

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Columbus is an entitlement jurisdiction that receives federal funds from HUD to support local community development and affordable housing activities. The federal block grant programs that provide these resources include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant (HOPWA). As a condition of receiving these funds, the City of Columbus is required to submit the 5-year Consolidated Plan, which outlines the city's housing and community development needs and priorities. The annual action plan, identifying that years plan to allocate its HUD funding and address those priority needs, is submitted for each of the program years in the 5-year Consolidated Plan. The 2020-2025 City of Columbus, Ohio Consolidated Plan is the result of a collaborative process to identify housing and community development needs and to establish goals, priorities, and strategies to address those needs, especially for low and moderate- income households. This 2021 Action Plan is the second year of the five-year plan.

Additional information on each of these funding sources is provided following the summary of the Consolidated Plan's sections. As a separate document, the Consolidated Plan is available on the City of Columbus web site.

The Consolidated Plan is organized into four primary sections:

- 1. The Process (PR)**
- 2. Needs Assessment (NA)**
- 3. Housing Market Analysis (MA)**
- 4. Strategic Plan (SP)**

The Process section describes the development of the Consolidated Plan; it discusses how citizens were involved in the process and how the city consulted with public and private service providers and other stakeholders to facilitate the development of the Plan. The section also shares key findings from the citizen survey and stakeholder focus group interviews.

The Needs Assessment provides data, analysis, and other relevant information on the city's needs as they relate to affordable housing, special needs housing, community development, and homelessness. Throughout the Needs Assessment section, special attention is paid to the needs of Low and Moderate

Income (LMI) households, racial and ethnic minorities, homeless persons, and non-homeless special needs populations (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS, disabilities, the elderly, refugees, etc.)

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The primary purpose of the Plan is to determine how HUD block grant funds should be spent to best meet the city's most pressing needs. To achieve this goal, the city utilized the following methods to develop a comprehensive account of current housing and community development needs: a resident survey, stakeholder focus groups, and a needs assessment and market analysis based on federal, state, and local data.

Once the city's current housing and community development needs were determined, the city proceeded to the Strategic Plan portion of the Consolidated Plan process. The primary purpose of the Strategic Plan is to identify which needs represent the city's highest priorities so that funding can be allocated to address these needs first. In this way, the Strategic Plan acts as a guide to direct the allocation of HUD funds in a manner that maximizes community impact by prioritizing funding to the city's most pressing needs.

The city's priority needs were identified through a Strategic Planning session, which brought together representatives from multiple city departments including the departments of Development, Recreation and Parks, Columbus Public Health; and Finance and Management.

Through this process, the city identified the following priority needs:

1. Affordable Housing Preservation and Development
2. Safe and Sanitary Housing
3. Supportive Service Housing for Special Needs Population
4. Equal Access to Housing
5. Economic and Community Development
6. Self-sufficiency of Low- Income Residents

7. Supportive Housing for Persons with HIV/AIDS

8. Homeless Facilities and Services

9. Public Improvements and Infrastructure

The Strategic Plan Goals were developed with the findings of the Housing Market Analysis in mind, to ensure that they were tailored to work within local market conditions. Following the completion of the 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), it was apparent that two things needed to be changed to reflect accurate accomplishments. The first was the creation of an additional goal: Program Management. This takes into account staffing to implement housing, homeless and economic development programs. Additionally, each project listed only one goal under the "goals supported" section of AP-35 Project Summary, even in cases where a project will address multiple goals. This will prevent duplication in the accomplishment numbers.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the last few years of available data shows the city has been successful in achieving the Strategic Plan Goals that were established in the Consolidated Plans.

Efforts to increase the number of low and moderate-income homeowners have been successful with programs that provide homeowner rehabilitation and repair, down payment assistance to first-time homebuyers, financing to developers to complete and sell affordable housing to income-eligible homebuyers and tax incentives for housing development. The use of HOME funds, used for gap financing to developers for the production and rehabilitation of rental apartments for very-low, low and moderate-income households, has achieved established goals. Results from the last two years of activities to assist the homeless include both assisting families and individuals in maintaining or obtaining permanent housing through a homeless prevention and rapid rehousing system and provision of emergency shelter have been successful; as have housing and supportive services to persons with HIV/AIDS.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The grants management team prepared a draft annual action plan in October 2020. The action plan was reviewed and approved by Columbus City Council. Also, the team held a public forum to discuss details of the proposed plan as part of the 30-day citizen participation review process. There were no comments received during that period. However, there was one public testimony offered during the public hearing.

Once the 2021 HUD awards were announced, the team prepared the final action plan. The final action plan will be available for review for a second 30-day citizen participation period with documents available to the public on the City's website. City Council will also approve the final action plan and authorize the grants management team to submit the final action plan pending further citizen comment and review.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

7. Summary

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	COLUMBUS	
CDBG Administrator	COLUMBUS	Department of Finance and Management
HOPWA Administrator	COLUMBUS	Columbus Public Health
HOME Administrator	COLUMBUS	Department of Development
ESG Administrator	COLUMBUS	Department of Development
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)

1. Introduction

The City of Columbus is committed to addressing the community's priority needs in the most efficient and effective way possible. In order to do this, the Department of Development, as the lead agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan, coordinates with other city departments, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA), Community Shelter Board (CSB, the lead Continuum of Care agency), and other key stakeholders and organizations in central Ohio. By partnering with many different departments, agencies, and organizations, the City can utilize the collective knowledge of local subject matter experts to help develop strategies and goals to solve the city's priority needs.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I))

The City of Columbus has enhanced coordination with public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and service agencies in the following ways:

- The Columbus Area Affordable Housing Task Force consists of federal, state, and local government organizations, housing funders, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, housing and homeless service providers, and community representatives. The task force meets quarterly to monitor and address issues regarding expiring HUD Section 8 contracts in Franklin County and to discuss current and future affordable housing projects.
- The Columbus and Franklin County Housing Advisory Board (HAB) is the official board that reviews and approves affordable housing projects applying for county bond financing. In addition, the HAB reviews and comments on proposed city housing bonds as required by the Ohio Revised Code. The city's Housing Bond strategy has been presented to the HAB.
- The City of Columbus is a member of the Community Development (CD) Collaborative of Greater Columbus, which is a non-profit organization that pools resources to provide operating grants and technical assistance to build the capacity of community based non-profit housing developers. The CD Collaborative Board is comprised of various lending institutions, the United Way of Central Ohio, Columbus Foundation, Enterprise Community Partners, the City of Columbus and Franklin County. Staff for the collaborative is provided through a contractual relationship with the Affordable Housing Trust for Columbus and Franklin County. Currently, five non-profit community development corporations are funded by the collaborative.

