist them with case management, child care, education on what to look out for, how to protect themselves, and also provide basic skills in self-defense training. The need for immediate shelter can help to move them out of danger into a safe and supportive environment.

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 There is a large overlap between those at-risk of homelessness and household in need of assistance to prevent homelessness, or at greatest risk of housing instability. Lack of affordability is the primary issue highlighting in data and consultation. According to ETHNN and PATH, the severely cost burdened are renting households who are also in the extremely low-income range (30%) and considered at greatest risk of housing instability. Lack of sufficient affordable housing rental stock continues to place households at-risk of housing instability.

Poverty is often a direct correlation as it relates to households requiring housing assistance to prevent homelessness or to those being at-risk of housing instability.

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

The availability of affordable housing units (for rental or purchase) do not meet the needs of the population, more specifically, the qualifying population. There is a dire need for quality affordable housing units of multiple sizes in neighborhoods throughout the City. The gaps show a lack of affordability housing across the multiple income ranges Some people are paying upwards to 50 percent of their income just to have a place to live. This is highlighted by a lack of rental homes for renter households, as combined by the ever-mounting waiting list for housing choice voucher applicants.

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:

- 1. Non-Congregate Shelters/Warming Shelters (walls on all sides and a door)
- 2. Affordable Rental Housing (including rehabilitation to improve homes for rental)
- 3. Temporary Housing for Veterans
- 4. Supportive Services for the homeless prevention

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

The priority needs should include the following: emergency shelter, housing, tiny homes, case management, available beds, supportive services, social services workers, counseling or job skill training.

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:

The determination of need is determined by the number of people that really need the help. Although there is an active list of \$1,008 people receiving Housing Choice Vouchers, there is also a waiting list of over 500 people who want to get approved for the program so that they will have a reasonable place to live that they can call their own. There is an increased number of veterans who are choosing Tyler and East Texas as a desired place to live; however, it is difficult for them to find an affordable place to live. CampV wants to work with the City to help build affordable homes and safe shelter for veterans.

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:

The City of Tyler will administer program directly. Once the City receives the HOME-ARP grant award from HUD, city staff will move forward and conduct request for proposals (RFP) for a specified period of time to ensure a competitive process of awarding these funds the proper way. During that time, organizations, developers, subrecipients are all eligible to apply. All applications will be received for completeness, eligibility, and their ability to deliver the priority needs identified with the plan, along with having the ability to adequately carry out the project by meeting all eligibility criteria.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The City will administer the funds for eligible activities through contractors.

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:

The City has not currently used HOME-ARP administration funds. The City will administer the program and determine the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible activity.

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	\$		
Acquisition and Development of Non- Congregate Shelters	\$ 1,180,864.80		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$		
Non-Profit Operating	\$	%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$	%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 131,207.20	%	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 1,312,072.00		

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

The City of Tyler intends to allocate its <u>\$1,312,072.00</u> of HOME-ARP funding to address the need of non-congregate housing shelters that will serve adults, individuals and families experience homelessness or on the verge of becoming homeless in accordance to the four "qualifying populations" identified as eligible.

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:

The approach is to work with an agency that offers permanent, affordable housing as quickly as possible for individual and families experiencing homelessness, and the agency then provides the supporting services and connections to the community-based supports people need to keep their housing and avoid returning to homelessness. The agency will work clients to reduce the time they remain homeless; and increase client's connections to permanent housing options.

Tyler does not have a general homeless shelter for all, this development of non-congregate homes will help in the interim stages, and affordable rental homes will be considered for future HOME-ARP funding.

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:

The participating jurisdiction will address the housing shortage. The goal is to use funding to construct at least 8 to 10 newly constructed non-congregate shelters or housing units that will be used by partnering agencies in the city. They will be use for the qualifying population as identified under HOME-ARP. The City's final housing production goals will be determined based on the allocation of funding to specific projects after HUD's approval of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

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:

To produce affordable rental homes, it would be cost effective to build tiny homes. These tiny homes will require less space and opportunities to build more homes. The development of a gated tiny home village will allow the homeless population to be more comfortable and aware in a familiar environment

Preferences

A preference provides a priority for the selection of applicants who fall into a specific QP or category (e.g., elderly or persons with disabilities) within a QP (i.e., subpopulation) to receive assistance. A *preference* permits an eligible applicant that qualifies for a PJ-adopted preference to be selected for HOME-ARP assistance before another eligible applicant that does not qualify for a preference. A *method of prioritization* is the process by which a PJ determines how two or more eligible applicants qualifying for the same or different preferences are selected for HOME-ARP assistance. For example, in a project with a preference for chronically homeless, all eligible QP applicants are selected in chronological order for a HOME-ARP rental project except that eligible QP applicants that qualify for the preference of chronically homeless are selected for occupancy based on length of time they have been homeless before eligible QP applicants who do not qualify for the preference of chronically homeless.

Please note that HUD has also described a method of prioritization in other HUD guidance. Section I.C.4 of Notice CPD-17-01 describes Prioritization in CoC CE as follows:

"Prioritization. In the context of the coordinated entry process, HUD uses the term "Prioritization" to refer to the coordinated entry-specific process by which all persons in need of assistance who use coordinated entry are ranked in order of priority. The coordinated entry prioritization policies are established by the CoC with input from all community stakeholders and must ensure that ESG projects are able to serve clients in accordance with written standards that are established under 24 CFR 576.400(e). In addition, the coordinated entry process must, to the maximum extent feasible, ensure that people with more severe service needs and levels of vulnerability are prioritized for housing and homeless assistance before those with less severe service needs and lower levels of vulnerability. Regardless of how prioritization decisions are implemented, the prioritization process must follow the requirements in Section II.B.3. and Section I.D. of this Notice."

