



# HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

Vineland HOME Consortium

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**VINELAND HOME COSORTIUM  
HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY  
NEW JERSEY**

**Participating Jurisdiction:** Vineland HOME Consortium, NJ

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The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed into law on March 11, 2021, providing over 1.9 trillion dollars to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the nation. Of those funds, \$5 billion was earmarked for homelessness assistance and supportive services for individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations. These activities include the development and support of affordable housing, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), the provision of supportive services, and the acquisition and development of congregate and non-congregate shelter units (NCS). The Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton HOME Consortium received a HOME-ARP allocation of \$2,258,331. Current inventory of these resources is considered in the development of the HOME-ARP allocation plan as well as affordable and permanent supportive rental housing. ARP authorizes the Secretary of HUD to waive or specify alternate requirements for any provision of the National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA) or regulation for the administration of the HOME-ARP program, except requirements related to fair housing, civil rights, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment, upon a finding that the waiver or alternate requirement is necessary to expedite or facilitate the use of HOME-ARP funds. Reasonable preferences among qualifying populations may be established to prioritize applicants for HOME-ARP projects or activities based on the Participating Jurisdiction's (PJ) needs and priorities.

## Consultation

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

As a HOME Participating Jurisdiction (PJ), the Vineland HOME Consortium began the HOME-ARP planning process by first consulting with the HOME Consortium and the Cumberland County Office of Human Services on October 25, 2021. The Consortium and the County advised on the needs they are currently seeing in each community and across the County as the first level of discussion on possible projects.

After that initial meeting, Consortium representatives consulted with a number of individual agencies including Rural Development/Cumberland County Family Shelter, Vineland Housing Authority, Bridgeton Housing Authority, Millville Housing Authority, Cumberland County Improvement Authority, Business Administrator of the County, and the Community Development Directors of Vineland, Millville and Bridgeton.

In the spring, Consortium representatives met with the Cumberland County Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) Committee on April 13, 2022. Partner agencies participating in the CEAS include:

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| - Acenda  | - Gateway Community Action Program   |
| - American Red Cross  | - Good Sheppard Dining Room          |
| - Casa Prac   | - Help & Hope Ministries             |
| - Catholic Charities (Rental Assistance/Veterans Assistance/Re-Entry) | - Horizon NJ Health                  |
| - Care & Share Meals  | - Legacy House                       |
| - Cumberland County Department of Corrections Re-Entry Program        | - County McKinney Vento Liasons      |
| - Center for Family Services  | - Oaks Integrated Care               |
| - Collaborative Support Programs of NJ                                | - Pathstone                          |
| - Community Food Bank of NJ   | - PRAC                               |
| - Cumberland County Division of Social Services                       | - Salvation Army of Bridgeton        |
| - Cumberland County Guidance Center                                   | - SERV                               |
| - Cumberland County Human Services                                    | - South Jersey Legal Services        |
| - Cumberland County Family Shelter                                    | - Spirit & Truth Ministries          |
| - NJ Department of Child Protection and Permanency                    | - Union Baptist Temple Food Pantry   |
| - NJ Drug Court   | - United Advocacy Group              |
|   | - Cumberland County Veterans Affairs |
|   | - Veterans Multi-Service Center      |
|   | - Vineland Ministerium               |
|   | - Vineland Salvation Army            |

The CEAS Committee serves as the Local Board for the federally funded Emergency Food and Shelter Program. Additionally, the CEAS Committee serves as the planning body and work group for yearly application submissions requesting funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Continuum of Care, Homeless Assistance Programs. In South Jersey there is a Four County Continuum of Care (CoC), which includes the Counties of Camden, Cape May, Cumberland and Gloucester. This CoC is known as the Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care (SNJCoC). The CEAS Committee represents Cumberland County on the Continuum of Care, with representatives regularly attending the SNJCoC meetings.

Consortium representatives met with the CEAS Committee to discuss the funding, community needs and a possible non-congregate shelter (NCS) project. Part of the discussion focused on assessing if an NCS project would meet the needs that they are seeing across the County as service providers. The CEAS Committee supported the NCS Project and agreed to move the project forward to the CoC. The project was shared with the CoC, which was also in support.

In addition, the PJ consulted with the coordinator for the Millville Care & Share Meals, who has been seeing an increase in homeless clients visiting daily for meals. The Veterans Multi Service Center has also reported engaging more unsheltered homeless veterans. Lastly, the Vineland Housing Authority Executive Director shared that the waiting list for families is at 321 right now. Most of their families are composed of a single mother with 1 or 2 children, and providing temporary housing for families is an urgent need. Furthermore, she believes they are going to see an increased need for family housing as cases are now starting to move through the court systems for COVID-related evictions. Any increase in temporary shelter will be well used.