The Greater Columbus Infant Mortality Task Force developed a community plan in 2014 to reduce infant mortality by 40 percent and cut the racial disparity gap in half by 2020. Celebrate One was established to implement these efforts. Key stakeholders in implementing the plan include the Franklin County Community Health Coordination Infant Mortality Committee, home health care providers, educators,

social service agencies, faith leaders, neighborhood leaders from high-risk areas, expectant and new mothers, Columbus Public Health, and the Columbus Housing Division. Recommended housing-related actions include adopting smoke-free policies in multi-unit housing facilities and other housing settings for high-risk women and families; targeting activities in shelters and low-income housing in high-risk neighborhoods and expanding to other settings. Currently, CelebrateOne is exploring opportunities for a rental subsidy for pregnant women and mothers of infants to allow them to maintain safe and stable housing.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The city has representatives on the Continuum of Care (CoC) for Columbus and Franklin County. The local CoC is known as the Rebuilding Lives Funder Collaborative (RLFC) which is staffed by the Community Shelter Board (CSB). Funding, monitoring and system changes are discussed and determined by the RLFC (CoC). The city provides local general funds and Capital Improvement Bond funds, in addition to federal ESG and HOME dollars, to CSB as an intermediary agency to fund local non-profit providers working to prevent homelessness and providing emergency shelter. Efforts also include and encourage initiatives of rapid re-housing and stabilization for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Additionally, funds can also be used to support the community's Homeless Management Information System to guarantee that the community's plan to end homelessness is based on the most applicable and current homeless data available.

The city also provides local Capital Improvement Bond funds and federal HOME funds to assist in the development of permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals and families.

CSB, along with its partner agencies, is implementing a transformational new system designed to move single adults more quickly into stable housing, prevent repeat homelessness, and add more capacity when overflow demands are high to make sure everyone who needs shelter can get it. There are three key components. First, a new emergency shelter is addressing the growing numbers of men, women, and families who are experiencing homelessness, so no one has to sleep on the streets in Columbus. Second, Rapid Re-housing Managers are linking with individuals when they enter the homeless system and work with them throughout their stay. Third, relationships with key partner agencies are strengthened and enhanced.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

In Columbus and Franklin County, the Continuum of Care (CoC) role and responsibilities are fulfilled by a committee called the Rebuilding Lives Funder Collaborative (RLFC). The RLFC provides stewardship for all the strategies developed under the Rebuilding Lives (RL) Plan; provides funding for the capital, services, and operations of supportive housing in Columbus and Franklin County; coordinates activities for the new plan; promotes collaboration to achieve goals and strategies; and secures resources for programs and projects. The City of Columbus has an ongoing membership, representation, and participation in the RLFC.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY SHELTER BOARD
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Columbus City Schools
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Columbus Urban League
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	

4	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY HOUSING NETWORK
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
5	Agency/Group/Organization	FINANCE FUND CAPITAL CORPORATION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Franklin County Land Reutilization Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Other government - Local Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	

7	Agency/Group/Organization	Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Other government - Local Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
8	Agency/Group/Organization	COLUMBUS PUBLIC HEALTH
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Health Agency Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs HOPWA Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Franklin County Public Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Health Agency Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
10	Agency/Group/Organization	IMPACT Community Action Agency
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Other government - County Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
12	Agency/Group/Organization	National Church Residences
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
13	Agency/Group/Organization	The Columbus Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Civic Leaders Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Ohio Civil Rights Commission (OCRC)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing Regional organization Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
15	Agency/Group/Organization	United Way of Central Ohio
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
16	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Columbus Department of Neighborhoods
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
17	Agency/Group/Organization	COLUMBUS HOUSING PARTNERSHIP
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	

18	Agency/Group/Organization	LIFECARE ALLIANCE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
19	Agency/Group/Organization	Local Matters
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
20	Agency/Group/Organization	ECONOMIC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Regional organization Business Leaders Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Heritage Ohio
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Community Shelter Board	The goals of the Strategic Plan portion of the Consolidated Plan were developed in close coordination with those of the A Place to Call Home Plan, which is Columbus's Continuum of Care planning document. The A Place to Call Home Plan is made up of a comprehensive and interrelated set of strategies to decrease the number of people who experience homelessness. The Community Shelter Board works with the City and other partner agencies on four goals in the A Place to Call Home Plan: 1) access; 2) crisis response; 3) transition; and 4) advocacy.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Capital Improvement Program	City of Columbus	The Capital Improvement Program is the City's primary guide for its Capital Improvements Budget. The infrastructure funding priorities outlined in the CIP were accounted for in the development of Strategic Plan goals related to the improvement and maintenance of infrastructure and other community assets.
Joint Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing	City of Columbus	The Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice outlines how the City of Columbus will take steps to affirmatively further fair housing. The purpose of these actions is to ensure housing choice for all residents of Columbus by eliminating housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity.
PHA 5-Year and Annual Plan	Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority	CMHA is the City of Columbus and Franklin County's Public Housing Authority. The City of Columbus reviewed CMHA's PHA 5-Year and Annual Plan when developing Strategic Goals related to public housing. The Strategic Plan specifies that the City of Columbus is committed to collaborating and cooperating with CMHA on the redevelopment of public housing sites and units as outlined in the PHA 5-Year Plan.
Age Friendly Columbus Strategic Plan	Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission	The Age friendly Columbus plan looks at the community development needs of Central Ohio's 65 and older population. This plan identified 17 Strategies, and a need for more accessible affordable housing, accessible community space, and increased walk ability in central neighborhoods.
Affordable Housing Study	The Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio	This plan looked at the characteristics of Central Ohio Families in need of affordable housing. In addition to looking at direct affordable housing needs, the plan also looks at greater community development issues that impact access to affordable housing, like Healthcare, Employment, education, supportive services, and sustainability.
Bench-Marking Central Ohio	The Columbus Foundation	This plan compares the City of Columbus to comparable cities across the nation. This plan found that the City of Columbus is behind its peers on indicators such as entrepreneurship, small business firms/startups, transportation access, pre-k enrollment, and infant mortality.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The City of Columbus worked closely with Franklin County during the citizen participation and community engagement portions of the consolidated plan.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The City of Columbus held two public meetings for community input of the 2021 Annual Action Plan. Both of these meetings were advertised for in a newspaper of general circulation (Dispatch). Both meetings were available to attend virtually.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The City receives four HUD annual entitlement awards in 2021 for CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, and ESG.