If a PJ is using a CE that has a method of prioritization described in CPD-17-01, then a PJ has preferences and a method of prioritizing those preferences. These must be described in the HOME-ARP allocation plan in order to comply with the requirements of Section IV.C.2 (page 10) of the HOME-ARP Notice.

In accordance with Section V.C.4 of the Notice (page 15), the HOME-ARP allocation plan must identify whether the PJ intends to give a preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project.

- Preferences cannot violate any applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a).
- The PJ must comply with all applicable nondiscrimination and equal opportunity laws and requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a) and any other applicable fair housing and civil rights laws and requirements when establishing preferences or methods of prioritization.

While PJs are not required to describe specific projects in its HOME-ARP allocation plan to which the preferences will apply, the PJ must describe the planned use of any preferences in its HOME-ARP allocation plan. This requirement also applies if the PJ intends to commit HOME-ARP funds to projects that will utilize preferences or limitations to comply with restrictive eligibility requirements of another project funding source. If a PJ fails to describe preferences or limitations in its plan, it cannot commit HOME-ARP funds to a project that will implement a preference or limitation until the PJ amends its HOME-ARP allocation plan. For HOME-ARP rental housing projects, Section VI.B.20.a.iii of the HOME-ARP Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility or give a preference to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation or preference is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan. Adding a preference or limitation not previously described in the plan requires a substantial amendment and a public comment period in accordance with Section V.C.6 of the Notice (page 16).

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Identify whether the PJ intends to give preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project: The City will take the stand that all four qualifying populations will be eligible to apply for and be admitted to affordable non-congregate shelters.

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 City will not exclude other populations. To improve the quality of life for program participants, the City will support activities that prioritize sheltering families and individuals of the "qualifying population" who are the most vulnerable as they are without homes and in the most immediate need of housing. This could include people with disabilities, single individuals, families, and individual/families fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, and human trafficking.

Referral Methods

PJs are not required to describe referral methods in the plan. However, if a PJ intends to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals to a HOME-ARP project or activity, the PJ must ensure compliance with Section IV.C.2 of the Notice (page10).

A PJ may use only the CE for direct referrals to HOME-ARP projects and activities (as opposed to CE and other referral agencies or a waitlist) if the CE expands to accept all HOME-ARP qualifying populations and implements the preferences and prioritization <u>established by the PJ in its HOME-ARP allocation plan</u>. A direct referral is where the CE provides the eligible applicant

directly to the PJ, subrecipient, or owner to receive HOME-ARP TBRA, supportive services, admittance to a HOME-ARP rental unit, or occupancy of a NCS unit. In comparison, an indirect referral is where a CE (or other referral source) refers an eligible applicant for placement to a project or activity waitlist. Eligible applicants are then selected for a HOME-ARP project or activity from the waitlist.

The PJ must require a project or activity to use CE along with other referral methods (as provided in Section IV.C.2.ii) or to use only a project/activity waiting list (as provided in Section IV.C.2.iii) if:

- 1. the CE does not have a sufficient number of qualifying individuals and families to refer to the PJ for the project or activity;
- 2. the CE does not include all HOME-ARP qualifying populations; or,
- 3. the CE fails to provide access and implement uniform referral processes in situations where a project's geographic area(s) is broader than the geographic area(s) covered by the CE

If a PJ uses a CE that prioritizes one or more qualifying populations or segments of qualifying populations (e.g., prioritizing assistance or units for chronically homeless individuals first, then prioritizing homeless youth second, followed by any other individuals qualifying as homeless, etc.) then this constitutes the use of preferences and a method of prioritization. To implement a CE with these preferences and priorities, the PJ **must** include the preferences and method of prioritization that the CE will use in the preferences section of their HOME-ARP allocation plan. Use of a CE with embedded preferences or methods of prioritization that are not contained in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation does not comply with Section IV.C.2 of the Notice (page10).

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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): No referral method will be used

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):

N/A

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):

N/A

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):

Limitations in a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project

Limiting eligibility for a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project is only permitted under certain circumstances.

- PJs must follow all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a). This includes, but is not limited to, the Fair Housing Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, section 504 of Rehabilitation Act, HUD's Equal Access Rule, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as applicable.
- A PJ may not exclude otherwise eligible qualifying populations from its overall HOME-ARP program.
- Within the qualifying populations, participation in a project or activity may be limited to persons with a specific disability only, if necessary, to provide effective housing, aid, benefit, or services that would be as effective as those provided to others in accordance with 24 CFR 8.4(b)(1)(iv). A PJ must describe why such a limitation for a project or activity is necessary in its HOME-ARP allocation plan (based on the needs and gap identified by the PJ in its plan) to meet some greater need and to provide a specific benefit that cannot be provided through the provision of a preference.
- For HOME-ARP rental housing, section VI.B.20.a.iii of the Notice (page 36) states that owners may only limit eligibility to a particular qualifying population or segment of the qualifying population if the limitation is described in the PJ's HOME-ARP allocation plan.
- PJs may limit admission to HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS to households who need
 the specialized supportive services that are provided in such housing or NCS. However,
 no otherwise eligible individuals with disabilities or families including an individual with
 a disability who may benefit from the services provided may be excluded on the grounds
 that they do not have a particular disability.

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

The city will focus on developing non-congregate shelter and/or affordable housing units. All four qualifying populations will be eligible to apply.

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:

Limitations will not be used.

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):

The City does not plan to use limitations.

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

The City of Tyler does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds for rehabilitation and refinancing

• 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.

N/A

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

N/A

- Specify the required compliance period, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer. N/A
- State that HOME-ARP funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.

The City of Tyler will ensure that HOME-ARP funds will not be used to refinance multifamily loans.

• Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable: N/A