The PJ will continue to meet with the County, the CEAS Team and the SNJCoc throughout the implementation of the HOME-ARP activities in an effort to assess the ongoing needs of our community and will continue to work together to develop strategies. The Consortium will also continue to meet and update the HOME Consortium members.

***List the organizations consulted:***

<b>Agency/Org Consulted</b>	<b>Type of Agency/Org</b>	<b>Method of Consultation</b>	<b>Feedback</b>
Acenda	Integrated Health	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
American Red Cross	Emergency Assistance	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Casa Prac	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Catholic Charities	Social Services, Rental Assistance, <b>Fair Housing</b> , Veterans Assistance, Re-Entry	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Care & Share Meals	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support

Cumberland County Department of Corrections Re-Entry Program	Re-Entry	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Center for Family Services	Social Services including homeless service provider, homelessness prevention, domestic violence and more.	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Collaborative Support Programs of NJ	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Community Food Bank of NJ	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Cumberland County Division of Social Services	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Cumberland County Guidance Center	Mental Health Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Cumberland County Human Services	County Agency, Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee, Initial Consortium Meeting and ongoing communication via phone/email	Advocate for expanding NCS at the County Family Shelter to meet the existing need for additional family shelter spaces. Spoke to level of need in the County and specific challenges that homeless family face finding shelter. Willing to be an active partner in the project.
Cumberland County Family Shelter/Rural Development	Homeless Service Provider, Shelter Provider	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee, ongoing communication via phone/email	Advocate for expanding NCS at the County Shelter to meet the existing need for additional family shelter spaces. Spoke to level of need in the County and specific challenges that homeless family face finding shelter. Discussed how a family NCS project would benefit multiple homeless populations on their property, including but not limited to families. Willing to be an active partner in the project.

NJ Department of Child Protection and Permanency	State Agency	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Feedback.
NJ Drug Court	State Agency	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Gateway Community Action Program	Social Services including youth programs, family programs, emergency assistance, housing programs and more.	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Good Sheppard Dining Room	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Help & Hope Ministries	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Horizon NJ Health	Health Insurance	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Legacy House	Homelessness	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
McKinney Vento Liaisons	School District/Homelessness	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Oaks Integrated Care	Integrated Health	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Pathstone	Anti-Poverty Organization providing education, workforce development, housing and social services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
PRAC	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support

Salvation Army of Bridgeton	Social Services, Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
SERV	Domestic Violence	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
South Jersey Legal Services (Fair Housing/Civil Rights)	Legal Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Spirit & Truth Ministries	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Union Baptist Temple Food Pantry	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
United Advocacy Group	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Cumberland County Veterans Affairs	Veterans Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Veterans Multi-Service Center	Veterans Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Vineland Ministerium	Food Resource	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
Vineland Salvation Army	Social Services	Consulted through participation on CEAS Committee	Supportive of the project as reflected in official CEAS/CoC support
City of Vineland	City Government	Consulted through direct conversations with City Leader and Community Development Department	Supportive of the project and it will fill a current resource gap for families in the City and County. Willing to be an active partner in the project.

City of Bridgeton	City Government	Consulted through direct conversations with City Leader and Community Development Department	Supportive of the project and it will fill a current resource gap for families in the City and County
City of Millville	City Government	Consulted through direct conversations with City Leader and Community Development Department	Supportive of the project and it will fill a current resource gap for families in the City and County
Vineland Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Ongoing communication via phone and email	Supportive of project and that it will address the increasing levels of need that the Housing Authority is seeing on their waiting list. They expect to continue to see these needs increase with the anticipated increase in evictions with the end of the eviction moratorium
Bridgeton Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Consulted via email	No objections shared
Millville Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Consulted via email	No objections shared
Cumberland County Administration	County Government	Ongoing communication via phone and email	Supportive of the project and it will fill a current resource gap for families in the City and County. Willing to be an active partner in the project.
Cumberland County Improvement Authority	County Redevelopment Authority	Ongoing communication via phone and email	Supportive of the project and it will fill a current resource gap for families in the City and County. Willing to be an active partner in the project.

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

Through the PJ's engagement process, they have consulted with multiple representatives of the following categories: (1) CoC serving the jurisdiction's geographic area, (2) homeless service providers, (3) domestic violence service providers, (4) veterans' groups, (5) public housing agencies, (6) public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and (7) public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of the persons with disabilities.

Overall, all groups and agencies consulted were supportive of utilizing resources to address the current service gap of safe, shelter housing for families. Those who shared feedback confirmed that families



experiencing homelessness is a particularly vulnerable population that is growing in the county. Furthermore, there is a current gap in the services available in the county and that expanding the availability of family shelter capacity would benefit many. In addition, the County Family Shelter and Human Services Department discussed in depth the impact that this change would have on the residents of the men and women shelter facilities in addition to the families themselves. Being able to offer families a separate space would limit some of the logistical, emotional and mental health challenges that occur for all when families are forced to seek shelter in a service delivery structure designed to serve primarily adult men or women.