The CDBG budget is a combination of this entitlement amount, program income, anticipated prior year carryover funds and encumbrance cancellations. The CDBG program income is received from housing loan repayments, economic development loan repayments (including loan repayments from the city's economic development sub-recipients), as well as the revenue from several CDBG-funded Recreation Centers. These

resources are expected to be available to fund city projects that address the priority needs and objectives identified in the Strategic Plan.

The HOME program budget combines the entitlement award with the program income amounts received from housing loan repayments.

The reported expected amounts available remainder of Con Plan assume level entitlement funding through 2024.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	7,510,316	2,044,169	3,649,881	13,204,366	22,500,000	A portion of program income expected in 2021 includes a \$1.74M transfer of PI from NSP2 grant. The prior year resources are comprised of approximately \$1.2M of prior year entitlement awards and \$2.45M PI that was converted from the Revolving Loan Fund at the end of 2020.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	4,534,140	999,598	675,000	6,208,738	13,500,000	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities STRMU Supportive services TBRA	1,585,171	0	436,000	2,021,171	4,200,000	The available prior year resources are a result of underspent sub-award contracts with sub-recipients

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	636,217	0	0	636,217	1,800,000	
Other	public - federal	Other	0	0	0	0	0	

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The creation and maintenance of affordable housing require the use of both government and private financing and the encouragement of cooperation between the private non-profit, for-profit and public sector. To the greatest extent practicable, available federal, state and local public and private sector resources are leveraged to generate the maximum benefit from housing activities.

CDBG funds are often utilized to provide assistance for business growth and development. There are many allowable uses of the funds including payroll assistance, working capital, purchase of equipment and machinery and renovation of an existing business. Federal funds, provided through a loan or grant, are used to leverage other financial sources and fully fund the project. This additional funding may be provided by the business owner or other public and private partners that may include other city funding sources, Franklin County, the State of Ohio or other financial institutions.

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDs (HOPWA) Project Sponsors leverage more than \$4.0 million from numerous resources. This includes dollars from FEMA, United Way, Ryan White Parts A, B, and C, Ending the HIV Epidemic, and other grants. All medical case management services are leveraged to ensure all clients can access medical care and other supportive services.

Each year, the city is required to provide a 25 percent match for all HOME grant expenditures. Any excess match can be carried over to the next federal fiscal year. Annually, the city generates match contributions from a variety of sources including HOME match generated from multiple Affordable Housing Trust funded projects. The HOME match is documented each year in the City of Columbus annual performance and evaluation report (CAPER).

The Emergency Solutions Grant program requires a 100 percent match from the City of Columbus. In 2021, the city anticipates using over \$4 million of general fund "safety net" monies to assist emergency shelters.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The City of Columbus maintains recreation centers citywide. Recreation centers located in majority low/moderate income areas of the city will be used to address the need for childcare and youth education as identified in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. In addition, properties held in the city's land bank may be used along with funds allocated to affordable housing initiatives to increase the city's number of available affordable housing units.

Discussion

Revolving Loan Fund Program Income

The city has four economic development sub-recipient contracts, with each agency having a CDBG funded revolving loan fund (RLF). These funds are economic development loan repayments that are collected and retained by the agency and are then reused for new CDBG eligible loans. These funds are reported in the annual performance report to HUD. In 2020, these four RLFs received \$345,560 of program income. The City estimates receiving a comparable amount of program income in 2021 and these funds are included in the CDBG Table 1 – Expected Resources Priority Table under the column: Program Income.

Budget Contingency Provisions

Anticipated resources to support the 2020 Consolidated Plan activities include the following: entitlement award allocations from HUD; program income funds in the form of housing loan repayments, economic development loan repayments and miscellaneous program income; carryover of unused prior year funds; and reserve funds held for contingencies.

The 2021 Annual Action Plan, subject to citizen participation review and comments, contains revenue estimates based on historical trends and current economic considerations. In accordance with past HUD guidance, the final document must be revised and submitted to HUD after actual 2021 award allocations are released. Each year, the city's actual HUD entitlement awards are often not known until well into the program year. This contingency provision for the four entitlement grant budgets allows the city to finalize HUD's grant application requirements in a timely manner, thus allowing the city to incur pre-award costs.

For the CDBG program, the City of Columbus anticipates program income, carryover funds, and funds held in reserve will be sufficient to offset any shortfall in the difference between the estimated entitlement award and the actual allocation, such that specific CDBG project budgets will not be affected. In the extreme scenario where program income, carryover funds, and reserve funds are insufficient to absorb an entitlement award reduction, proportional reductions will be made to activity budgets. Should entitlement awards be 20% higher than estimated, the city will revise the budget and

go through citizen participation requirements as found in the 2020-2024 Citizen Participation Plan. The city will also be transferring revolving loan funds, as needed, to provide adequate funding for 2021 CDBG programs.

For HOME, HOPWA and ESG programs, activity budgets will be revised proportionately to reflect the actual entitlement awards.

Additionally, the City is in the process of closing out the NSP grants. The City intends to close out and transfer the remaining NSP2 program income balance of \$1.74M to CDBG to fund eligible activities in 2021. Any remaining balance of program income in NSP 1 and 3 will likewise be transferred to the CDBG program once the grant award allocations have been spent and the grants are near closeout. The future balance of NSP1 and 3 program income is unknown and transfer will not likely be completed in 2021 and therefore has not been included in the 2021 available CDBG resources.

