

WAKE COUNTY

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Final Plan

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Introduction

In September 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced the allocation of \$3,511,550 million to Wake County, North Carolina for a new grant called the Home Investment Partnerships Grant - American Relief Plan (HOME-ARP). The purpose of HOME-ARP funds is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services through several eligible activities. Eligible activities include acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, tenant based rental assistance, supportive services, development of rental housing, administration and planning, and nonprofit operating and capacity building assistance. A certain portion of HOME-ARP funds must assist people in HOME-ARP "qualifying populations", which include:

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence or human trafficking
- Other families requiring services or housing assistance or to prevent homelessness
- Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations

To receive funding, the County must develop and submit to HUD a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, which describes the distribution of HOME-ARP funds and identifies any preferences for eligible activities. The development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan must also be informed through stakeholder consultation and community engagement. The following is the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

Consultation

Summarize the consultation process:

Several community consultations were held in preparation of this Allocation Plan. The organizations consulted are identified in the checklist below. In the consultations, HOME-ARP eligibility and the allocation plan process were described. Organizations were asked to share what gaps or needs exist within Wake County, as well as their opinion of groups in greatest need for housing assistance.

List the organizations consulted, and summarize the feedback received from these entities.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
NC-507 Continuum of Care	Homeless and Housing Service Providers	Virtual Meeting	Address barriers to housing for those with no or bad credit or criminal histories such as registered sex offenders. Need Second Chance programs for affordable housing. All eligible activities are equally important and needed, but funding is not enough to purchase a hotel for non-congregate emergency shelter or to build using county or city land.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Wake County Public School System: McKinney Vento Team	Youth & Families Experiencing or At Risk of Homelessness	Virtual Meeting	<p>Top qualifying population priority: Homeless families with children. Also, youth experiencing homelessness (15yrs and up). Families with children, veterans, single moms are of high importance; program is experiencing higher numbers of mothers with children who are fleeing domestic violence situations. In the McKinney Vento program, 70% of families are experiencing homelessness due to an eviction, they are either doubled-up or in a hotel.</p> <p>Barriers to stable housing include: no affordable housing options. Many cannot afford first and last month's rent as a deposit. Job loss due to pandemic or working 2-3 minimum wage jobs is a barrier. Of families assisted, 5% have a credit and 1% criminal history barrier; 7% are on waiting list for shelters or transitional housing.</p> <p>Also, 20% living in hotels and employed, but cannot afford deposits or maintain the rent. Unsheltered families with children are living in cars, storage units, abandoned buildings, parks, garages because they can't afford hotel. Many families leave Wake County because they cannot afford to live here. Currently, 415 students living in hotels and an estimated 5,000 experiencing homelessness this year. WCPSS identified 288 siblings of students not enrolled in school.</p> <p>Gaps needs top priorities: 1. Affordable Rental Housing 2. TBRA with support services for families with evictions. Also, assistance on rental arrears and simplifying the process to receive assistance. 3. Non-congregate shelter would be a great option for families so they would not have to be separated.</p>
Under One Roof	STD/HIV/AIDS Case Management and Healthcare	Virtual Meeting	<p>Tenant Based Rental Assistance clients experience barriers due to credit or criminal history. Build innovative affordable rental housing such as tiny homes or modular. Clients are younger, majority LGBTQ+, couch-surfing, or potentially in a human-trafficking situation. Non-congregate shelter is a great setting. Seen many success stories with clients after the pandemic Healthy Hotels non-congregate shelter model. This helps with safety, confidentiality, autonomy, dignity, and building a sense of community.</p>