## **Public Participation**

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

- ***Date(s) of public notice: 8/15/2022***
- ***Public comment period: start date - 8/24/2022 end date - 9/8/2022***
- ***Date(s) of public hearing: 9/7/2022***

***Describe the public participation process:***

The City of Vineland, as the lead of the Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton HOME Consortium Participating Jurisdiction (PJ), held virtual public hearings on September 7, 2022 at 10am and 6pm. The PJ also held a 15-day public review period, during which time the draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was posted to the PJ's website. The PJ followed their Citizen Participation Plan, ensuring a public notice was issued no less than 10 days prior to the hearing. Both the draft Allocation Plan and the public hearing included information of the range of activities that the PJ may undertake through HOME-ARP. There was no public participation on the public hearings and no public comments were submitted.

***Describe efforts to broaden public participation:***

The City of Vineland, as the HOME Consortium PJ, followed their adopted Citizen Participation process, except that the length of the public comment period was shortened to 15 days as allowed by HUD guidance. The public notice for the hearing was run in the local paper and posted to the PJ's website. It was also shared through County networks and local community networks via email. The public notice included instructions on how the public can request reasonable accommodations and meaningful access to the plan in accordance with the PJ's citizen participation plan. Although willing to consider any comments or views of residents received in writing, or orally at a public hearing, when preparing the HOME-ARP allocation plan; none were submitted.

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

No public comments were submitted.

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

No public comments were submitted.

## 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.*

**OPTIONAL Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table**

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	0	0	311	0	N/A								
Transitional Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Permanent Supportive Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Other Permanent Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						4	267	3	60				
Unsheltered Homeless						#	19	0	1				
<b>Current Gap</b>										4	4	43	N/A

**Data Sources Utilized:** 1. 2021/2022 Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Consultation

**NOTE:** This table does not accurately depict the gap of temporary shelter options for families, as many families are integrated into the current system of temporary housing.

### OPTIONAL Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	56,411 (2016-2020 ACS)		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	1,869 (PolicyMap)		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	5,401 (PolicyMap)		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		4,180 (CHAS)	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		2,715 (CHAS)	
<b>Current Gaps</b>			5,026

**Data Sources Utilized:** 1. American Community Survey (ACS); 2. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) 3. PolicyMap

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

#### ***1. Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

Per the NJ Counts 2021 Point in Time Count, On January 25, 2022, there were 123 persons experiencing homelessness on a single night in Cumberland County.

In comparing the racial breakdown of those experiencing homelessness to the racial breakdown in the general population and those living in poverty, disparate impacts along racial lines are evident. According to the American Community Survey 2020 annual estimates prepared by the Census Bureau, about 150,085 people live in Cumberland County, and 16% (22,159 persons) of Cumberland County residents (for which poverty status is determined) are living below the poverty line. There is a strong correlation between poverty and homelessness, however, the racial disparities evident in the counted population indicate that poverty alone does not determine who will experience homelessness. The disparity in representation within the population experiencing homelessness as compared to the population experiencing poverty by race point to poverty being an inconclusive indicator of who will experience homelessness.

According to the 2022 PIT Count Report, persons identifying as Black or African American non-Hispanic are overrepresented in the population experiencing homelessness. While 17.1% of the general population are persons identifying as Black or African American, they are 30.6% of the population in poverty and 33.3% of the population identified as experiencing homelessness.

Persons identifying as Black or African American represent 36.7% of the sheltered population (staying in emergency shelter, or transitional housing) and 12.5% of the identified unsheltered

population. Persons identifying as White non-Hispanic represent 31.2% of the sheltered population and 50% of the identified unsheltered population. Persons identifying as Hispanic/Latino represent 32.1% of the sheltered population and 37.5% of the identified unsheltered population.

The PIT Count Report, looked at each household type for those identified as experiencing homelessness:

- Persons identifying as White non-Hispanic and persons identifying as Black or African American make up the majority of individual (35%, respectively) households.
- Persons identifying as White non-Hispanic and persons identifying as Hispanic/Latino make up the majority of couple (50%, respectively) households.
- Persons identifying as Hispanic/Latino make up the majority of family (50%) households.
- There were no Youth households identified in 2022.

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

According to the County's 10-year plan to address homelessness, individuals or families can be considered at risk of homelessness if they are paying a high percentage of their income for housing are living in substandard or overcrowded housing. Substandard housing is defined as housing that does not meet local housing codes; housing is considered overcrowded by HUD if there are more than 1.01 persons per room. 16% percent of the County's population is living in poverty, including 12% of families living in poverty as well. There are 1,869 available rental units that are affordable to households at 30% AMI this is far under the level of need that the CHAS data show us, with 4,180 0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems. Furthermore, 34.16% of renter households in the county are severely cost burdened, which means they are paying more than 50% of their income on housing. The estimated percent of owner households for whom selected monthly owner costs are 30% or more of household income is 30.47% across the County. These statistics are all pre-COVID and we know that nationally, low- and moderate-income households endured the brunt of the pandemic's financial hardships with the median income of lower-income households decreasing by 3.0% and the median income of middle-income households falling by 2.1%.