At any time during the year, the city can always revise these budgets, as needed, through a budget process that conforms to the citizen participation process.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Preserve and expand affordable housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Increase Access to Affordable Housing	HOME: \$11,096,206	Rental units constructed: 47 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 10 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 60 Households Assisted Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 55 Households Assisted
2	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development Capacity building		Ensure equal access to Housing	CDBG: \$630,000	

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
3	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development		Increase Access to Affordable Housing	HOME: \$1,895,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 180 Household Housing Unit
4	Provide homebuyer education and other counseling	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Increase Access to Affordable Housing Ensure equal access to Housing Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents	CDBG: \$110,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 50 Persons Assisted
5	Provide housing for special needs populations	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Ensure equal access to Housing		
6	Ensure equal access to housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Increase Access to Affordable Housing Ensure equal access to Housing	CDBG: \$150,000	
7	Foster business expansions in areas of need	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity		

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
8	Foster development of skills for residents in need	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents		
9	Provide educational/recreational youth programs	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes	CDBG: \$846,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 140 Households Assisted
10	Improve health outcomes	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes		
11	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Increase Access to Affordable Housing Ensure equal access to Housing Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes Homelessness mitigation and Prevention	HOPWA: \$1,743,969	

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
12	Increase access to housing and emergency shelter	2020	2024	Homeless		Homelessness mitigation and Prevention	ESG: \$600,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 1 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 1 Persons Assisted
13	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements	CDBG: \$5,600,000	

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Preserve and expand affordable housing
	Goal Description	To promote the rehabilitation and development of housing affordable to low and moderate-income households.
2	Goal Name	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
	Goal Description	To support the administration, coordination, and management of the City's CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA programs.

3	Goal Name	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions
	Goal Description	<p>To support safe property conditions in the City's housing stock.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Critical Home repairs-40 • Roof Repairs-65 • CHORES minor home repairs-75
4	Goal Name	Provide homebuyer education and other counseling
	Goal Description	To support homeownership education opportunities for eligible low- and moderate-income households.
5	Goal Name	Provide housing for special needs populations
	Goal Description	To prevent homelessness for individuals and families at risk of homelessness and to quickly house families experiencing homelessness. Efforts include homeless prevention assistance, tenant-based rental assistance, and rapid re-housing.
6	Goal Name	Ensure equal access to housing
	Goal Description	Fair Housing Services to support Fair Housing activities and education in the City.
7	Goal Name	Foster business expansions in areas of need
	Goal Description	To provide support and resources to local community businesses to promote economic growth and provide employment opportunities
8	Goal Name	Foster development of skills for residents in need
	Goal Description	To expand opportunity and self-sufficiency for the city's most vulnerable residents. Efforts include public services that provide education, youth programs, job training, and health services.
9	Goal Name	Provide educational/recreational youth programs
	Goal Description	To support public services that provide early childhood education and youth programming.

10	Goal Name	Improve health outcomes
	Goal Description	To support the City's most vulnerable residents with emergency and day-to-day services.
11	Goal Name	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
	Goal Description	To provide housing subsidy assistance, housing information services, permanent housing placement, and case management for persons living with HIV/AIDS.
12	Goal Name	Increase access to housing and emergency shelter
	Goal Description	To prevent homelessness for individuals and families at risk of homelessness and to quickly house families experiencing homelessness. Efforts include homeless prevention assistance, tenant-based rental assistance, and rapid re-housing.
13	Goal Name	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Goal Description	To support the development of viable neighborhoods through infrastructure projects. Efforts will be concentrated to local target areas and include pedestrian, street, and park improvements. Other efforts include improvements of public service facilities.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Grants Management Division is responsible for developing programs and/or soliciting proposals from City departments for all CDBG projects, review the proposals, and select programs/proposals to fund in a given year. The City prioritizes funding for projects that meet strategic goals and needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. The Columbus Public Health department has fostered relationships with numerous sub-recipients and intends to contract with five project sponsors to administer services for the HOPWA program. The Department of Development has provided the annual budget plan and list of projects for the HOME and ESG grants.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Jewish Family Services
2	Capital Kids
3	Fitness Camps
4	Recreation Centers Managers
5	Park Improvements
6	Public Pool Engineering and Design
7	Grants Management Administration
8	Fair Housing
9	Youth Center Parking Lot Resurfacing
10	Cleveland and Myrtle Infrastructure Improvements
11	Neighborhoods Agency Administration
12	Linden Lighting Improvements
13	Wheatland Farms Complex
14	Roofing Repair Services
15	Critical Home Repair Services
16	CHORES Minor Home Repair Services
17	Housing Counseling Services
18	Sidewalk Gaps/Pedestrian Safety
19	Lutheran Social Services-Faith Mission
20	Equitas Health
21	Lancaster Fairfield Community Action Agency
22	Licking County Coalition for Housing
23	Columbus Public Health Administration

#	Project Name
24	CHDO Set Aside
25	Rental Housing Development
26	Downpayment Assistance
27	Homeowner Housing Development
28	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
29	CHDO Support
30	Housing Administration
31	Service ADA Curb Ramps
32	Neighborhood Sidewalk Improvements
33	Hiawatha Shared Use Path Design
34	Barack Rec Center Kitchen Renovation
35	Tennis Courts Lighting Improvements
36	Arts and Fitness Facilities Upgrades

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Generally speaking, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds will continue to fund the same or similar programs as in previous years. CDBG funding will remain in place for ongoing public service programs. The City has a significant increase in available funding this year due to additional available resources from the RLF and NSP transfer. The City has decided to prioritize funding for Public facilities and infrastructure Improvements to ensure timely expenditure of funds in 2021 in order to meet timeliness requirements.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Jewish Family Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Homelessness mitigation and Prevention Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Project Sponsor will provide supportive services for HOPWA clients in conjunction and coordinating with Columbus Public Health and their other project sponsors
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Capital Kids
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide educational/recreational youth programs
	Needs Addressed	Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Recreation and Parks Department will implement the Capital Kids program which provides after-school activities to youth in priority neighborhoods. The program employs seven full-time staff and fifty five part time staff at all City of Columbus recreation centers and serves youth from over 140 households.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The majority City of Columbus recreation centers are located in low to moderate income neighborhoods and serve the local residential area.

	Location Description	Get a list of all rec centers from Rec and Parks????
	Planned Activities	The staff will administer after school programs at City recreation centers which provide a safe place to learn and play.
3	Project Name	Fitness Camps
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide educational/recreational youth programs
	Needs Addressed	Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Recreation and Parks department will implement the Fitness Camps program to provide activities for youth during summer break. The program is designed to especially benefit the children of working parents and provide a variety of recreational, educational, cultural, and physical fitness activities in a safe and secure environment. The program aims to serve over 300 participants.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The program aims to serve over 300 youth participants. The programs are administered in low to moderate income residential areas.
	Location Description	Get list from Rec and Parks???
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Recreation Centers Managers
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide educational/recreational youth programs
	Needs Addressed	Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	Community Development Block Grant funds will be utilized for salaries for managers at eligible recreation centers in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods.
	Target Date	12/31/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
5	Project Name	Park Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:
	Description	Park Improvements at: Marie Moreland Park, Smith Road Park, Maybury Park, Livingston Park, Nelson Park, Sullivant Gardens Park, Waltham Woods Park, Hilliard Green Park, Kingsrowe Park, Mifflin Park, Redick Park, Hilltonia Park, Kobacker Park, Millbrook Park, Hauntz Park, Southwood Park. Street Tree Planting in CDBG-eligible block groups within the North Central, South Side, Far South and Southwest Columbus Communities.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
6	Project Name	Public Pool Engineering and Design
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:

	Description	The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department will administer an architectural and engineering contract for Glenwood Pool. The development of the design will position Columbus Recreation and Parks for the next phase of the project, replacement of the existing pools with the modern outdoor aquatic facilities appropriate for our current and future aquatics programs. The existing pool was built in 1974.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
7	Project Name	Grants Management Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	:
	Description	Grants Management Division staffing, supplies, and services in the Department of Finance and Management for the administration of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grants.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
8	Project Name	Fair Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin Ensure equal access to housing

	Needs Addressed	Ensure equal access to Housing
	Funding	:
	Description	The Grants Management Division intends to award a contract to a sub-recipient to carry out the 2021 Fair Housing program.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
9	Project Name	Youth Center Parking Lot Resurfacing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:
	Description	The City intends to funds parking lot improvements involving pavement resurfacing at the J. Ashburn Jr. Youth Center which also accommodates visitors at the adjacent early childhood learning center.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
10	Project Name	Cleveland and Myrtle Infrastructure Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:

	Description	Improvements are necessary at this intersection to increase pedestrian safety, especially with the development of a new affordable housing complex for seniors (Mulby Place). The crosswalk improvement will include new signage and traffic signals, brick stamp crosswalks, and the timing of the light changes will be examined and modified to be more pedestrian friendly.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
11	Project Name	Neighborhoods Agency Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	:
	Description	Staff cost to support Neighborhood Pride Centers. Neighborhood liaisons and the program connect residents to city government and other community leaders in order to resolve community issues. Neighborhood liaisons respond to service request and issues addressing housing, economic needs and opportunities for local businesses, recreational youth programs, healthy food and health care access, zoning and civic and area commissions.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
	Project Name	Linden Lighting Improvements

12	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The project will replace South Linden light luminaires and will include tree trimming.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
13	Project Name	Wheatland Farms Complex
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve health outcomes Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	Construction of free market for low-to-moderate income families at the Wheatland Farm site located adjacent the Wheatland Crossing housing complex in the Hilltop neighborhood. Design and engineering will be complete by Mid-Ohio and the City will fund the construction of the building.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	

	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
14	Project Name	Roofing Repair Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Department of Development will manage a roof repair/replacement program for low-to-moderate income Columbus homeowners. The program will benefit an estimated 65 households.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
15	Project Name	Critical Home Repair Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Department of Development will manage a program to address critical structural repair needs at low-to-moderate income homeowners
	Target Date	12/31/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
16	Project Name	CHORES Minor Home Repair Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions Provide housing for special needs populations
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Department of Development will manage a program for small home repairs for senior homeowners.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
17	Project Name	Housing Counseling Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide homebuyer education and other counseling Ensure equal access to housing
	Needs Addressed	Ensure equal access to Housing Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity
	Funding	:

	Description	Funding for contracts with HUD approved Housing Counseling Agencies for the provision of homebuyer and homeowner counseling.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
18	Project Name	Sidewalk Gaps/Pedestrian Safety
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve health outcomes Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The project constructs 4,181 feet of sidewalk. Existing roads, alleys, sidewalks, and other existing infrastructure components that are impacted by this project will be repaired/replaced as necessary.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
19	Project Name	Lutheran Social Services-Faith Mission
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve health outcomes Provide housing and services for persons with HIV

	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Homelessness mitigation and Prevention Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Project Sponsor agency will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rental Mortgage and Utility assistance, Permanent Housing Placement, and Supportive Services to HOPWA eligible clients.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
20	Project Name	Equitas Health
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Homelessness mitigation and Prevention Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Project Sponsor agency will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rental Mortgage and Utility assistance, Permanent Housing Placement, and Supportive Services to HOPWA eligible clients.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

21	Project Name	Lancaster Fairfield Community Action Agency
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Homelessness mitigation and Prevention Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Project Sponsor agency will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rental Mortgage and Utility assistance, Permanent Housing Placement, and Supportive Services to HOPWA eligible clients.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
22	Project Name	Licking County Coalition for Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
	Needs Addressed	Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Homelessness mitigation and Prevention Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The Project Sponsor agency will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rental Mortgage and Utility assistance, Permanent Housing Placement, and Supportive Services to HOPWA eligible clients.
	Target Date	12/31/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
23	Project Name	Columbus Public Health Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	:
	Description	CPH sub-grants the HOPWA funds to numerous project sponsors who administer services for HOPWA eligible clients. CPH is responsible for strategic development of the HOPWA program, fostering relationships and contracting with sponsors agencies, coordinating services among agencies, monitoring project sponsors performance, and all required Federal reporting.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
24	Project Name	CHDO Set Aside
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve and expand affordable housing
	Needs Addressed	Increase Access to Affordable Housing
	Funding	:
	Description	Required set aside of 15% of HOME fund allocation for awards to city certified CHDOs
	Target Date	12/31/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
25	Project Name	Rental Housing Development
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve and expand affordable housing
	Needs Addressed	Increase Access to Affordable Housing
	Funding	:
	Description	Providing gap financing for new construction and substantial renovation rental projects. An estimated 7 household housing units will be rehabilitated. An estimated 17 new rental housing units will be constructed. 5 HOME funded rental units will serve transition aged youth.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
26	Project Name	Downpayment Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure equal access to housing
	Needs Addressed	Ensure equal access to Housing Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity
	Funding	:
	Description	Up to \$5,000 for downpayment and closing costs for a low or moderate income homebuyers. An estimated 42 households will be assisted.

	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
27	Project Name	Homeowner Housing Development
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve and expand affordable housing Ensure equal access to housing
	Needs Addressed	Increase Access to Affordable Housing Ensure equal access to Housing Increase self-sufficiency of Low Income Residents Reduce poverty and enhance economic opportunity
	Funding	:
	Description	HOME funds will be utilized for the development and affordability assistance for 10 new homeowner housing.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
28	Project Name	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase access to housing and emergency shelter
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness mitigation and Prevention
	Funding	:

	Description	Tenant Based Rental Assistance for those who are homeless or in danger of become homeless. An estimated 55 households will be assisted.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
29	Project Name	CHDO Support
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Preserve and expand affordable housing
	Needs Addressed	Increase Access to Affordable Housing
	Funding	:
	Description	Operating support provided to the Community Development Collaborative to distribute to approved CHDOs.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
30	Project Name	Housing Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	:
	Description	Housing Division staffing in the Department of Development for administration of HOME Investment Partnership funded programs.

	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
31	Project Name	Service ADA Curb Ramps
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	CDBG: \$809,355
	Description	464 ADA compliant curb ramps at 95 intersections in the Hilltop, Morse/161, Near East, Near South, and South Linden areas. Existing roads, alleys, sidewalks, and other existing infrastructure components that are impacted by this project will be repaired/replaced as necessary.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
32	Project Name	Neighborhood Sidewalk Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes

	Funding	CDBG: \$1,400,000
	Description	Repair, replace, improve sidewalks in residential areas
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
33	Project Name	Hiawatha Shared Use Path Design
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The funds will be used for the engineering and design of a shared use pathway to serve as an East-West connector from Linden neighborhood to future rec and parks development near MapFre stadium
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
34	Project Name	Barack Rec Center Kitchen Renovation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:

	Description	Complete kitchen renovation. Includes: removal and temporary relocation of refrigerator, washer and dryer currently in kitchen; removal and disposal of existing kitchen casework; equipment (except refrigerator) and miscellaneous demolition including a half wall (salvage material for patching elsewhere) and existing quarry tile flooring. New work includes procuring and installing new kitchen equipment, installation of utilities required to serve new kitchen equipment, cutting and patching to allow for installation, new flooring and upgraded finishes including paint and ceramic tile. Work also includes final cleaning, removal of packaging and waste material and adjustment of doors and undercuts if required. Design for this project has already been completed, and the department could quickly go to bid.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
35	Project Name	Tennis Courts Lighting Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	:
	Description	Project consists of installing energy-efficient LED lighting across five tennis courts at Marion Franklin; upgrading electrical service to the lighting; repairing any asphalt disturbed during the lighting installation. Cost estimate includes materials, construction, permits, construction management and contingency. Project consists of removing damaged poles and lighting and replacing with energy-efficient LED lighting across four tennis courts at Scioto Southland; upgrading electrical service to the lighting; repairing any asphalt disturbed during the lighting installation. Cost estimate includes materials, construction, permits, construction management and contingency.
	Target Date	12/31/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
36	Project Name	Arts and Fitness Facilities Upgrades
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide educational/recreational youth programs Improve health outcomes Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Increase Public Safety and Improve Health outcomes
	Funding	:
	Description	The project will fund the purchase of new arts and fitness equipment and supplies at 17 public locations including: Barnett Community and Recreation Center, Blackburn Community and Recreation Center, Dodge Pool and Community Center, Tuttle Pool, Maryland Pool, Columbus Aquatics Center, Driving Park Pool and Recreation Center, Lincoln Pool and Barack Recreation Center, Marion-Franklin Pool, Glenwood Pool, Windsor Pool, Scioto Southland Sprayground, Linden Sprayground, Douglas Community Center, Franklin Park Adventure Center, Sammons Park, Far East Park
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Many of the CDBG projects described in the 2021 Annual Action Plan are intended to benefit low to moderate income families citywide. The Myrtle and Cleveland Ave infrastructure improvements will benefit residents in the immediate area within the Linden neighborhood. The Wheatland Farms complex will serve the Hilltop neighborhood. Linden and Hilltop are recognized as strategic priorities areas in the consolidated plan. Additionally, the park improvements project and the sidewalk/pedestrian safety projects will occur in low to moderate income tracts within strategic priority areas across the City. The HOPWA projects will not target geographic areas, but rather they will serve the entire Metropolitan Statistical Area. The HOME and ESG projects will also serve low to moderate income residents citywide.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Generally, the projects in the 2021 Annual Action Plan will serve low to moderate income residents and families citywide. Certain projects were selected because of the direct benefit to the residents living in priority neighborhoods with high concentration of low income families.

Discussion

2021 HUD resources will provide funding for programs that operate citywide as well as priority neighborhoods.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

In order to work towards the City's Consolidated Plan's affordable housing related goals, the 2021 CDBG, ESG, HOME and HOPWA funding will be utilized to support low income residents in their pursuits to live in safe and affordable housing. The COVID pandemic has had a disproportional effect on low-to-moderate income households finances and the need for the City to create and sustain affordable housing is greater than ever. Homelessness prevention programs will continue to be funded with the Emergency Solutions Grant. Throughout 2021, additional programing for rental, mortgage and utility assistance will be available to Columbus residents financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through HOPWA-CV, CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding (provided through 2020 substantial amendments).

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	148
Non-Homeless	314
Special-Needs	45
Total	507

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	55
The Production of New Units	345
Rehab of Existing Units	125
Acquisition of Existing Units	42
Total	567

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The FY 2021 HOME program will include new construction of rental and ownership housing for low-to-moderate income individuals throughout the City of Columbus. HOME funds will also be utilized for downpayment assistance for new low-to-moderate income homeowners. The FY 2021 CDBG program will include programing for homeowner counseling as well as homeowner rehabilitation opportunities through a roof repair program, a critical home repair program and a minor home repair program for elderly adult homeowners.

Additionally, the City of Columbus has contracted a local non-profit to provide Fair Housing services to

residents.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA), a separate governmental entity, administers public housing new construction, rehabilitation and modernization activities, home ownership opportunity programs and the Housing Choice Voucher Program for its tenant population. CMHA is the primary provider of affordable housing for extremely low-income families, elderly and the disabled in Columbus. CMHA's affordable housing objectives are achieved through administration of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) and new affordable housing. Through a contract with HUD, CMHA has approximately 13,585 Section 8 vouchers available, and 696 public housing units available.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

CMHA will convert all remaining public housing through the RAD (rental assistance demonstration) Program or use disposition authority to transition their portfolio out of public housing and into other sources of subsidy.

CMHA will continue to acquire and develop mixed-income housing with the goal of acquiring 500 units per year for the next three years.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

The Housing Division promotes homeownership opportunities and links with CMHA's Section 8 Homeownership and Family Self Sufficiency programs to coordinate dollars and assistance.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

CMHA is not designated as a "troubled" PHA.