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Wake Directors	City/County, Public Safety, Courts System, Physical & Behavioral Health Leaders	Virtual Meeting	Medical respite care and non-congregate shelter is a great need. Especially since the county only has 27 units for families in need of shelter. Need to leverage HOME-ARP with other funds, especially since cost to build has increased. Address barriers to housing for those with no or bad credit and criminal histories.
Interact	Domestic Violence, Sexual Violence and Human Trafficking Service Provider	Virtual Meeting	All Qualified Populations are priorities, but it would be better to prevent at-risk populations from entering the homeless system. Not enough resources exist for domestic violence survivors who wish to stay in their current homes, with the proper safety planning, protective orders, or the abuser's incarceration. Emergency Solutions Grant can only be used if the family seeks another home. There are not many non-congregate shelters or resources for homeless sexual assault victims, so they become repeat victims of assault. Non-congregate shelter, through Health Hotel Program, was a great resource, but also expensive and unsustainable in the long-term. Continuum of Care Gaps Analysis report shows that the number of shelter beds available are down, but that could be because more people are not transitioning into affordable housing fast enough.
Housing Authority for the County of Wake	Public Housing Authority	Virtual Meeting	<p>Non-congregate shelter is exciting because it is a combination of traditional shelter and transitional housing model. Glad that the City of Raleigh purchased a hotel recently to assist with the housing need. Continue to need affordable housing and landlords that will accept vouchers.</p> <p>Households who lack stable housing but are not considered homeless often get lost in the system. Our Housing Authority only has 77 housing choice vouchers, the remaining are special population vouchers, so there is not frequent turn over or availability to open the waiting list. Both voucher and public housing waiting list remain closed with high demand.</p> <p>No noticeable trends regarding populations. We see families, singles, or elderly all in need. We have a lot of demand from port-ins; however, it is hard for them to find housing or jobs with incomes to support them in our market. Section 8 has a requirement that majority of new admissions be below 30% area median income, which is difficult because of the high market rents. Plenty of people qualify, but subsidy amounts limit resources.</p>

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Veteran's Working Group	Veteran's Providers	Virtual Meeting	<p>There is a gap in resources and housing limitations for registered sex offenders. Support of at-risk of homelessness population is critical as a preventative measure, quicker turnaround, easier access to funding to prevent evictions and homelessness. More support for those with past evictions or rental arrears. Support for renters with private landlords that resort to litigation. Increase affordable housing stock.</p> <p>Provide flexible funding for tenant applications costs. Case managers may need to submit multiple applications to support the veteran. Those with rental subsidies sometimes incur arrears. Grant restrictions cause limitations that prevent further rent payment delays.</p> <p>Provide intensive case management for veterans who also need Permanent Supportive Housing or have difficulty maintaining housing due to PTSD or other mental health challenges. Provide a built-in support system by doubling-up veterans with housing vouchers (buddy- system). Add more veteran housing communities through non-profit organizations like CASA.</p>
Resources for Seniors	Seniors	Virtual Meeting	<p>Need for mobile-home owners to be able to receive funding assistance for rehabilitation. Many mobile home park owners are receiving competitive offers from developers and selling their properties, resulting in mobile homeowners at-risk of homelessness.</p> <p>Displacement/gentrification caused by market rate development is a concern. There is approximately 800-1,200 persons experiencing homelessness, either sheltered or unsheltered. There are about 60,000 households earning below 50% AMI that are cost burdened by paying too high rent.</p> <p>Affordable Rental Housing is needed. Adding to development loans to build affordable rental housing or revolving loan program is a good idea. Brick and mortar is a sound way to spend HOME-ARP dollars. Build things that will be here 30 years later.</p> <p>Non-congregate shelter would be a great idea, buying old hotels and provide temporary housing. Tiny home communities built using sweat equity hours maybe another inexpensive way to increase affordable housing units. Land Trust could be another idea.</p>

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Reentry Council	Justice Involved	Virtual Meeting	<p>Formerly incarcerated women need access to housing, but also mental health and substance abuse support services. Greatest qualifying population is those experiencing homelessness, especially if they're returning from prison. Wake County receives re-entry persons from all 100 NC counties because there are more work options. Boarding houses may not allow access for re-entry persons if they have certain criminal record. Credit and criminal background checks, along with prior eviction records are a barrier.</p> <p>Housing affordability is a problem, rents are too high, even if employed with minimum wage jobs, they must work two or more jobs just to make ends meet. Clients are doubling up in apartments to afford rents. Greatest activity needed would be: 1. Affordable Rental Housing 2. TBRA assistance with first & last month's deposit. 3. Women's shelter is also a great need.</p>

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:

- ***Public comment period:*** February 18, 2022 through March 4, 2022
- ***Public hearing:*** December 6, 2021

No public comments were received at the public hearing.