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

On the night of the Point in Time Count, January 26, 2021, out of the 82 persons identified as homeless, there were a total of 18 Chronically Homeless persons, representing 22% of the counted homeless population. 25 Victims of Domestic Violence were identified representing 30.5% of the total identified homeless population. Of these 25 victims, 24 were sheltered and one was unsheltered. 44% identified as Black/African American and 50% are households with children. 28% of these victims reported a disability with two most prevalent disabilities being mental health and chronic health conditions.

## ***4. 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***

#### CHRONICALLY HOMELESS:

Chronically homeless households, as defined by HUD, are those with a long-term disabling condition who have been continually homeless for a year or more, or at least four times in the past three years where the length of time in those episodes add up to a year or more. Supportive services and enhanced case management are required for the chronically homeless once housing is secured. During the 2022 Point in Time (PIT) Count, of 123 surveyed, 23 individuals were chronically homeless, up from 18 individuals the prior year. 5 chronically homeless individuals were unsheltered on the night of the PIT Count.

#### UNSHELTERED HOMELESS:

HUD identifies the unsheltered homeless population as any 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.”

The unsheltered are especially vulnerable in extreme weather conditions; thus, it is imperative to understand why some of the homeless remain unsheltered. There were 8 unsheltered individuals identified in the 2022 PIT count, down from 19 in 2021.

#### VETERANS:

The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) has prioritized ending homelessness among veterans. Thus, veterans are identified as a qualifying population in the HOME ARP guidelines. Veterans are those persons at or above the age of 18 who have served in any branch of the US Armed Forces. For the PIT count this definition also includes those whom have served but are not eligible for services through the U.S Department of Veteran Affairs.

Out of the 123 individuals who identified as homeless on January 25, 2022, 3 (3.1%) were homeless veterans; 2 of whom were in emergency shelter.

#### PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES:

Out of those individuals whom identified as homeless during the PIT count in January of 2022, 45% reported having some type of disability; additionally, 57% of adults 18 or older reported some type of disability compared to 6.9% of children.

The most common disability identified was mental health (63.6%) in 28.54% of the total homeless population identified. This was then followed by the following disability types: chronic health condition, substance abuse disorder, physical disability, and developmental disability.

#### HOMELESS YOUTH:

Youth are defined as persons under the age of 25 whom are not accompanied by a parent or guardian. Homeless youth can include individual youth (18-24 years old), unaccompanied minors (17 years old or younger), households of 2 or more youth presenting together as a household, and pregnant or parenting youth who are the legal guardians of one or more children. Of those surveyed, 13 (11%) were homeless youth (individuals and families with heads of household under 24 years old or younger), which has quadrupled from the previous year. 12 homeless youth were in emergency shelter (10) or transitional

housing (2). One homeless youth was5 unsheltered. In addition, 20% of the 123 individuals surveyed were homeless children, under the age of 18.

#### SENIORS:

Seniors are a vulnerable population and many experience housing instability and are at risk for homelessness. In Cumberland County, there are 23,560 seniors (according to the 2017-2021 American Community Survey). 7,699 of those seniors are at or below 50% of AMI and 4,459 are at or below 30% of AMI. Furthermore, for the PIT Count the County reported 4 seniors. Lastly, it is important to note that while Senior Homelessness might be reported as low, there are over 3,500 Senior Homeowners and 1,700 Senior Renters that are cost burdened and experiencing housing instability.

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

The 2021 Point In Time Count captured information for individuals and families “Fleeing” Domestic Violence. For the purposes of the Point-In-Time Count, Domestic Violence is defined as any household that is fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has taken place in their home, or has created a situation in which the individual or family is afraid to return to their home. There were 48 Homeless DV Victims that were in emergency shelter (29) or transitional housing (19) at the time of the PIT, which is double from the previous year.

***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):***

#### ***1. Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

The Cumberland Family Shelter, operated by Rural Development, is the largest homeless shelter in the County and services the entire county. The Family Shelter currently has 112 beds, 56 in a building for men only and 56 in a building for women only. The County has a “Shelter First” approach to helping persons and families experiencing homelessness and the majority of those families come through the County Family Shelter. Cumberland County is a participant in the Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care (SNJCoC).

The SNJCoC is an association of county-wide homelessness Continuums of Care that provides information, services, and advocacy for and on behalf of the homeless population in the area of service within the participating Southern NJ Counties (Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, and Gloucester). The mission of the Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care is to work to prevent and end homelessness through a public and private collaboration that maximizes efforts and leverages resources. The CoC does operate a system of coordinated entry and works across the region to ensure those in need have connection to services and supports.