Discussion

See above responses.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

The lead agency for the homeless service system in Columbus is the Community Shelter Board (CSB), an independent non-profit agency founded in 1986 by a group of civic leaders, business associations, local government leaders and representatives from a variety of foundations. CSB does not provide any direct services to the community. Its main responsibilities are resource development and investment, service delivery coordination and planning, fostering collaboration, program accountability, and public policy reform. The CSB allocates funding annually to partner agencies for programs serving homeless individuals and families in Columbus. The CSB receives funding from many and varied sources such as the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Federal funds, Ohio Department of Development, United Way, Together Rebuilding Lives, and private and corporate donations.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The city, in partnership with the Community Shelter Board, has created a unified system to better respond to homeless persons who are not accessing shelter, including a coordinated call and dispatch system, common documentation and shared outcomes for the street and camp outreach program. The Maryhaven Collaborative Outreach Team is improving access to resources for adults living on the streets, reducing the number of adults experiencing long-term street homelessness; reducing frustration for the community trying to help homeless people and is more efficiently deploying resources to reduce duplication of efforts in Columbus and Franklin County.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The Consolidated Plan Homeless Strategy revolves around two target groups: 1) homeless households (individuals and families with children) who have a disabled member and have experienced long-term homelessness and 2) homeless households without a disabled member who have experienced short-term homelessness, as well as households at-risk of homelessness. Strategies for both of these groups involve the prevention of homelessness and, if homelessness occurs, the provision of shelter, transitional housing, permanent housing and supportive services for those in need. The lead agency for the homeless service system in Columbus is the Community Shelter Board (CSB). The CSB provides access to shelter beds for men, women, and families in Columbus and Franklin County. Beyond providing a secure and clean place to sleep, all programs provide access to basic services such as showers, meals, healthcare and material assistance as well as referrals, supportive services and crisis assistance. Most shelters have resource centers that provide internet access, telephones, employment leads, job training resources and other community resources as well as support staff to assist individuals in obtaining jobs

and housing.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

In partnership with the Community Shelter Board, the city has created a unified system for permanent supportive housing. The Unified Supportive Housing System (USHS) includes a centralized eligibility determination and placement, periodic review of tenant needs and "move up" incentives to encourage tenants to be more independent. Fewer adults and families will experience long-term homelessness. Additionally, there are more housing units available, easier access to supportive housing for prospective tenants, one application process and improved targeting of scarce housing resources. People with the greatest needs receive priority for housing.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

The Community Shelter Board coordinates prevention and shelter diversion programs to assist families and individuals who are homeless, precariously housed, or living on the streets, to locate and maintain stable housing. Families and individuals are provided with relocation services, referrals, tenant education and linkage to short-term financial rental assistance to quickly resolve the family or individual housing crisis.

Discussion

AP-70 HOPWA Goals– 91.220 (I)(3)

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:	
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family	20
Tenant-based rental assistance	100
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Total	120

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

The City of Columbus does not have enough affordable housing to meet current needs and the private market is not producing a high volume of affordable rental housing. As discussed in the Consolidated Plan, there are many barriers to providing affordable housing. A number of market characteristics impact the production of new units, including the large population growth in Columbus; increased demand for rental housing units; rising rental and homeownership costs; the recovery of the housing market; the production of new housing units by the private market; current housing affordability; demolition of public housing units; the number of people on the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher waiting list; and the cost of land and development. Neighborhoods continue to seek the highest possible quality and amenities for housing developed in their communities, and this tends to increase costs and make housing units less affordable to those seeking to live in these areas. The process of obtaining plan approval and building permits requires the use of paid professionals such as architects, engineers and spec writers to address building issues.

As mentioned above, the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority has reduced the number of public housing units in the community. Between 2015 and 2019, approximately 35 percent of the privately owned Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher contracts are set to expire, which could decrease the number of affordable housing units in the community.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The City of Columbus utilizes a HOME funds to invest in communities housing stock. The City also uses Affordable Housing Bond funds to invest in affordable housing unit construction. The City follows strict community input processes in advance of land use and zoning changes for affordable housing project. Although this sometimes can be so involved that the projects are delayed, it is important that the neighbors of the new developments are allowed sufficient opportunity to comment on development plans.

The City of Columbus is strategically investing in community transit options and transit oriented development planning. This is also true for Franklin County and the Central Ohio Transit Authority, the public institution which serves as the public transportation provider for the City and County. Building affordable housing on or near quality public transportation is a priority for the City.

Additionally, the City continues to invest general funds in code enforcement and eviction prevention programs. Recently, the County has removed eviction records for all Franklin County residents that were

five years or older.

Discussion:

See above.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Described below are the city's planned actions to carry out the following strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

All rental programs require tenants to be at or below 80 percent AMI. City homebuyer programs continue outreach with lenders including on-site training and outreach at homebuyer education classes.

An obstacle within the HOPWA program is the lack of long-term planning for the housing and medical needs of clients receiving tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA). This can be an issue for moving clients to self-sufficiency and off TBRA, thus limiting the ability to assist new clients in need of TBRA. The funding of supportive services to provide ongoing housing case management services for every HIV-positive client receiving TBRA will help to eliminate this obstacle. These services will include the development of updated, comprehensive housing plans implemented in a timely and consistent manner to ensure each TBRA client is accessing medical care, Ryan White case management services, and other needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The Rental Housing Preservation and Production Program prioritize the redevelopment of existing affordable housing rental units. New units are added to the inventory through this program. The city bond-funded Rental Rehabilitation Program, which focuses on smaller rental units also adds units to the total inventory. HUD-approved homeowner counseling agencies assist with foreclosure prevention and pre-purchase counseling.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The city was awarded \$3.4 million in Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program funds and received those funds in 2016. All contractors used in the housing programs are licensed Lead Abatement Contractors or are qualified under the Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) and are able to recognize and deal with lead hazards in construction projects. The city is currently in the process of applying for another three-year grant.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Programs funded with CDBG and HOME funds provide homeowner and rental rehabilitation and repairs, new construction of rental and homeowner units and down payment assistance for income-eligible, first-time homebuyers. These activities, that produce and preserve affordable housing, are important in

reducing the impact of poverty on low- income families. The city is using CDBG funding to support activities that provide child care and recreational activities, using general fund dollars, the city also provides funding for anti-poverty activities such as literacy and job training.