Describe any efforts to broaden public participation:

Public participation is an important component to community planning efforts. As such, Wake County employs as many methods as possible to seek community input. For the HOME-ARP process, eleven virtual community consultations were held along with a public hearing which individuals could attend in person or submit comments online. Public notices for comment were advertised online and in three local newspapers including multiple languages and demographic targets. The draft plan was also sent to each of the eleven municipalities in Wake County, as well as three regional Human Service Centers and all homeless service facilities. The County also offered to email or mail a copy to a resident upon request.

A PJ must consider any comments or views of residents received in writing, or orally at a public hearing, when preparing the HOME-ARP allocation plan.

Summarize the comments and recommendations received through the public participation process:

- I support proposing to allocate HOME-ARP funding toward development of affordable rental housing. Consider increasing the proposed \$1,000,000 allocation to \$1,500,000 for development of affordable rental housing.
- Investing one-time funding into affordable housing projects that will provide long term restricted affordable units is a valid approach.
- Prioritize HOME-ARP funding to LIHTC projects within jurisdictions that are also leveraging local investment or dollars (i.e. land or funding) into the LIHTC project as well.
- Consider prioritizing HOME-ARP funding to projects (LIHTC or non-LIHTC) that have access to transit and other public transportation modals.
- Wake County allocates approximately \$10 Mil annually through the Affordable Housing Development Program (AHDP) RFP process, would these HOME-ARP funds be added to the AHDP RFP funding allocation?
- Is there a specific methodology on how Wake County came up with the proposed dollar amounts below?

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

All comments were accepted

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

Table 1: Housing Stock

	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	151,868		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	4,850		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	3,910		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		29,315	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		27,975	
Current Gaps			57,290

Data Sources: 1. 2019 American Community Survey (ACS); 2. 2014-2018 Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)

Table 2: 2020 Continuum of Care Housing Inventory and System Performance

Program Type	Family Beds	Family Units	Single Adult Beds	Single Adult Units
Emergency Shelter	193	27	310	310
Transitional Housing	151	54	88	88
Permanent Supportive Housing	199	64	366	366
Rapid Rehousing	187	51	32	32
Avg Length of time in Homelessness (days)				100

Data Sources: 1. 2020 Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 2. 2020 System Performance Measures

Table 3: 2020 Continuum of Care Point in Time Count

Household or Demographic Type	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Unsheltered	Total
Households without Children	359	86	218	663
Households with Children	57	42	4	103
Households with only Children	1	1	1	3
TOTAL	417	129	223	769
Female	199	136	57	392
Male	322	78	175	575
Transgender	5	2	0	7
Gender Non-Conforming	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	526	216	232	974
Black or African American	365	180	114	659
White	127	31	101	259
Asian	6	0	0	6
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	1	5	11
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4	0	0	4
Multiple Races	19	4	12	35
TOTAL	526	216	232	974

Data Sources: 1. 2020 Point in Time Count (PIT)

Table 4: Emergency Rental Assistant Data Profile

House Wake! Eviction Prevention Profile (As of December 2021)					
Gender	Client Count	% of Total Clients	Race	Client Count	% of Total Clients
Male	1,080	26.9%	American Indian/Alaskan Native	5	0.1%
Female	2,863	71.3%	Asian	28	0.7%
Non-Binary	4	0.1%	Black or African American	2,533	63.1%
No Response	66	1.0%	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	13	0.3%
			White	627	15.6%
Income	Client Count	% of Total Clients	Other/Multiple Race	120	3.0%
30% AMI	1,909	47.6%	No Response	687	17.1%
30-49% AMI	522	13.0%			
50-79% AMI	191	4.8%	Ethnicity	Client Count	% of Total Clients
>80% AMI	22	0.5%	Hispanic	322	8.0%
Not Avail.	1,369	34.1%	Not Hispanic	3,302	82.3%
			No Response	389	9.7%

Table 5: Homeless Prevention Data Profile

Wake Prevent (Timeframe)

Gender	Client Count	% of Total Clients		Race	Client Count	% of Total Clients
Male	109	26.3%		American Indian/ Alaskan Native	1	0.1%
Female	305	73.7%		Asian	10	1.2%
No Single Gender	0	0.0%		Black or African American	659	78.1%
Data Not Collected	0	0.0%		Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	1	0.1%
				White	140	16.6%
Household Type	Client Count	% of Total Clients		Other/Multiple Race	30	3.6%
Singles	140	40%		Client does not know/ refused	2	0.2%
Families	198	57%		Data Not collected	1	0.1%
Unknown	9	3%				
Ethnicity				Client Count		% of Total Clients
Hispanic				64		7.6%
Not Hispanic				778		92.2%
Client does not know/ refused				1		0.1%
Data Not collected				1		0.1%

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

According to the 2020 Continuum of Care Point in Time Count, approximately 769 households, or 974 people, are experiencing homelessness on any given day in Wake County. Of these, 232 are unsheltered meaning they are residing in a place not meant for human habitation. African Americans are significantly overrepresented with 68% experiencing homelessness in comparison to only representing 21% of the total County population. The majority of those experiencing homelessness are non-Hispanic (92.2%). Men are also overrepresented in the homeless system at 59% compared to representing 49% of the County population. In addition, approximately one third of those experiencing homelessness are households with children.

American Community Survey (ACS) data also reports that 80% of renters and homeowners earning less than 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI) are cost burdened, paying more than 30% of their income on housing. In addition, 74% of renters and homeowners earning between 30% and 50% of AMI are cost burdened. In total, more than 56,000 households earning less than 50% AMI are cost burdened. In our Emergency Rental Assistance program, more than 3,000 households have been approved for assistance and 5,200 applications remain under review. Of those assisted, two thirds have been female and/or African American.

This has also been highlighted through the Wake Prevent program which identified 78% of those served as African American and 74% as female. In addition, 57% of those served through Wake Prevent are families with children on the brink of eviction.

Our local domestic violence agency, Interact, reports serving more than 60,000 individuals each year with more than 9,500 whom are direct survivors of domestic and sexual violence. The NC-507 Continuum of Care reports 865 households annually who are referred to the Victim Services System for emergency shelter. In consultation, Interact reported the need for more non-congregate shelter. They have experienced success using hotel rooms during the pandemic; however, they report it is very expensive to continue.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations, including but not limited to:

- ***Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations;***
- ***Those currently housed populations at risk of homelessness;***
- ***Other families requiring services or housing assistance or to prevent homelessness;***
and,
- ***Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations:***

The NC-507 Continuum of Care reports 3,500 households experience homelessness in Wake County annually. The average length of time an individual or family experiences homelessness is 100 days. This is well above the 30-day resolution of homelessness the community strives to meet.

Community consultations and homeless system data identify the largest gaps in services are for those experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Across eleven community consultations, the concern for those experiencing homeless was mentioned in seven consultations and those at-risk for homelessness was mentioned in five consultations.

Other specific populations reported to have unmet needs were families with children experiencing homelessness and in need of emergency accommodations. Also reported were lower-income households who are cost burdened and at risk of homelessness, households with criminal or credit barriers, and those with a behavioral health diagnoses.

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:

Wake County operates programs and partners with agency providers to make homelessness rare, brief and non-recurring. The housing and homeless system has two congregate emergency shelter facilities, each, for single men and single women experiencing homelessness. There is one congregate shelter for survivors of domestic violence, and one congregate shelter primarily for women with children. There is very limited non-congregate shelter for families. In total there are 614 beds in our Housing Inventory for those experiencing homelessness. There are 27 family units.

The Continuum of Care also reports 565 permanent supportive housing beds with a majority provided through approximately 300 tenant based rental assistance vouchers. Vouchers are funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants and Wake County tax revenue. There are also supportive service teams funded jointly through Wake County and the Continuum of Care HUD grants.

In addition, both Wake County and the City of Raleigh are HOME grant entitlements. These jurisdictions utilize this funding, as well as local tax revenue to gap financing the development of

affordable housing. Recently, other municipalities in Wake County such as the Town of Apex, Cary, and Wake Forest, have identified local tax revenue to support the development of housing affordable to those with lower incomes. Within the last three years, Wake County has provided gap financing to preserve or construct 2,507 units of housing. However, with 56,000 cost burdened households under 50% AMI, affordable housing is desperately needed.

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

Community consultations, as well as market and homeless system data, confirm there continues to be a lack of affordable housing and appropriately resourced shelter services. This is consistent with data and information gathered during the 2020 Consolidated Plan process and the 2021 Annual Action Plan.

Across the eleven community consultations, the need for non-congregate shelter and affordable housing was identified in eight consultations. In total, non-congregate shelter was mentioned fifteen times and affordable housing nine times in meetings. In comparison, supportive services were identified as a need in five consultations and mentioned seven times. Tenant based rental assistance was identified as a need in three consultations and mentioned three times.

These gaps are also reflected in the community data. Our Continuum of Care reports an average of 90 referrals per month for families in need of emergency shelter; however, the community only has 27 units. This means that two of every three families experiencing homelessness in our community are left unsheltered due to a lack of community capacity. From the October 2021 Gaps Analysis report, there is a significant need to increase these units to meet the community need.

In addition, more than 56,000 renters and homeowners who earn less than 50% of the Area Median Income (AMI) are cost burdened. Of those households, 80% who are earning less than 30% AMI are cost burdened and 74% who are earning between 30% and 50% AMI are cost burdened. While Wake County has more than 10,500 legally-binding, affordable homes we continue to see wages not keep pace with cost of living growing the affordability gap for many working families.

Consulted agencies also referenced the need for recurring funding to enhance supportive services throughout the housing and homeless system. Wake County is addressing this need through \$10.5 million set aside in American Rescue Plan Act funding. This funding will provide up to three years support to enhance services for providers implementing low-barrier program models. Eight agencies will be awarded up to \$4.7 million during this initial round of funding.

Identify the characteristics of housing associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness if the PJ will include such conditions in its definition of “other populations” as established in the HOME-ARP Notice:

The County will not further identify “other populations”.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

Priority needs for qualifying populations remain consistent. There is a need for increased affordable housing, especially for those with the lowest incomes and higher barriers. There is a need for low-barrier, non-congregate shelter for families experiencing homelessness. There is

also a need to expand recurring funds for supportive services.

Explain how the level of need and gaps in its shelter and housing inventory and service delivery systems based on the data presented in the plan were determined:

The level of need and gaps described in this plan were determined through a robust community engagement process. Staff also gathered federal and local data to further identify needs. Demographic, housing market, and system performance data was analyzed.

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) and American Community Survey (ACS) data was analyzed to determine cost burden households where the natural housing market is not producing housing affordable to their incomes. This was further supported through community consultations with agency providers and community members who identified the need for additional affordable housing.

Continuum of Care data was then researched to better understand the experience of individuals and families in our community who lack stable housing. The Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory Count reports were used to compare system capacity with household need. We also looked at program specific data from our Emergency Rental Assistance program and our Prevention program. Community members and agencies supported the identified need for enhanced shelter for families, as well as supportive service funding through their consultation meetings.

HOME-ARP Activities

Describe the method for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subrecipients and/or contractors and whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The majority of Wake County's work throughout the housing and homeless system is completed through partnerships. The County intends to continue to work in partnership with the community.

All funding awards will follow 2 CFR 200 procurement guidelines. The County will issue either Request for Proposals (RFP), Request for Qualifications (RFQ), or Request for Letters of Interest (LOI) to select partner agencies. The County will encourage minority or women owned businesses, those leveraging Section 3 eligible workers, and Community Housing Development Organizations to apply.

At the close of the application period, all applications will be reviewed for completeness, eligibility, and their ability to deliver the specified activity to the priority populations listed in this plan. Proposals will be objectively scored by a qualified scoring committee. Awards will be approved by the appropriate authorized County official.

If any portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds were 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 County will not allocate funds to a subrecipient or contractor to administer the entire HOME-ARP grant.

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. The following table may be used to meet this requirement.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 2,261,550		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 1,000,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$	%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$	%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 250,000	7 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 3,511,550		

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, there is not a regularly established funding opportunity for the creation or renovation of housing and homeless service facilities in Wake County. The pandemic has highlighted the significant need for a family shelter. The creation of such a facility gathered overwhelming attention and support during community consultations.

In addition, there is significant funding for development of affordable housing through local tax revenue. The County and municipalities continued investment and commitments to finance the development affordable housing placed this priority lower than the need for family shelter.

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:

Based upon recent years data, every \$1 dollar committed by Wake County will leverage an additional \$11 dollars of investment toward the creation or preservation of affordable housing. Analyzing the recent production through the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), on average developers request a subsidy of \$20,000 per unit for 4% and 9% tax credit programs.

With this estimation, the County projects the allocation of \$1 million to support the development of 50 affordable homes.

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

Through the existing Affordable Housing Development Program, Wake County strives to target the lowest income populations, family developments, and permanent supportive housing set-asides in developments. These goals support the priorities described through community consultations and the data previously discussed.

Preferences

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

- 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).
- PJs are not required to describe specific projects to which the preferences will apply.

The County does not intend to prioritize one or more qualifying populations.

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 category of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

No preference has been identified.

If a preference was identified, describe how the PJ will use HOME-ARP funds to address the unmet needs or gaps in benefits and services of the other qualifying populations that are not included in the preference:

No preference has been identified

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***

The County does not intend to use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily rental housing being rehabilitated.

Summary of 15-day Public Comment Period – HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Christopher “C.J.” Valenzuela - Housing Program Manager - Town of Apex

- I support proposing to allocate HOME-ARP funding toward development of affordable rental housing. Smaller jurisdictions like the Town of Apex that have limited funding capacity along with developers of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) need access to additional gap financing brought into a project for either 9% or 4% LIHTC projects. I would consider increasing the proposed \$1,000,000 allocation to \$1,500,000 for development of affordable rental housing. Investing one-time funding into affordable housing projects that will provide long term restricted affordable units is a valid approach. I would prioritize HOME-ARP funding to LIHTC projects within jurisdictions that are also leveraging local investment or dollars (i.e. land or funding) into the LIHTC project as well. Also consider prioritizing HOME-ARP funding to projects (LIHTC or non-LIHTC) that have access to transit and other public transportation modal.
- I believe Wake County allocates approximately \$10 Mil annually through the Affordable Housing Development Program (AHDP) Request for Proposal (RFP) process, would these HOME-ARP funds be added to the AHDP RFP funding allocation? Will the HOME-ARP funding be available for this current LIHTC round?
- I realize Wake County received extensive feedback from public engagement, but what was the specific methodology on how Wake County came up with the proposed dollar amounts below? Was there an internal scoring metric that Wake County used to come up with these proposed dollar amounts? Or does HOME-ARP have guidelines that set the minimum or maximum funding percentages to specific categories (i.e. max. 10% for admin., max. 50% for development of affordable rental housing, etc.)? Clarifying this would be helpful.

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Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 3,511,550		

Description of Public Notification for HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

Public notification was provided for Wake County residents through the following methods:

- The News & Observer news publication on February 16, 2022
- The Que Pasa news publication on February 16, 2022
- The Carolinian Newspaper on February 17, 2022

News & Observer news publication on February 16, 2022

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AVISO DE DISPONIBILIDAD CONDADO DE WAKE Plan de asignación HOME-American Rescue Plan (ARP)

POR LA PRESENTE SE NOTIFICA que el Condado de Wake está preparando el Plan de Asignación HOME-American Rescue Plan (ARP). El Plan de Asignación es requerido por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de los EE. UU. para que el condado de Wake reciba fondos federales de subvenciones HOME-ARP. El Plan de asignación HOME-ARP del condado de Wake es un plan estratégico que detalla la asignación de fondos para ayudar a las personas o familias que están sin hogar, en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables, proporcionando vivienda, asistencia de alquiler, servicios de apoyo y no- refugio colectivo, para reducir la falta de vivienda y aumentar la estabilidad de la vivienda. El Plan de asignación define el uso de los fondos de la subvención federal HOME-ARP para abordar estas necesidades.

El borrador del Plan de asignación HOME-ARP del condado de Wake está disponible para un período de comentarios de 15 días; desde el 18 de febrero de 2022 hasta el 4 de marzo de 2022. El plan se puede encontrar en línea en <https://www.wakegov.com/departments-government/housing-affordability-community-revitalization/plans-and-public-notice> y las copias están disponibles en los siguientes lugares: Wake County Housing (336 Fayetteville Street, Suite 440, Raleigh, NC 27602), Municipal Town Halls, Wake County Regional Centers, centros de servicios para personas sin hogar y otras ubicaciones de servicios humanos o de vivienda del condado de Wake.

Al final del período de comentarios, el condado de Wake compilará y abordará todos los comentarios públicos recibidos. Para obtener más información o enviar un comentario, comuníquese con Diana Youssef al (919) 508-0781 o por correo electrónico diana.youssef@wakegov.com antes del 4 de marzo de 2022. Las personas con problemas auditivos o del habla pueden comunicarse al 1-800-735- 2962 (TT) o 1-800-735-8262 (voz).

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HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Sig Hutchinson
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Signature of Authorized Official

3/10/2022

Date

Chairman, Wake County Board of Commissioners

Title

[View Burden Statement](#)OMB Number: 4040-0004
Expiration Date: 12/31/2022**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:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

Wake County Government

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

56-6000347

* c. Organizational DUNS:

8304177420000

d. Address:

* Street1:

336 Fayetteville Street

Street2:

Suite 440, P.O. Box 550

* City:

Raleigh

County/Parish:

* State:

NC: North Carolina

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

27601-1797

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Housing Afford. & Comm. Revi.

Division Name:

Equitable Housing & Comm. Dev.

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

Prefix:

Ms.

* First Name:

Alicia

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Arnold

Suffix:

Title: Deputy Director

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

919-856-5268

Fax Number:

* Email:

Alicia.Arnold@wakegov.com

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14-239

CFDA Title:

HOME-ARP

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Serving the homeless and vulnerable populations through the development of affordable housing, tenant-based rental assistance, and acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

* a. Applicant 02, 13

* b. Program/Project 02, 13

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 07/01/2022

* b. End Date: 06/30/2030

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal 3,511,550.00

* b. Applicant

* c. State

* d. Local

* e. Other

* f. Program Income

* g. TOTAL 3,511,550.00

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, 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: Mr.

* First Name: Sig

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Hutchinson

Suffix:

* Title: Chair, Wake County Board of Commissioners

* Telephone Number: 919-856-5575

Fax Number:

* Email: Sig.Hutchinson@wakegov.com

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

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Sig Hutchinson

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* Date Signed: 03/10/2022

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4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
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15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

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Sig Hutchinson

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TITLE

Chair, Wake County Board of Commissioners

APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

Wake County Housing Affordability & Community Revitalization

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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE Chair, Wake County Board of Commissioners
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Wake County Housing Affordability & Community Revitalization	DATE SUBMITTED 03/10/2022