The Comprehensive Emergency Assessment System (CEAS) Committee is a county-wide association of service providers and government agencies that are collaborating on the sharing of information,

services, and advocacy for and on behalf of the homeless population in the area of service within Cumberland County. The CEAS Committee's purpose is to serve as the primary vehicle for planning and coordinating the delivery of emergency services to the homeless (including designated core social services for the homeless) within the county. This committee develops service priorities and spending priorities for the homeless funds.

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

As mentioned above the SNJCoC operates a system of coordinated entry and works across the region to ensure those in need have connection to services and supports to address and prevent homelessness. The County also has a Homeless Services Coordinator convenes the County CEAS Committee of providers and works directly with those at risk of homelessness to connect them to services. The CEAS Committee is comprised of the multiple of social service agencies in the County that provide services and supports.

Through consultation we heard of the concern of the increased risk of eviction that families will face now that the courts have resumed the eviction process and given the fact that some folks are not yet back to work. The Vineland Housing Authority is particularly concerned about this as are the social service agencies.

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

This population is particularly hard to engage. There are multiple social service agencies in the County that engage this population intentionally through shelter and services. Service providers expressed concern that many in this category also have children with them and there are not adequate emergency shelter options for families that are safe and not-retraumatizing.

## ***4. 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***

### **CHRONICALLY HOMELESS:**

The chronically homeless and unsheltered homeless have a number of social services agencies available to them and in addition they can be served by the Cumberland Family Shelter. The Family Shelter does not typically turn people away and case managers work with clients to meet their needs directly and through referrals. Through consultation, the Family Shelter has described their need for non-congregate spaces to better serve families at the shelter.

### **UNSHELTERED HOMELESS:**

The chronically homeless and unsheltered homeless have a number of social services agencies available to them and in addition they can be served by the Cumberland Family Shelter. There are food resources available throughout the County to serve those in need, including the unsheltered homeless population.



#### VETERANS:

The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) has prioritized ending homelessness among veterans. Thus, veterans are identified as a qualifying population in the HOME ARP guidelines. Veterans are those persons at or above the age of 18 who have served in any branch of the US Armed Forces. For the PIT count this definition also includes those whom have served but are not eligible for services through the U.S Department of Veteran Affairs (VA). There is a VA centrally located on Landis Ave, in the downtown section of Vineland.

#### PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES:

Out of those individuals whom identified as homeless during the PIT count in January of 2022, 45% reported having some type of disability; additionally, 56.1% of adults 18 or older reported some type of disability compared to 6.9% of children.

The most common disability identified was mental health (66.7%) in 29.9% of the total homeless population identified. This was then followed by the following disability types: chronic health condition, substance abuse disorder, physical disability, and developmental disability.

In addition to social service agencies consulted through this process, there are a number of local, regional and state agencies that serve this population by providing services, supports and housing.

#### HOMELESS YOUTH:

Youth are defined as persons under the age of 25 whom are not accompanied by a parent or guardian. Homeless youth can include individual youth (18-24 years old), unaccompanied minors (17 years old or younger), households of 2 or more youth presenting together as a household, and pregnant or parenting youth who are the legal guardians of one or more children. Of those surveyed, 3 (3.7%) were homeless youth (individuals and families with heads of household under 24 years old or younger). The homeless youth were in emergency shelter (3), no homeless youth was unsheltered.

Although there are youth services available, there is not currently a youth shelter in the County, nor is there a non-congregate shelter appropriate for families. There is a gap in the emergency housing system.

#### SENIORS:

There are public and affordable housing options for seniors in the community. In addition, there are social services and programs available to support seniors, including but not limited to senior centers, senior transportation, social services and more.

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

There are multiple agencies that serve those who have been victims of domestic violence, which is a significant percentage of the homeless and at-risk for homeless population. The Family Shelter discussed the sensitive nature of housing those that have been victims of domestic violence and trauma. There is a complexity to serving this population, especially when they are families, in an effective trauma-informed manner. Currently, the County Family Shelter set up is not ideal for serving families or those with family-related trauma.

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

Cumberland County is a participant in the Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care (SNJCoC). The SNJCoC is an association of county-wide homelessness Continuums of Care that provides information, services, and advocacy for and on behalf of the homeless population in the area of service within the participating Southern NJ Counties (Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, and Gloucester). The mission of the Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care is to work to prevent and end homelessness through a public and private collaboration that maximizes efforts and leverages resources. The CoC does operate a system of coordinated entry and works across the region to ensure those in need have connection to services and supports.

Furthermore, at the County level, the County Coordinator of the Division of Homeless convenes monthly meetings of the Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) Committee to plan for and monitor homeless and at-risk services. The CEAS Committee serves as the Local Board for the federally funded Emergency Food and Shelter Program. Additionally, the CEAS Committee serves as the planning body and work group for yearly application submissions requesting funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Continuum of Care, Homeless Assistance Programs. The CEAS Committee, is comprised of service providers that provide homeless services and services to prevent homelessness, housing providers, homeless and housing advocates, a previously homeless consumer and agencies that represent sub populations that are prevalent within the boundaries of our geographic area.