The city implements the federally required Section 3 program which is intended to ensure that when employment or contracting opportunities are generated by HUD-funded Section 3 covered projects, preference is given to qualified low and very low- income persons.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

See SP-40 Section of Consolidated Plan.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

There are a number of ongoing collaborative efforts in the community. Guided by the Community Shelter Board, the city, county and other entities participate in efforts to address and end homelessness through the A Place to Call Home. The Community Development Collaborative is funded by the city, county and other private organizations to provide operating support and technical assistance to Community Development Corporations. The Columbus Affordable Housing Task Force which consists of HUD, state and local government staff and development organizations meets every quarter to discuss affordable rental projects and preservation opportunities. There is an ongoing collaboration with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority regarding development opportunities, use of project- based vouchers and other related issues. The Housing Dialogue group brings practitioners and academics from The Ohio State University, Knowlton School of Architecture, to look at housing issues from different perspectives. Additionally, a group of local non-profit organizations has formed the Housing Alliance to make a case for affordable housing and need for resources in the community.

Discussion:

See above.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

The following section identifies the program specific requirements for the HUD Annual Action Plan.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	300,000
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	300,000

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	80.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The City intends to utilize all HOME funds for projects identified as eligible activities in Section

92.205.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The City of Columbus and its Housing Division provide HOME Investment Partnerships Program uses funds to create affordable housing units and assist income-eligible families with the purchase of a home. The Recapture Policy ensures that the city recoups all or a portion of the HOME assistance paid to the homebuyers in the event that the assisted housing does not continue to be the primary residence of the family through the duration of the affordability period. This policy is included in the loan agreement, promissory note, mortgage and restrictive covenant. These affordability periods are outlined at 24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(4), as follows: The affordability period is 5 years for all HOME-funded units under \$15,000. The affordability period is 10 years for all HOME-funded units between \$15,000-\$40,000. The affordability period is 15 years for all HOME-funded units over \$40,000. The HOME amount per unit (see above) will be used to determine the appropriate affordability period. All homeownership development funding requires that a minimum of \$1,000 of the funding be used for affordability unless additional down payment assistance is requested. All homebuyers are approved by The City of Columbus after being evaluated for compliance with HOME and City underwriting requirements. The City of Columbus will use the recapture provisions to recoup HOME investment when the affordability period is not met, as follows: The HOME investment that is subject to recapture is based on the full amount of HOME assistance that enabled the homebuyer to purchase the dwelling unit. This includes any HOME assistance that reduced the purchase price from the fair market value to an affordable price, but excludes the amount between the cost of producing the unit and the market value of the property (the development subsidy). Any voluntary or involuntary sale, transfer of ownership of the property or not maintaining the property as the primary residence of the buyer triggers the recapture requirements. The City will recapture from the net proceeds the entire amount of the HOME affordability investment from the homeowner. In the event that the net proceeds of the sale of the home are insufficient to repay 100 percent of the HOME investment due and accept this amount as satisfaction of the loan agreement, promissory note, mortgage and restrictive covenant.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

See discussion above.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that

will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

On a case by case basis, the city may use HOME funds to refinance existing debt in connection with the rehabilitation of multifamily housing. Eligible properties may be located anywhere in the city. Under no circumstances will HOME funds be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG. In addition, the guidelines established by the city require that 1) the multifamily housing undergoing rehabilitation and refinancing is necessary to continue to provide affordable housing to low- income families, 2) rehabilitation must be the primary eligible activity for which at least 60 percent of the HOME funds are used, 3) eligible projects must require a minimum level of rehabilitation of \$10,000 per unit, 4) a maximum of 40 percent of HOME funds may be used for the refinancing of existing debt, 5) the use of HOME funds must be conditioned upon a low income affordability period of a minimum of 15 years, and 6) the city must review the management practices of the property owner to insure that disinvestment has not occurred, that the long- term needs of the project can be met and that the feasibility of serving the targeted population over at least a 15 year affordability period can be demonstrated.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

In March 2012, the Community Shelter Board (CSB) consolidated all program policies and procedures into one in accordance with 24 CFR Section 576.400. The combined document, CSB HEARTH Operating Policy and Procedures, is inclusive of all federal regulations. Contracts between CSB and grantees require the agency to follow the CSB HEARTH Operating Policy and Procedures. In addition, grantees are monitored annually through a Program Review and Certification process. The review ensures programmatic/service provisions, facility, data, fiscal and governance standards are followed in accordance with all HUD regulations.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

Community Shelter Board implemented the Coordinated Point of Access (CPoA) for single adults and families attempting to obtain shelter. CPoA has specialists available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to conduct a preliminary triage and assessment and to explore diversion possibilities via a prescribed set of diversion questions. Both families and single adults determined to meet shelter eligibility criteria are then referred to the most appropriate shelter bed. Family and single adult shelters must coordinate services through the CPoA with the exception of the shelter serving inebriated single adults who are receiving access directly through community services. Once in shelter, the individual's single adult's need is assessed using the community's Vulnerability Assessment, within the first five days of shelter stay. For the Family Shelter System, staff conducts diversion and triage

in order to determine the best avenue for the family. If the family has to be admitted into one of the family shelters, after a need assessment is completed, they will then be referred to the best rapid re-housing (RRH) program to address their needs. All families need to meet certain eligibility criteria for participation in RRH programs but housing first principles are followed at all times. This centralized system participates in the local HMIS and all intake information is collected into our open system, facilitating service provision followed in accordance with all HUD regulations.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

The City of Columbus makes a sub-award to the Community Shelter Board. The Community Shelter Board was created in 1986 to respond to the growing problem of homelessness in Franklin County. The founders include: the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, the United Way of Central Ohio, The Columbus Foundation, the Columbus Chamber and many other organizations concerned about the quality of life in Franklin County. The CSB in turn sub-awards ESG funds to nonprofit providers of homeless services.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City of Columbus meets the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a).

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Program performance standards are established by Community Shelter Board (CSB) and recommended to the CoC Board for approval and incorporate HUD requirements and local standards. Program performance standards are reviewed annually by the CoC Board. CSB incorporates these standards into annual program agreements with each sub-recipient. An annual Program Outcome Plan (POP) is part of the agreement. The POP establishes individual program performance goals for all homeless programs, by type. If CSB and the sub-recipient disagree on the annual POP, the sub-recipient may appeal. CSB monitors program performance and provides monthly, quarterly, semi-annual and annual community data reports. Each POP performance goal is assessed versus actual performance as achieved or not achieved. Achieved Goal is defined as 90 percent or better of a numerical goal or within five percentage points of a percentage goal, except where a lesser or greater value than this variance also indicates an achieved goal, or if the metric is fixed.