In terms of available funding resources, the following grants and resources are geared towards assisting qualifying populations:

- Social Services for the Homeless (SSH),
- Community Service Block Grant (CSBG),
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG),
- SuperNOFA (Notice of Funding Availability),
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG),
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI),
- General Assistance (GA)/ Emergency Assistance (EA),
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA),
- Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA), and
- Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF)

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

Both the SNJCoC and the County CEAS have consulted with the Vineland HOME Consortium on the need for additional family shelter capacity at the County Family Shelter. Although there are multiple services that homeless families may be able to access, there are limits to the beds and the vouchers that are available for those families in their home County.

***2. At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

Consultation with the Vineland Housing Authority revealed that the waiting list for families was at 321 in May 2022. Currently, the 3, 4, 5 & 6 bedroom waiting lists are open and accepting new applications. The 2 Bedroom list is the longest – always has been - and remains closed. Most of the

Housing Authority families (and applicants) are composed of a single mother with 1 or 2 children. These families are at-risk of homelessness or are sheltered homeless, so providing temporary housing for families is significant need in the county. The Housing Authority Executive Director anticipates seeing an increased need for family housing as eviction cases are now starting to move through the court systems for evictions.

Furthermore, when analyzing the CHAS data, it is clear that rental units available in the county to households at 30% of AMI is far surpassed by the level of need as there are 4,180 renter households at 0-30% AMI with 1 or more severe housing problems.

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

This population was 40 % of the 2022 Point in Time Count. According to the SNJCoC Housing Inventory List, the Domestic Violence beds in Cumberland County and the bordering Gloucester are both at a 100% utilization rate.

***4. 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***

**CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, UNSHELTERED, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

Currently, there are no safe haven programs available in Cumberland County. There is a need for supportive services for homeless that continue through until after a person is permanently housed and stable.

**VETERANS:**

There are not currently dedicated beds at the County Family Shelter for Veterans or specific veterans street outreach. This hard to engage population may benefit for

**HOMELESS YOUTH:**

There is not currently a dedicated youth shelter in the county, nor is there a non-congregate shelter appropriate for families. There is a gap in the emergency housing system.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:**

Family Shelter discussed the sensitive nature of housing those that have been victims of domestic violence and trauma. There is a complexity to serving this population, especially when children are involved, in an effective trauma-informed manner. Currently, the County Family Shelter set up is not ideal for serving families or those with family-related trauma. This is a gap in the current system.

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

According to a consultation with the Cumberland County Family Shelter, there are constantly families that are reaching out the Shelter for services. In July 2022, the Shelter had 4 families with 7 children

between them. These families have to negotiate the multiple challenges of a congregate shelter, which is challenging when they are with their female head of household, and even more so with a male head of household. With a female head of household, the family is accommodated in the women's building (as long as male children are under age 18); however, if there is a male head of household with children the children cannot stay in the men's building and must shelter in the women's building separate from their male head of household. Despite the shelter, these dynamics can cause physical and mental safety concerns for both the family and other shelter guests. These dynamics can re-traumatize those already managing through trauma.

When a family cannot be housed safely at the Family Shelter, they will do a referral to a hotel/motel voucher program which is very temporary and presents its own challenges for families. There is a need for additional in-county family beds in order to ensure safe temporary housing for families with access to needed services and district schools.

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

The PJ does not plan to formally adopt a definition of "other populations".

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

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

The priority needs for qualifying populations are temporary shelter for families that are homeless and at-risk of becoming homeless. The County Family Shelter is seeing an increase of dads with children, grandmothers with grandchildren and first-time assistance utilizers, many of whom have lost their jobs due to COVID-19 and exhausted their unemployment. The need for temporary shelter is especially significant for dads with children because they cannot be accommodated in the congregate shelter setting. They are referred to a hotel/motel program or the Board of Social Services for assistance. Often these families are placed in temporary shelter outside of the County, which is a challenge for keeping kids in school, transportation to work, accessing of services, etc. Hotel/Motel programs provide temporary shelter in the same place for no more than 30 days (as compared to the average length of stay of 120 days in the Family Shelter) and do not include work with a social worker or provided meals.

In addition, there is an increased need among the homeless population and, since COVID-19, among all populations for mental health services. According to consultation with the County and the CEAS team, there is a lack of service and a high demand for outpatient mental health and intensive mental/behavioral supports. COVID-19 has surfaced new issues and stressors, and there are mental health ramifications that have created new and exacerbated existing issues for individuals and families.

***2. At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5***

For those at-risk of homelessness, finding affordable rental units post-quarantine has become even more challenging than the data would suggest. According to consultation with the County Family Shelter and the County Homeless Coordinator, eviction processes have begun and there are very few

available rentals in the area. Even fewer that are safe, affordable and clean, as there is limited regulation of rental units in the area. Affordability is more of an issue now, as many landlords are coming off an extended period of lost rent and many folks are not back to work. Even those with mobile housing vouchers are having a challenging time finding rental units in the area because landlords are asking for rental rates far above the “Fair Market Rate” of the voucher.

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

Those individuals who fall under this qualifying population, require the assistance of intervention services such as counseling, human resources, employment assistance programs and other workplace support services. According to the consultation process, these individuals are most in need of vouchers that are greater than FMR, security/utility deposit assistance, credit repair, mental health service and food resources.

***4. 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***

**CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, UNSHELTERED, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

Currently, there are no safe haven programs available in Cumberland County. There is a need for supportive services for homeless that continue through until after a person is permanently housed and stable.

**VETERANS, HOMELESS, YOUTH, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:**

There is a need for dedicated beds, vouchers and services for these populations. These are special populations with specialized and sensitive needs.

***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 PJ determined the level of need and gaps in the PJ’s systems by consulting with the local experts - coordinated teams of service delivery providers, housing providers, etc. – and also analyzing the data to understand the overall picture of perceived and actual needs. The data is challenging because much of it refers to pre-COVID measures, and many needs and dynamics have shifted with the impacts of COVID-19. This has made the consultation portion of the plan preparation even more important.

## HOME-ARP Activities

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

The PJ has partnered with the County, as most of the relevant services are coordinated at and/or provided at a county level. This approach was approved first by the HOME Consortium and has continued to be vetted and approved by both the County CEAS Committee and the SNJCoC. The County Family Shelter is the only shelter in the county and the proposed development plan will be carried out by the County Improvement Authority. Any services provided beyond those delivered by the County Family Shelter will be solicited via funding application and selected by an Advisory Council including the HOME Consortium members and project partners.

When selecting developers/contractors, procurement and labor compliance will be followed, including public bid processes and labor monitoring as required. When selecting services providers, an application process will be utilized.

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

The PJ will be working with the Cumberland County Family Shelter and the Cumberland County Improvement Authority to administer eligible activities. All contractors will be selected by a compliant competitive, public bid process. The County will look to partner with subrecipients for all activities and will monitor subrecipient's ability to implement in an effective and compliant manner.

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

Not applicable.

## Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 200,000		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 1,723,331		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ #		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ #		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ #	# %	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ #	# %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 335,000	14.9%	15%
<b>Total HOME ARP Allocation</b>	<b>\$ 2,258,331</b>		

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

The PJ will distribute HOME-ARP funds in accordance with identified priority needs as the need for more additional Non-Congregate Shelter (NCS), that can accommodate families, was a priority throughout the consultation and needs assessment. Adding NCS units will serve homeless families, and will increase the safety of the shelter options for youth and those who have experienced domestic violence or trauma related to children.

According to the 2022 PIT Count, of the 96 homeless households counted in Cumberland County through the PIT in 2022, 12 (13%) were families with at least one child under the age of 18 and one adult. These families included 37 persons, including 25 children under age 18 and 12 adults. The average family size was 3 persons. 55.2% of identified homeless households reported their total length of homelessness was between 0 and 6 months. Within this group, 28.1% were homeless from 0 – 2 months and 27.1% were homeless between 3 and 6 months. For those with longer periods of homelessness, 25% of homeless households reported that their total length of homelessness was more than 1 year. Among households that had lengths of homelessness exceeding one year and 3 exceeding 3 years, 12 households (12.5%) were reported respectively. Given this data, we can estimate that the average family will be three people and will stay an average of 6 months, so it is possible that the NCS units will serve on average 36 people per year.

Reflected in the budget above, the PJ plans to support the re-development of an existing building on the County Family Shelter campus into a Family Non-Congregate Shelter building. This building will allow the County Family Shelter to better address the gaps in the current temporary shelter options for families. There will be 8 non-congregate units, three office spaces for service provision and a shared multi-purpose space for family and group activities. The HOME-ARP funding will also support case managers for the NCS residents that will assist in supporting resident stability, connection to services and transition to long term housing. Lastly, Administration and Planning fees will be included in the budget, not to exceed the statutory 15% cap.

The County Family Shelter has secured an additional \$418,478 in funding for HVAC improvements through New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. Additionally, Cumberland County has committed \$200,000 in American Rescue Plan funds to the project.

***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:***

Currently the County is experiencing an increase in the number of homeless families, and given the data we know that there are a significant number of families at-risk of homelessness in the county. The current need for safe, temporary family shelter in the county is greater than the current resources available. With the construction of these non-congregate units both families in need will benefit directly, as will other clients at the County Shelter.

Families in need of temporary shelter will benefit because the current system does not support families adequately. With this new building, families will be able to live together in their own family space, keeping the family united and limiting the stresses that occur when dad, mom and children need to be split up between multiple buildings to be accommodated. This also allows families to stay on campus where meals and services are provided, and where they are located in or close to their children's school district. The Shelter works closely with the County school district on McKinney Vento so support for children to stay in school is high. With wraparound services and supports, the family will have the tools and resources they need to transition from temporary to permanent housing, unlike they would if they were in a hotel/motel program.

In addition, the ability to accommodate families in a non-congregate shelter building will also benefit the overall client population at the County Family Shelter, as the presence of children can often connect to the past trauma and current challenges that clients may be experiencing. In consultation with the shelter, they advised that often the presence of children is very challenging for other adult clients for a number of personal reasons and the fact that the children will have their own separate space with their family will improve quality of life for all shelter clients.

Due to the fact that the County Shelter campus includes a men's and women's building in addition to the proposed newly renovated family shelter building, this project does not violate fair housing or civil rights requirements. This project improves the shelter's overall ability to serve everyone in need more safely and effectively, including homeless families, homeless individuals, homeless victims of domestic violence, homeless veterans and more.

The HOME-ARP funding will be used to redevelop an existing building on the Family Shelter campus, as well as provide services to support those families, adults and children, in their transition from temporary to permanent housing.



## HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals

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

Does not apply.

*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:*

Does not apply.

## 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).

***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:***

There will be no preferences utilized in this project. 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. Because the Cumberland County Family Shelter can accommodate men, women and families on their campus, there will be no need to give preferences to clients. Families will be placed in the non-congregate family shelter; men will be placed in the men's shelter and women in the women's shelter. Those who are non-binary or gender transitioning can choose with building they are comfortable in.

***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:***

There was no preference identified.

## **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 established by the PJ in its HOME-ARP allocation plan. 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).

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

The PJ and County will utilize the standard referral process that is in place for the Cumberland County Family Shelter. Referrals methods will include the following:

- |                                   |                                      |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| - County Board of Social Services | - Code Blue Shelter when operational |
| - County Homeless Helpline        | - Nonprofit Agencies                 |
| - Health Facilities               | - Police Departments                 |
| - 211                             | - School Districts                   |
| - Overflow from other shelters    | - Self-referrals                     |

The County has a "shelter first" policy and temporary shelter and case management services are established prior to any engagement of the client with the SNJCoC Coordinated Entry (CE) system or other external referrals. The County Family Shelter accepts all clients with the exception of those with certain criminal backgrounds and/or extensive physical and medical needs, in which case they work with the clients to ensure they have a secure temporary housing alternative that meets their needs and maintains the safety of the County campus buildings.

***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):***

The PJ does not intend to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals for this project.

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

The PJ does not intend to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals for this project.

***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):***

The PJ does not intend to use a coordinated entry (CE) process for referrals for this project.

### **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.

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

The PJ does not intend to limit eligibility for this project. The County Family Shelter accepts all clients with the exception of those with certain criminal backgrounds and/or extensive physical and medical

needs, in which case they work with the clients to ensure they have a secure temporary housing alternative that meets their needs and maintains the safety of the County campus buildings.

***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:***

The PJ does not intend to limit eligibility for this project. See above.

***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 PJ does not intend to limit eligibility for this project. See above.

## 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 which 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***

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

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

Not applicable. The PJ does not plan to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt.

## HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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


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

10/3/2022  
Date

Mayor  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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### Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

\* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication  
☒ Application  
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

\* 2. Type of Application:

- ☒ New  
☐ Continuation  
☐ Revision

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

\* Other (Specify):

\* 3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

M-21-DP-34-0225

#### State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

#### 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

\* a. Legal Name: City of Vineland

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

21-6001670

\* c. UEI:

KGESQB8J95E1

#### d. Address:

\* Street1: 640 E Wood Street

Street2:

\* City:

Vineland

County/Parish:

\* State:

NJ: New Jersey

Province:

\* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

\* Zip / Postal Code:

08360-3722

#### e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Business Administration

Division Name:

Community Development

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

Prefix:

\* First Name:

Aaron

Middle Name:

\* Last Name:

Melnick

Suffix:

Title: Community Development Director

Organizational Affiliation:

\* Telephone Number: 856-794-4000 Ext. 4631

Fax Number:

\* Email: amelnick@vinelandcity.org

## 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:

US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

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

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investments Partnership Program

### \* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

14.239

\* Title:

HOME Investments Partnerships Program

### 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-APR Program for Vineland Consortium. Specific activities in HOME-ARP Allocation Plan submitted via 2021 Annual Plan Substantial Amendment.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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

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

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

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="2,258,331.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="2,258,331.00"/>

**\* 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.

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If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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

☒ \*\* I AGREE

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

**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix:  \* First Name:

Middle Name:

\* Last Name:

Suffix:

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

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:

\* Date Signed: