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AP-05 - Executive Summary

The City of Fresno (City) receives annual allocations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through four grant programs:

1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
2. HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
3. Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and
4. Housing Opportunities for People With AIDS/HIV Grant (HOPWA)

The purpose of these four programs is to assist low- and moderate-income families and households, which are those that earn less than 80% of the area median income. The funds are used to pursue three goals:

1. Provide decent, affordable housing,
2. Create suitable living environments, and
3. Expand economic opportunities.

In order to access these federal funds, the City must carry out a planning process to identify the scope of housing and community development needs in its jurisdiction and how the available funding can best be used to meet those needs. This planning process, called the Consolidated Plan, was conducted in late 2019 and early 2020. The term of the plan began on July 1, 2020 and will end on June 30, 2025. A full copy of the Consolidated Plan is available for review at the City's Planning and Development Department's Housing and Community Development Division (HCDD) web page at www.fresno.gov/housing.

Each year, the City prepares an Annual Action Plan that describes the projects and actions it will undertake to carry out the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan. This document is the Third Year Annual Action Plan, covering the period from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 (Program Year 2022 and City Fiscal Year 2023).

Sources and Uses of Funds

More detailed information on sources can be found in AP-15 Expected Resources and more detailed information on uses can be found in AP-35 Projects.

Table 1 – CDBG Sources and Uses

Sources – CDBG	Amount	Uses – CDBG	%	Amount
Annual Entitlement	\$6,839,072	Public Infrastructure	5%	\$375,000
Program Income	\$105,000	Affordable Housing	61%	\$4,384,828.23
Prior Year Funds	\$246,113.93	Public Services	14%	\$1,025,860.00
		Fair Housing	>1%	\$50,000 ¹
		Administration & Compliance	18%	\$1,317,814.40
		Section 108 Loan Repayment	>1%	\$36,683.30
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$7,190,185.93</i>	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>\$7,190,185.93</i>

Table 2 – HOME Sources and Uses

Sources – HOME	Amount	Uses – HOME	%	Amount
Annual Entitlement	\$3,625,073	Affordable Housing	78%	\$3,123,805
Program Income	\$405,000	CHDO Housing Development	13%	\$543,761
		Administration & Compliance	9%	\$362,507
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$4,030,073</i>	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>\$4,030,073</i>

Table 3 – ESG Sources and Uses

Sources – ESG	Amount	Uses – ESG	%	Amount
Annual Entitlement	\$603,908	Rapid Rehousing	52%	\$314,636
		Emergency Shelter/Street Outreach	33%	\$196,270
		Homelessness Prevention	4%	\$26,572
		HMIS	4%	\$21,137
		Administration & Compliance	7%	\$45,293
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$603,908</i>	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>\$603,908</i>

Table 4 – HOPWA Sources and Uses

Sources – HOPWA	Amount	Uses – HOPWA	%	Amount
Annual Entitlement	\$875,943	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV	97%	\$849,665
		Administration & Compliance	3%	\$26,278
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$875,943</i>	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>\$875,943</i>

¹ \$35,000 is also available for Fair Housing under public services funds

Summary of Objectives and Outcomes

The City of Fresno's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan identified six strategic priority areas to be addressed using HUD Community Planning & Development funding. Consistent with these six priorities, and in response to the community needs assessment conducted for the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan, the City issued or will issue requests for applications to address each priority area. Eligible applicants are City of Fresno departments, units of local government, and non-profit organizations. Applications for funding will also be requested from developers of affordable housing and providers of fair housing assistance. Applications are reviewed by staff, the Administration, and a committee of the City Council. Projects and activities recommended for funding are listed below by strategic priority area.

Homeless and Homelessness Prevention

Need: Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing first collaborations, and associated supportive services.

Projects and activities for funding in program year 2022-2023:

- **WestCare California, Inc. – The Living Room**
WestCare California, Inc. (WCCA) the lead agency, is partnering with Fresno Housing Authority to continue providing Short Term Rental and Mortgage Assistance (STRMU), Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), transitional housing, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing, supportive services, and housing information to homeless and at-risk of homelessness individuals affected by HIV/AIDS and their families in Fresno. The primary goals of the proposed program are to help participants achieve both permanent housing and health stability.
- **WestCare California, Inc. – Project Unite**
WestCare California, Inc. (WCCA) will provide rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention services through Project Unite. During the grant period, Project Unite will conduct weekly outreach activities in order to establish supportive relationships with the street homeless population providing linkages and support to enable them to move off the streets and into housing. The program will engage homeless and chronically homeless extremely low-income (30% area median income) individuals and families, including Veterans who are not eligible for housing assistance through Supportive Services for Veteran Families and VASH.
- **Poverello House - Homeless Outreach Progressive Engagement (HOPE Team)**
The HOPE Team will provide street outreach to people experiencing homelessness that live in the City of Fresno. The purpose of the team is to link people experiencing homelessness to navigation services and shelter.
- **Poverello House – Rapid Rehousing Program**
The program will provide direct case management and rental support for those experiencing homelessness in the City of Fresno for up to one year. This program will support security deposits, pay for costs associated with PG&E arrears, and direct rental

support. Case Managers will work with program participants during this timeframe to develop a plan to sustain housing beyond the rapid rehousing program support.

- **Fresno Housing Authority – Homeless Management Information System**
Fresno Housing will provide a functioning Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for the purposes of gathering and analyzing community data from various programs including Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). This system will be used to assess the effectiveness of the homeless response system and inform decision making on housing and services needs for individuals/families experiencing homelessness.

Affordable Housing

Need: Improve access to affordable housing for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.

Projects and activities for funding in program year 2022-2023:

- **City of Fresno – Senior Paint and Exterior Repair Program & Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery**
Funds will pay for a licensed lead-certified painting contractor to paint the exterior of the home and minor repairs (i.e., screens, broken window panes, loose or damaged gutters, etc.). This program serves low-income seniors (62 years of age or older) who own and occupy their homes. Funds will also be used for program delivery costs associated with owner-occupied home repair programs.
- **Affordable Housing Development or Substantial Rehabilitation**
The City of Fresno will request applications from developers of affordable housing for funding to develop units affordable to low- and moderate-income people that meet the guidelines of the HOME program. In previous years, the City has inadvertently referred solely to the development of rental housing in its affordable housing projects listed in AP-35; however, it intended to include affordable housing development for all forms of single- and multi-family housing development as described in the narrative sections of the plans. A correction has been made to the projects listed in AP-35.
- **Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Affordable Housing Development**
The City of Fresno will request applications from Community Housing Development Organizations for funding to develop units affordable to low- and moderate-income people that meet the guidelines of the HOME program.

Public Infrastructure and City-Owned Facilities

Need: Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.

Projects and activities for funding in program year 2022-2023:

- **City of Fresno – Roberts Avenue and Tenth Street (Tenth – Barstow – Roberts – Cedar) Neighborhood Street Improvements**

This project is located on Tenth Street from Barstow Avenue to Roberts Avenue and on Roberts Avenue from Tenth Street to Cedar Avenue. The work includes roadway pavement removal, re-compaction, and repairs to roadway base, as needed, followed by pavement reconstruction. Barriers to pedestrian access will be removed with this project, and curb ramps will also be reconstructed to improve sidewalk accessibility.

Public and Community Services

Need: Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.

Projects and activities for funding in program year 2022-2023:

- **Boys & Girls Clubs in East and West Fresno**
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Fresno County will provide after school enrichment programs to 1,012 young people living in low-income, high-crime neighborhoods in East, West, and Central Fresno. It will provide programs that help girls and boys develop and adopt a healthy attitude and lifestyle; develop academic, behavioral, and social skills through homework completion, learning activities, and tutoring; support and guide teens in setting career goals and improving their employability skills; and provide teens with skill-building opportunities and hands-on work experience.
- **Valley Caregiver Resource Center – OASIS Adult Day Care**
OASIS provides services that are essential and lifesaving to dependent adults that have early symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and other mild cognitive impairments. The services provided include personal care in a licensed, supervised, protective, and congregate setting that provides meaningful interactions alongside friends; and stimulating recreational and therapeutic activities. After having to close operations as a result of the pandemic, OASIS is relaunching. Marketing efforts will be enhanced to ensure community members with the most need are aware of the services.
- **Chinatown Fresno Foundation – Business Visibility Initiative of the Make Time Business School**
Make Time Business School offers free training for Chinatown microenterprise businesses. The focus this year is increasing visibility for Chinatown micro-enterprises through the Business Visibility Initiative. This initiative gives micro-enterprises access to one-on-one guidance that will help expand the businesses' customer base by focusing on building a strong social media presence.

Programmatic Compliance

Need: Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.

- **City of Fresno – Planning, Grant Administration, and Compliance**
The City of Fresno will use grant funding to conduct public participation in support of planning activities; issue NOFAs and conduct project and activity selection; consult with subrecipients in program implementation; conduct environmental reviews; conduct

historic preservation reviews; monitor subrecipient activities; prepare performance reports; and undertake other administrative and program tasks to effectively support the funded activities in compliance with all local, state, and federal requirements.

Evaluation of Past Performance

Below is a summary of activities recently completed and reported in the City's 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER):

Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation work completed during PY 2020 to increase development, preserve and rehabilitate affordable housing for low-income owner-occupied households included:

- City of Fresno Senior Paint Program: Completed 11
- Self-Help Home Repair and Rehabilitation Program: Completed 8
- Habitat for Humanity Housing Rehabilitation/Repair Program: Completed 11

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City experienced a decrease in project completions. As a result, the City implemented interim procedures to minimize potential risks associated with program operations. The City will continue to conduct owner-occupied home repair programs for low- and moderate-income households through the City's Housing and Community Development Division and its subrecipients in a manner that prioritizes the health and well-being of Fresno families, contractors, and program staff.

Housing Development

Housing Projects completed in PY 2020 include:

- Self-Help Enterprises – Annadale Commons Senior Housing Project. The City provided \$2.5 million in HOME funds to Self-Help Enterprises for the development of a 40-unit apartment complex containing one and two-bedroom units, a single-story community room, and on-site and off-site improvements and amenities. The total project cost was approximately \$14 million.
- Habitat for Humanity - B and Amador Project. The City provided \$580,263 in HOME Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) funds to Habitat for Humanity for the acquisition of three parcels located at the corner of B and Amador Street in southwest Fresno and the subsequent construction of four 5-bed/2bath single-family homes to be sold to low-income homebuyers. Also included were on- and off-site improvements. The cost of the project was approximately \$1.3 million.
- Habitat for Humanity – Central Lots Project. The City provided \$445,000 in HOME CHDO funds to Habitat for Humanity for its Central Lots Project in northwest Fresno. The project included the construction of one 3-bed/2bath and two 4-bed/2bath single-family homes to be sold to low-income homebuyers. Also included were on- and off-site improvements. The cost of the project was approximately \$904,666.

Homelessness

- HEARTH Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The City acts as the pass-through agency for ESG Program funds. While the City is responsible for the administration and oversight of the grant, 93% of funds were awarded to local homeless services providers (WestCare and Marjaree Mason) who performed the day-to-day program delivery. Based on the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) reports provided to the City, 517 people were assisted with emergency shelter or street outreach services (185 unduplicated). One hundred twenty-two people received Rapid Rehousing, and 40 received Homeless Prevention with PY 2020 ESG funding. The City also provided 77 people impacted by COVID-19 with temporary emergency shelter with ESG-CV funding. Furthermore, the City provided 83 people with emergency shelter and 24 people with rapid rehousing through the PY 2019 agreement with Marjaree Mason Center (MMC).
- Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA). The City contracted with WestCare California, Inc. to provide HOPWA and HOPWA-CV funding for housing assistance and housing-related supportive services benefitting people living with HIV/AIDS and their families. Program Year 2020 HOPWA funds were used for supportive services; housing information and referral services; tenant-based rental assistance; and short-term rent, mortgage, and utility (STRMU) assistance. Fifty people were assisted with a housing subsidy, 50 people received housing information services, and 75 people received supportive services; please note some people received more than one activity component. HOPWA-CV funds were used to provide STRMU to 7 people and Supportive Services assistance to 84 people impacted by COVID-19.
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program. The City provided Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to a total of 32 households through agreements with the Fresno Housing Authority. Furthermore, 23 households received TBRA through the HOPWA agreement with WestCare.

Community Services

- City of Fresno After School Program: COVID-19 had an adverse effect on the After School Programs offered at our Neighborhood Centers. Under the CDC guidelines and City protocols the PARCS Department had to adopt a cohort model program and had to adhere to strict social distancing, mask mandates, sanitizing and out-only protocols. These restrictions made it very challenging to develop and implement a program that is meaningful, fun, and safe. Staff did an excellent job with all aspects of these restrictions. PARCS saw a reduced number of participants due to the following reasons: weather, concerns over the virus, and kids not wanting to participate in restricted activities. As a whole the PARCS Department served 315 unique individuals in the cohort model. PARCS had two locations that were not open: Maxie L. Parks (due to an air remediation project the property was not accessible to the public) and Sunset (there is not outside park space to run a program, and the building was off limits due to the CDC and City policies). In addition to the cohort and drop-in models between September 2020 and December 2020, the PARCS Department developed, produced, recorded and posted virtual recreation programs on the City's website. The virtual model had 891 hits or views. In closing the PARCS Department had to adapt, as everyone did, to the COVID restrictions, and its attendance numbers suffered. Three hundred fifteen youth benefitted

from the Afterschool program during PY 2020. Effective July 6, 2021, PARCS shifted back to a drop-in model, and attendance numbers started to increase.

- City of Fresno PARCS Senior Program: Enrichment programming provided kits that included a variety of crafts, an activity book, an exercise band, and puzzles to help sharpen minds and motor skills. Participants were provided instructions on how to assemble their crafts by watching a video that PARCS staff recorded and edited. PARCS staff also provided exercise and virtual tours through virtual programming. In addition to the videos, PARCS partnered with Fresno Adult School to provide Physical Fitness, Tai-Chi, and Pilates online classes. Ninety-four seniors, 62 years of age and older, benefitted from the program during PY 2020.
- Boys and Girls Club of Fresno County (B&GC): The afterschool program provided education, job training, and recreation to 183 youth ages 6-18 at the West Fresno and East Fresno Boys and Girls Clubs. As a youth development organization with skilled, caring professionals, the B&GC provides culturally relevant programs, helping kids shape their paths toward great futures. This funding will continue to be used to provide afterschool enrichment programs that include educational and recreational activities to young people living in low-income, high-crime neighborhoods in East and West Fresno.
- Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (FEOC) Afterschool and Recreation Program: Fresno Street Saints provided educational enrichment and homework assistance, personal protective equipment, household cleaning supplies, diapers and baby formula, along with grab-and-go meals for 45 youth and their families. Following CDC and local guidelines, FEOC was also able to serve a small group of youth at Martin Luther King Square Apartments, Bigby Villa, and Sunset Community Center.
- Stone Soup Family Forward Program: Stone Soup Fresno (SSF) through this pandemic, found it difficult at times to calm fears of contracting COVID-19 if the client had to leave the safety of their home. Many clients lacked personal transportation and hesitated to get on public transportation. Some clients struggled with trusted childcare for their children who did not qualify for early education childcare services. Those were children in grades 1 to 6, who aged out of early childcare but were not able to remain home unsupervised. In total, SSF made 310 referrals, 13 direct job referrals, held 15 outreach events (5 Parent Leadership Club meetings, 2 Flu Clinic Events, 3 Supply Distributions, 3 Food Distributions, 2 Live Virtual Community Resource Hour). It offered service referrals for citizenship, education, employment, immigration, legal services, volunteerism, baby supplies, childcare, early intervention, food, health, housing, voting, PPE supplies. One hundred fifty-nine participants benefitted from these services in the program year.
- Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation (FAHF) Entrepreneurship Program: The first cohort of 2021 of the Womanpreneur and Latinapreneur launched the week of May 10 and successfully completed on June 28. There were 41 residents from the City of Fresno. All participants attended the weekly live marketing training for eight consecutive weeks and accessed additional marketing content using an E-Learning platform online. In addition, participants worked on creating their Strategic Marketing Plan and a Business Pitch Elevator Video. Other trainings included two legal workshops in May, The Pros and

Cons of Forming an LLC, and in the month of June, Employer Rules and Exceptions During COVID-19.

FAHF provided participants one-on-one business consultant Technical Assistance. The focus was on the permit and licensing process for startup businesses to ensure the company could register legally by meeting all local and state laws. The focus was on analyzing current revenue, sales strategy, and objectives for job creation or location expansion for existing businesses.

Neighborhood Street Improvements

- The Calwa-Vine-MLK Neighborhood project was completed and benefits 3,665 people.
- The Shields-Crystal-Dakota-West Neighborhood project carried over from PY 2018 was completed. This was the first phase of a larger overall project.
- The Shields-Dakota-Crystal-Hughes Neighborhood project was the second phase of the project listed above and was also completed. Overall the two areas benefit 11,375 people.
- The Orange-Cedar-Butler-California project was completed and benefits 2,555 people.

Each neighborhood street improvement project received pavement reconstruction, including complete pavement removal, re-compacting and repairing the asphalt base as needed, and reconstructing each pavement section. Neighborhood residents have benefited from the restoration of the previously deteriorated roadways, which are now safer to drive upon, as well as walk across and ride bicycles down. In addition, City crews were able to repair curb ramps and gutters for improved ADA accessibility and an overall neighborhood commute improvement.

Park Facilities Improvements

Park Facility Improvements completed during PY 2020 are:

- Fink White Park Improvements (play structure), which benefits 5,370 people
- Romain Park Improvements (doors and bathrooms), which benefits 14,040 people
- Ted C. Wills Park Improvements, which benefits 12,710 people
- Holmes Park Improvements (ADA remediation), which benefits 11,200 people

A full copy of the City's PY 2020 CAPER includes more details about the City's accomplishments, including projects that are underway or near completion, and can be found on HCDD's webpage at www.fresno.gov/housing.

Summary of Citizen Participation and Consultation Process

During the citizen participation and consultation phase of the Annual Action Plan development, the City continued to experience the restrictions implemented to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Among the waivers issued by HUD was a waiver to allow the City to conduct hearings electronically. Given the challenges in reaching constituents through conventional means, the City expanded upon the activities required in the adopted Citizen Participation Plan in order to encourage the broadest participation possible, and to collect the most relevant input in order to conduct a thorough needs assessment. A comprehensive list of participation and consultation activities is available in sections AP-10 and AP-12 of this plan.

Among the actions the City took to collect community and stakeholder input are:

- A community needs questionnaire completed by 13 Housing and Community Development stakeholders (units of local government, non-profits, affordable housing developers, etc.)
- Four virtual workshops broadly promoted through email, social media, newspaper, and local media to collect broad-based community input and identify the most-needed activities, attended by 33, 17, 21, and 26 people, respectively, followed by subsequent input through an online form by 12 members of the community and emails from 15 community members
- A community needs public hearing held before City Council with 11 public comments
- Three webinars held to provide technical support for the 2022-2023 Consolidated Notice of Funding Available
- A web page maintained at www.fresno.gov/housing explaining the Annual Action Plan process and timeline, with links to relevant notices, recordings, and presentations
- A 30-day public comment period to collect input from members of the community on the draft Annual Action Plan and recommended activities for funding
- A public hearing to review activities recommended for funding to be held on April 28, 2022 prior to City Council consideration of Plan adoption

Summary of Public Comments

A summary of all comments is included in Appendix A.

Summary of Comments Not Accepted

The City accepted all comments.

Summary

During development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, participants consistently identified homelessness, affordable housing, neighborhood infrastructure improvements, and fair housing among their top priorities. The community needs assessment conducted for the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan continued to support these needs. In PY 2022, the City will invest approximately \$10.9 million to address the needs identified in this plan, inclusive of project savings from prior years, and anticipated program income. While the needs of the community far outstrip the ability of this plan to address the needs in their entirety, the investments selected address the most pressing needs with the most appropriate funding available, while adhering to all regulations governing the use of HUD Community Planning and Development funds.

Project Funding Summary

Table 5 - Project Funding Summary

PRIORITY AREA	PROJECT	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA
Homeless & Homelessness Prevention	Emergency Solutions Grant			\$603,908 ¹	
Homeless & Homelessness Prevention	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV				\$849,665
Affordable Housing	Housing Rehabilitation (Non-Profit)				
Affordable Housing	Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery	\$200,000			
Affordable Housing	Senior Paint and Exterior Repair Program	\$500,000			
Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Development	\$3,684,828.23	\$3,123,805		
Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Development – CHDO		\$543,761		
Public Infrastructure & Facilities	Neighborhood Street Improvements	\$375,000			
Community Services	PARCS After School Programs	\$315,000			
Community Services	PARCS Senior Enrichment Programs	\$480,000			
Community Services	Non-Profit Public Services	\$195,860			
Fair Housing	Fair Housing Education, Outreach, and Referral	\$85,000			
Section 108 Loan Repayment	Repayment	\$36,683.30			
Administration & Compliance	Program Administration	\$1,317,814.40	\$362,507	See note	\$26,278
TOTALS		\$7,190,185.93	\$4,030,073	\$603,908	\$875,943

¹ Administration funds of \$45,293 are included in the ESG project total

PR-05 – Lead and Responsible Agencies

The City of Fresno Planning and Development, Housing and Community Development Division is responsible for the administration of HUD Entitlements including the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the Emergency Solutions Grant program (ESG), and the Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA).

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AP-10 – Consultation

Introduction

Public participation plays a central role in the development of the Consolidated Plan. To develop its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, the City launched an in-depth and collaborative effort to consult with community stakeholders, elected offices, City and County departments, and beneficiaries of entitlement programs to inform and develop the priorities and strategies. For the PY 2022 Annual Action Plan, the City followed up with many of the same organizations to identify shifts and trends within the needs of the community.

Efforts to Enhance Coordination

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(l)).

In addition to the citizen engagement process, the City asked all organizations who participated in the 2021 Annual Action Plan, 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, or the 2021 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to complete a community needs questionnaire. Thirteen responses were collected, and the responses were used in conjunction with the community needs assessment to prepare the NOFA. The City released a Consolidated NOFA for CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA to coordinate with local non-profits on the provision of public services and homelessness services.

Continuum of Care Consultation – Homeless Needs

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

The Fresno Madera Continuum of Care (FMCoC) is comprised of organizations and individuals working to address homelessness in the counties of Fresno and Madera. Members of the FMCoC include representatives of federal, state, and local government agencies, nonprofits, the private sector, and faith-based organizations. The FMCoC holds monthly meetings to coordinate the efforts of its members to efficiently provide housing and services to the homeless population.

As part of the PY 2022 planning process, the City coordinated with the FMCoC to develop a recommendation for funding priorities utilizing ESG funds. The FMCoC board of directors presented their recommendation to the general membership at their January 13, 2022 meeting, and its recommendation was adopted. The City included the breakdown by funding categories recommended by the board of directors and also noted that the recommendation was not binding, with the expectation that the constituent members of the FMCoC could propose any alternatives through the NOFA process.

The City also coordinates with the FMCoC related to allocations of State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) funding.

Continuum of Care Consultation – Program Design

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.

Allocation

The City of Fresno acts as a pass-through agency for ESG funds. While the City is responsible for the administration and oversight of the grant, the vast majority of funds are awarded to local homeless service providers who perform the day-to-day operation of the funded programs. As part of the PY 2022 planning process, the City coordinated with the FMCoC to recommend the amount of the ESG allocations that should be used for each eligible use. The City used the breakdown by funding categories to inform subrecipient allocations.

Development of Standards and Policies

ESG standards and policies were developed by the City, County, and the FMCoC when the ESG program transitioned from the Emergency Shelter Grant to the Hearth Emergency Solutions Grant in 2011. These standards are included in Appendix C of this document. The City will continue to work cooperatively with Fresno County and the FMCoC to update the ESG Policies and Procedures. The City will also continue to coordinate with its public and private partners to ensure that the local FMCoC meets all HEARTH requirements with respect to ESG funds.

HMIS and Coordinated Entry System

The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is used by all local homeless providers participating in the FMCoC. HMIS is a database used to track performance and outcomes for the agencies. As the HMIS Lead of the FMCoC, the Fresno Housing Authority plays a critical role in coordinating the annual Point-in-Time Count, collecting data, and distributing results from the annual count. The work of the Fresno Housing Authority in this regard meets and exceeds HUD requirements for the implementation and compliance of Homeless Management Information System Standards.

The FMCoC's Coordinated Entry System utilizes a common assessment tool – the Vulnerability Index. All member agencies of the FMCoC have committed to using both the assessment tool and the Coordinated Entry System.

List of Consultations

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 6 - List of Agencies, Groups, and Organizations Consulted

No.	Agency / Group / Organization	Type	Section of Plan Addressed	Consultation Method
1	Arte Americas	Community organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
2	Asian Business Institute	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
3	Addams Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
4	California Apartment Association	Housing	Action Plan	Questionnaire
5	CARE Fresno	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
6	Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
7	Central California Legal Services	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
8	Central Unified School District	Services – education	Action Plan	Questionnaire
9	Central Valley Community Foundation	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
10	Chinatown Fresno Foundation	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
11	City of Clovis Affordable Housing	Other government – city	Action Plan	Questionnaire
12	City of Fresno Department of Public Works	Other government – city	Action Plan	Questionnaire
13	City of Fresno Disability Advisory Commission	Other government – city	Action Plan	Interview
14	City of Fresno Community Revitalization	Other government – city	Action Plan	Questionnaire
15	City of Fresno PARCS	Other government – city	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
16	El Dorado Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
17	Elder Abuse Services, Inc.	Services – elderly	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
18	Every Neighborhood Partnership	Services – education	Action Plan	Questionnaire
19	FACE Robinson Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
20	Fresno City College	Services – education	Action Plan	Questionnaire
21	Fresno County Superintendent of Schools	Services – education	Action Plan	Questionnaire

No.	Agency / Group / Organization	Type	Section of Plan Addressed	Consultation Method
22	Fresno Housing Authority	Housing	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
23	Fresno Unified School District	Services – education	Action Plan	Questionnaire
24	Habitat for Humanity Greater Fresno Area	Housing	Action Plan	Questionnaire
25	Highway City Community Development, Inc.	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
26	Jackson Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
27	Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
28	Lowell Community Development Corporation	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
29	Marjaree Mason Center	Housing; services – domestic violence	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
30	Poverello House	Housing	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
31	Resources for Independence Central Valley	Services – people with disabilities	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview
32	Saint Rest Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
33	Southeast Fresno EDC	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
34	SW Fresno Community Development Center	Civic organization	Action Plan	Questionnaire
35	Trans-E-Motion	Services – fair housing	Action Plan	Questionnaire
36	WestCare California, Inc.	Services – health, mental health	Action Plan	Questionnaire & Interview

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

Not applicable

List other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan and how the goals of the Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan

Table 7 - Other Planning Efforts Considered

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Downtown Neighborhoods Community Plan	City of Fresno	The Downtown Neighborhoods Community Plan covers long range planning topics such as urban form, transportation, natural resources, historical/cultural resources and health and wellness. Specific housing related goals including increasing quality of housing and homeownership, and increased access to health and mental health services are also reflected in the strategic plan.
Drive Plan	City of Fresno	The DRIVE Plan has goals to improve housing affordability and stability, reduce racial and economic isolation and support environmental justice and sustainability, most of which are addressed in the strategic plan.
Fresno Parks Master Plan	City of Fresno	The Fresno Parks Master Plan includes goals to maintain, improve and expand its existing parks, to include associated recreational facilities; strategic plan.
2015 - 2023 Housing Element	City of Fresno	The goals of the 2015-2023 Housing Element are for the City of Fresno to meet its RHNA housing requirements, assist in the development of housing for low-income households, remove government constraints on housing development, conserve existing affordable housing, and to promote equal housing opportunity, which are shared goals with this strategic plan.
Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan	City of Fresno	The Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan qualifies the City of Fresno to receive funding over 5 years from the State of California to address housing quality and increase affordable housing supply. The five-year plan goals are to invest in affordable housing development, rehabilitation for owner-occupied homes to include mobile homes, and to provide down-payment assistance for first-time homebuyer with low incomes.
Here to Stay Report	City of Fresno	The Here to Stay report is an overview of the 46 anti-displacement policies the City recommends based on the first-hand experiences of Fresno residents and supported by research, data, and lessons learned in other cities with anti-displacement policies.
Street2Home Fresno County	Fresno Housing Authority	Street2Home Fresno County identifies solutions to help reduce and ultimately end unsheltered homelessness. Several recommendations focused on affordable housing and resources for survivors of domestic violence align with the goals and priorities identified in the strategic plan.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
HHAP 3 Homeless Action Plan	City of Fresno	The HHAP 3 Homeless Action Plan is a cross-jurisdictional plan that identifies improvements in the delivery of housing and services to people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness through partnerships with local health, behavioral health, social services, justice entities, and people with lived experiences of homelessness.

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(l))

The City works closely with the Fresno Housing Authority, the County of Fresno, and the State of California on a number of affordable housing programs.

For HOPWA, the City is responsible for administering the grant on behalf of the entire metropolitan statistical area, which includes all of Fresno County. In addition, the City coordinates with the County Public Health Department and the State of California to ensure the needs of people living with AIDS/HIV are addressed.

The City participates in the FMCoC to address homelessness issues in the region. Through this organization, the City is able to coordinate its resources with other public entities to ensure a strategic response to homelessness. The City is also on the steering committee of the Multi-Agency Response to Community Homelessness (MARCH), formerly known as the Street2Home initiative, a county-wide collaboration to address homelessness compassionately and intelligently. MARCH is a collective impact structure, and jointly convened by the City, County of Fresno, Fresno Housing Authority, the FMCoC, and other community stakeholders to implement collective resources to maximize overall impact synergy, educate and engage the entire community in solutions, establish a data framework and reporting mechanism, speak with one voice, raise funds and other resources, receive frequent input and updates from community benefit organizations, service providers, and partner jurisdictions.

In collaboration between the City, County, and FMCoC in allocating their emergency homelessness funding through the State of California's Homeless Housing and Prevention Program (HHAP) will result in funding for shelter, triage, bridge housing, and rental assistance for homeless people funded through June of 2024.

AP-12 – Participation

Summary

Summarize the citizen participation process and efforts made to broaden citizen participation. Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting.

The City provided a number of opportunities for the public to participate in the PY 2022 planning process:

Table 8 - Annual Action Plan Schedule of Activities

Date / Time*	Description
January 7, 2022	Public Notice
January 19, 2022; 11:00 A.M.	Virtual Community Needs Workshop #1
January 20, 2022; 6:30 P.M.	Virtual Community Needs Workshop #2
January 24, 2022; 6:30 P.M.	Virtual Community Needs Workshop #3
January 25, 2022; 11:00 A.M.	Virtual Community Needs Workshop #4
January 27, 2022; 10:05 A.M.	City Council Community Needs Public Hearing
February 4, 2022	Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Released Applications requested from City Departments, Offices, and Local Organizations for eligible
Week Ending February 11, 2022	NOFA Technical Assistance Webinars Visit www.fresno.gov or email HCDD@fresno.gov for more information
March 4, 2022 at 4:00 P.M.	NOFA Responses Due
March 18, 2022 – April 19, 2022	Draft Annual Action Plan Public Comment Period The 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan will be published at www.fresno.gov/housing for public comments, which will be accepted by email at HCDD@fresno.gov ; phone at 621-8300; fax at 457-1579; TTY at 621-8721; or online survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N6F3T7Z
May 26, 2022; 10:00 A.M. or thereafter	City Council Annual Action Plan Public Hearing & Consideration Participation instructions posted at least 72 hours in advance at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
July 11, 2022	2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Due to HUD
May 2022 (approximate)	Affordable Housing Development and Substantial Rehabilitation NOFA Available on Planet Bids; due July 2022 (approximate)

In addition to the required public notice, the City promoted participation in community workshops and public hearings by newspaper, email, social media, and through digital flyers distributed throughout City schools. Promotional materials were made available in English, Spanish, and Hmong. Each workshop and hearing included Spanish and Hmong interpretation. All public notices are included in the appendix. Input received at the community meetings, hearings, and through questionnaires was used to inform the NOFA which was issued on February 4, 2022 with applications due on March 4, 2022. The draft plan was also distributed digitally on the website of the City Clerk and Housing and Community Development Division, and promoted on social media and by email. The draft plan is available for public comment from March 18, 2022 through April 19, 2022.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Table 9 - Citizen Participation Outreach

Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Number of Participants	Summary of Comments Received
Community Meeting – Virtual Community Workshops – January 19, 20, 24, & 25, 2022	Non-targeted/broad community	97 attendees	See attached/appendix
Public Hearing – Community Needs Public Hearing – January 27, 2022	Non-targeted/broad community	11 attendees	See attached/appendix
Community Meeting – Disability Advisory Commission Housing Subcommittee – November 19, 2021 and January 28, 2022	Housing and services advocates for people with disabilities	16 members	Need for landlord education or incentives to provide accessibility features and modifications; need for more veterans housing and services to address mental health and homelessness
FMCoC Consultation for ESG – Executive Meeting January 6, 2022; General Meeting January 13, 2022	Homeless Services Providers		Made recommendations on the use of ESG allocation in consultation with FMCoC board of directors
Web Form – Consultation Questionnaire	Housing and service providers; community development practitioners	13 participants	See attached/appendix
Web Form – Community Needs Input	Attendees of Community Meetings	12 responses	See attached/appendix
Notice of Funding Available Webinars – February 15, 16, & 17	Housing and service providers		Provided technical assistance for community organizations and units of government wishing to apply for funding
Public Comment Period – March 18 – April 19, 2022	Non-targeted/broad community	18 responses	See attached/appendix
[scheduled] Public Hearing – Annual Action Plan Public Hearing – May 26, 2022	Non-targeted/broad community	TBD	See attached/appendix

AP-15: Expected Resources

Introduction

Provide a short summary of the anticipated resources that the jurisdiction will have at their disposal over the course of the Strategic Plan.

The City has not yet received notice of its 2022 annual entitlement award through the CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA programs. The City estimates receiving awards comparable to prior year funding levels. Together with program income and project savings from prior years, the City anticipates funding approximately \$11.9 million in activities using these four federal programs through this plan.

In addition to the annual entitlement funds, the City is in the process of creating the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to receive \$11.9 million in funds through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. These funds will be included as a Substantial Amendment to the City's 2021 Annual Action Plan and will be reported on separately as instructed by HUD.

The City will also continue to expend the CDBG Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) and ESG Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds allocated through the CARES Act; \$7,980,086 and \$10,948,953, respectively. The City will have an estimated balance of \$7.8 million in CDBG-CV and \$3.6 million in ESG-CV that will be expended in accordance to the CDBG-CV and ESG-CV activity plans.

On top of the \$15,804,678 made available through the U.S. Treasury to the City to provide rent relief for people impacted by COVID-19 in the first tranche, the City is anticipated to receive \$19,813,664 through a second tranche of funds for rent relief. Additionally, the City has allocated portions of its ARPA funds to affordable housing development (\$13.2 million) and voucher assistance (\$1 million). The federal government has several other funding programs for community development and affordable housing activities. These include but are not limited to: Fair Housing; Lead Based Paint; Jobs Plus; Self-Help Homeownership; Veterans Housing Rehabilitation, and others. It should be noted that in most cases the City would not be the applicant for these funding sources as many of these programs offer assistance to affordable housing developers and nonprofits rather than local jurisdictions.

Also, housing developers receiving HOME Program funds to help develop multi-family affordable housing projects have leveraged the State of California's 9% and 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Infill Infrastructure Grant, and the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities funding.

Private, State, and Local Funds

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

As a recipient of HOME and ESG funding, the City is required to generate matching funds. Examples of matching funds under the HOME Program include private finance and interest subsidies from home buyer and residential rehabilitation programs. For the HOME Program, the City is required to match twenty-five percent of all project expenditures. HUD waived the City's HOME match requirement based on fiscal distress criteria for Program Years 2020, 2021, and 2022.

ESG requires a 100% match of program funds. The City passes this matching requirement to the service providers receiving ESG funds. ESG providers meet this requirement through the use of private donations, state grants, and/or volunteer hours. The City may also provide general funds to service providers in order to meet match requirements.

The City anticipates receiving \$8,704,073 in Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funds which will be coordinated with the federal entitlement funds to expand investments in affordable housing development, to provide a down-payment assistance program, and to fund the rehabilitation of owner-occupied homes not currently eligible for the City's CDBG-funded programs. The City will also expend its allocations under the State's HHAP (\$16,593,674.33) program to address homelessness in coordination with the County, FMCoC, and area organizations, as discussed previously in this plan. Under the State's Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) Program, the City will receive \$5,070,057.68 to address the immediate crisis of experiencing unsheltered homelessness in encampments, to support people living in encampments onto paths to safe and stable housing, and result in sustainable restoration of public spaces to their intended uses while safeguarding the needs of unhoused people seeking shelter. In addition, the City is expected to receive an additional \$12,794,300 through the second tranche of Rental Assistance funds provided by the State of California under SB91 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In May 2021, the City also received authorization and \$2,500,000 from the State of California to develop a Local Housing Trust Fund. The City will have to provide matching non-federal funds for the LHTEF, and it is currently developing its plan to best expend the funds. The City will continue to pursue opportunities such as these in PY 2022.

Anticipated Resources / Priority Table

Table 10 - Anticipated Resources / Priority Table

Program / Source	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available in Program Year		Narrative Description
CDBG / Public-Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Improvements Public Services Homeowner Rehab Housing Economic Development Admin and Planning To be determined activities (HUD repayment) 	Annual Entitlement:	\$6,839,072	Anticipated funding will include entitlement grant funds, program income, prior year resources, and a repayment to HUD
		Program Income:	\$105,000	
		Prior Year Resources:	\$246,113.93	
		Total:	\$7,190,185.93	
		Anticipated for Con Plan Years 3-5	\$21,575,919	
ESG / Public-Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental assistance Services Transitional housing 	Annual Entitlement:	\$603,908	Anticipated funding consists of entitlement grant funds
		Program Income:	\$0	
		Prior Year Resources:	\$0	
		Total:	\$603,908	
		Anticipated for Con Plan Years 3-5	\$1,833,486	
HOME / Public-Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acquisition Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New constructions for ownership Homebuyer assistance 	Annual Entitlement:	\$3,625,073	Anticipated funding will include entitlement grant funds, program income, and prior year resources
		Program Income:	\$405,000	
		Prior Year Resources:	\$0	
		Total:	\$4,030,073	
		Anticipated for Con Plan Years 3-5	\$10,145,293	
HOPWA / Public-Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement STRMU Short term or transitional housing facilities Supportive services TBRA 	Annual Entitlement:	\$875,943	Anticipated funding consists of entitlement grant funds
		Program Income:	\$0	
		Prior Year Resources:	\$0	
		Total:	\$875,943	
		Anticipated for Con Plan Years 3-5	\$1,830,238	

Publicly Owned Land

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

In accordance with AB 1486, the City provides a notice of availability for surplus properties to be posted on the California Housing and Community Development (HCD) website, and gives priority consideration to the development of affordable housing. Active and prior notices can be

viewed at <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/public-lands-for-affordable-housing-development.shtml>. The City will continue to assess its inventory of publicly-owned land for opportunities to meet the strategic needs of this plan, as well as offering notices of availability in advance of any disposition of City-owned property, placing particular emphasis on potential sites of affordable housing in areas of high opportunity.

Additionally, the below land is noted as vacant on the City's current inventory and will be assessed for inclusion in future notices and development opportunities.

Table 11 - Vacant City-Owned Parcels

APN	Address	Lot Area	Zip	Zoning
31332107T	313321 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.46	93727	RS-4
31391321ST	NONE ASSIGNED	2.45	93727	RS-4
31399067ST	NONE ASSIGNED	0.07	93727	RS-5
31399070ST	NONE ASSIGNED	1.06	93727	RS-4
31399071ST	NONE ASSIGNED	1.51	93727	RS-4
31399072ST	NONE ASSIGNED	0.03	93727	RS-4
31644158T	1146 S ARMSTRONG AVE	0.25	93727	RS-4
43033402T	4804 N BONADELLE AVE M/C	0.12	93726	CMX
43602311T	436023 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.01	93726	RMX
44404117T	720 W VASSAR AVE	0.38	93705	RS-5
44405116T	2252 N FRUIT AVE	0.13	93705	RS-5
45021106T	929 N FRUIT AVE	0.2	93728	RS-5
45026003T	507 N THORNE AVE P	0.13	93728	CMS
45603034T	5471 E BELMONT AVE	4.17	93727	RM-1
45908129T	459081 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.06	93701	NMX
46015427T	MAPLE/JACKSON	0.25	93702	NMX
46410207T	0 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.11	93706	CMX
46410208T	2022 S WEST AVE	0.5	93706	CMX
46411313T	130 W LEMON AVE	0.14	93706	RS-5
46427237T	1212 S WEST AVE	1.05	93706	RS-4
46431211T	1122 S ROEDING DR	0.23	93706	RS-4
46431212T	1136 S ROEDING DR	0.24	93706	RS-4
46431213T	1150 S WEST AVE	0.46	93706	RS-4
46431214T	1164 S WEST AVE	0.39	93706	RS-4
46504038ST	1309 H ST	2.98	93721	DTC
46516301T	1827 B ST	0.11	93706	RS-5
46516302T	465163 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.16	93706	RS-5
46517421T	1511 B ST	0.13	93706	RS-5
46517422T	1515 B ST	0.13	93706	RS-5
46620651T	405170 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.16	93721	DTC

APN	Address	Lot Area	Zip	Zoning
46621426T	NONE ASSIGNED	0.32	93721	DTC
46621427T	NONE ASSIGNED	0.46	93721	DTC
46621428T	1821 FRESNO ST	0.32	93721	DTC
46621430T	1258 H ST	0.32	93721	DTC
46707306T	467073 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.18	93706	DTN
46707307T	467073 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.28	93706	DTN
46707316T	730 F ST	0.63	93706	DTN
46708116T	655 G ST	0.34	93706	DTN
46715507T	1107 B ST	0.15	93706	RS-5
46718609T	1128 COLLINS AVE	0.34	93706	RS-5
46819213T	2508 VENTURA ST	0.14	93721	DTG
46819214T	2522 VENTURA ST	0.3	93721	DTG
46819534T	502 N ST	2.15	93721	DTG
46822212T	2304 VENTURA ST	0.3	93721	DTG
46822215T	525 N ST	0.26	93721	DTG
46822216T	505 N ST	0.34	93721	DTG
46822301T	2330 SANTA CLARA ST	0.18	93721	DTG
46822302T	453 N ST	0.09	93721	DTG
46822319T	NONE ASSIGNED	0.18	93721	DTG
47005201T	3702 E VENTURA ST	0.29	93702	NMX
47005202T	3754 E VENTURA ST	2.84	93702	NMX
47005203T	3745 E EL MONTE WAY	0.26	93702	RS-5
47403071T	5747 E ALTA AVE P/S	0.13	93727	CMX
47706004T	146 E FLORENCE AVE	7.94	93706	RS-3
47712105T	NONE ASSIGNED	0.18	93706	NMX
47712106T	NONE ASSIGNED	0.19	93706	NMX
47712113T	33 E ATCHISON ST	0.18	93706	RS-5
47714531T	84 E GEARY ST	0.4	93706	RS-5
47714544T	29 E FLORENCE AVE	0.19	93706	RS-5
47809236T	478092 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.05	93706	RS-5
47811429T	478114 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.02	93706	RS-5
47927034T	1411 E ANNADALE AVE	3.89	93706	RS-5
48102029T	481020 # NONE ASSIGNED	7.68	93725	RS-1
48102030T	2155 S PEACH AVE	21.87	93725	RS-1
48111042T	0 # NONE ASSIGNED	10.23	93725	RS-5
48111053T	2546 S WILLOW AVE S/A	1.03	93725	RS-3
48130033ST	5344 E CHURCH AVE S/A	5.76	93725	RS-4
49408103T	4826 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408104T	4832 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4

APN	Address	Lot Area	Zip	Zoning
49408105T	4838 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408106T	4844 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408107T	4850 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408108T	4856 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408109T	4862 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408110T	4868 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408111T	4874 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
49408112T	4880 E SHIELDS AVE	0.19	93703	RS-4
50601014T	506010 # NONE ASSIGNED	4.75	93722	RM-2
50733022ST	4069 W KADOTA AVE	0.27	93722	RM-1
51135201ST	5986 W DAYTON AVE P/S	0.28	93722	RS-4
51203105T	6605 W SHAW AVE	1.68	93723	RMX
51209417T	489158 # NONE ASSIGNED	0.02	93723	RS-5

AP-20: Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Table 12 - Goals Summary Information

Goal Name	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Homelessness and the Prevention of Homelessness	Homeless	Citywide	Homelessness	ESG: \$558,615 HOPWA: \$849,665	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tenant-Based Rental Assistance/Rapid Rehousing: 294 households assisted Public service activities for low/moderate-income housing benefit/homelessness prevention: 600 people assisted
Safe and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$3,684,828 HOME: \$3,667,566	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rental Units Constructed / Rehabilitated: 22 household housing units Homeowner Housing Added / Rehabilitated: 15 household housing units Land acquired for affordable housing development: 2
Public Infrastructure and Facilities	Non-Housing Community Development / Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Public Infrastructure and City-Owned Facilities	CDBG: \$375,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2,545 people assisted
Community Services	Non-Housing Community Development / Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Public Services	CDBG: \$990,860	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Services Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,784 people assisted, 20 businesses assisted
Fair Housing	Other: Fair Housing	Citywide	Promote Fair Housing	CDBG: \$85,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Services Goal: 75 people assisted Outreach, education, and referral services for low- and moderate-income prospective home buyers and tenants \$35,000 from Public Services; \$50,000 from Administration
Compliance	Other: Administration	Citywide	Programmatic Compliance	CDBG: \$1,317,814.40 HOME: \$362,507 ESG: \$45,293 HOPWA: \$26,278	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full compliance with adopted Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Citizen Participation Plans, and all other applicable regulations (Federal, State, local, and HUD)
Section 108 Loan Payment	Other: Section 108 Loan Repayment	Citywide	N/A	CDBG: \$36,683	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full repayment of loan

Goal 1: Homelessness and the Prevention of Homelessness

Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing first collaborations, and associated supportive services.

Projects funded through this Plan are expected to result in the following accomplishments:

- Emergency Shelter & Street Outreach:
 - Poverello House – Homeless Outreach Progressive Engagement: 600 people
- Rapid Rehousing:
 - Poverello House – Rapid Rehousing Program: 6 people
 - WestCare – Project Unite: 11 households
- Homelessness Prevention:
 - WestCare – Project Unite: 53 households
- Short-Term Mortgage, Rental, and Utility Assistance:
 - WestCare – Living Room: 40 households
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance:
 - WestCare – Living Room: 20 households
- Transitional or Short-Term Housing:
 - WestCare – Living Room: 32 units

Goal 2: Safe and Affordable Housing

Improve access to affordable housing for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.

Projects funded through this Plan are expected to result in the following accomplishments:

- Rental Units Constructed:
 - HOME-Assisted Projects: 22 household housing units
- Homeowner Housing Added:
 - HOME-Assisted Projects: 2 household housing units
- Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated:
 - City of Fresno – Senior Paint and Exterior Repair Program: 15 household housing units

Goal 3: Public Infrastructure and Facilities

Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.

Projects funded through this Plan are expected to result in the following accomplishments:

- Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities:
 - Roberts Avenue and Tenth Street Neighborhood (Tenth-Barstow-Roberts-Cedar) Street Improvements: 2,545 people assisted (area benefit)

Goal 4: Community Services

Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.

Projects funded through this Plan are expected to result in the following accomplishments:

- Public Service Activities:
 - City of Fresno PARCS – After School Programs: 400 people assisted
 - City of Fresno PARCS – Senior Programs: 350 people assisted
 - Boys & Girls Clubs – B&GC in East and West Fresno: 1,012 people assisted
 - Valley Caregiver Resource Center – OASIS Project: 22 people assisted
- Businesses Assisted:
 - Chinatown Fresno Foundation – Make Time Business School: 20 businesses assisted

Goal 5: Fair Housing

Provide services to residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.

Projects funded through this Plan are expected to result in the following accomplishments:

- Public Service Activities:
 - Fair Housing Services – 75 people assisted
- Administrative Activities:
 - Accomplishment information is not reported for administrative activities. The City will work with its subrecipients to identify appropriate reporting metrics related to outreach, education, and referral services for low- and moderate-income prospective home buyers and tenants

Goal 6: Compliance

Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.

Accomplishment activities are not reported for administrative activities, however the City's goal is full compliance with adopted Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Citizen Participation Plans, and all other applicable regulations (Federal, State, local, and HUD).

AP-35: Projects

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs.
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The City's allocation priorities reflect alignment to the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (Consolidated Plan), and to the needs assessment conducted in support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan identified highest-priority needs through data analysis, extensive community engagement, public survey results, consultation with stakeholders, and reviews of other plans and studies developed for the City and its region. The needs assessment conducted in support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan supported the Consolidated Plan allocation priorities, and was used to inform the activities selected to address each priority. The key strategic priorities that emerged from the Consolidated Plan process that these projects are designed to address are listed below:

Homelessness

The 500 respondents to the Consolidated Plan Housing and Community Needs Survey ranked the City's homelessness needs above all other types of needs surveyed. Additionally, public meeting participants frequently discussed needs related to homelessness. These included needs for more low-barrier shelter space, case management for people experiencing homelessness, job and skills training, drug/alcohol counseling, and shelters for LGBTQ people that are not coupled to requirements for religious participation. The 2022 Annual Action Plan needs assessment identified particular need among populations including domestic violence survivors, veterans, LGBTQ, deaf and hard-of-hearing, people with intellectual disabilities, youth, victims of human trafficking, and the elderly. Services of particular need identified included comprehensive case management, employment programs and services, mental health services, and addiction and recovery services. Applications which included these particular populations or services received additional points in accordance with the scorecard released with the NOFA.

Affordable Housing

More than one in three of the City's households (39%) is cost burdened, spending more than 30% of its income on housing expenses; nearly a fifth of the City's households (20%) spend more than 50%. Cost burdening is particularly pervasive among renters, who make up more 67% of the City's cost burdened households. Compounding the housing affordability issue is the fact that housing prices have increased far more steeply than household income, meaning that a housing supply that meets all of the City's affordability needs today will be insufficient to do so in the future, and among the ten California cities listed in data provided by Zumper, a real estate listing website, Fresno has the second highest year-over-year percentage increase for two-bedroom units (21.8%) and the highest year-over-year percentage increase for one-bedroom units (30.4%) as of February 2022. Public meeting participants and stakeholders interviewed as part of the development of the Consolidated Plan identified a wide variety of needs related to housing affordability in the City. For many, the issue was primarily related to expanding the supply and improving the quality of rental housing. The needs assessment conducted in support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan further identified the particular need for owner-occupied home repair among the following populations: people with disabilities, people who are deaf or hard-of-

hearing, elderly people, and non-English speaking residents or residents with low English proficiency. Applications which included these particular populations received additional points in accordance with the scorecard released with the NOFA.

Public Infrastructure & City-Owned Facilities

Other than homelessness-related needs, street, road, and sidewalk improvements were ranked more highly than any other needs queried in the Consolidated Plan survey. Participants also ranked parks, gymnasiums, outdoor recreation space, and youth centers among the highest priorities just behind street, road, and sidewalk improvements. During the needs assessment conducted in support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan, residents strongly identified street and sidewalk improvement needs in neighborhoods comprised predominantly of households with low- and moderate-incomes. This aligns further with the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, and for this reason, additional points were awarded to applications which improved neighborhoods in locations designated as racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty (RECAPs) as defined by HUD.

Community Services

Stakeholders and public meeting participants, including groups of seniors and teens, were instrumental in identifying these high-priority community services needs during the development of the Consolidated Plan. The Community Need Scorecard exercise used in public meeting settings generally shows these types of needs as lower priority than those related to homelessness and affordable housing, yet many of the activity types included in the description of this priority were nonetheless ranked highly by survey respondents. The top five public service needs ranked by survey respondents included drug abuse and crime prevention, child abuse prevention, afterschool services, employment training, and neighborhood deterioration. These needs were frequently named in public meeting settings as well. During the needs assessment conducted in support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan, residents identified particular need for the following services: youth life skills or health education, entrepreneurship programs, workforce training and employment for the digital market, workforce navigator programs, medical and mental health care access, adult life skills, addiction and recovery, and day centers for unsheltered people. Applications which included these particular services received additional points in accordance with the scorecard released with the NOFA. In alignment with the needs assessment and the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, applications also received additional points if they benefited people primarily residing in racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty (RECAPs).

Fair Housing

Survey responses reveal a gap in the community's understandings of fair housing and a need for greater education and enforcement around this subject. While 64% of respondents reported knowing their fair housing rights, fewer than half (45%) knew where to file a complaint of housing discrimination. Further, 20% of respondents (91 individuals) said they had experienced some form of housing discrimination since living in the City, with more than four in five of those instances going unreported. Stakeholder interviews further support this priority and particularly indicate wrongful evictions as a fair housing issue to be addressed. The 2022 needs assessment continued to support these needs, and for this reason, the 2022 Annual Action Plan includes funding for Fair Housing. The notice of funding availability will be developed in consultation with Fair Housing subject matter experts, and responsive to the needs identified by

the Consolidated Plan, the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, and the 2022 needs assessment.

Programmatic Compliance

These are necessary administrative costs associated with ensuring effective coordination and delivery of services to City residents. The City is committed to ensuring compliance with federal regulations.

The primary obstacle to completing projects on time has been the continuous adaptation of services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City and its subrecipients have continued to adapt to the ever-changing environment by implementing alternative processes for activities which were previously conducted in-person, such as housing quality inspections, recreational activities, and monitoring activities. The City anticipates being able to restart in-person activities in PY 2022.

Project Summary

Table 13 - Project Summary

#	Project Name
1	Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery
2	Senior Paint and Exterior Repair Program
3	Affordable Housing Development or Rehabilitation
4	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-Aside
5	Non-Profit Public Services
6	PARCS After School Program
7	PARCS Senior Enrichment Program
8	Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
9	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV
10	Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Improvements
11	CDBG Program Administration and Planning
12	HOME Program Administration
13	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV Program Administration
14	Fair Housing
15	Fair Housing Services
16	Section 108 Repayment
17	Affordable Housing Development – Land Acquisition

Table 14 - IDIS Entry: Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	1
Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Safe and Affordable Housing
Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
Funding	CDBG: \$200,000
Description	CDBG funds will pay for the delivery costs associated with housing rehabilitation targeted to income-eligible households
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	N/A
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Room 3065, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	14H: Rehabilitation Administration (24 CFR 570.202)

Table 15 - IDIS Entry: Senior Paint Program

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	2
Project Name	Senior Paint and Exterior Repair Program
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Safe and Affordable Housing
Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
Funding	CDBG: \$500,000
Description	CDBG funds will pay for a licensed lead-certified painting contractor to paint the exterior of the home and may include minor repairs, (i.e., screens, broken window panes, loose or damaged gutters, etc.) provided there are enough funds available after deducting the cost of the paint project. This program serves low-income seniors (62 years of age or older) who own and occupy their homes.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Homeowner housing rehabilitated: 15 household housing units
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	14A: Single-Unit Residential Rehabilitation (24 CFR 570.202)

Table 16 - IDIS Entry: Affordable Housing Development or Rehabilitation

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	3
Project Name	Affordable Housing Development or Rehabilitation
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Safe and Affordable Housing
Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
Funding	HOME: \$3,123,805
Description	HOME funds will be loaned to local affordable housing developers to finance the development or rehabilitation of single- or multi-family housing projects affordable to low-income households.
Target Date	6/30/2025
Goal Indicators	Units constructed: 22 household housing units
Location Description	To Be Determined
Planned Activity	Development/Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing

Table 17 - IDIS Entry - Community Housing Development Organization Set-Aside

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	4
Project Name	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-Aside
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Safe and Affordable Housing
Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
Funding	HOME (CHDO): \$543,761
Description	HOME funds will be loaned to a qualified CHDO to finance the development of housing affordable to low-income households. Developments may be either rental or homebuyer.
Target Date	6/30/2025
Goal Indicators	Homeowner housing added: 2 household housing units
Location Description	To Be Determined
Planned Activity	Rental housing development or homebuyer housing development

Table 18 - IDIS Entry: Non-Profit Public Services

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	5
Project Name	Non-Profit Public Services
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Community Services
Needs Addressed	Community Services
Funding	CDBG: \$195,860
Description	CDBG funds will be provided to local non-profits to support programs that serve predominantly low and moderate income clientele. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boys & Girls Clubs - \$117,242 Chinatown Fresno Foundation - \$38,618 Valley Caregiver Resource Center - \$40,000
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Public service activities: 1,784 people assisted, 20 businesses assisted
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	05: Public Services (24 CFR 570.201(e))

Table 19 - IDIS Entry: PARCS After School Programs

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	6
Project Name	PARCS Neighborhood Park After School Programs
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Community Services
Needs Addressed	Community Services
Funding	CDBG: \$315,000
Description	CDBG funds will be used to operate the Neighborhood After School program for youth ages 5 - 17 at community centers and neighborhood parks to improve quality of life for youth through recreation. Enrichment activities are included in areas like arts, theatre, dance, fitness, sports, and culinary arts.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Public service activities: 400 people assisted
Location Description	Various community centers in low/mod income areas, to potentially include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dickey Youth Development Center – 1515 E. Divisadero 2. Einstein Neighborhood Center – 3566 E. Dakota 3. Fink White Neighborhood Center – 535 S. Trinity Ave 4. Frank H. Ball Neighborhood Center – 760 Mayor Ave 5. Holmes Neighborhood Center – 212 S. First 6. Lafayette Neighborhood Center – 1516 E. Princeton 7. Maxie L Parks Community Center – 1802 E. California 8. Quigley Neighborhood Center – 808 W. Dakota 9. Romain Community Center – 745 N. First 10. Ted C. Wills Community Center – 770 N. San Pablo
Planned Activity	05D: Youth Services (24 CFR 570.201(e))

Table 20 - IDIS Entry: PARCS Senior Enrichment Programs

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	7
Project Name	PARCS Senior Enrichment Programs
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Community Services
Needs Addressed	Community Services
Funding	CDBG: \$480,000
Description	CDBG funds will be used to provide recreational activities at up to 10 community centers in the City of Fresno for low- and moderate-income seniors ages 62 and older to improve quality of life and strengthen community resiliency. Activities include: arts and crafts, educational and skill building workshops, nutrition education, therapeutic recreation, gardening, special events and excursions.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Public service activities: 350 people assisted
Location Description	Various community centers in low/mod income areas, to potentially include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bulldog and 6th – 1343 E. Barstow 2. Inspiration Park - 5770 W. Gettysburg 3. Lafayette Neighborhood Park - 1516 E. Princeton Ave 4. The Link – McKinley and Blackstone - 1507 N Blackstone Ave 5. Mary Ella Brown Community Center - 1350 E. Annadale 6. Mosqueda Community Center - 4670 E. Butler Ave. 7. Pinedale Community Center - 7170 N. San Pablo Ave. 8. Romain Park – 745 N. First Street 9. Senior Citizens Village - 1917 S. Chestnut Ave. 10. Ted C. Wills Community Center - 770 N. San Pablo Ave.
Planned Activity	05C: Senior Services (24 CFR 570.201(e))

Table 21 - IDIS Entry: Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	8
Project Name	Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Homeless and Homelessness Prevention
Needs Addressed	Homelessness
Funding	ESG: \$603,908
Description	<p>ESG funds will be used to provide homeless prevention services, shelter assistance, street outreach, and rapid rehousing services for homeless people and people at risk of homelessness; and to provide Homeless Management Information Systems and Administration support for the grant program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WestCare Project Unite - \$243,341 • Poverello House Rapid Rehousing - \$97,867 • Poverello House HOPE Team - \$196,270 • Fresno Housing Authority HMIS - \$21,137 • Administration - \$45,293
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	<p>Street Outreach: 600 people assisted</p> <p>Rapid rehousing: 94 households assisted</p>
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	<p>Street Outreach</p> <p>Shelter Operations</p> <p>Homeless Prevention</p> <p>Rapid Rehousing</p> <p>HMIS</p> <p>Grant Administration and Oversight</p>

Table 22 - IDIS Entry: Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	9
Project Name	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV
Target Area	Countywide
Goals Supported	Homeless and Homelessness Prevention
Needs Addressed	Homelessness
Funding	HOPWA: \$849,665
Description	<p>HOPWA funds will be used to provide housing assistance and housing-related supportive services for people living with AIDS/HIV and their families. HOPWA funds will be used for supportive services, housing information and referral services, tenant-based rental assistance, short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WestCare Living Room - \$849,665
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	<p>Tenant-based rental assistance: 20 households assisted</p> <p>Short-Term Rental, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance: 40 households assisted</p> <p>Transition or Short-Term Housing: 32 households assisted</p>
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	<p>Supportive services</p> <p>HIV/AIDS Housing Operations</p> <p>Housing Information/Referral</p> <p>Tenant-Based Rental Assistance</p> <p>Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance</p>

Table 23 - IDIS Entry: Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Improvements

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	10
Project Name	Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Improvements
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure and Facilities
Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure and City-Owned Facilities
Funding	CDBG: \$375,000
Description	Neighborhood street and sidewalk improvements in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods to potentially include pavement reconstruction, sidewalk, curb, and gutter improvements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roberts Avenue and Tenth Street Neighborhood Street Improvement
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Public facility or infrastructure activities: 2,545 people assisted
Location Description	Low/Moderate Income Neighborhoods
Planned Activity	03K: Street Improvements – 24 CFR 570.201(c)

Table 24 - IDIS Entry: CDBG Program Administration and Planning

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	11
Project Name	CDBG Program Administration and Planning
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Compliance
Needs Addressed	Programmatic Compliance
Funding	CDBG: \$1,317,814.40
Description	Grant monitoring and administration, planning, historic preservation, and environmental assessments.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Stated goal: Full compliance with adopted Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Citizen Participation Plans, and all other applicable regulations (Federal, State, Local, and HUD)
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	21A: General Administration (24 CFR 570.206)

Table 25 - IDIS Entry: HOME Program Administration

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	12
Project Name	HOME Program Administration
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Compliance
Needs Addressed	Programmatic Compliance
Funding	HOME: \$362,507
Description	Grant administration and oversight of the program and HOME-funded projects.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Stated goal: Full compliance with adopted Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Citizen Participation Plans, and all other applicable regulations (Federal, State, Local, and HUD)
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	Grant monitoring and administration

Table 26 - IDIS Entry: HOPWA Program Administration

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	13
Project Name	Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV Program Administration
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Compliance
Needs Addressed	Programmatic Compliance
Funding	HOPWA: \$26,278
Description	HOPWA funds will be used for administrative and compliance oversight activities associated with HOPWA-funded projects.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Stated goal: Full compliance with adopted Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Citizen Participation Plans, and all other applicable regulations (Federal, State, Local, and HUD)
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	Grant monitoring and administration

Table 27 - IDIS Entry: Fair Housing

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	14
Project Name	Fair Housing
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Fair Housing
Needs Addressed	Promote Fair Housing
Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
Description	CDBG administration funds will be used to support fair housing outreach, education, and referral services consistent with the recommended activities of the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Stated goal: Outreach, education, and referral services for low- and moderate-income prospective home buyers and tenants
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	21D: Fair Housing Activities (24 CFR 570.206(c))

Table 28 - IDIS Entry: Fair Housing Services

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	15
Project Name	Fair Housing Services
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Fair Housing
Needs Addressed	Promote Fair Housing
Funding	CDBG: \$35,000
Description	CDBG public services funds will be used to support fair housing outreach, education, and referral services consistent with the recommended activities of the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice that result in a direct benefit to people with low or moderate incomes.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Public service activities: 75 people assisted
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	05J: Fair Housing Activities (24 CFR 570.201(e))

Table 29 - IDIS Entry: Section 108 Loan Payment

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	16
Project Name	Section 108 Loan Payment
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure and Facilities
Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure and City-Owned Facilities
Funding	CDBG: \$ 36,683.30
Description	CDBG funds will be used to pay Section 108 debt service
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	Not applicable
Location Description	2600 Fresno Street, Fresno CA 93721
Planned Activity	19F: Section 108 Planned Repayment

Table 30 - IDIS Entry: Acquisition of Land

IDIS Field	IDIS Entry
IDIS Project ID Number	17
Project Name	Affordable Housing Development – Land Acquisition
Target Area	Citywide
Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
Funding	CDBG: \$ 3,684,828.23
Description	CDBG funds will be used to acquire land for affordable housing development
Target Date	6/30/2023
Goal Indicators	16 housing units
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activity	01: Acquisition of Real Property (24 CFR 570.201(e))

AP-50: Geographic Distribution

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

The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan generally allocates CDBG, HOME, and ESG dollars according to low- and moderate-income (LMI) census tracts without specification of target areas. However, in alignment with the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, certain projects which are targeted to racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty (RECAPs) are given preference. These project types include public service activities, public infrastructure and facility improvements, and owner-occupied home repair programs. Affordable Housing development is prioritized in areas of opportunity.

Geographic Distribution

Table 31 - Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100%

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan does not formally identify any specific target areas. The City will invest resources throughout the City, with the understanding that most funding will go toward the improvement of predominantly low- and moderate-income residential areas identified as racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty (RECAPs) to include south Fresno. RECAPs are defined by HUD as areas where the poverty rate is 40% or more, and the non-white population is 50% or more. The number of RECAPs located within the City increased from 26 in 2000 to 40 in 2010. Residents and stakeholders who participated in the 2022 needs assessment strongly identified the need to invest in these communities through services and infrastructure while emphasizing the need to provide more housing options in areas of opportunity in order to provide services and amenities more equitably and increase access to opportunity for people with low- and moderate-incomes.

HUD generally awards HOPWA funds on a regional basis to the largest city within a HOPWA-eligible region. Fresno, therefore, receives and administers HOPWA funding for the entirety of Fresno County, known as its “Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area” or EMSA. The City is required to serve eligible people living anywhere within the EMSA and not just within City limits.

AP-55: Affordable Housing

Introduction

The City anticipates expending a significant portion of its federal allocation dollars on the preservation and provision of affordable housing. Over the 2022 program year, the City anticipates partnering with affordable housing developers to support the construction of 22 units affordable to low- and moderate-income households.

One-Year Goals for the Number of Households to Be Supported

Note that the below totals represent the number of households to be supported using HOME funds only. Additional households will be supported through ESG, HOPWA, and CDBG funds for these activities as noted in the footnotes.

Table 32 - Households Supported by Household Type

Household Type	Number of Households Supported
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	26 ¹
Special Needs	0
<i>Total</i>	26

Table 33 - Households Supported by Assistance Type

Assistance Type	Number of Households Supported
Rental Assistance	0 ²
The Production of New Units	24
Rehab of Existing Units	0 ³
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
<i>Total</i>	24

¹ 19 non-homeless people to be assisted using CDBG funds

² 294 people to be assisted with ESG Rapid Rehousing, HOPWA tenant-based rental assistance, or HOPWA short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance

³ 15 households to be assisted with owner-occupied home repair programs

AP-60: Public Housing

Introduction

Fresno residents are served by the Fresno Housing Authority, or Fresno Housing (FH). FH works to create vibrant communities, build quality-affordable housing, and empower nearly 50,000 residents throughout Fresno County to achieve their goals. HUD PIC data reports that there are 651 units of conventional public housing and another 98 units designated for elderly and/or disabled households through the Section 202 and 811 programs. The FH 2022 Annual PHA Plan identifies 510 traditional public housing units, many of which will undergo demolition, disposition, or conversion to RAD in coming years.

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

The FH is continually planning for and working toward improvements to its existing housing as well as the development of new units. FH administers the Housing Choice Voucher Program, provides housing and service programs, and develops high-quality, affordable units with an emphasis on sustainability and aesthetic designs that uniquely fit the neighborhood. Within Fresno, there are currently several new properties under development or planned for rehabilitation and construction for the next year. In its 2022 Annual Plan, FH contemplates several mixed-finance developments that would potentially draw upon a variety of financing options, including Public Housing Capital Funds, rental subsidy, Project Based Vouchers, Project Based Rental Assistance Vouchers, and/or Public Housing Operating reserves. The FH 2022 Annual Plan states that eight of the city's public housing sites are being considered for demolition or disposition and conversion to a different low-income housing type or community facility. These eight sites are Desoto Gardens (28 units), Monte Vista Terrace (20 Units), Sequoia Courts (60 units), Sequoia Courts Terrace (78 units), Sierra Plaza (70 units), Fairview Heights Terrace (64 units), Yosemite Village II (69 units), and Pacific Gardens (56 units). Nine sites are also planned for conversion under the RAD program between 2022 and 2023: Desoto Gardens (28 units), Monte Vista Terrace (20 Units), Sequoia Courts (60 units), Sequoia Courts Terrace (78 units), Sierra Plaza (70 units), Fairview Heights Terrace (64 units), Yosemite Village II (69 units), Parc Grove II (31 units), and Pacific Gardens (22 units). Conversion of these sites under the RAD program may include demolition, rehabilitation, or new construction at these sites.

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

FH currently offers a number of socially distanced or virtual activities for residents to increase their involvement, improve their health goals, and include efforts to assist residents with goals related to homeownership. As identified in its 2022 Annual PHA Plan, the FH conducts a financial literacy course through its Faith and Finance Program. FH has a small portfolio of single-family homes designated for sale as part of its Public Housing Homeownership Opportunities Program (HOP). Existing participants in HOP make monthly rental payments and a portion of those payments are deposited into a reserve to be used for down payment assistance upon their eventual purchase of the home. Participating families receive

homeownership counseling and financial literacy training as they work toward purchasing their home.

FH refers families inquiring about homeownership to HUD approved Local Housing Counseling agencies to pre-purchase housing counseling and financial management workshops. Families are referred to resources regarding credit counseling and other homeownership ready workshops in the community as needed.

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

Not applicable – the Fresno Housing Authority is not designated as “troubled.”

AP-65: Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities

Introduction

The City is covered by the Fresno Madera Continuum of Care (FMCoC), a network of service providers covering Fresno and Madera counties. The FMCoC brings together housing and service providers to meet the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Over the past year, and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has increased coordination with the County and the FMCoC to coordinate the funding of homeless services utilizing all funding sources including state and federal one-time funding.

Funding sources being utilized in the coordination of homelessness services include HUD entitlement funds, emergency COVID-19 state funds (through SB89), State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP), one-time HUD CPD COVID-19 emergency funds (CDBG-CV and ESG-CV), Federal Emergency Rental Assistance Funds, and State Emergency Rental Assistance Funds (through SB91).

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

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

During the 2022 program year, the City will award new federal entitlement funding to organizations and/or projects for the following street outreach and emergency shelter activities:

- Poverello House – HOPE Team (Homeless Outreach Progressive Engagement)
- WestCare – Living Room

The federal entitlement funds will be used to complement existing street outreach, emergency shelter, and supportive services. The below totals represent funding planned to be used for these activities from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2025 (excluding the new funds included in this plan):

- \$2,409,626 for Street Outreach, Homelessness Prevention, and Diversion- including funding for street outreach to the Poverello House's Homeless Outreach Progressive Engagement Team and Kings View's citywide street outreach program; homeless prevention and diversion to WestCare California Inc.'s Project Unite program, and adding funding for tenant/landlord counseling
- \$21,163,473 for Emergency Shelter Services- including funding for: the County of Fresno's Joint COVID-19 homeless response providing 423 temporary beds through August 2021; Fresno Economic Opportunity Commission's Homeless Youth Services, providing 6 beds; the Fresno Housing Authority's Project Homekey shelter operations, providing 327 rooms; the City of Fresno's acquisition and operation of the former Travel Inn site and at least one other site, providing at least 60 rooms; and funding for emergency shelter and rapid rehousing for victims of domestic violence
- \$7,911,810 for Homeless Triage Centers- including Turning Point's Bridge Housing Program, Golden State Triage Center, and L Street Triage Center, providing an

incremental 18 beds; WestCare's Living Room program for people impacted by HIV/AIDS; and Mental Health Systems' Triage Center providing an incremental 50 beds

Helping homeless people (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

The City will award new federal entitlement funding to nonprofit organizations for the following activities to prevent homelessness and to support people experiencing homelessness make the transition to permanent housing:

- Poverello House – Rapid Rehousing Program
- WestCare – Project Unite
- WestCare – Living Room

The City will also work to increase the availability of affordable housing in the City by using HOME funds to support the development of affordable housing, including housing for seniors and people with disabilities, and CDBG funds to provide housing rehabilitation for low-income homeowners and acquire land for the development of affordable housing.

The federal entitlement funds will be used to complement existing transitional housing and rental assistance services. The below totals represent funding planned to be used for these activities from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2025 (excluding the new funds included in this plan):

- \$36,803,251 for Transitional Housing and Rental Assistance- including funding for direct rental assistance to landlords on behalf of tenants facing financial hardship through the State and Federal Emergency Rental Assistance Programs; tenant-based rental assistance provided by the Fresno Housing Authority; a rapid rehousing program offered by Poverello House, and additional deposit assistance and rental assistance programs included as part of the Joint COVID-19 homeless response, and the Citywide emergency homeless response

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 City will award new federal entitlement funding to housing and service providers in the City to prevent homelessness in populations who are vulnerable or at risk of homelessness. The City will support the following homelessness prevention programs with federal entitlement funds during the program year:

- WestCare – Project Unite

- WestCare – Living Room

The federal entitlement funds will be used to complement existing transitional housing and rental assistance services. The below totals represent funding planned to be used for these activities from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2025 (excluding the new funds included in this plan):

- \$1,966,016 for Supportive Services- including funding for a new clinic to provide services in an underserved part of the City; family services provided by Poverello House and Marjaree Mason Center; a homeless employment program provided by Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission; and additional funding for navigation services for both the joint COVID-19 homeless response and the Citywide emergency homeless response

AP-70: HOPWA Goals

Table 34 - HOPWA Goals

HOPWA Activity	Households Assisted
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family (STRMU)	40
Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)	20
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	32
<i>Total</i>	92

AP-75: Barriers to Affordable Housing

Actions 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 will continue to implement activities that remove barriers to affordable housing, such as its 50% permit fee reduction for residential projects in inner city areas like Highway City, Pinedale, and Herndon Townsite. In its 2019 Downtown Displacement Report, the City also acknowledged its current opportunity to help preserve affordable housing in downtown and plans to prevent the displacement of current residents through its Downtown Displacement Program. To that end, an Anti-Displacement Task Force was established in November 2019, and the task force has worked with an anti-displacement consultant, Thrivance Group, since March of 2020 to identify causes of displacement and strategies to prevent it. Many of the strategies include preserving and developing more affordable housing options.

To encourage the development of transit-oriented development and affordable housing, the City has zoned mixed use along transit corridors, and offers TOD height and density bonuses which can be combined with a density bonus for affordable housing. Several affordable housing and transit-oriented development projects are in progress in the City, including the Cesar Chavez Foundation's Las Palmas de Sal Gonzales Sr. Apartments at 5070 E. Kings Canyon Road, Fresno. The Project is a mix of 135 senior and multi-family units situated on a major transit corridor.

Any developer receiving City funds is required to comply with the Universal Housing Ordinance. Every development project that has received City funds since the Ordinance was adopted has complied with this requirement.

AP-85: Other Actions

Introduction

This section details the City's actions planned to ensure safe and affordable housing for its residents, along with plans to meet underserved needs, reduce poverty, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private sector housing and community development agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City will continue to coordinate with the Fresno Madera Continuum of Care and the County of Fresno on a comprehensive coordinated homeless housing and services delivery system that assists people experiencing homelessness in making the transition from homelessness to independent or supportive permanent housing, and in accessing education, health and mental health services, employment training, and life skills development.

The City will also continue to identify new funding mechanisms for, and implement infrastructure and public services activities in areas of the City experiencing the greatest need. Examples include the financing and construction of a senior center, the development of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District, and catalyzing projects implemented as part of the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Program. The City's Proactive Rental Housing Inspection Program and Reactive Rental Housing Teams will continue to address rental housing quality through baseline inspections and rental registry development.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will fund multiple programs to foster housing affordability, including continuing to use HOME and State of California Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funds to support development of affordable housing through partnerships with affordable housing developers and community housing development organizations. The City will also continue to support applications and provide technical assistance to developers utilizing low-income housing tax credits (LIHTC), and continuously identify and pursue other potential funding sources and strategies to encourage the development of affordable housing.

In addition to specific programs designed to foster and maintain affordable housing, the City will review its zoning ordinances for prospective barriers to affordable housing development and make amendments as needed. The City received a Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant to prepare a successful affordable housing trust fund proposal. The City established a local housing trust fund and received an award from the State of California for matching funds resulting in an additional \$5 million for affordable housing development.

The City was also made eligible for an additional \$11.9 million in federal entitlement funds under the American Rescue Plan Action through the HOME-ARP program to address affordable housing and mitigate the effects of COVID-19 amongst the City's most vulnerable populations.

The City has allocated portions of its ARPA funds for the development of affordable housing (\$13.2 million) and a voucher assistance program (\$1 million). Furthermore, the City allocated \$3 million in general funds for an affordable housing development project.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to conduct lead-based paint inspections and, if a hazard is found, remediation. These actions will both reduce lead exposure risk and help to maintain the City's older, lower and moderately priced housing. Any housing rehabilitation activities conducted using HOME and CDBG funds will continue to monitor closely for any potential lead exposure.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

One of the Mayor's main goals is to reduce the number of individuals who are homeless. The City will continue to collaborate with the FMCoC and the County to coordinate with homeless, housing, and service providers, particularly in the implementation of the City's COVID-19 homelessness response and emergency homeless response, and annual homelessness entitlement programs. The City assists individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness through its partnerships with non-profit agencies that provide job search and resume assistance and connections to workforce development opportunities, as well as emergency shelter; transitional housing; and services such as food, clothing, and childcare.

Another main goal of Mayor's is to increase the development of affordable housing. As such, the City will also continue to focus on the development of affordable housing, both multi-family rental and single family home ownership, that is located near transportation to help poverty-level families access more employment opportunities, while lowering transportation and housing costs. The City has multiple funding sources, in addition to its own general fund dollars, that will help support its goal to increase the number of affordable housing units including: CDBG, HOME, PLHA, and LHTF.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City has developed a robust administrative structure to manage its CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds. The City's Housing and Community Development Division (HCDD) staff continues to seek online training to improve and enhance their knowledge of federal and state requirements. HCDD also requires its subrecipients, CHDOs, and contractors to participate in annual technical assistance to ensure compliance with regulations. HCDD also has a staff position dedicated to compliance activities to enhance its monitoring roles and responsibilities.

Additionally, the City's citizen participation process is designed to make engaged and informed citizens a vital part of the institutional structure. City plans focused on affordable housing, homelessness, and workforce development provide overarching goals and frameworks for collaboration among agencies and the use of federal, state, local, and other funding.

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

The City will continue to participate as a member of the FMCOC and coordinate with other jurisdictional leaders and non-profit partners. The City will also enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies both programmatically by coordinating the planning of available funds and through individual initiatives, such as the City's HART Team. The City's HART Team partners with local homeless providers, Fresno Police Department, CalTrans, and others to address homeless encampments living in dangerous conditions, such as along the City's highways, connecting individuals with services and emergency shelter. Many of the individuals are offered emergency shelter along Parkway Drive, where multiple hotels and motels were acquired by either the City or Fresno Housing Authority using State of California Project Homekey funds or City CARES Act funds, operated by various service providers in part utilizing ESG-CV and CDBG-CV funds.

- The City will also continue to work closely with the Fresno Housing Authority to coordinate efforts and planning and to support its projects and initiatives. For example, the City will specifically work with the Fresno Housing Authority to develop and implement a voucher assistance/landlord incentive program using ARPA funds to address the growing concern over rental price increases and the impending end of the eviction moratorium.

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements

Introduction

Projects planned with CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table (see AP-35). The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Table 35 - CDBG Program Income

Program Income Type	Program Income
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	\$0
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
<i>Total Program income</i>	<i>\$0</i>

Other CDBG Requirements

Table 36 - Other CDBG Requirements

Program Income Type	Program Income
1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2a. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit people of low and moderate income.	100%
2b. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	2022

HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

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

The City will not employ other forms of investment beyond those identified 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 will use the recapture provisions in all cases where a homebuyer subsidy exists. For HOME-funded homebuyer assistance loans, the Promissory Note, Deed of Trust, Declaration of Restrictions, and the Homebuyer Agreement are the enforcement mechanisms for the City's recapture provisions. The City will enforce minimum periods of affordability based on the amount of homebuyer subsidy provided to the buyer of not less than:

- Five years for less than \$15,000,
- Ten years for between \$15,000-\$40,000, and
- Fifteen years for more than \$40,000.

Recapture provisions are based on 24 CFR 92.254 (a) (5) (ii), which stipulates the conditions for recapture of the HOME investment used to assist low-income families in purchasing a home. Homebuyer recapture provisions are included in the recorded deed of trust that secures a HOME loan note, or as a deed restriction rider. This requires recapture of funds if the home does not continue to be the borrower's principal residence or if all or any part of the property or any interest in it is sold, rented, conveyed or transferred during the affordability period. Recapture provisions also stipulate that only the direct subsidy to the homebuyer is subject to recapture, which includes down payment assistance, closing cost, other home assistance provided directly to homebuyer, and the difference between fair market value and the sales price.

The net proceeds are the sale price minus the senior loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and any closing costs. If the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full HOME investment plus enable the homeowner to recover the amount of the homeowner's down payment and any capital improvement investment made by the owner since the purchase, the City may share the net proceeds. The net proceeds may be divided proportionally between the City and the homeowner as set forth in the following mathematical formulas:

$$\frac{(HOME\ subsidy \times Net\ proceeds)}{(HOME\ subsidy + Homeowner\ investment)} = HOME\ amount\ to\ be\ recaptured$$

$$\frac{(Homeowner\ investment \times Net\ proceeds)}{(HOME\ subsidy + Homeowner\ investment)} = Amount\ to\ homeowner$$

In the event of foreclosure, the amount subject to recapture is based on the amount of net proceeds (if any) from the foreclosure sale.

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:

The City does not use its HOME Program funds to refinance existing debt for multifamily housing projects.

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:

The City does not provide HOME funds for the refinancing of multi-family housing.

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

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

The City will continue to work cooperatively with Fresno County and the Fresno Madera Continuum of Care (FMCoC) to update the ESG Policies and Procedures. A copy of the current document is included in the Appendix. In addition, the City, Fresno County, and FMCoC are also continuing to update and document written standards.

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

The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is used by all local homeless providers participating in the FMCoC. HMIS is a database used to track performance and outcomes for the agencies. As the HMIS Lead of the FMCoC, the Fresno Housing Authority plays a critical role in coordinating the annual Point-in-Time Count (PITC), collecting data, and distributing results from the annual count. The work of the Fresno Housing Authority in this regard meets and exceeds HUD requirements for the implementation and compliance of Homeless Management Information System Standards.

The FMCoC's Coordinated Entry System utilizes a common assessment tool – the Vulnerability Index (VI). The VI gave the community a way to identify and triage individuals most at risk. The VI was enhanced to the Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT), which further triaged individuals' priority for housing and other services.

All member agencies of the FMCoC have committed to using both the assessment tool and the Coordinated Entry System managed in partnership by FMCoC members. The assessment system is a client-centered process that streamlines access to the most appropriate housing interventions for individuals or families experiencing homelessness.

The Multi-Agency Access Program (MAP) Point at the Poverello House was the first coordinated physical entry point collectively developed by the Community Conversations stakeholder group. The MAP Point at the Poverello House serves as a physical location of the Coordinated Entry System. The program has proved successful in its first two years and has begun expansion. Main components of this process include:

1. Assessment
2. Navigation and case conferencing
3. Housing referral with choice
4. Data collection and communication

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

The City issued a request for applications for the 2022-2023 program year. Prior to this release, the City consulted with the FMCoC on the needs of homeless in the community and the best use of ESG funds per category. Through the 2022 community needs assessment, the City has determined the following sub-populations are a high priority for ESG services:

- Domestic violence survivors
- Homeless veterans
- Homeless LGBTQ people
- Deaf and hard-of-hearing homeless people
- Homeless people with intellectual disabilities
- Homeless youth
- Elderly homeless people

The following services were also prioritized through the 2022 community needs assessment:

- Mental health services
- Addiction and recovery services
- Employment programs and services

Proposals that propose to serve these populations or provide these services were given additional points in the scoring process. Proposals providing ESG services to populations outside of the identified high priority populations or which included other services for homeless people were also considered for funding.

Applicants could propose to provide all or a portion of the ESG eligible activities stated above. Qualified/eligible vendor(s) are those agencies that are State certified non-profit entities, validly existing in California, with a tax-exempt IRS determination letter, as of the date the application is submitted, or public agencies that are qualified to receive ESG funds under applicable federal rules. Qualified/eligible vendors are those that have a minimum of two years' experience serving the beneficiary populations and a minimum of two years' experience utilizing federal, state

and/or local funding. The NOFA was published on the City's website, promoted on social media, and distributed to an electronic distribution list of over 500 e-mail addresses.

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.

During the development of the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan, the City consulted with the FMCoC in making decisions related to ESG funds. The FMCoC includes representation from the homeless community, which meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a).

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The following performance standards are outlined in the City's adopted written policies; however, updates to the standards are currently under way:

- Decrease the number of homeless youth and households with children by 10% from the FMCoC Point in Time Count of January 2016.
- Increase the percentage of participants in transitional housing that move into permanent housing to 80% or more.
- Increase the percentage of participants that are employed at program exit to 25% or more.

Appendix A: Public Notices and Citizen Outreach

In support of the 2022 Annual Action Plan, the City completed the following key citizen participation and consultation activities.

Public Notice & Workshop/Hearing Promotion

The City issued a public notice on January 7, 2022. The Public Notice included information about the HUD CPD programs to be funded through the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan, the priorities of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, and a schedule of activities including the Community Meetings, Public Hearings, Notice of Funding Availability, Comment Period, and City Council consideration. The City distributed the notice along with flyers and social media promoting participation in the workshops in late January.

The Notice & Workshop/Hearing Promotional materials were distributed through the following methods:

- Public Notice in the Fresno Bee
- English/Spanish public notice posted to websites of the City Clerk and Housing and Community Development Division (HCDD)
- Public notice promoting workshops and hearing emailed to HCDD's distribution list (500+ recipients)
- Facebook and Twitter posts directing residents to a flyer promoting the workshops (3,573 impressions; 167 engagements)
- Digital flyers distributed to Fresno Unified and Central Unified school district families
- Digital flyers posted to online calendars for local media outlets: KMPH Fox 26, KFSN ABC30 Action News, YourCentralValley (KSEE/NBC, KGPE/CBS)

Community Needs Consultation Questionnaire

The City prepared a questionnaire which was distributed to all organizations that were consulted on either the 2020 or 2021 Annual Action Plans/Consolidated Plans, as well as any organizations who participated in the 2021 Notice of Funding Availability. Organizations were provided a link to complete the questionnaire using an online survey tool. The objective was to collect as much information as possible regarding community needs from subject matter experts and community leaders representing a broad array of City constituents. The questionnaire was emailed to each organization directly, followed by one reminder email. As each organization completed the questionnaire, they were also provided with an email template that they could forward to their constituents inviting them to participate in the upcoming community meetings and public hearing.

Community Needs Virtual Workshops

Four virtual community needs workshops were held on January 19, 2022 at 11 AM, January 20, 2022 at 6:30 PM, January 24, 2022 at 6:30 PM and January 25, 2022 at 11 AM. The workshops were hosted on the Zoom platform and featured a presentation regarding the Annual Action Plan followed by mediated break-out rooms. All sessions featured Spanish and Hmong interpretation. Thirty-three people attended the first session, 17 people attended the second session, 21 people attended the third meeting, and 26 people attended the fourth session.

Community Needs Public Hearing

A Public Hearing was held before the Council of the City of Fresno on January 27, 2022 at 10:05 AM. Spanish, Hmong, and ASL interpretation was provided. The City Council received 11 public comments.

Notice of Funding Available

The City released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on February 4, 2022 for three project types: homeless & homelessness prevention, community services, and infrastructure and facility improvements. Applications were requested from City departments, units of local government, and non-profit organizations.

Availability of the notice was promoted at community workshops, noticed in the Fresno Bee and emailed to a distribution list of 500+ stakeholders who had signed up to receive updates from the City's Housing and Community Development Division.

The NOFA was supported with a detailed handbook and three virtual webinars which were recorded and posted to the City's website for continued access.

Public Outreach Exhibits

Fresno Bee Public Notice



Beaufort Gazette
Belleville News-Democrat
Bellingham Herald
Bradenton Herald
Centre Daily Times
Charlotte Observer
Columbus Ledger-Enquirer
Fresno Bee

The Herald - Rock Hill
Herald Sun - Durham
Idaho Statesman
Island Packet
Kansas City Star
Lexington Herald-Leader
Merced Sun-Star
Miami Herald

el Nuevo Herald - Miami
Modesto Bee
Raleigh News & Observer
The Olympian
Sacramento Bee
Fort Worth Star-Telegram
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF FRESNO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Fresno will receive approximately \$23.7 million of federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD CPD) to fund programs and projects to implement the City's housing and community development strategies to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The funds will be sub-awarded to programs and projects operated by City Departments or eligible non-profit organizations to address the most critical community needs outlined in the City's adopted 5-year Consolidated Plan available at www.fresno.gov/housing. The workshops and hearing will include an additional focus on resolving suggestions on allocating HOME - American Recovery Plan Act (HOME-ARP) funds to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.

The City requests input to identify the most effective activities to implement the following strategies:

- Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-cost shelter options, housing-first collaborations, and associated supportive services.
- Improve access to affordable housing for low income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.
- Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or non-existent public infrastructure and facilities.
- Provide services to low income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.
- Provide services to residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.
- Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.
- Planning and allocation of \$11.9 million in HOME-ARP funds to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.

The City expects to receive the following funds for fiscal year 2022-2023:

- \$7,184,216 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- \$3,289,681 - HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- \$7,142,558 - Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA)
- \$636,586 - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- \$11,922,873 - HOME - American Recovery Plan Act (HOME-ARP)

Virtual Community Needs Workshops and a Public Hearing will be held to request input about which eligible activities residents would like to see funded, and how those activities can be most effectively implemented.

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #1

January 19, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94997484602>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 949 9748 4602

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #3

January 24, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94673503569>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 946 7350 3569

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #2

January 20, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98651051765>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 986 5105 1765

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #4

January 25, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/92680194243>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 926 8019 4243

Community Needs Public Hearing

January 27, 2022 at 10:05 A.M. or thereafter

Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx. Following the Public Hearing, the City will prepare a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD CPD funding. Eligible organizations may submit applications for funding for the projects described in the NOFA.

Notice of Funding Availability

Tentative Release Date: February 4, 2022

Applications Due: March 4, 2022 by 4:00 P.M.

www.fresno.gov/housing/under/NoticesofFundingAvailability

The City will evaluate applications according to the criteria published with the NOFA and prepare a draft Annual Action Plan. Residents are invited to submit comments on the draft plan, which will be addressed in the final version submitted to HUD and presented to the City Council for consideration prior to adopting the plan.

2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Public Comment Period

March 18, 2022 - April 19, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.

The draft plan will be published at www.fresno.gov/housing/under/PublicCommentOpportunities.

The following options are available for submitting comments:

Submit Comments by Mail:
City of Fresno
Planning and Development Department
Attn: Housing and Community Development Division
2600 Fresno Street Room 3065
Fresno CA 93721

Submit Comments by Email:
HCD@fresno.gov
Please include "2022 Action Plan" in the subject line

Submit Comments by Phone:
559-621-8300

Submit Comments by Fax:
559-457-1579

Submit Comments by TTY:
559-621-8721

Submit Comments Online:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P2P6V5F>

The Council of the City of Fresno will conduct a public hearing to obtain residents views regarding the plan, and will thereafter consider the plan for adoption.

City Council Annual Action Plan Public Hearing

April 28, 2022 at 10:05 A.M. or thereafter

Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx.

Spanish and Hmong interpretation will be available at all workshops and public hearings. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need additional accommodations such as interpreters, sign language signers, or the services of a translator, please contact the Housing and Community Development Division by calling 559-621-8300, by emailing HCD@fresno.gov, or by TTY at 559-621-8721. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least three business days prior to the meeting.

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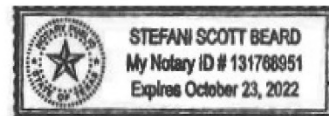
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**CITY OF FRESNO
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS
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City of Fresno
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**CIUDAD DE FRESNO
DEPARTAMENTO DE PLANIFICACIÓN Y DESARROLLO**

**PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL DEL 2022-2023 Y PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN DE HOME-ARP
NECESIDADES DE VIVIENDA Y DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO
AVISO DE AUDIENCIAS PÚBLICAS Y OPORTUNIDADES DE COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS**

La Ciudad de Fresno recibirá aproximadamente \$23.7 millones de fondos federales de la Oficina de Planificación y Desarrollo Comunitario del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE.UU. (HUD CPD, por sus siglas en inglés) para financiar programas y proyectos para implementar las estrategias de desarrollo comunitario y de vivienda de la Ciudad para beneficiar a las personas de ingresos moderados. Los fondos se sub-otorgarán a programas y proyectos operados por Departamentos de la Ciudad u organizaciones sin fines de lucro elegibles para abordar las necesidades más críticas de la comunidad definidas en el Plan Consolidado de 5 Años, adoptado por la Ciudad e disponible en www.fresno.gov/housing. Los talleres y la audiencia incluirán un enfoque adicional en la captura de sugerencias sobre la asignación de fondos de HOME - Ley del Plan de Recuperación Estadounidense (HOME-ARP, por sus siglas en inglés) para reducir el impacto del COVID-19 en las personas sin hogar o que están en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar.

La Ciudad solicita información para identificar las actividades más efectivas para implementar las siguientes estrategias:

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- Promover la calidad de vida y la revitalización de vecindarios a través de mejoras a la infraestructura e instalaciones públicas actuales, y cerrando brechas en áreas con infraestructura e instalaciones públicas envejecidas, de menor calidad o inexistentes.
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La Ciudad espera recibir los siguientes fondos para el año fiscal 2022-2023:

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Ciudad de Fresno
6 de enero de 2022

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La Ciudad evaluará las solicitudes de acuerdo con los criterios publicados con la NOFA y preparará un borrador del Plan de Acción Anual. Se invita a los residentes a enviar comentarios sobre el borrador del plan, que se abordarán en la versión final enviada a HUD y se presentará al Concejo Municipal para su consideración antes de adoptar el plan.

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Audiencia Pública del Plan de Acción Anual del Consejo Municipal

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Ciudad de Fresno
6 de enero de 2022

Public Notice Email (1 of 5)

From: HCDD
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 9:24 AM
To: HCDD
Subject: 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan and HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Notice - Plan de Acción Anual del 2022-2023 y Plan de Asignación de HOME-ARP Aviso de Audiencias Públicas y Oportunidades de Comentarios Públicos

Dear Fresno Resident,

You are receiving this email because you have previously expressed interest in receiving updates related to the City of Fresno's (City) Housing and Community Development efforts. If you no longer wish to receive e-mails like this, please reply with the word **STOP** to be removed from future messages.

CITY OF FRESNO
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Fresno will receive approximately \$23.7 million of federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD CPD) to fund programs and projects to implement the City's housing and community development strategies to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The funds will be sub-awarded to programs and projects operated by City Departments or eligible non-profit organizations to address the most critical community needs outlined in the City's adopted 5-year Consolidated Plan available at www.fresno.gov/housing. The workshops and hearing will include an additional focus on receiving suggestions on allocating HOME – American Recovery Plan Act (HOME-ARP) funds to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.

The City requests input to identify the most effective activities to implement the following strategies:

- Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing-first collaborations, and associated supportive services.
- Improve access to affordable housing for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.
- Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.
- Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.
- Provide services to residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.
- Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.
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Community Needs Questionnaire – Email

Subject: 2022-2023 City of Fresno Annual Action Plan and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Questionnaire

Hello [REDACTED],

The City of Fresno is requesting input from community organizations and local/regional units of government into the City's 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD CPD). The Annual Action Plan and HOME-ARP Plan allocate the City's funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), HOME American Rescue Plan Act (HOME-ARP), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA).

Your input is important to help the City prepare an Annual Action Plan and HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that effectively addresses the most important needs of Fresno's low- and moderate-income residents. The questionnaire contains eight open-ended questions requesting input into how the City should address the priorities identified in its 5-year plan from July 2022 – June 2023. Specific activity recommendations are welcome and encouraged.

Complete the Questionnaire: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SGXV9V2>

Responses appreciated by February 4, 2022.

For more information about the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan or the 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, including public participation and comment opportunities, visit <https://www.fresno.gov/darm/housing-community-development/#tab-07>

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Tell us what your community needs

Cuéntanos que necesita tu comunidad
Qhia peb seb koj lub zej zog xav tau dab tsi

The City receives funding from the U.S. government each year to invest in low- and moderate-income communities. **Tell us how you would like us to put this money to work.**

La Ciudad recibe fondos del gobierno de los Estados Unidos cada año para invertir en comunidades de ingresos bajos y moderados. **Díganos cómo le gustaría que pusiéramos este dinero a trabajar.**

Lub Nroog tau txais nyiaj los ntawm tsoomfwv Meskas txhua lub xyoo los nqis peev rau cov zej zog tau nyiaj tsawg thiab nruab nrab. **Qhia peb seb koj xav kom peb tso cov nyiaj no ua haujlwm li cas.**

Community Workshop 1 Taller Comunitario 1 Rooj Sab Laj Rau Zej Zog 1

January 19, 2022
11:00 A.M.

Zoom:
<https://zoom.us/j/94997484602>
Phone: 669-900-9128

Community Workshop 3 Taller Comunitario 3 Rooj Sab Laj Rau Zej Zog 3

January 24, 2022
11:00 A.M.

Zoom:
<https://zoom.us/j/94673503569>
Phone: 669-900-9128

Community Workshop 2 Taller Comunitario 2 Rooj Sab Laj Rau Zej Zog 2

January 20, 2022
6:30 P.M.

Zoom:
<https://zoom.us/j/98651051765>
Phone: 669-900-9128

Community Workshop 4 Taller Comunitario 4 Rooj Sab Laj Rau Zej Zog 3

January 25, 2022
6:30 P.M.

Zoom:
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Se proporcionará interpretación al español y al hmong | Yuav muaj txhais lus Mev thiab lus Hmoob

For accommodations, or for more information, contact • Para adaptaciones o para más información llame • Yog xav tau kev
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559-621-8300 | TTY: 559-621-8721 | HCDD@fresno.gov

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Current Annual Action Plan Schedule

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Annual Action Plan Schedule

The schedule of key dates is provided below. Dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as delays in HUD funding allocation announcements.

- Wednesday, 1/19/2022 @ 11:00 A.M. – Community Needs Virtual Workshop 1
- Thursday, 1/20/2022 @ 6:30 P.M. – Community Needs Virtual Workshop 2
- Monday, 1/24/2022 @ 6:30 P.M. – Community Needs Virtual Workshop 3
- Tuesday, 1/25/2022 @ 11:00 A.M. – Community Needs Virtual Workshop 4
- Thursday, 1/27/2022 @ 10:05 A.M. – Community Needs Public Hearing
- Friday, 2/4/2022 – Notice of Funding Available Released
- Friday, 3/4/2022 at 4:00 P.M. – Applications for funding due
- Friday, 3/18/2022 – Draft 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Published for 30-Day Comment Period

- Thursday, 4/28/2022 @ 10:05 A.M. – 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Public Hearing

Public Notices

- [January 7, 2022: 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Housing and Community Development and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Needs Notice of Public Hearings and Public Comment Opportunities](#)
- [7 de enero de 2022: Plan de acción anual 2022-2023 Aviso de necesidades de desarrollo comunitario y de vivienda de audiencias públicas y oportunidades de comentarios públicos](#)

Community Workshops

- **Virtual Community Needs Workshop #1**

January 19, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94997484602>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 949 9748 4602

[Meeting Flier](#)

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January 20, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

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Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 986 5105 1765

[Meeting Flier](#)

- **Virtual Community Needs Workshop #3**

January 24, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94673503569>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 946 7350 3569

[Meeting Flier](#)

- **Virtual Community Needs Workshop #4**

January 25, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Join using Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/92680194243>

Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 926 8019 4243

[Meeting Flier](#)

Workshops will present an overview of the Annual Action Plan process, discuss funding priorities identified in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan, and allow community members to provide input into the types of eligible activities needed in the their community. Spanish and Hmong interpretation will be provided. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need additional accommodations such as interpreters, sign language signers, or the services of a translator, please contact the Housing and Community Development Division by calling 559-621-8300, by emailing HCDD@fresno.gov, or by TTY at 559-621-8721. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least three business days prior to the meeting.

Public Hearings

- **Community Needs Public Hearing**

January 27, 2022 City Council Meeting at 10:05 A.M. or thereafter

Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

[Meeting Flier](#)

- **Annual Action Plan Public Hearing**

April 28, 2022 City Council Meeting at 10:00 A.M. or thereafter

Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the meeting at <https://fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Community members are encouraged to make formal comments at public hearings which will be addressed in the final Annual Action Plan. Spanish and Hmong interpretation will be provided. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need additional accommodations such as interpreters, sign language signers, or the services of a translator, please contact the Housing and Community Development Division by calling 559-621-8300, by emailing HCDD@fresno.gov, or by TTY at 559-621-8721. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least three business days prior to the meeting.

Notice of Funding Availability

The 2022-2023 Notices of Funding Availability will be available on the 'Notice of Funding Availability' tab of this web site on February 4, 2022. Applications will be due on March 4, 2022 at 4:00 P.M. Additional information such as technical assistance opportunities will be posted closer to the NOFA release date. Interested organizations, agencies, and departments are encouraged to email HCDD@fresno.gov to request to be notified of updates and assistance opportunities.

Draft Annual Action Plan & Public Comments

The 2022-2023 Draft Annual Action Plan will be posted for public comments to the 'Public Comment Opportunities' tab of this web site from March 18, 2022 through April 18, 2022. The City encourages community members to provide input during the formal comment period, and also welcomes input at any time. Public comments are encouraged through the following means:

Submit Comments by Mail:

City of Fresno

Planning and Development Department

Attn: Housing and Community
Development Division

2600 Fresno Street Room 3065

Fresno CA 93721

Submit Comments by Fax:

559-457-1579

Submit Comments Online:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P2P6V5F>

Submit Comments by Email:

HCDD@fresno.gov

Please include "2022 Action Plan" in
the subject line

Submit Comments by Phone:

559-621-8300

Submit Comments by TTY:

559-621-8721

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Program Year 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Questionnaire

For each of the following strategic priority areas, please explain the activities most needed based on your organization's experience. Information on how those needs have changed in the past year would be particularly welcome, as well as input on how the City should specifically implement the activities.

1. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Provide assistance for the **homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless** through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing first collaborations, and associated supportive services.

2. Under HOME-ARP, the City is able to **designate preferred populations within the qualified populations** enumerated by HOME-ARP regulations. Of the following qualifying populations, which, if any, should be given preferential consideration and why?

- ☐ People experiencing homelessness
- ☐ People at risk of homelessness
- ☐ People fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- ☐ Households who have previously been homeless and are currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance
- ☐ Households who have an annual income that is less than or equal to 30% of the area median income and is paying more than 50% of the monthly household income toward housing costs
- ☐ Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria for one of the qualifying populations

Community Needs Questionnaire – Web Form (2 of 5)

- ☐ Households who have an annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of the area median income and has met at least one of the following conditions: Moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance; is living in the home of another person because of economic hardship; has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance; lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals; lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons per room; is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a healthcare facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution; otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified by the City's 5-year consolidated plan
- ☐ None of the above

Please explain your choice(s)

3. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Improve access to **affordable housing** for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.

4. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current **public infrastructure and facilities**, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.

Community Needs Questionnaire – Web Form (3 of 5)

5. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.

6. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Provide services to residents and housing providers to **advance fair housing**.

7. What is most needed to address the following priority?

Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.

Program Year 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Questionnaire

8. From your perspective, what is the biggest challenge facing the City of Fresno today?

Community Needs Questionnaire – Web Form (4 of 5)

Program Year 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan and 2021-2022 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Questionnaire

Please provide the contact information for your organization or unit of local or regional government.

OK

9. Name of Organization or Unit or Government

10. Name

11. Title

12. Email

Community Needs Questionnaire – Web Form (5 of 5)

13. Would you like to **sign up for email updates** from the Housing and Community Development Division? Recipients receive invites to community meetings, notices of funding availability, and invitations to comment on plans and reports.

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Appendix B: Citizen Input and Public Comments

Community Needs Consultation Questionnaire Responses

Question: What is most-needed to address the following priority? Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing first collaborations, and associated supportive services.

Responses:

1. Sustainable funding for ongoing services and investment in property developments for affordable housing
2. The area needs safe, secure and clean low-barrier shelters with supportive services. This includes an increase of beds, specifically for households with children. Transportation to get to those services is vital. Housing needs to allow people to stay in a unit (with their own valuables) until they can acquire an appropriate next step housing. Flexible funding to assist with helping individuals more easily move towards self-sufficiency (car payment, PG&E, childcare, fines/fees owed, clothing for interviewing) and linkages for job placements are an additional resource that help people become successfully housed.
3. Not allowing anyone to sleep outside on a sidewalk or any public or private space
4. Support services should be a priority - mental health support, drug rehabilitation and social skills.
5. Coordination of city and non-profit resources, collaboration with school district and other community service agencies. Available shelter and mental health options.
6. Funding for acquisition and operations of low barrier shelter.
7. Do a review of every parcel of Fresno government-owned vacant property to determine its viability as possible housing sites
8. Appropriate partnerships/ collaboration Appropriate training for everyone involved
9. Universal Basic Income. Make the person responsible for their own decisions on housing, food, and other decisions. Homeless people we work with want to be housed. They can't afford it. UBI would allow them a foundation to pay rent and stay house if that is what they want to be.
10. Continue rental/mortgage assistance to prevent homelessness; allow for temporary safe camps with services (can be organized by nonprofit/charitable orgs); continue with hotel renovations; allow rv parking in backyards; support tiny home villages; employ housing first principles throughout (but don't let housing first be the enemy of temporary shelters - immediate relief is needed), but also think of dignity-first as well. Even temporary shelter should not feel undignified.
11. Statewide support for in-patient mental health services and laws to help mandate drug treatment programs.
12. More than the required minimum of accessible units. More low barrier options for people experiencing homelessness. LGBTQ+ Cultural and identity training for staff providing these services, with an emphasis on working with people who are transgender; more consistent policies for working with transgender individuals that do not unnecessarily segregate or "out" them.

Question: Under HOME-ARP, the City is able to designate preferred populations within the qualified populations enumerated by HOME-ARP regulations. Of the following qualifying populations, which, if any, should be given preferential consideration and why?

Responses:

1. People experiencing homelessness – 4 respondents
2. People at risk of homelessness – 7 respondents
3. People fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking – 6 respondents
4. Households who have previously been homeless and are currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance – 3 respondents
5. Households who have an annual income that is less than or equal to 30% of the area median income and is paying more than 50% of the monthly household income toward housing costs – 1 respondent
6. Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria for one of the qualifying populations – 3 respondents
7. Households who have an annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of the area median income and has met at least one of the following conditions: Moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance; is living in the home of another person because of economic hardship; has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance; lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals; lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two people or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room; is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a healthcare facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution; otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified by the City's 5-year consolidated plan – 5 respondents

Choice Explanations:

1. The at-risk population has little access to supportive housing resources.
2. People who are in transition - those on the way up to a permanent living arrangement, and those on the way down from one. This could protect them from ending up unhoused.
3. I think we begin with those most in crisis, and work our way outward to those with less pressing need. I think we can't successfully begin by trying to take on everything.
4. The number of people experiencing homelessness is skyrocketing and it impacts the quality of life for all residents. The core causes of homelessness can only be addressed when people are safe and their basic needs are met.

5. Be proactive and prevent potential homelessness is easier than trying to fix homelessness.
6. Prioritize people in immediate danger; prevent people at the brink of homelessness.
7. Domestic violence can result in a sudden loss of a support structure. Some may not consider these victims as homeless due to income. But our federal laws should be altered to consider special circumstances for victims of domestic violence, human trafficking and other victims of crimes resulting in homelessness.
8. There are not enough supports and resources for individuals at risk of experiencing homelessness. More financial supports that are easier to access for folks who are at risk of losing their housing.

Question: What is most needed to address the following priority? Improve access to affordable housing for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.

Responses:

1. Policies that encourage and promote development, make it attractive to do business in Fresno, and reduce burdensome and detracting barriers to development
2. Increased availability of units, landlord engagement (with incentives to landlords to provide housing), and housing navigators to assist homeless individuals to secure housing.
3. Reduce the application process to one page to qualify for low income housing
4. Include neighborhood organizations that understand the needs of residents and are familiar with existing affordable housing.
5. This is a primary need. Finding developers interested in doing this type of work in the form of a pre-approved list of developers in this area, perhaps?
6. Funding to support the acquisition, rehabilitation, and services costs associated with affordable housing developments.
7. Incentivize developers by minimizing the cost of infrastructure upgrades along transit-oriented development corridors.
8. Property in locations that are a "step up" from locations that are currently being used. For example; a person who is or has challenges with drugs might be placed in a motel on Parkway Drive. This person will be triggered daily. The potential for this person to relapse is magnified. Create housing in North Fresno

9. The city needs to purchase and rehab homes and then sell it to low to moderate income workers. The city also needs to make grants to purchase homes for low to moderate income families available to make these transaction. Home ownership is the only pride to save these dilapidated neighborhoods.
10. Funding and active recruitment for competent and compassionate developers; tie funding to permanent affordability vs. 55 years; better tracking and action in regards to units that are exiting their affordability period; ensuring such development is allowed by right; look into possibility to adopt a tax incentive + grant funding for private property owners (<https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-and-economic-development/housing/housing-trust-fund/4d-affordable-housing>); offer financial support to ADU development tied to affordability; partner with Fresno Housing to expand landlord outreach; include information on affordable housing options at the planning counter (in-person and online).
11. The construction of market rate housing of all types (not just Multi-family) to increase supply, lowering the cost of housing to reduce inflow to homelessness. Affordable housing should not just be "government subsidized" housing.
12. providing or requiring developers build more than the regulatory minimum number of units that are accessible for people with disabilities.

Question: What is most needed to address the following priority? Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.

Responses:

1. A detailed strategic plan with actionable targets and funding
2. Yes! Picking up the trash on west Fresno streets, sidewalks, and parks would greatly improve our quality of life.
3. Yes! Do it! Chinatown is suffering from decades of infrastructure neglect. Older neighborhoods like Chinatown are just as valuable within the City of Fresno as newer neighborhoods. Spending infrastructure dollars equally is just not fair. It should be apportioned by need.
4. Go back to the work Phil Skei was leading with regard to neighborhood revitalization with elementary school neighborhoods as the boundary
5. Updates to park facilities (e.g. bathrooms, play equipment).
6. Stay in weekly contact with State/Federal departments to ensure that budget spending on infrastructure will be allocated to California/Fresno. Because billions in federal infrastructure money was recently approved by the Biden administration, they will be ready to fund a variety of projects with local implications.

7. Bike trails, walking trails, trees
8. The city needs to purchase these dilapidated homes. Rehab these homes to revitalize the neighborhood. Sell these homes to low income families. Then ask the families what they want in their neighborhood. Most families we talk to do not want run-down public buildings or infrastructure and facilities. Most just want green space. Would probably be cheaper to just demolish and lay down sod.
9. Street trees should be considered a priority, especially in existing urban heat islands and along key destination corridors. Look also at filling in sidewalk and bike network gaps first to create complete connections. Shaded bus stops should also be a priority.
10. The ability to create Community Facilities Districts or other special districts to fund regular neighborhood maintenance through property tax assessments. Due to Prop 18 and other state laws, it is de facto impossible to retroactively create these districts in established, older neighborhoods.
11. accessibility improvements to public transportation infrastructure (bus stops) and filling sidewalk gaps.

Question: What is most needed to address the following priority? Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.

Responses:

1. Person-centered approach geared toward building resiliency through education, job training, and health literacy
2. Helping individuals secure and maintain employment
3. Monthly check ins from a nurse or social worker?
4. People are important! Keep in mind, though, that households in mixed-use neighborhoods as just as valuable as residential neighborhoods.
5. Leverage successful Career-technical opportunities and job upskilling opportunities that exist in our community. On site job trainers/developers.
6. Provide programs for children and youth to give them a safe, positive place to thrive.
7. Provide funding to the DRIVE initiative.
8. Universal Basic Income (UBI).
9. Every neighborhood should have an easy way to access services. Consider the possibility of developing more community centers where services can be located or

routed or partnering with local schools (maybe to have pop-up services on weekends, etc.).

10. Couple requirements with government aid, e.g. Welfare to Work. It is important to help folks in a desperate state but it should be conditioned on them taking up a choice of available opportunities. "Developing" human capital requires effort and investing time.
11. funding for community benefit organizations to assist with services and advocacy for individuals who are at risk of losing housing, as well as those who need assistance with requesting reasonable modifications to their home for accessibility.

Question: What is most needed to address the following priority? Provide services to residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.

Responses:

1. Strategic investments in education through trusted messengers
2. Helping people navigate home ownership or first time renters leases
3. Again, involve neighborhood organizations. For example, the Lowell CDC gives tenant education classes.
4. Support affordable housing projects throughout the city, not just in impoverished areas.
5. Work with Fresno's faith institutions to provide supportive housing on a portion of their properties.
6. Access to housing opportunities in ALL areas of our beautiful city
7. Universal Basic Income (UBI). UBI gives families negotiating power and purchasing power if they choose to be homeowners.
8. Continue with audits, responding to complaints, and providing landlord/tenant rights training. In addition, part of fair housing might include location of housing to services and amenities and this is where permitting a variety of housing, including affordable housing, by right is important.
9. That depends on the definition of fair housing and how we expect the public to interpret it. If private sector, we need to amend policies to reduce barriers - not policies like inclusionary zoning which infringe. For quality of life, we need to ensure robust enforcement and abatement of substandard housing practices by landlords.
10. Housing providers need more education and awareness about the needs of the communities, working with people with disabilities, and working with transgender individuals. For residents, funding for community benefit organizations to assist with services and advocacy for individuals who are at risk of losing housing, as well as those

who need assistance with requesting reasonable modifications to their home for accessibility.

Question: What is most needed to address the following priority? Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.

Responses:

1. Easy to navigate public processes including public meetings, access to information on website; provide information for the public in layperson terms without industry or governmental jargon
2. Give funds to community created organizations
3. Choose neighborhood CDCs and Foundations as partners. Share the responsibility for increasing transparency and community involvement.
4. Regular, transparent updates regarding initiatives funded via this effort
5. Change the format of city council meetings so that business and public comment are done before councilmembers share district updates. Citizens are often unable to sit through a full day meeting to provide feedback on items important to them.
6. It needs to be part of someone's job at City Hall to work with Fresno's CEDP (Community Economic Development Partnership). <https://www.fresnocedp.org/>
7. Honest discussion with residents. Open and honest talk from elected officials
8. These activities should be nonprofit lead supported by the City.
9. Work across departments/divisions to see how efforts can be combined; continue with annual reports and community engagement; create cheat sheets to show how money is allocated; try to consolidate engagement to reduce meeting fatigue. Some of this could be attained via the Housing Element Annual Progress Report.
10. Transparency is very important but this has now gone beyond disclosing the municipalities plans. Now it is a handful of the same people or special interests representing a small part of the population instead of a majority of the communities population which is how a democracy should work. It is also beneficial to engage with recipients of funding in a apolitical way to assess the effectiveness much like a business would do to poll customer service.
11. asking developers to provide more than the regulatory minimum number of accessible units.

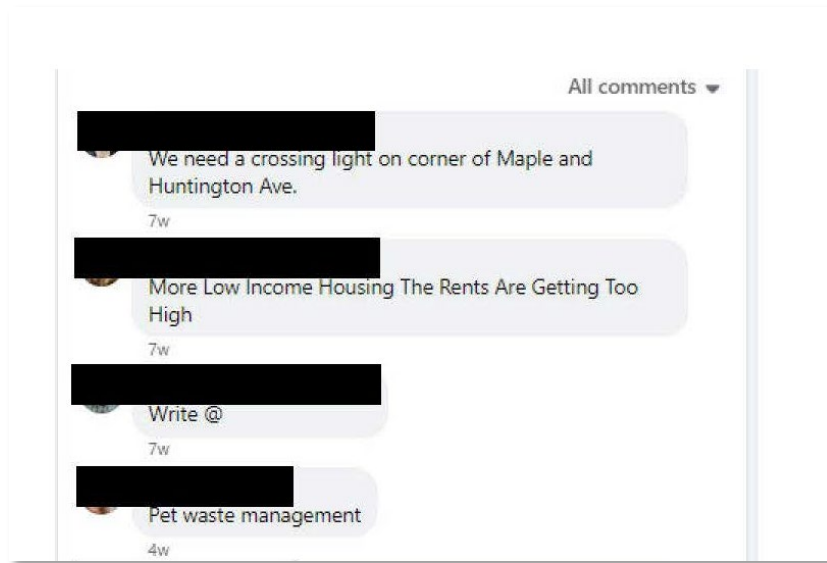
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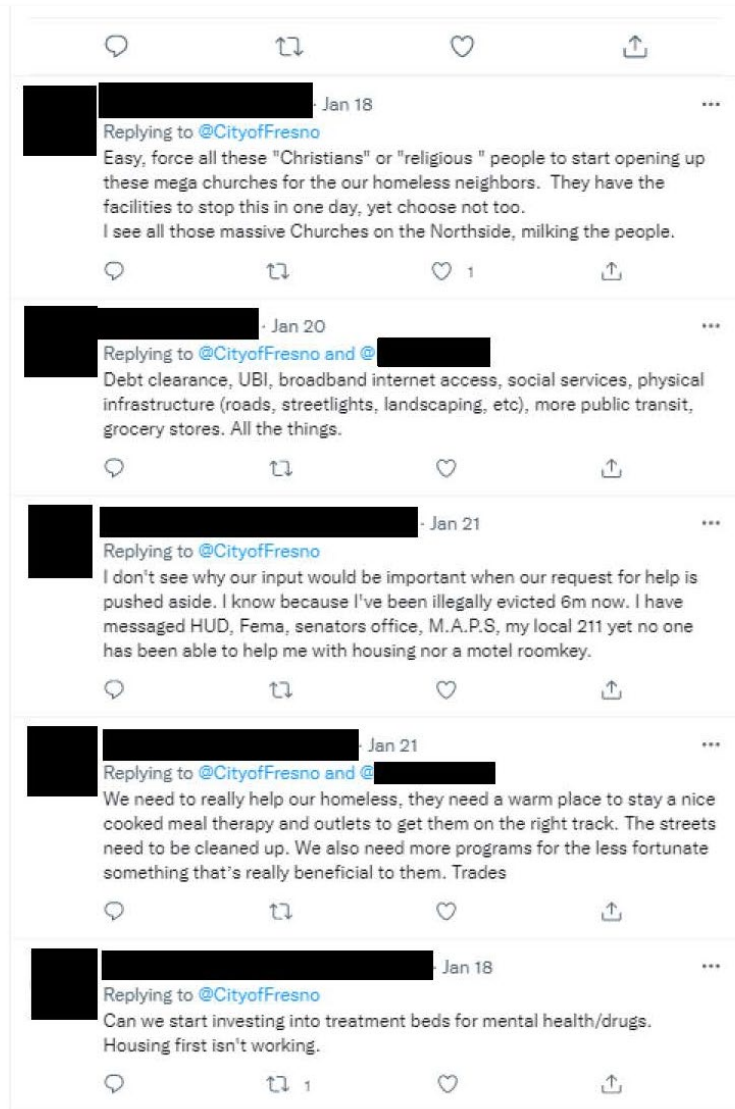
Responses:

1. Rapidly rising costs of housing are significantly complicating the already precarious challenge of people experiencing homelessness, pushing more and more people, especially young adults, into the at-risk category.
2. Lack of a consistent and collaborative plan with all engaged entities that has accurate data analysis of the full picture of homelessness and the needs of those who are unhoused or unsafely housed. An ongoing system-gap analysis is vital to actually know what is available, what is funded and what needs to be in future priorities. This needs to be updated on a regular basis with projections for what programs will be defunded and which new programs have come online.
3. Homeless encampments on sidewalks
4. Of course housing, but always consider the obstacles other than physical buildings when assisting people to become or continue being housed - mental health, drug treatment, social skills, employment.
5. "The biggest challenge facing the City of Fresno today is the lack of technical assistance we have for the socially disadvantaged and underserved farmers, especially during the pandemic. Data from Asian Business Institute and Resource Center (ABIRC)'s intake form since March 2020 revealed that 87% of our small-scale, socially disadvantaged farmers (SDF) experienced devastating sales losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Even with the crisis relief efforts, many could not apply for these efforts on their own due to language and technology barriers. Nearly 70% of these farmers did not qualify for crisis relief efforts because they did not have their financial records in a format that was acceptable for Small Business Administration loans and other debt-relief options.
Local governments have struggled to outreach and work with the community in a culturally appropriate manner. Through the Crop Buy-Back Program, funded by the City of Fresno rescue dollars, ABIRC was able to assist over 250 small, local farmers, provide over 10,000 bags of free groceries to local needy families. The pandemic is still uncertain with the new variant, and the need for programs like the Crop Buy-Back is still critical to financially support small BIPOC farmers that reside in the City of Fresno."
6. Income disparity by zip code.
7. Poverty. We need pathways for people to get out of poverty, which will alleviate many of societal ailments such as gangs, drugs, domestic violence, homelessness, etc.
8. It's hard to pick only 1! It's probably implementing best-practice affordable housing models that can keep our housing developers engaged and simultaneously serve our city's low-income residents.
9. opportunities for housing in all areas of Fresno.

10. The City of Fresno for decades have been trying to solve other people's problems. Make and Give a UBI to all residents. Put the power of change in their hands. Residents need to be responsible for their livelihood. Local Government can then do their job of governing and keeping the peace.
11. Poverty. Even if Fresno is historically lower-cost than the rest of the state, many Fresnoans have struggled with housing cost burden. - We should examine rent control similar to how homeowners enjoy caps on property tax increases. - We should promote more variety of housing types to allow people to "right-size" their housing according to their needs, not just what is available. This should also include promoting condos, which are more affordable entries into homeownership. - And we should promote infill development to reduce car dependency, which is also expensive and has deleterious impacts to air quality.
12. Increasing crime and victimization of residents especially from arrested and charged criminals who are released. Homelessness is a close second but the laws need to change in order to address that on a large enough scale.
13. not enough low-barrier shelters, not enough accessible and affordable housing units

Social Media Comments





Community Needs Workshop Participation Summary

Community Workshop #1 – January 19, 2022 at 11 AM

January 19 - Group 1

- Affordable Housing:
 - Should be located in areas of high opportunity within the City
 - Along the FAX bus line
 - Not just in southwest Fresno
 - Take median income and education levels into consideration with finding location for affordable housing
 - Housing should be focused on 30%-50% AMI and lower
 - Housing type should be available for people with disabilities including mental health issues
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - Emergency shelters should be located in areas of high opportunity within the City
 - Along the FAX bus line
 - Not just in southwest Fresno
 - Take median income and education levels into consideration with finding location for affordable housing
 - Different types of shelters like cooling centers, warming centers, Day Centers should be provided
 - More focus on case management for homeless participants
 - More case workers should be provided at projects sponsored by the City
 - More case workers at areas along the FAX bus line
 - More case workers throughout the City; not just in southwest Fresno

January 19 - Group 2

- Affordable Housing:
 - homeless citizens to be able to use vouchers to lease tiny homes to get out of the shelters – this will also allow for newly homeless citizens a place to go to regroup
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - onsite support services seem non-existent
 - over-populated with participants in shelters that stress the resources
 - focus on certain areas of city – not targeted the entire community
 - listen to advocate groups supporting homeless citizens and apply their feedback to services and programs
 - type of shelters: separate from single and couples, separate for addicts who are in low barrier shelters, separate domestic violence individuals to minimize human trafficking incidents
 - locations of shelters in the community to minimize homeless citizens to fall back in their negative environment
 - location to move the juvenile homeless shelter to a more positive environment.
- Community Services:
 - see a need for a more streamline networking system to provide services to citizens who need social services
- Programmatic Compliance:

- get community more involved in planning and delivering activities
- having shelters provide WiFi service to help homeless citizens join in these types of discussions and participate in the planning instead of only advocates

Community Workshop #2 – January 20, 2022 at 6:30 PM

January 20 – Group 1

- Affordable Housing:
 - Fresno has the second-highest rent rates
 - High slum housing areas that target low-income families
 - Qualifications to get into affordable housing need to be more transparent to the community
 - Low-barrier entry for people who have an eviction in their history
 - Evictions make people ineligible for HUD programs for 7 years
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - Shelters separate single mothers with children 5-17 years old – need full family shelters
- Community Services:
 - Free public transportation for the homeless, possibly bus tokens for homeless
- Public Infrastructure:
 - Need more street lights, especially around bus stops
 - Public showers and bathrooms with lockers that are free, safe, and accessible for homeless individuals to use

January 20 – Group 2

- Affordable Housing:
 - Rent stabilization needed
 - How is this program meeting housing goals of housing element?
 - Housing first is the thinking; provide more stable and permanent homeless housing
 - Housing for very low income in high opportunity areas for both housing and shelters
 - Shelters not available for families – they often get separated
 - Need low-barrier entry services
 - Eviction on record creates a barrier
- Community Services:
 - Need homeless resources
 - Homelessness with children, what are wrap-around services for children?
 - Families with children should be prioritized as highly as those with special needs
 - Address accessibility issues for individuals with disabilities
 - Reestablish free tokens for bus fare
- Programmatic Compliance:
 - Have unhoused individuals at the table
- Public Infrastructure:
 - Still need better infrastructure around schools, like sidewalks, signals, crosswalks
 - Lockers to be able to put belongings
 - Access to showers/toilets

- Provide wifi at shelters and Zoom
- Other:
 - Not happy with ARPA money going to police

Community Workshop #3 – January 24, 2022 at 6:30 PM

January 24 – Group 1

- Community Services:
 - Better training for case managers no dealing with mental health issues and substance abuse disorders
 - Need on-site mental health and drug counselors
 - Social Security staff needed to assist with benefits
 - County staff to assist with applying for Medi-Cal and Food Stamps
 - Proper intake assessments to determine participants' real needs
 - Training for staff and security on how to properly engage and treat participants

January 24 - Group 2

- Affordable Housing:
 - Stop spending money to buy land on Parkway
 - Using CEQA exemption violates environmental justice rights
 - Rent control needed
- Homeless and Homeless Prevention:
 - Shelters are disrespectful to individuals using them
 - Walking in on people without knocking
 - Stealing medication
 - Shelters and housing need to be available in all areas of the City of Fresno
 - Need to be in safe areas, close to FAX
 - Motel investments are a showboat of doing something but not really
- Community Services:
 - Medical (including mental health), dental, and vision mobiles to shelters to help individuals
 - Mental health services needed – therapy/counseling in addition to psychiatric help
 - Portable showers going throughout Fresno
 - Ability to do laundry throughout Fresno
 - In Portland, Oregon there's City Central Concern that offers various health care options and pathway to jobs. Would like to see something similar
 - Implementing a model similar to Cahoots in Eugene, Oregon (Cahoots is a community-based public safety system to provide mental health first response for crises involving mental illness, homelessness, and addiction)
 - More programs for youth recreation
 - Keep parks and gyms open later
 - Don't just need services, but we need quality services
- Programmatic Compliance:
 - Involve people who are most affected by homelessness

Community Workshop #4 – January 25, 2022 at 11 AM

January 25 – Group 1

- Affordable Housing:
 - Greatest need is to stabilize the homeless population; provide permanent housing – provide affordable housing
 - For every emergency shelter, 4-5 permanent housing options are needed
 - Rent control must be put in place. Rental prices are not affordable as is
 - Shelter is a band-aid; permanent affordable housing is a priority
 - Tiny home villages are needed
 - High opportunity housing is needed. People should be able to choose what neighborhood they live in
 - Tulare, California is building prefab units that are working out very well as housing communities
 - Combine a tiny home village with the new pet shelter. The homeless would benefit from an opportunity to help feed and care for the animals. Both the animals and the individuals would benefit from the connection
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - Demographics being left behind: elderly, mentally ill, individuals that are hard to house, and those fleeing domestic violence situations
 - Research whether people are being charged to stay in shelters
 - Parks for kids in the shelter and housing settings are needed
- Community Services:
 - Resources need to be attached to services and rental/home assistance
 - Protection programs need to be in place alongside housing services
 - Individuals given a voucher and rental assistance are not provided with life skills needed to maintain their life. They are overwhelmed with bills and the stress associated with living in a new environment. Services are needed to support each individual through the process. They can't be given a home or shelter without also being provided with the means to care for their daily living
 - Resources are needed to help individuals find homes and apartments
 - Medical, dental, and mental health services are needed for individuals who cannot travel to these appointments. Having services on site would allow people to get health services

January 25 – Group 2

- Affordable Housing:
 - Use existing vacant buildings for immediate housing options
 - Put tiny homes on vacant pads in mobile home parks
 - Need more permanent housing – current model is transitional
 - Need more permanent housing
 - Public sector units stretched too thin – Public Works should build units – too much money skimmed off the top in current system
 - Affordable housing not available; nothing is affordable enough
 - Low-income housing should not be more than 30% of a person's income
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - Build safe camps with clean water and sanitation areas for bathing and cleaning
 - Continuum of Care not working well

- Support housing first
- Security is an issue
- People need to take advantage of the Rental Assistance Program – there's still money available
- Community Services:
 - Provide water and sanitation services for people living on the street – use Sacramento as an example
 - Need services for people who may have some problems like mental health that would prevent them from participating because of lack of support

January 25 - Group 3

- Affordable Housing:
 - Convert shelters to permanent housing
 - Gap financing for the motel conversion projects currently underway
 - Carve out housing for undocumented and immigrant populations
- Homeless and Homelessness Prevention:
 - Need to increase number of beds at youth shelters
 - Homeless people need an address to send mail to
 - Tenant based rental assistance
 - Prevent rental evictions
 - Provide funding for rent
 - Foster youth and youth with medical issues cannot find a place to live – focus on them
- Community Services:
 - Programs that prepare homeless individuals for transition into permanent housing and homeownership
 - Work with school districts on navigating youth shelters and programs
 - Mental health and drug counseling
 - Improve community policing to make areas feel safer
 - Credit counseling to help people for housing and funding
 - Need more community centers, resiliency centers, community gardens, mental health services for free or low cost with wrap-around services for youth
 - Services and support around queer youth and specific services for that population
- Public Infrastructure:
 - Need to improve streetlights and sidewalks in District 5
 - Too many stray dogs make it feel unsafe to walk around the community
- Fair Housing:
 - More funds to further fair housing or to hire a consultant to get information out into the community

Community Needs Public Hearing Input

1. **Brunette Harris** made the following suggestions:
 - Objects to Community Workshops not being held in West Fresno
 - Would like the City to lose its HUD funding

2. **Robert McKloskey** made the following suggestions:
 - Look at housing-first rapid rehousing instead of shelter and temporary housing programs to reduce costs and improve outcomes
 - Use publically-financed low-income housing to eliminate for-profit developers from the process
 - Consider using modular houses for permanent housing
3. **Ivanka Saunders** made the following requests:
 - Need funding the Addams Elementary area park
 - Wants funding for public housing with wrap-around services for extremely low-income people
 - Hotel purchases are insufficient without services to assess needs
 - People need to be screened for Social Security benefits and CalWORKs eligibility
4. **Alexandra Alvarado** made the following requests:
 - Programs need to benefit those who were intended to be served. Follow up on implementation
 - Wrap-around services are needed
 - Low turnout in one of the Community Needs meetings. Need to increase turnout
5. **Lisa Flores** made the following suggestions:
 - Reiterated the importance of outreach to West Fresno
 - Recommends outdoor listening sessions
 - Would like to see a safe lot for people living in their cars
6. **Brandi Nuse-Villegas** made the following suggestions:
 - Would like Public Hearings to take place at 6 PM
 - Anti-Displacement insight should be incorporated
 - Affordable housing needs to be housing-first
 - Housing protections to make sure renters remain in their homes
 - Need more development in high opportunity areas
 - Near FAX routes and good schools
 - Need Day Centers with wrap-around services
 - Would like mobile medical services at shelters

- Wants resource centers with training for employment and employment opportunities
 - Does not want federal money to be used fund the police department
 - Would like the City to better engage the unhoused to get input
 - Wants Wifi to be available throughout the City at no cost
 - Would like better notification of the public of opportunities to comment
7. **Alexandros Acedo** made the following suggestions:
- Housing-first as a priority
 - Wants more programs for students and recreational opportunities for youth
 - Would like schools to be used as community centers for outreach
8. **Desiree Martinez** made the following requests:
- Turnout was low in Community Needs meetings
 - Wanted more time in breakout rooms during Community Needs meetings
 - Would like to see Wifi at shelters and parks
 - Tiny homes are needed, and they can be placed at RV parks
 - Include wrap-around services in tiny home villages
 - Need permanent housing for temporary shelter residents
9. **Pedro Navarro-Cruz** made the following suggestions:
- Need additional youth programs throughout the City
 - Would like more and improved first-time homebuyer programs without immigration restrictions
 - Look at Central City Concern in Portland, Oregon as an example for providing vision, dental, and substance use services
 - Need tiny homes
 - Need better racial equity for people receiving help
10. **Nicole Linder** on behalf of the Marjaree Mason Center via email
- In response to Item 22-115 on the January 27, 2022 agenda (today), we are encouraging the City to increase ESG (homeless outreach and emergency shelter) funding to the maximum amount allowable by HUD. For several years we have made this request and also did so at the most recent FMCOC meeting. By increasing this amount, it aligns with the priorities as listed in the 5-year annual action plan. Although there are currently increased resources for emergency shelter, that hasn't always been the case. Often times, these ESG funds are the

only eligible funds to provide direct emergency shelter for homeless individuals in our community. In the past, these are the most competitively applied for resources and alternatively, in most recent years, rapid rehousing has been undersubscribed. Therefore, it makes sense to decrease rapid rehousing allocations and increase ESG to the maximum allowed amount. The funding to purchase motels for emergency shelter in Project Home Key round 1 allowed for temporary emergency shelter with a plan to transition to permanent housing. Therefore, the community will not likely have the depth and volume of resources to provide emergency shelter that we have now (which we can all agree is STILL not enough) into the future. Increasing ESG allows us not only meet for current emergency shelter needs but to be proactive in planning for this transition.

11. **Teri Ann Kezirian** made the following request via email:

- Hello: I attended the seminar briefly today regarding proposals for use of funds. I wanted to propose improvements to Koligian Park at Alluvial and Dante in District 2, it is need of repair/upgrades and has no shade structure making the playground useless during warm months. It is a diverse community and the only park in walking distance to the area. It is a well-used park and the current state of the playground and facilities does not match the importance of the park to the community.

12. **Jose Ramos** made the following suggestion via email:

- I am a citizen living in the westerra community on Gettysburg and Hayes in Fresno, CA 93723. I wanted to share my comments and experience living in west Fresno the last 8 months. Although the neighborhood and communities are for the most part peaceful, we are lacking police presence in our west Fresno communities. The constant sound of street racing, unwanted visitors (car theft attempt and ring camera stolen at our house), and frequent graffiti up on the main community walls shows that there it is easy to engage in illegal activity in our community. It is unsettling and concerning for a middle class family and community that wants to make west Fresno a quality place to live.

13. **Pat Wilson** made the following request via email:

- Very simply: combine the housing authorities' housing voucher program, or similar city rental assistance program if there is one, with the city's apartment inspection and code compliance efforts.

That way properties which need repairs can be matched with low income tenants who receive rental assistance, thereby assuring landlords of a guaranteed rental income which can be used to pay for repairs.

14. **W.S. Tait** made the following request via email:

- Road or street repair, not new construction thereof.
- Homeless shelter, like say mini homes as seen at Fresno fair.

15. **Heather Halsey** made the following suggestions:

- I'm writing on behalf of my 58-year-old unhoused friend, Charles. He has been sleeping mostly outdoors for the last 20 years and is now blind, which makes his

situation exponentially more precarious. Every time I hear about a pedestrian getting hit by a car, I think of him.

He genuinely wants to find housing and asked me to help him apply in December. With the recent Project HomeKey shelters, I was hopeful that we would be able to find an option even if it was a short term shelter. I was shocked to find that he literally has no options and had to sleep on the streets during the rain and freezing temperatures that we had in December.

He is disqualified from staying at most shelters and all long-term housing through Fresno Housing, due to a lifetime sex offense on his record. To my knowledge, there is only one low barrier shelter that may accept him, which is the Golden State Triage Center — and with only 50 beds it is perpetually full.

Charles and the 2,400 individuals in Fresno with these offenses on their records need safe shelter options and a path to long term housing.

I believe it would go a long way in addressing the city's overall homelessness and crime if these individuals weren't disqualified from shelters and housing.

Please include low barrier shelters and housing, specifically for those with these type of lifetime offenses on their records, in your annual action plan. So that Charles and those like him have a chance at survival.

16. Stephen Sacks made the following requests:

- People need a safe place before anything significant can be done to help. Destroying homeless encampments is not helpful. We need as a start, safe and secure campgrounds with facilities. If not, then we need big projects like turning the former VMC (UMC) into living quarters for the homeless.
- Also, something needs to be done about housing costs. Many people need financial help to obtain housing or retain housing. Housing prices are too high for a large segment of Fresno's population. People need help!

17. Pam Childers made the following request:

- There are new homes being built in the area of Dakota, Armstrong and Fowler areas. It appears the roads are going to come through 6300 Robinson Ave, 3400 N. Burl Avenue, as well as 6200 Robinson and 3400 N Burgan Avenue. Up until this point, there have been barriers so vehicles cannot drive through this area. As someone who lives in this neighborhood, there is a park in the middle of these roads where children walk to and from as well as play in the park daily.

My point is there should continue to be road barriers in these locations as people are already driving their vehicles in this area way too fast and removing the barriers is only going to make the traffic through this area worse. I fear for the safety of the children in this neighborhood.

Emails and Survey Responses Received During the Public Comment Period
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Public Comments and City Responses

Comments received between March 18, 2022 and the close of the Public Comment period on April 19, 2022 are provided below along with the associated City response. All comments will be incorporated in the final submission of the plans to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). All text in *italics* are direct quotes of comments; text in regular font are synopses of comments due to length. All comments received via email and survey are posted below in full. Titles are self-reported by each respondent.

Ambassador Brian Kelly, resident of Council District 3: *Still desperately need Mobile Bathroom / shower trailers downtown and throughout the city. Really unfortunate it's taken this long when we have local manufactures capable of designing / building right here in our backyard.*

Downtown is still a food desert doesn't matter how many street eat events or food trucks we have parked people need nutritional fresh produce and the opportunity to buy them from local farmers. Partner with Arte America for weekly markets and highlight farm workers rights. Also financially support more local garden programs require new apt / housing to hold spaces for these as well.

[City Response:

- Throughout the City's consultation with the community during the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan process, members of the community did not identify having mobile bathrooms or shower trailers as one of the activities that should be funded through CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, or HOME. The City is mandated by federal law to pursue the goals outlined in the 5-year Consolidated Plan through its Annual Action plans. However, those services were identified as a priority for funding during the HOME-ARP community consultation phase and will be eligible for funding through that program.

The community did identify that "[r]ecreation, nutrition, and social services for seniors" should be funded, and in the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan, the City funded a program to build community gardens for seniors in the Chinatown area of Fresno. The City did not receive applications to fund similar projects in the 2022-2023 Consolidated Notice of Funding Availability.

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Kim Sorian, resident of District 4: *Let's please build housing right next to safe & clean transportation routes including bike lanes & cheap bike rentals!! Here are some more ideas down below. And please ensure the bullet train gets finished, especially at time when gas prices are very high!* <https://archive.curbed.com/a/texas-california/electric-cars-climate-change-sacramento-california>

[City Response:

- The City shares your desire for safe and clean transportation routes. In the 2020 Analysis of Impediments, the City noted that moderate-income members of the community spend an average of 71 percent of their household income on housing and transportation costs. To address that issue, the City formed a goal of increasing

improvements to streets, curbs, sidewalks, and street lighting, particularly in parts of south Fresno, as part of its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. That plan informs all of the Annual Action Plans through 2024.

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Karen Duvall, retiree and resident: *We feel [OASIS/PALS adult-day program] is a much needed community program. After Covid restrictions, there is a great need to get back to a more normal environment. Having had a mother who needed care we can appreciate this effort.*

[City Response:

- The Draft Program Year 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan includes funding for Valley Caregiver Resource Center to relaunch its OASIS Adult Day Care program. The Annual Action Plan will be taken to the City Council for consideration and final approval before submission to HUD.
- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Suraj Kairamkonda, owner of Right at Home In Home Care & Assistance: *I recommend OASIS adult-day program to be chosen by the City of Fresno*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Lily Gutierrez, caregiver and resident of District 5: *The Oasis and Adult programs that VCRC provide are extremely needed for our older and dementia seniors who need to socialize and a place where they enjoy. plus allowing a small break for the family caregiver. Please help us keep the doors open for a place for our loveone's to go spend a little time with other peers with the same brain disease and be with others to connect. Our loveone's desperately need this small time away from home.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Tiffany Zambrano, nursing student and resident of District 4: *Please fund the reopening of Oasis Adult Day Program.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Tina Valla, fiscal manager at Valley Caregiver Resource Center: *I support the funding the Community Block Grant for Valley Caregiver Resource Center.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Natasha Ambriz on behalf of Central Valley Regional Center: *Detailed ... rent reasonableness should be clearly explained with examples of area costs. Appreciated the plain language of the checklists.*

[City Response:

- The City will work to include this information in future publications.
- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Terry Coleman: *Please support OASIS adult day program with funds to allow it to open again. My mother attended previously and it was a wonderful program to help her have activities with others who have dementia.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Robin Shepard, resident: *The Oasis/Pals program was a tremendous resource for our family. My aging mother in law is 85 and enjoyed this program TREMENDOUSLY. It gave her a safe and stimulatingly environment and as a care giver it was a blessing to me also. Since the program has been closed we have not been able to find any other program like it. Our aging community has given much in their lives of hard work and sacrifice. This program is one way we can show our gratitude and give back. PLEASE SERIOUSLY CONSIDER ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO BRING THIS PROGRAM BACK!!!*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Jennifer Webb, HICAP Program Manager: *I support the Valley Caregiver Resource Center and the reopening of the OASIS adult day program.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Edward Y Ramos, via email: *I would like to see funding be reinstated to support this program. It supports many individuals that need that day care for adults extra care to survive the day to day life support It takes to help cognitive support for many residents. You youngsters are the life support for us oldies, please support us older citizens.*

[City Response:

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- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Stephanie Marquez, resident of District 3: *I would like for there to be a bike path created in Edison. I also would like for sidewalks to be installed on every street in the area. I would also like to see more beautification with drought resistant plants in the area.*

[City Response:

- The City has applied for funding through the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant which will fund the installation of approximately 1,190 linear feet of sidewalks along the south side of California from Fruit to Thorne and along the north side of California between Kern and Pottle.

In 2017, the City adopted the Active Transportation Plan that includes prioritizing higher quality active transportation infrastructure for bicyclists and pedestrians.

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Hope & Effort Appropriately Thriving (H.E.A.T) for South West Fresno Community, a group of residents living in Southwest Fresno:

The City held an in-person meeting on March 28, 2022 to discuss the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan. Below is a synopsis of the comments provided by the approximately 10 members who were in attendance:

- Public outreach can be improved by taking the funds used to publish public notices in the Fresno Bee and reappropriating them to door-hanger distribution or mailing notices through the United States Postal Services. Members felt that the Fresno Bee's circulation is expensive and largely digital
- Holding community meetings in Selland Arena, Chuckchansi Park, or the Save Mart Center would benefit public outreach
- Public service announcements should be made on television during the local news
- The City should coordinate with schools to distribute fliers to children for them to take home to their parents
- The City is not using the federal funds allocated through the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan to address blight in the Southwest Fresno area

[City Response:

- The City is looking to improve its outreach efforts wherever possible. The suggestions provided by members of H.E.A.T. will be considered for feasibility, and implementation methods considered feasible will be incorporated into future outreach efforts.

When the City consulted residents during the development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, they did not feel blight was a high enough priority for the federal funds administered through the Annual Action plans. As a result, the City primarily focuses on addressing homelessness, creating more affordable housing, funding community services, promoting fair housing practices, and programmatic compliance.

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

The Disability Advisory Commission provided its comments via letter:

- Would like the City to look at its goals to provide decent, affordable housing, create suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities through the lens of disability access
- CDBG funds should be used for public infrastructure barrier removal in accordance with the ADA Transition Plan
- Recommends continuing to partner with subject matter experts for greater understanding of the diverse needs amongst people with HIV/AIDS
- Would like to see funds go to more service providers for a greater diversity of choice, available options, and more effective assistance in available programs
- Wants to see a larger allocation to Fair Housing services with a greater emphasis on providing legal help for existing tenants to request reasonable accommodations
- Would like to see HOME funds made available for home modifications for people of any age who have acquired disabilities. Should also include people who rent homes (with permission of the property owner)
- It would also like to see different metrics used to define "success." Recommends reporting the extent to which a person was assisted
- Would like to see more funding allocations toward increasing options for duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, tiny houses, and mixed-use rental homes that can be located in established neighborhoods

- Wants funding to be made available for mental health support services
- Would like more afterschool programs available to more youth
- Would like the City to work toward a more robust outreach effort to provide people who are served by these funds with opportunities to provide input

[City Response:

- The City will continue to work to be as inclusive as possible in its decision-making process and the programs it chooses to implement. The goal of reducing barriers to access along the City's roadways is achieved through the work of the Department of Public Works in consideration of the ADA Transition Plan.

While the City is excited about the partnerships it has developed through this and previous Annual Action Plans, it continues to work to develop additional partnerships to grow the level of access provided to Fresnoans.

The City uses metrics that are outlined by federal regulations; however, it will take into consideration expanding those metrics for City reporting purposes.

The City is continuing to expand its outreach efforts year-over-year. With COVID-19 restrictions on staff being reduced, more in-person meetings have the opportunity to occur for future Action Plans. The added flexibility of in-person meetings alongside the virtual meetings the City has implemented over the past two years will help residents become more informed about opportunities for public comment.

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Nicole Linder sent an email on behalf of the Marjaree Mason Center. Below is an excerpt:

- *Although we have been grateful for your past support from CDBG funds for renovations of parts of the shelter, previous ESG, CARES Act dollars and Emergency Rental Assistance, and those dollars all provided survivors in our community with safe shelter, there is nothing in this 2022 Annual Action Plan budget or on any City of Fresno homeless planning documents that would suggest there is consideration of housing resources for survivors starting June 1, 2022.*

[City Response:

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Priscilla Meza sent an email on behalf of Rape Crisis Advocates of Fresno. Below is an excerpt:

- *As the City of Fresno looks to create and fund a comprehensive action plan to address the issue of homelessness, it is imperative that this plan includes strategies to adequately and effectively meet the housing needs of survivors impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and human trafficking and at risk of experiencing homelessness as a result of their assaults. Having access to safe shelter/housing is a basic human right and a core issue in the advocacy work provided by RCS Fresno, along with the advocacy work provided by our community advocacy partners.*

[City Response:

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Michaela Bennet provided a public comment via email:

- Would like to see the City implement programs like Santa Barbara's Safe Parking Lots program and Mountain View's Life Moves' program

[City Response:

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Brandi Nuse-Villegas submitted a comment via email:

- Would like to see eviction protections, right to counsel, funding for other potential programs (e.g. deposit program) incorporated into the Annual Action Plan
- Wants to see greater outreach and assistance to renters navigating tenants rights
- Would like to see an organization other than Poverello House chosen to assist the HART team. States that Poverello House staff lack mental health outreach training
- Would like to see a committee formed of unhoused and recently unhouse (i.e. housed for less than two years) to assist in finding ways to address concerns affecting the unhoused
- Wants Wifi and surveys available at all shelters. Would like to see surveys made available during outreach efforts, at libraries, and on bus signage. These efforts could gain feedback on current and proposed projects and give information about upcoming City meetings

[City Response:

- The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

Exhibit 1: Survey Response – Brian Kelly (1 of 2)

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#1

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Q1

**Homeless and Homelessness Prevention,
Community Services**

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Still desperately need Mobile Bathroom / shower trailers downtown and throughout the city

Really unfortunate it's taken this long when we have local manufactures capable of designing / building right here in our backyard

Downtown is still a food desert doesn't matter how many street eat events or food trucks we have parked people need nutritional fresh produce and the opportunity to buy them from local farmers Partner with Arte America for weekly markets and highlight farm workers rights Also financially support more local garden programs require new apt / housing to hold spaces for these as well

Q3

Name

BK

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 3

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

Ambassador

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Exhibit 1: Survey Response – Brian Kelly (2 of 2)

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Q7

Email Address

briankellyvb@gmail.com

Q8

Yes

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Exhibit 2: Survey Response – Kim Sorian (1 of 2)

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#2

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Affordable Housing,
Public Infrastructure and Facilities,
Community Services

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Let's please build housing right next to safe & clean transportation routes including bike lanes & cheap bike rentals!! Here are some more ideas down below. And please ensure the bullet train gets finished, especially at time when gas prices are very high!
<https://archive.curbed.com/a/texas-california/electric-cars-climate-change-sacramento-california>

Q3

Name

Kim Sorian

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 4

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Title

Q7

Respondent skipped this question

Email Address

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Exhibit 2: Survey Response – Kim Sorian (2 of 2)

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Q8

No

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Exhibit 3: Survey Response – Karen A Duvall (1 of 2)

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#3

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Community Services,

Other (please specify):
OASIS/PALS ADULT-DAY PROGRAM

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

We feel this is a much needed community program. After Covid restrictions, there is a great need to get back to a more normal environment. Having had a mother who needed care we can appreciate this effort

Q3

Name

Karen A Duvall

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

retired

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Exhibit 3: Survey Response – Karen A Duvall (2 of 2)

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Q7

Email Address

woodcrestmorgans@aol.com

Q8

No

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Housing and Community Development Division

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Exhibit 4: Survey Response – Suraj Kairamkonda (1 of 2)

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#4

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Q1

Community Services

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

I recommend OASIS adult-day program to be chosen by the City of Fresno

Q3

Name

Suraj Kairamkonda

Q4

I am commenting on behalf of an organization

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 4

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

Owner

Q7

Email Address

SURAJK@RAHFRESNO.COM

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Exhibit 4: Survey Response – Suraj Kairamkonda (2 of 2)

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Q8

Yes

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Exhibit 5: Survey Response – Lily Gutierrez (1 of 2)

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#5

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Community Services,

Other (please specify):
the OASIS and Adult program that Valley Caregiver
Resource Center

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

The Oasis and Adult programs that VCRC provide are extremely needed for our older and dementia seniors who need to socialize and a place where they enjoy. plus allowing a small break for the family caregiver. Please help us keep the doors open for a place for our loveone's to go spend a little time with other peers with the same brain disease and be with others to connect. Our loveone's desperately need this small time away from home.

Q3

Name

Lily Gutierrez

Q4

Which choice best applies to you?

I am a resident

Q5

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

District 5

Q6

Title

caregiver

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Exhibit 5: Survey Response – Lily Gutierrez (2 of 2)

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Q7

Email Address

lilyg453@aol.com

Q8

Yes

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Exhibit 6: Survey Response – Tiffany Zambrano (1 of 2)

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

None of the above,

Other (please specify):
OASIS Adult Day Program

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Please fund the reopening of Oasis Adult Day Program

Q3

Name

Tiffany Zambrano

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 4

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

Student of RN

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Exhibit 6: Survey Response – Tiffany Zambrano (2 of 2)

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Q7

Email Address

tiffanyalva@yahoo.com

Q8

No

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Exhibit 7: Survey Response – Tina Valla (1 of 2)

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Q1

Community Services

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

I support the funding the Community Block Grant for Valley Caregiver Resource Center.

Q3

Name

Tina Valla

Q4

I am commenting on behalf of an organization

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

Fiscal Manager

Q7

Email Address

tvalla@sbcglobal.net

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Exhibit 7: Survey Response – Tina Valla (2 of 2)

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Q8

No

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Exhibit 8: Survey Response – Natasha Ambriz (1 of 2)

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Homeless and Homelessness Prevention,
Affordable Housing,
Community Services

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Detailed ... rent reasonableness should be clearly explained
with examples of area costs. Appreciated the plain language of the checklists

Q3

Name

natasha

Q4

I am commenting on behalf of an organization

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure,
please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Title

Q7

Email Address

nambriz@cvrc.org

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Exhibit 8: Survey Response – Natasha Ambriz (2 of 2)

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Q8

No

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Exhibit 9: Survey Response – Terry Coleman (1 of 2)

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Q1

Community Services

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

Please support OASIS adult day program with funds to allow it to open again. My mother attended previously and it was a wonderful program to help her have activities with others who have dementia.

Q3

Name

TERRY COLEMAN

Q4

I am commenting on behalf of an organization

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 6

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Title

Q7

Email Address

amgbkr@aol.com

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Exhibit 9: Survey Response – Terry Coleman (2 of 2)

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Q8

No

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Exhibit 10: Survey Response – Robin Shepard (1 of 2)

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Q1

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Community Services,

Other (please specify):

Oasis/Pals Program

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

The Oasis/Pals program was a tremendous resource for our family. My aging mother in law is 85 and enjoyed this program TREMENDOUSLY. It gave her a safe and stimulatingly environment and as a care giver it was a blessing to me also. Since the program has been closed we have not been able to find any other program like it. Our aging community has given much in their lives of hard work and sacrifice. This program is one way we can show our gratitude and give back. PLEASE SERIOUSLY CONSIDER ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO BRING THIS PROGRAM BACK!!!

Q3

Name

Robin Shepard

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Title

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Exhibit 10: Survey Response – Robin Shepard (2 of 2)

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Q7

Email Address

robshep50@gmail.com

Q8

Respondent skipped this question

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Exhibit 11: Survey Response – Jennifer Webb (1 of 2)

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#11

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Q1

Community Services

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

I support the Valley Caregiver Resource Center and the reopening of the OASIS adult day program

Q3

Name

Jennifer Webb

Q4

I am commenting on behalf of an organization

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 1

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Title

HICAP Program Manager

Q7

Email Address

jwebb@valleycrc.org

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Exhibit 11: Survey Response – Jennifer Webb (2 of 2)

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Q8

Yes

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Exhibit 12: Survey Response – Stephanie Marquez (1 of 2)

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Q1

Public Infrastructure and Facilities,

Which priority areas are you commenting on? Select all that apply.

Community Services

Q2

Please give your input or comment on the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

I would like for there to be a bike path created in Edison. I also would like for sidewalks to be installed on every street in the area. I would also like to see more beautification with drought resistant plants in the area.

Q3

Name

Stephanie

Q4

I am a resident

Which choice best applies to you?

Q5

District 3

In which Council District do you live? If you are unsure, please go to <https://www.fresno.gov/citycouncil/council-district-locator/>

Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Title

Q7

Email Address

Stephanie.marquez.209@gmail.com

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Exhibit 12: Survey Response – Stephanie Marquez (2 of 2)

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Q8

Yes

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Exhibit 13: Email Response – Nicole Linder (1 of 3)

From: Nicole Linder [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 5:03 PM
To: HCDD <HCDD@fresno.gov>; Clerk <Clerk@fresno.gov>
Cc: Nicole Linder [REDACTED]
Subject: 2022 Action Plan

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Dear Mayor Dyer, Council President Esparza and members of the Fresno City Council,

I am writing today in response to the 2022 Annual Action plan as listed on the Council agenda for April 28, 2022.

Although most of the community doesn't equate homelessness with domestic violence, human trafficking and sexual assault, survivors DO fall homeless when their own nighttime sleeping arrangements are unsafe. In addition, those who are forced to live on the street are re-victimized. Although not visible to the public on a regular basis, these thousands of victims, often times with their children, NEED safe emergency shelter and longer-term housing supports in the same way that the street homeless population needs. Federal confidentiality mandates through the Violence Against Women Act requires the most strict levels of confidentiality, often meaning that the numbers of these types of individuals in need of housing are not even provided to you.

Although I am most familiar with domestic violence numbers, I know we have significant human trafficking and sexual assault problems in our community and the housing needs and confidentiality protections of those survivors parallels that of domestic violence. **The City of Fresno ranks #1 in per capita calls to law enforcement for domestic violence in the entire state of California.** And we all know that many survivors don't even engage law enforcement. Nationwide, domestic violence is reported as the leading cause of homelessness for women and also the leading cause for preventable death for women ages 18-44. A year ago this month, True Cindy Vang was murdered by her husband in the City of Fresno, leaving behind 6 children. Back then we were outraged. We were outraged again by the consecutive domestic violence murders that continued throughout the year. Last year, there were 8 DV related deaths in Fresno County. Almost all of the victims were mothers with children who are now left behind. That does not include attempted homicides (often shootings) in which survivors lived but their lives have been impacted forever. This does not include an 8-year-old girl, Maria Ortiz, killed by an automobile on Friant road when she got out of a vehicle where her mother was being abused by her partner. We must change these statistics!

Last year, Marjaree Mason Center assisted 7,691 adults and children. Of those, 5,851 were from the City of Fresno. The majority of clients served were either Hispanic (53%), Caucasian (18%) or African American (13%). 68% of clients served last year reported earning no income of their own. Of the households that did report an income (1,668 adults), 63% reported making less than \$15,000 per year.

Exhibit 13: Email Response – Nicole Linder (2 of 3)

This means that 97% of all MMC households were considered low-moderate income and lived below the poverty line. When looking at homeless vulnerability, typically a ViSPDAT is conducted to indicate a person's likelihood of dying on the streets. At Marjaree Mason Center, not only do we conduct a ViSPDAT on individuals coming to us for help, we also conduct a lethality risk assessment. This evidence-based law enforcement screening tool is a 15-question survey that is used to measure the level of physical danger an individual in an abusive relationship is in. A score above 5 is considered severely high risk for lethality and over the last year, MMC's clients collectively scored an average of 10.6.

We are grateful to have a strong partnership with Fresno Police Department, where Marjaree Mason Center advocates partner with both patrol officers and the domestic violence detectives to respond out to calls and also follow up on domestic violence crimes. For decades, the officers have been accustomed to responding to domestic violence calls, being able to offer emergency protective orders and transportation to the Marjaree Mason Center for safe shelter. And although safe emergency shelter is the costliest of our multiple services, it is a critical first step in providing safety, transformation and hope that ultimately changes the trajectory of life for the adults and children we serve. This service, however, is primarily funded through private donations due to a lack of available dollars for emergency shelters and a redirection of the existing emergency shelter dollars to fund programs designated for street homeless populations (almost exclusively single individuals). I so grateful to tax payers in our community for their private philanthropic support to make sure that the emergency shelter resources were sustained to bridge the gap between public dollars and annual costs.

Although we have long looked at the financial toll street homelessness takes on our, already stretched community systems, domestic violence does the same. If you look at the resources spent on law enforcement, the courts, the jails, increased social services, hospitals, emergency services, mental health services, employment turn over, etc, you would see that providing both preventative measures and immediate solutions would be most cost effective.

Although we have been grateful for your past support from CDBG funds for renovations of parts of the shelter, previous ESG, CARES Act dollars and Emergency Rental Assistance, and those dollars all provided survivors in our community with safe shelter, there is nothing in this 2022 Annual Action Plan budget or on any City of Fresno homeless planning documents that would suggest there is consideration of housing resources for survivors starting June 1, 2022.

Fresno has MULTIPLE public health crises, one of which is domestic violence. Providing adequate housing is only one of the components to the solution, but is an ingredient that can NOT be ignored. Enormous City resources, paid dedicated staff, council commissions and significant dollars (blended of local, state and federal) have been used to attack street homelessness. They are being done in a collaborative manner with the County and Fresno Madera Continuum of Care. I am asking the city to also invest time and resources to create and fund a comprehensive and sustainable plan that adequately and effectively meets the housing needs of survivors in our community.

I want to personally thank you and commend you for your decision to provide funding (CARES Act and other resources) for the Marjaree Mason Center and other victim service providers during the COVID pandemic. The design of Marjaree Mason Center's existing structure did not allow for us to provide shelter that met COVID safety guidelines. In addition, we faced unprecedented numbers that our small non-profit could not meet alone. Without your support, countless families would have been turned away and our DV homicide numbers would have likely been even higher.

Domestic violence ONLY rises to a level that a community is willing to accept. Fresno has a history of taking insurmountable challenges and turning them into success stories. It's what got us designated as an All-American City. I am totally confident that the work will be challenging, but together, we can significantly reduce violence in our community and move toward the vibrant, healthy future to which each of you is firmly committed.

Exhibit 13: Email Response – Nicole Linder (3 of 3)

Thank you,
Nicole

Nicole DiBuduo Linder

Executive Director

Marjaree Mason Center

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Exhibit 14: Email Response – Brandi Nuse-Villegas (1 of 4)

From: Brandi Nuse-Villegas [REDACTED] >

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 8:46 PM

To: HCDD <HCDD@fresno.gov>

Subject: Public comments on Annual Action Plan

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- Housing Services
- -
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 - The document states that the Here To Stay report was referenced in the priorities. I would like
 - to see this reflected in the plan, such as eviction protections, Right to Counsel funding, funding for other potential programs, including a deposit program, and such. Also, greater outreach and assistance to renters in navigating tenants rights.
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- Homeless Services
- - 1.
 - 2.
 3. Regarding the potential funding partner, Poverello House for the HART Team. While outreach is needed,
 4. one of the major points that many community members noted was the

Exhibit 14: Email Response – Brandi Nuse-Villegas (2 of 4)

need for mental health services, for mental health providers to be part of outreach, and that all people who have contact with the unhoused be trained in “mental health first aid.” This is imperative,

5. as it affects service to those who are unhoused. For example, I was out at an encampment clean up and several women dealt with extreme anxiety disorders that were activated when they were being asked to move their belongings. Currently, there was no outreach
6. worker assisting them and instead, unpaid advocates were with them. I have assisted a person who was resistant to going to a shelter because she was afraid to ride in the van and advocates negotiated an alternative to get there. We have also observed that
7. based on past trauma and mental health issues, the unhoused may have difficulty interacting with outreach and law enforcement and may even be resistant to services and shelter due to anxiety and perception and may need assistance. They may seem “combatant”
8. because of this and need someone who understands, can de-escalate and assist them. Others struggle when law enforcement is involved and if law enforcement is engaging the unhoused, those who have mental health training should be with them at all times. Considering
9. that being homeless causes people to suffer mental health problems, including from assault, traumatic loss, exploitation, etc, successful outreach to the unhoused is crucial. The agency proposed for this team doesn't have people who are trained in mental health
10. and their services do not include assistance to the unhoused during all part of HART interactions. The team also has not included client centered requests, such as including in their outreach reason why people may not accept services in order to identify areas
11. of improvement. Though they may not have responded to the NOFA, agencies such as Kings View, who do outreach for the county and are trusted by the Fresno Police Department to do crisis response, would be more appropriate. Also, for any outreach, there should
12. be development of outreach from in-depth understanding of the perspective of those who are unhoused.
- 13.

Outreach must not only be client centered, but trauma informed, and this must be part of their program.. Outreach should include those trained to work with specific needs, such as survivors of sex trafficking, survivors of domestic violence, etc.

1.

Exhibit 14: Email Response – Brandi Nuse-Villegas (3 of 4)

- 2.
 3. I ask that the HCDD includes mental health services, for the shelters, for outreach, and training
 4. for all who work with the unhoused. One unhoused person requested a mobile mental health service to attend to them. I understand that mental health is considered a county issue, but as the city and county partner with one another, there must be a way to ensure
 5. this vital service is included in the continuum of care.
 - 6.
 - 7.
 - 8.
 9. I continue to request that within the plan, funding be given to include substantial engagement
 10. with the unhoused community in the form of some sort of committee made up of the unhoused and the recently housed (less than two years, as the situation and concerns affecting the unhoused change rapidly in the city), as well as finding ways to address and
 11. overcome accessible issues and lack of involvement of the unhoused, such as surveys done during outreach and available at shelters, town halls at the shelters to identify needs and give feedback on current and proposed projects, access to wifi and inclusion/information
 12. about city meetings at the shelters and libraries, signage at bus stops, etc.
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 - Please consider KAHOOTTS as a program.
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 - We need more services to unhoused youth.
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 - Please include funding wi-fi in all shelters. This is vital as people use it to access services,
 - make appointment, do online appointments, and other tasks most of us take for granted.
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 - **Programmatic compliance (page 9):**
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- 1.

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3. *"The*
4. *City of Fresno will use grant funding to conduct public participation in support of planning activities"*.
5. In general, the City of Fresno's efforts to gain public participation have been in drastic need of improvement and generally poor, reaching a very small part of the population, though some departments have had more extensive reach than others. The funding
6. should be used to have a dedicated position of someone trained in community relations with social media experience and on the ground experience to improve the scope and quality of community outreach and the organization of community based meetings. Focus should
7. be on accessibility for all; looking into what may keep a community member from learning about and also participating in these meetings. Funding should be invested in expanding the reach of the publicity of meetings to include postings that are visible to
8. the unhoused, email lists, postcards, etc in all languages, communicated in a way that allows people to understand the purpose of the meeting and why they should engage. The city websites should include easy to use and easy to find information on all committees
9. and meetings in the same place (there are commissions and committees with meetings that are not posted on the city calendar and difficult to find. All city sponsored meetings should be easily viewed and accessible. A mailing list, such as some departments
10. and committees do, should be created to send information on all public meetings and be easy to understand.
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14. Third party review and assessments should be done and made public regarding the progress and performance
15. of vendors in meeting the program goals and requirements. There should be a means of public input in this. There must be transparency on each program.
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Exhibit 15: Email Response – Michaela Bennet (1 of 6)

From: Michaela Bennett [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 6:45 PM
To: HCDD <HCDD@fresno.gov>; Clerk <Clerk@fresno.gov>
Cc: Brandi Nuse-Villegas [REDACTED] >; Amber Crowell [REDACTED] >; Janine Nikosi [REDACTED] >
Subject: Public Comment : Agenda 2022 (Housing)

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Public Comments Due: April 19, 2022

Hello,

1. Fresno's Continued Failures

I've read the draft report, and Fresno continues to get it wrong when it comes to solving homelessness.

This wrong-headed approach will continue to NOT solve the homeless crisis.

There aren't new, safe solutions being proposed such as a Safe Parking Lots Program like Santa Barbara, Ca's established, viable solution to one part of the problem, homeless singles, couples, and families in vehicles. Giving them a safe place to sleep at night, and case management.

There are no fast, safe housing solutions like Life Moves' in Mountain View, CA (Santa Clara County/Silicon Valley) cargo container apartments, made in four months in the East Bay, and up to all codes. They come in family size or single size, and can be seen on YouTube.

2. Fresno's Untrue Stigmas About Homeless

The same untrue dangerous stigmas and unacceptable solutions are perpetuated by Fresno, and by the same stakeholders given money (Poverello, Westcare, Fresno Rescue Mission, Continuum of Care).

A. None of these organizations can cite the research data: 74% of homeless people are NOT substance users, but have had a major destabilizing event like a medical

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problem, job loss, loss of housing.

B. It takes a whopping 3 to 20 yrs to be approved for Social Security disability income, when you know what you're doing. Most people have to get an attorney to appeal their case at the federal level.

C. Most of the medically sick whom I've met on Fresno, Ca's streets aren't getting a dime of Social Security disability income.

I describe the situation as akin to asking someone who survived a car crash to climb Mt. Everest! It's designed for failure. Few will EVER make it.

Social Security has intentionally destabilized our sick, creating chaos for them and our communities.

D. The cheapskates at Social Security didn't save our communities a dime, but have driven costs in other categories through the ceiling such as hospitalizations for worsening, acute medical conditions.

3. Attorney Emily A. Benefer on the East Coast (who works for the White House at present), writes about housing. She has written that, "Housing is health." So true. The lack of shelter, protection from the elements, a kitchen, safe drinking water, a bathroom, showers, creates very serious medical problems.

4. Substance Use Is NOT Common Among Majority of Homeless

Only 26% of our homeless are substance users, usually with a co-occurring mental health problem.

5. I'm A Former Paralegal, A's College, Fresno's Free Auditor of This Failed Housing System

I'm the system's "free auditor". Me: age 60, SF Bay Area native, priced out due to high housing costs. (I moved to Fresno, CA, five years ago for the cheaper cost of housing and to obtain another degree at Fresno State. My plans were derailed by repeated hospitalizations for life-long epilepsy problems (too much electrical activity in the brain which causes seizures, the side effects of anti-seizure medications (major depressive disorder seen in more than 55% of epileptics which requires separate medical care), diagnosed at Stanford, 1968, age 6).

I am a former paralegal, worked for Silicon Valley law firms, A's college, Mock Trial Winner, no smoking, drinking, drugs, crimes, or tickets.

I changed California law for crime victims and I got the Safe at Home Program passed to give more protections to California's high-risk domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking victims. It took me four years of hard work, and I testified before a California State Senate committee.

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I was inspired by a letter to newspaper columnist "Dear Abby" by Washington Secretary of State Ralph Munro about their state's ground breaking law and program, after a stalking victim contacted them that she could not vote, a public record.

Washington state officials mentored me in getting a duplicate law passed into California law. They advised me how to overcome obstacles in Sacramento.

6. Lepers' Colony Mentality

Fresno's Lepers' Colony mentality to law-abiding, educated, hardworking people, that we must have broken moral compasses and need to be in dangerous neighborhoods, is wrong, deeply offensive, discriminatory, and most likely actionable in court.

That's why Fresno has so few takers. People want peace, calm, and stability, to live their best possible lives and contribute to our community.

7. Failures of Poverello

The employees have a poor work ethic, fail to meet promises and deadlines, and there is a high turn over of employees.

I have never had the MAP Point trailer group meet a single promise to house me, a law-abiding former paralegal with life-long epilepsy.

Fresno doesn't treat these appointments in a professional manner, like medical appointments.

Instead law-abiding clients, those with disabilities, and senior citizens have to walk a gauntlet of rape, murder, battery, robbery, and human trafficking threats.

Fresno needs to have a safe, professional alternative site for services.

8. About My First Amendment Rights As An Epileptic

Fresno's forcing us all to go through the Fresno Rescue Mission to get a letter of homelessness is deeply offensive.

I DID NOT forfeit my First Amendment rights to my faith to the Fresno Rescue Mission because I have a brain condition, epilepsy.

The Fresno Rescue Mission has no training in the brain, no medical degrees, and they can do zero for me.

I have been treated at Stanford since age 6. They have medical degrees, and specialists in epilepsy.

The Fresno Rescue Mission was a vile, filthy disgusting environment. Their Rescue of the Children out on Highway 99 was equally vile. They kicked out vulnerable women

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with serious medical conditions and left them to walk more than six miles to Poverello in the morning. The women had been taken out there by minivan.

9. Where Are Fresno's Audits and Surveys

Fresno has a bad habit of not listening to intelligent homeless people who can tell you what's wrong with the system.

One senior told me about the lack of cell phone charging stations at Poverello.

A middle-aged veteran, highly educated with cancer, told me that he had been the victim of an attempted rape at the Fresno Rescue Mission. He has told homeless vets to NEVER stay there.

It is important to fix problems early and fast. It is important to survey clients in a variety of ways.

No county case workers went out to meet the two elderly senior citizens (women) staying in the medical respite room at Rescue the Children.

Valuable time to stabilize them was lost. Why didn't their stay trigger automatic case management?

Rescue the Children was permitted to expel these two senior citizens, whom I saw at Poverello.

I am used to working for deadline driven, high-performing Bay Area law firms.

I am not used to Fresno's lax attitude about deadlines, and meeting goals.

Fresno has bought a troubled, lax, unprofessional homeless Services' system by not requiring yearly professional audits, medical audits, and a modicum of training on the major issues.

10. Unprofessional Supervisors

I was kicked out of Naomi House at Poverello on the trumped up charge of prescription drug theft of an elderly woman's medication.

Keisha, the Naomi House manager, did not comply with California law as a mandated reporter. She did not immediately file reports with Fresno Police and Fresno County Adult Protective Services.

Keisha's failure to report are crimes on her part under CA law.

Keisha hated my guts as a law-abiding, educated paralegal who gave her pushback on her and her staff's unlawful orders.

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There are security cameras everywhere the size of bowling balls, including on the street. Fresno Police would have had an easy time refuting Keisha's story.

As an epileptic, I can't even take Tylenol or drink alcohol, as they will damage my liver when combined with anti-seizure medications.

Take someone's medication? Perish the thought! My life depends on my own epilepsy medications twice a day for 54 yrs.

A. Another middle aged Black woman knee surgery patient was kicked out of Naomi House by Keisha, in front of me, for taking a nap in her car when Naomi House was closed.

Keisha took reprisals against the knee surgery client for her report to Fresno Police that her narcotic pain killer medication was stolen from Naomi House.

B. A second woman, middle aged Black woman educator with a Master's degree (she had me read it on my computer), lost her career and home due to the onset of mental illness.

She was kicked out of Naomi House for bumping her laundry sack, a hand sewn gift from me, that she was taking down from a storage shelf in the shed.

She became the rape victim in People of CA v Micah Collins.

Naomi House staffs' unprofessionalism cost the victim who sustained life threatening injuries and was in the hospital for more than a month, and every agency in the area, Fresno Police detectives, the California Courts, jurors, district attorney's ofc prosecutor, public defender's, the sheriff's, and the corrections system (Collins was convicted and sentenced to 40+ yrs). That case alone has cost tax payers to the tune of tens of millions of dollars.

A woman with a brain malfunction was further damaged, when she needed safety and support. Services.

C. Human Trafficking

Another woman has warned homeless women to NEVER stay at Naomi House.

She said she was drugged and trafficked through Naomi House, had to escape human traffickers.

The entire "low barrier shelter" is a total failure. It's a code phrase for "violent st gang dominated'."

11. Failure to Grid the City of Fresno, Outreach

Fresno continues to fail to build trust with homeless people. Water, coffee, new

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tshirts, new socks, athletes' cream, and basic medical care. Mobile laundry and showers.

Fresno does not establish rapport and trust, including using Fresno State students (Nursing and Social Work, UCSF residents, etc).

12. Stipends

It is important to build a stipend fund and get the state, philanthropists, religious groups and charities to give to it.

Locals need a monthly stipend to show they have some income. Facebook employees did this for LifeMoves homeless clients in Mountain View, CA.

13. Conclusion

Please improve on all fronts. Don't wait to be sued into changing.

Research best practices that have worked for other communities, and do the same in Fresno.

Thank you

Regards,

Ms. Michaela Bennett

[REDACTED]
Fresno, CA 93701

Exhibit 16: Email Response – Priscilla Meza (1 of 2)

From: Priscilla Meza [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 6:03 PM
To: HCDD <HCDD@fresno.gov>
Subject: 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan

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Good afternoon,

This email is in response to the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for Housing and Community Development recently posted. Sexual assault is a most intimate crime, and when it happens in our most intimate sanctuaries, the trauma is devastating and difficult to escape. According to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center, “the majority of sexual assaults take place in or near victim’s homes or the homes of victims’ friends, relatives or neighbors”. Thus, for many survivors of sexual violence, home often is not safe. On average, Rape Counseling Services of Fresno (RCS Fresno) provides direct services to 1,400 survivors of sexual violence each year. Less than half of these survivors (about 44%) have reported their assaults to local law enforcement and nearly 86% knew their perpetrators (*i.e., friend, relative, partner, acquaintance, etc.*). If a survivor must leave their home, whether to get away from the constant triggers, or due to an eviction, or in order to flee the perpetrator, losing the comforts and familiarity of home only compounds the trauma of sexual violence.

RCS Fresno’s advocates play a critical role in supporting and empowering survivors by meeting the survivor where they are, and in many instances the survivor is needing a safe place. A safe place is needed for the survivor to begin their emotional work of recovery and to regain a sense of safety. Healing from sexual violence can only happen on a foundation of safety and the safety for many starts with home. Throughout the years, our agency has worked with the Marjaree Mason Center and other community organizations to help meet the needs of those needing emergency shelter. However, the demand is far greater than the current resources available. As a result, our advocates must often look at available shelters and safe housing located outside of our county. Unfortunately, accessing resources outside of our county decreases the likelihood of safely relocating the survivor and many instances, their children, to an emergency shelter.

As the City of Fresno looks to create and fund a comprehensive action plan to address the issue of homelessness, it is imperative that this plan includes strategies to adequately and effectively meet the housing needs of survivors impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and human trafficking and at risk of experiencing homelessness as a result of their assaults. Having access to safe shelter/housing is a basic human right and a core issue in the advocacy work provided by RCS Fresno, along with the advocacy work provided by our community advocacy partners.

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Thank you for your work and please feel free to contact me if there are any questions or if further information is needed.

Best,

Priscilla Meza
Executive Director



Exhibit 17: Letter Response – Disability Advisory Commission (1 of 3)



April 12, 2022

RE: City of Fresno Annual Action Plan 2022-2023

Attn: Planning and Development Department, Housing and Community Development Division:

The Disability Advisory Commission (DAC) advises the City in matters pertaining to individuals with a wide range of disabilities. The comments below were prepared by the DAC Housing Subcommittee on behalf of the Commission as a whole.

Overall, the Annual Action initiatives as identified are supported by this Commission. We would like to take this opportunity, however, to highlight some critical elements in the proposed plans and provide recommendations for adjusting funding to better serve the whole community.

When considering the HUD Community Planning & Development priorities to provide decent, affordable housing, create suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities, it is critical that the City look at these elements from a disability access lens. Key areas that make-or-break housing efforts for people with disabilities include ensuring that there are not only affordable housing options, but also available and accessible housing options. In our Central Valley, availability of accessible units is the key crisis for people with disabilities looking for affordable housing. It is recommended that when funding projects for construction of affordable housing units, that the City require more than the mandated minimum number of accessible units to meet the needs of people with disabilities.

The CDBG funding as allocated in this plan is critical for disability access in the community. The federally mandated and council approved ADA Transition Plan contains priorities for barrier removals at our parks, community centers, and the public right-of-way. CDBG funding for these barrier removal projects are a critical component of fulfilling Title II accessibility mandates, an aspect that should be included within the text of the document. Economic opportunities open up for people with disabilities when funding is allocated for improving infrastructure. When a person with a disability can use the sidewalk and access public transportation, they now have the ability and opportunity to get to work. When the City invests in barrier removal projects at community centers, they open up possibilities for participation in life-long recreation, from early childhood intervention programs to meal support and recreation services for older adults. The DAC is supportive of the CDBG allocations as indicated.

The DAC is supportive of HOPWA goals as stated. While strides have been made in the last few decades in the overall acceptance of persons with AIDS/HIV, there are still many needs related to increasing the housing opportunities for these individuals with disabilities. DAC recommends continuing to partner with disability subject matter experts for greater understanding of the diverse needs of this community and for culturally competent services.

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The Action Plan indicates that 93% of the ERPA funds are going to two agencies, Marjaree Mason Center and WestCare. Other funds seem to be concentrated in WestCare and Poverello House. While these agencies all have track records of good programming, there is a need for a greater diversity of agency options. By distributing the funds across more agencies, more diverse populations could be served by providing more effective options for the community. In some instances, people who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity may have reached the end of the road in services with each of these noted agencies, leaving them at a stand-still for public assistance, despite the availability of other options in the community. The DAC recommends involving additional Community Benefit Organizations (CBOs) for a greater diversity of choice, available options, and more effective assistance in available programs, rather than channeling all funds into fewer CBOs.

The DAC encourages a larger allocation of funding for Fair Housing Advocacy Services and greater emphasis on providing legal help for existing tenants to assist with requesting reasonable accommodations. Many currently housed community members with disabilities have tenant-landlord struggles that put them at risk of experiencing homelessness, including but not limited to unfair rental cost increases, refusal to provide reasonable accommodations, and the threat of an unlawful eviction. While federal mandates state that tenants must be provided reasonable accommodations, having those needs met is a common struggle that people with disabilities face. Many are left with little recourse and fear retaliation or displacement from their home if they push to have their legal rights to be met in rental housing. We must hold landlords accountable. The plan objective is not effective enough to meet the actual needs of this community, based on the observations from local disability advocates.

The DAC is supportive of housing rehabilitation programs that are provided through the HOME fund. These kinds of programs assist people with disabilities to age in place with dignity. The DAC recommends that a larger proportion of funds for these services be allocated and that the eligibility criteria be modified to be more inclusive. The housing rehabilitation funds should be made available for home modifications for people who have acquired disabilities at any age (rather than requiring a minimum age to qualify) and should not be limited to owner-occupied homes, but should also be expanded to support those who rent homes, with permission from the property owner.

The DAC recommends that the City better define the metrics and outcomes for success for funded programs with the objectives of "persons assisted." With the understanding that finding housing and actually attaining housing offer two different outcomes, it would be of greater value to report the extent to which these persons were actually assisted.

The DAC notes that there is a disparity in how the funds discussed in this plan are dispersed. Only 10% of the operational funds (less administration) are being applied to HOME fund programs. DAC recommends a more proportional allocation of funds across these programs, with less concentration on developer incentives. DAC recommends that greater funding allocation goes towards incentivizing micro-development efforts, rather than just large developer complexes. People should have a greater diversity of options for duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, tiny houses, and mixed-use rental homes that can be located in established neighborhoods.

Mental health disabilities may be a contributing factor that can lead to or perpetuate homelessness or housing instability. Additionally, instability in housing can lead to development or exacerbation of mental health crises. We recommend that funding be made available for mental health support services for people experiencing homelessness or at risk for homelessness be included in this plan. These

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services should also extend to the children of low-income families and/or those experiencing housing instability. Community services also play an important role in supporting the mental health of residents, both young and old. It is recommended that the City expand its community service programs, in an effort to service more residents across age groups. This includes, but is not limited to, providing additional afterschool programs to more of Fresno's youth. We understand this may require the City to partner with additional CBOs and provide an increase of funding for these efforts. However, studies indicate that community investment into these preventative services can reduce the size of the overall homeless population¹

The DAC further recommends that the City engage in a more robust outreach effort and provide additional opportunities for the persons served by these funds to provide input on the usage of the funds, outside of the typical community or council meeting presentation formats. This will prove beneficial for the City, should they decide to adopt the DAC recommendations. Increased public participation assists municipalities in the acquisition of partnerships through the introduction to new, or previously unknown, Community Benefit Organizations.

Individuals with disabilities represent 14 percent of our community. Fresno outstrips both state and national averages for the percentage of population identified as a portion of an overall community (11% and 13%, respectively). As the population continues to age, these numbers are quite likely to increase. The investment in accessible and affordable public housing is essential to the independence of people with disabilities and the older adult population of Fresno. Waiting lists for Housing Authority exceed their capacity to be effective with individuals and families waiting several years for an opening. We cannot rely on them to solve this problem for us, we need to take immediate action as a City.

Any questions on these comments can be addressed to DAC Secretary, Shannon M. Mulhall, Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 559-621-8716 or Shannon.Mulhall@fresno.gov. We would happily discuss any and all of the above issues.



Susan Coulter, Chair

City of Fresno Disability Advisory Commission

¹ Dennis P. Culhane et. al, "A Prevention-Centered Approach to Homelessness Assistance: A Paradigm Shift", in *Housing Policy Debate* (United States Interagency Council on Homelessness, 2010), 4.

Appendix C: ESG Policies and Procedures

City of Fresno and County of Fresno

Emergency Solutions Grant

Policies and Procedures

Program Description

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) is designed to identify sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

The City and County of Fresno, separately, are recipients of an annual allocation of ESG funding. Both will work together to prepare a joint notice of funding availability/request for proposals for awarding ESG funds to eligible sub-recipients ("agencies").

All funded agencies are required to follow federal guidelines in the implementation of the ESG. The City of Fresno and the County of Fresno have written the following policies and procedures to facilitate the agencies in implementing the ESG guidelines as set by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Agencies will provide assistance related to housing of persons at risk of becoming homeless and housing persons that are currently homeless, as well as provide housing relocation and stabilization services.

Target Population

The funds under this program are intended to target two populations of persons facing housing instability: 1) individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness (residing in emergency or transitional shelters or on the street) and need temporary assistance in order to obtain housing and retain it, and 2) individuals and families who are currently in housing but are at risk of becoming homeless and need temporary rent or utility assistance to prevent them from becoming homeless or assistance to move to another unit.

Emergency Solutions Grant Policies and Procedures

Each sub-grantee will first be directed to read and follow ESG guidelines as set forth issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and as may be amended from time to time. The procedures contained herein serve to simplify the implementation of the regulations and identify the activities selected for funding by the City and the County of Fresno.

Sub-grantees will serve the population and provide the financial assistance and stabilization services as identified in the budget and scope of work as found in each of their contracts. Preliminary steps to be taken in implementing their ESG activities are as follows:

1. Execute all HMIS required documents, as requested by the Housing Authority of the City and County of Fresno (Housing Authority), as applicable.
2. Ensure all insurance documents, as required by the ESG contract with the City and County, have been submitted and approved by the City/County.
3. Provide the City and/or County with an outreach plan for identifying potential clients and/or marketing your agency's program.

Eligible Activities

Funding will only be provided as tenant based rental assistance for the following eligible activities:

1. Rapid Re-Housing – Rental Assistance

Eligible rental assistance includes:

- a. short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months)
- b. medium-term rental assistance (up to 24 months)
- c. one-time payment for up to 6 months of rent in arrears, to include late fees

Eligible costs includes: rental application fees, security deposits, last month's rent, utility deposits, utility payments (with a limit of 6 months in utility payment arrears), moving costs (including storage costs up to 3 months)

2. Rapid Re-Housing – Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

Eligible services include: housing search and placement, housing stability case management mediation, legal services, and credit repair. Eligible services under case management include: including centralized coordinated assessments, initial

evaluation, counseling, and coordinating services (for a complete list of eligible case management activities please reference 24 CFR 576.105(b)(2)).

3. Homelessness Prevention - Rental Assistance

Eligible rental assistance includes:

- a. short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months)
- b. medium-term rental assistance (up to 24 months)
- c. one-time payment for up to 6 months of rent in arrears, to include late fees

Eligible costs includes: rental application fees, security deposits, last month's rent, utility deposits, utility payments (with a limit of 6 months in utility payment arrears), moving costs (including storage costs up to 3 months)

4. Homelessness Prevention - Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

Eligible services include: housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair. Eligible services under case management include: including centralized coordinated assessments, initial evaluation, counseling, and coordinating services (for a complete list of eligible case management activities please reference 24 CFR 576.105(b)(2)).

5. Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach Component

Eligible emergency shelter costs include: costs of providing essential services to homeless families and individuals in emergency shelters, renovating buildings to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals, and operating emergency shelters as identified in 24 CFR 576.102. Shelter services shall be restricted to the following populations: 1) domestic violence victims (provided by a domestic violence victim service provider), 2) homeless youth, and 3) families with children.

Eligible street outreach costs include: costs of providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and provide urgent, nonfacility-based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility, as further identified in 24 CFR 576.101. For the purposes of this section, the term "unsheltered homeless people" means individuals and families who qualify as homeless under paragraphs (1)(i) of the "homeless" definition under 24 CFR 576.2.

6. HMIS - All agencies receiving ESG assistance will be required to participate in the local HMIS.

Client Eligibility Verification

There is a three-step process for determining a client's eligibility, as noted below. Additionally, all sub-grantees must evaluate and certify the eligibility of ESG program participants (per the three steps below) at least once every three months for all households receiving homelessness prevention assistance, and once annually for households receiving rapid re-housing assistance.

A. FIRST STEP: Initial Consultation

Subrecipient's must conduct an initial evaluation to determine the eligibility of each individual or family's eligibility for ESG assistance and the amount and types of assistance the individual or family needs to regain stability in permanent housing. These evaluations must be conducted in accordance with the centralized or coordinated assessment requirements set forth under 24 CFR 576.400(d) and the written standards established under 24 CFR 576.400(e).

Documentation to verify the requirements of this section have been met include completing a client in-take form. Sub-recipients may use their own form, if pre-approved by the City/County. All sub-grantees must keep verification of this requirement in each client file.

B. SECOND STEP: Verification of Income below 30% of the Area Median Income (see verification of income section below)

C. THIRD STEP: Verification of Homelessness or Risk of Homelessness

To receive assistance under **RAPID RE-HOUSING, or EMERGENCY SHELTER/STREET OUTREACH**, client(s) must be Homeless at the time assistance is requested. HUD has defined Homeless to mean:

To be considered Homeless, per HUD definition, an individual or family must be:

- (1) An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
 - (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
 - (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters,

transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or

- (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

(2) Any individual or family who:

- (i) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
- (ii) Has no other residence; and
- (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faithbased or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing; and
- (iv) lives in an emergency shelter or other place described in paragraph (1) above.

ADDITIONALLY: The individual or family must have insufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability.

- The sub-grantee must confirm that the individual or family does not have sufficient resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faithbased or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the homeless definition [in 24 CFR § 576.2].”

Note, HUD has provided additional guidance for determining eligibility of client(s) under the “homeless” definition, and this can be found at:

<http://hudhre.info/index.cfm?do=viewResource&ResourceID=4636>.

Subgrantees are also required to abide by the guidelines found at this web page.

To receive assistance under HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION, client(s) must be at risk of becoming homeless and rental assistance is only necessary to prevent

the individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or other place not meant for human habitation as identified in the ESG regulations.

The individual or family must have insufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability.

- The sub-grantee must confirm that the individual or family does not have sufficient resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faithbased or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the homeless definition [in § 24 CFR 576.2].”

ADDITIONALLY: The individual or family must meet one of the following definitions of “homeless”:

- (1) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence provided that:
 - (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
 - (ii) No subsequent residence has been identified; and
 - (iii) The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing;
- (2) Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:
 - (i) Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e–2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 786(b)) or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);
 - (ii) Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;

- (iii) Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
 - (iv) Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment; or
- (3) Any individual or family who:
- (i) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
 - (ii) Has no other residence; and
 - (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faithbased or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

ADDITIONALLY: The individual or family must also meet one of the following conditions:

- (A) Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
- (B) Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
- (C) Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;

- (D) Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
- (E) Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons reside per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
- (F) Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or

Note, HUD has provided additional guidance and criteria for each of the categories above, to be used for determining a client's eligibility as "at risk of becoming homeless", and this can be found at:

http://www.hudhre.info/documents/AtRiskofHomelessnessDefinition_Criteria.pdf.

Subgrantees are also required to abide by the guidelines found at this web page.

Documenting Client Eligibility

All sub-grantees must keep verification of client's eligibility in each client file at minimum as described below.

- A. Sub-grantees are required to ensure that the client does not have sufficient resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faithbased or other social networks, immediately available, as follows:

For Rapid Re-Housing and Emergency Shelter/Street Outreach clients:
as needed to obtain other permanent housing

For Homelessness Prevention clients: immediately available to attain housing stability and meets one or more of the conditions under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition of "at risk of homelessness" in 24 CFR § 576.2;

- B. All subgrantees will ensure that all documentation is obtained and placed in the file in accordance with 24 CFR § 576.500 "Recordkeeping and reporting requirements", as required in the regulation for Rapid Re-Housing and/or Homelessness Prevention clients.
- C. The most reliable evidence that should be used in addressing the documentation required in A and B above includes, in order of priority:
 - 1. Source documents including check stubs, verification of employment, general relief documentation from the County of

Fresno, award letters from Social Security Administration, retirement income verification from source, leases, contracts, etc.

2. If source documents are unavailable: a written statement by the relevant third party, or a written statement by intake staff of the oral verification by the relevant third party of the required information and written verification by intake staff as to why source documentation could not be obtained.
3. If source documents AND written third party verification is unobtainable, a written statement by the client or client's intake staff describing the efforts taken to obtain the required evidence AND self-certification by client, identifying the required information needed.

Income Determination

All sub-grantees are required to determine a client's annual income, to verify that the client is income-eligible (annual income is at or below 30% of the area median income). To qualify for ESG assistance persons and/or households must earn 30 percent or below of the Area Median Income, as these are set annually by HUD, by household size. Annual income limits will be provided to each sub-recipient as they are made available by HUD. In determining the annual income of an individual or family, the subrecipient must use the standard for calculating anticipated annual income under 24 CFR 5.609.

- a) Annual income means all amounts, monetary or not, that go to, or are on behalf of, the family head or spouse (even if temporarily absent) or to any other family member 18 years old or older, or all amounts anticipated to be received from a source outside the family, during the 12-month period following admission or annual reexamination effective date. In determining income, sub-grantees must also determine the household size as directed in the section below "Determining Household Size".
- b) All sub-grantees must keep income verification documents in a client file, for each client (or household).
- c) All sub-grantees must have each client fill out a Household Composition form, as included in Exhibit A, to verify the size of the client household and to assist in determining income eligibility.
- d) Additionally, the income calculation worksheet, as included in Exhibit B, is required to be utilized by sub-grantee case managers to verify income. The worksheet can also be provided in excel format from the City/County upon request.

Treatment of Assets

Clients will be required to spend down their assets to an amount of \$500.00 before they become eligible to receive financial assistance. The assets to be considered for the draw down will be limited only to balances in a personal checking or savings account held by any household member. Assets held in a retirement or education account, or personal property are not included as part of this requirement.

Determining Household Size

Income limits are published based on the number of persons in the household (for example, 1 person, 2 persons, 3 persons) with increasingly higher income limits for families with more members.

When determining family size for establishing income eligibility, the sub-grantee must include all persons living in the unit except the following:

- a. Live-in aide
 - (1) A person who resides with one or more elderly persons, near-elderly persons, or persons with disabilities, and who:
 - (a) Is determined to be essential to the care and wellbeing of the person(s);
 - (b) Is not obligated for the support of the person(s); and
 - (c) Would not be living in the unit except to provide the necessary supportive services.
 - (2) To qualify as a live-in aide:
 - (a) The sub-grantee must verify the need for the live-in aide. Verification that the live-in aide is needed to provide the necessary supportive services essential to the care and well-being of the person must be obtained from the person's physician, psychiatrist or other medical practitioner or health care provider. The sub-grantee must approve a live-in aide if needed as a reasonable accommodation in accordance with 24 CFR Part 8 to make the program accessible to and usable by the family member with a disability. The sub-grantee may verify whether the live-in aide is necessary only to the extent necessary to document that applicants or tenants who have requested a live-in aide have a disability-related need for the requested accommodation. This may

include verification from the person's physician, psychiatrist or other medical practitioner or health care provider. The sub-grantee may not require applicants or tenants to provide access to confidential medical records or to submit to a physical examination.

- (b) Expenses for services provided by the live-in aide, such as nursing services (dispensing of medications or providing other medical needs) and personal care (such as bathing or dressing), that are out-of-pocket expenses for the tenant and where the tenant is not reimbursed for the expenses from other sources, are considered as eligible medical expenses. Homemaker services such as housekeeping and meal preparation are not eligible medical expenses (see below for more information on medical expenses.)
 - (c) Qualifies for occupancy only as long as the individual needing supportive services requires the aide's services and remains a tenant. The live-in aide may not qualify for continued occupancy as a remaining family member.
 - (d) Income of a live-in aide is excluded from annual income.
- (3) A relative may be considered to be a live-in aide if they meet the requirements in 1(a) through (c), above.
 - (4) An adult child is eligible to move into an assisted property after initial occupancy only if they are essential to the care or well-being of the elderly parent(s). The adult child may be considered a live-in aide if all of the requirements in 1, above, apply and there is a verified need for a live-in aide in accordance with 2(a), above.
 - (5) An adult child is not eligible to move into an assisted property after initial occupancy unless they are performing the functions of a live-in aide and are eligible to be classified as a live-in aide for eligibility purposes.

b. Foster children or foster adults.

c. Guests.

When determining family size for income limits, the sub-grantee must include the following individuals who are not living in the unit:

a. Children temporarily absent due to placement in a foster home;

- b. Children in joint custody arrangements who are present in the household 50% or more of the time;
- c. Children who are away at school but who live with the family during school recesses;
- d. Unborn children of pregnant women.
- e. Children who are in the process of being adopted.
- f. Temporarily absent family members who are still considered family members. For example, the sub-grantee may consider a family member who is working in another state on assignment to be temporarily absent;
- g. Family members in the hospital or rehabilitation facility for periods of limited or fixed duration. These persons are temporarily absent as defined in subparagraph f above; and
- h. Persons permanently confined to a hospital or nursing home. The family decides if such persons are included when determining family size for income limits. If such persons are included, they must not be listed as the head, co-head, or spouse on the lease or but may be listed as other adult family member. This is true even when the confined person is the spouse of the person who is or will become the head. If the family chooses to include the permanently confined person as a member of the household, the sub-grantee must include income received by these persons in calculating family income.

Client's Share of Rent Costs

The City/County will enforce a graduated subsidy format for determining the ESG client's share of rental costs. A graduated subsidy declines in steps based upon a fixed timeline, until the household assumes full responsibility for monthly housing costs. A graduated subsidy will help reduce the destabilizing cliff effect of a deep subsidy suddenly ending. Declining subsidies allow the household to gradually take over the responsibility of paying rent, and builds both a cushion and confidence along the way.

Initial assistance can be as much as 100% of rental assistance, then decreasing monthly, or every other month, in accordance with client needs and case plan objectives that are developed by the client and the sub-grantee's case manager. Timelines are based on maximum term of assistance; however, clients should be transitioned off of assistance in as short of a timeframe as is appropriate for them to successfully obtain housing stability.

Housing	Homeless Prevention		Rapid Re-Housing
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Month			
1	Case management, counseling assessment, initiate wrap-around services, linkages to service providers, facilitate life skills development, issue security and utility deposits, 100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		Case management, counseling assessment, initiate wrap-around services, linkages to service providers, facilitate life skills development, issue security and utility deposits, 100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
2	100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
3	100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance; 3 month evaluation		100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance; 3 month evaluation
4	100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		100% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
5	90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
6	90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance; 3 month evaluation		90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance; 3 month evaluation
7	90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		90% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
8	80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
9	80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
10	80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		80% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
11	70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
12	70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
13	70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		70% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
14	60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
15	60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
16	60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		60% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
17	50% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		50% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
18	50% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		50% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance

19	40% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		40% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
20	40% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		40% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
21	30% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		30% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
22	30% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		30% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
23	20% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		20% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
24	20% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance		20% housing subsidy + utility payment assistance
25	30-day Follow-up		30-day Follow-up
26	60-day Follow-up		60-day Follow-up
27	90-day Follow-up		90-day Follow-up

On a case by case basis, sub-grantees may be authorized to increase rental assistance (and not follow the decreasing subsidy scale above), only when extenuating circumstances arise for a client. Some of these extenuating circumstances may include, but is not limited to, reunification with a child, loss of employment (income), drop in income, medical emergency/illness, loss of other resources. In these cases, the sub-grantee will verify and document in each file the reasons for increasing financial assistance, and advise the City and/or County in regards to the specific circumstances of the client, to ensure the City/County will approve the change before it is enacted.

Determination of Unit Size Requirements

The City and County will require each sub-grantee to determine the appropriate number of bedrooms needed by an individual or family when it determines family eligibility for financial assistance, based on the information below.

The following requirements apply when determining the family unit size:

- The unit size determination must provide for the smallest number of bedrooms needed to house a family without overcrowding, regardless of the amount of the payment standard.
- The unit size determinations must be applied consistently for all families of like size and composition.
- A child who is temporarily away from the home because of placement in foster care is considered a member of the family in determining the family's unit size.

- A family that consists of a pregnant woman only (with no other household members), must be treated as a two-person family.
- Two elderly or disabled household members may be given separate bedrooms.
- Any live-in aide (approved by the sub-grantee to reside in the unit to care for a family member who is disabled or is at least 50 years of age) must be counted in determining the family unit size.
- Unless a live-in aide resides with the family, the family unit size for any family consisting of a single person must be either a zero or one-bedroom unit. The City and County of Fresno will allow sub-grantees to provide for case-by-case exceptions to this rule, only after the following has been met:
 1. The client has searched for available zero or one-bedroom units, and at least 4 apartment complexes have been searched with no availability at that bedroom size as evidenced in writing. The sub-grantee may allow the client to rent up to a 2 bedroom unit as long as the payment is equal to the 0-1 bedroom payment.
 2. Client agrees in writing that they will not add additional person(s) to the lease nor move in any additional persons into the assisted unit without first seeking the approval of both the sub-grantee and the landlord. The client will have to be re-evaluated for eligibility on a monthly basis.

UNIT SIZE REQUIREMENTS	
Unit Size Range	Maximum Household Size
0 – 1 BR	2
2 BR	4
3-BR	6
4-BR	8
5-BR	10+

Rent Reasonableness

Rental assistance paid cannot exceed the actual rental cost, which must be in compliance with HUD's standard of "rent reasonableness." "Rent reasonableness" means that the total rent charged for a unit must be reasonable in relation to the rents being charged during the same time period for comparable units in the private unassisted market and must not be in excess of rents being charged by the owner during the same time period for comparable non-luxury unassisted units. To make this determination, sub-grantees should consider (a) the location, quality, size, type, and

age of the unit; and (b) any amenities, housing services, maintenance and utilities to be provided by the owner. Comparable rents can be checked by using a market study, by reviewing comparable units advertised for rent, or with a note from the property owner verifying the comparability of charged rents to other units owned (for example, the landlord would document the rents paid in other units).

All sub-grantees will be required to fill out the attached Exhibit C: Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification in its entirety, for each client assisted with rent, and keep the record in the client file. The form includes several columns where the sub-grantee is expected to find comparables units and comparable rates. In filling out the form, sub-grantees cannot exclusively utilize units within the same apartment complex that the client will be renting, nor can the sub-grantee utilize units that are more than 1 mile away from the unit to be rented.

Rental, Security and Utility Payments

Sub-grantees must not make payments directly to program participants, but only to third parties, such as landlords or utility companies. In addition, an assisted property may not be owned by the grantee, sub-grantee or the parent, subsidiary or affiliated organization of the sub-grantee.

Sub-grantees can only make rental payments and/or security deposits for clients that have a signed lease for their eligible unit. Additionally, the program participant must be named on the lease.

Therefore, assistance could not be provided to an individual renting from a friend or relative if a legal lease is not in place. In cases where an individual is renting a unit from a friend or relative and a legal lease is in place, sub-grantees providing assistance must ensure that the arrangement is not in violation of conflict of interest laws and the rent charged and the terms of the lease must be the same for the participant as they are for other tenants renting comparable units.

If two unrelated individuals are joint parties to a lease, a sub-grantee must consider total household income to determine eligibility (i.e., either the whole household is eligible for assistance, or the whole household is not).

A sub-grantee can provide rental assistance to a client residing at a board and care facility only as long as each resident of the group home, assisted living facility, or boarding house has an individual lease, and has been assessed and certified to be eligible to receive ESG assistance.

Please note that financial assistance for persons in a group home-type setting is limited to: rent, security deposits, utility deposits, and utility payments. Service fee charges that might be applied at assisted living facilities are not eligible. In addition, if there is another rental subsidy being provided, ESG cannot be used for rent, and if there is a utility subsidy being provided, ESG cannot be used for utilities.

If sub-grantee incurs late fees due to a late submittal of a rental payment, these cannot be reimbursed by, or paid out of, ESG funds.

In addition, the ESG Program also requires a rental assistance agreement between the sub-grantee and the housing owner.

Maximum Rent

Rental assistance cannot be provided unless the rent does not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR part 888.

Habitability Standards

Sub-grantees providing rental assistance with ESG funds will be required to conduct initial and any appropriate follow-up inspections of housing units into which a program participant will be moving. Units should be inspected on an annual basis and upon a change of tenancy. Inspection of each unit must include the filling out and filing of the attached Exhibit D: ESG Housing Habitability Standards Inspection Checklist. Sub-grantees are to ensure that experienced staff performs all habitability inspections

Rental Payments in Arrears

Rental assistance may be used to pay up to 6 months of rental arrears for eligible program participants. Rental arrears may be paid if the payment enables the program participant to remain in the housing unit for which the arrears are being paid or move to another unit. If HPRP funds are used to pay rental arrears, arrears must be included in determining the total period of the program participant's rental assistance.

Lead Based Paint Visual Assessment Requirements

Sub-grantees are required to provide a visual assessment of each selected property for client habitability to ensure that there are no hazards related Lead Based Paint. Visual assessments can be conducted by a HUD-Certified Visual Assessor under ESG, and must meet the requirements as outlined in the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, as noted in Section VII.F of the Notice. A 20-minute online training course on conducting visual assessments can be found on HUD's website at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/training/visualassessment/h00101.htm>. After successful completion of the online course, sub-grantees will receive a certificate of completion which qualifies them for conducting the assessments. All sub-grantees are required to have at least one staff member conduct the test and pass.

Sub-grantees are also required to fill out and sign the ESG Lead Screening Worksheet, as enclosed in **Exhibit E**, and the ESG Lead-Based Paint Document Checklist, as enclosed also in Exhibit F, for each client receiving assistance.

Please note, that the form has a last page that requires staff signature and date. Sub-grantees will ensure that the form is signed and dated properly.

Reporting Requirements

HMIS

Sub-grantees are required to input HMIS client data as soon as feasibly possible, and at least on a bi-weekly basis. City and County staff will be working with the Housing Authority to pull data on a monthly basis and will contact sub-grantees who have not utilized HMIS as required. This reporting requirement is set forth to facilitate sub-grantee's quarter-end reporting process and to assist the City/County in its quarterly reporting to the federal government and HUD.

Sub-grantees who fail to meet this requirement will be in default of their agreement, which will trigger a performance review by the City and/or County.

Monthly/Quarterly Reporting

Sub-grantees are required to provide a monthly activity report to the City and/or County in addition to a quarterly performance report to the City and/or County, in the form attached as Exhibit G: Performance Reports.

Request for Disbursements

Sub-grantees will be allowed to request disbursements in arrears, for services provided during the preceding month, and only as identified in their appropriate ESG Agreements/Contracts. Reimbursements shall be made in compliance with the terms of the agreement(s). All requests for disbursements must be accompanied by sufficient supportive documentation verifying actual costs incurred.

City/County staff will review funding disbursement requests to ensure that funds requested are for allowable costs and are within the budget as established in the Agreements/Contracts.

All requests for disbursements will be only in the form(s) as provided in the attached Exhibit H: ESG Funds Disbursement Request.

Policy on Security and Utility Deposits

HUD is giving grantees the discretion to determine how to handle returned security deposits.

The City/County of Fresno will not require its sub-grantees to recover a utility security deposit (i.e. PG&E) as these are credited as payment toward a final bill if service is turned off within the first 12 months of service. Beyond 12 months, the deposit is credited toward the 13 month of service (or close to it) if there are 12 consecutive on-time payments made. If there are not 12 consecutive on time payments, the deposit will be used for the final month of service.

Each sub-grantee who provides a utility deposit on behalf of an eligible client using ESG services shall make payment of such deposit directly to the vendor (utility provider, landlord or property manager) on behalf of the client. Clients are not eligible to receive a reimbursement for utility deposits which have been previously paid by them or paid on their behalf.

Each sub-grantee who provides a utility deposit shall count the deposit payment as one additional month of support for that eligible client.

In case of security deposits on housing units each sub-grantee who provides a security deposit on behalf of an eligible client using ESG services shall make payment of such deposit directly to the landlord or property manager on behalf of the client. Clients are not eligible to receive a reimbursement for deposits which have been previously paid by them or paid on their behalf.

Each sub-grantee who provides a rental deposit shall count the deposit payment as one additional month of support for that eligible client.

The security deposit minus any portion kept from the deposit, that may be needed to pay for costs incurred by the tenant such as damages to the unit, shall be returned to the sub-grantee and treated as program income. This program income can be utilized by the sub-grantee to pay for other eligible client deposits following the same method. Program income must be accounted for separately by each sub-grantee, and reported to the City/County.

Immigration Status

All sub-grantees are required to verify if a proposed client is a qualified alien. The City and County of Fresno have provided alternate requirements for victims of domestic violence due to the imminent danger these clients are facing.

Additionally:

- As long as there is one adult with legal status in the household and he/she is the primary lessee on the lease, the sub-grantee can serve that household.
- The sub-grantee will count ALL adults and children in the household, and enter them in HMIS
- The sub-grantee will only count income from/for those individuals who have legal status.
- The sub-grantee will NOT count income from those who do not have legal status because their income is not legal.

Confidentiality

Each sub-grantee must develop and implement procedures to ensure:

1. The confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided with assistance; and
2. That the address or location of any assisted housing will not be made public, except to the extent that this prohibition contradicts a preexisting privacy policy of the grantee.

Such procedures must be provided to the City/County before implementation of the program commences.

Termination of Housing Assistance

A sub-grantee may terminate assistance to a program participant who violates program requirements. Sub-grantees may resume assistance to a program participant whose assistance was previously terminated. In terminating assistance to a program participant, the sub-grantee must provide a formal process that recognizes the rights of individuals receiving assistance to due process of law.

This process, at a minimum, must consist of:

1. Written notice to the program participant containing a clear statement of the reasons for termination;
2. A review of the decision, in which the program participant is given the opportunity to present written or oral objections before a person other than the person (or a subordinate of that person) who made or approved the termination decision; and
3. Prompt written notice of the final decision to the program participant.

Such procedures must be provided to the City/County before implementation of the program commences.

Non-Discrimination

No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, religion, national origin or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available through the City's ESG Program, or any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Appeals

If an application is turned down by a sub-grantee, the applicant may appeal, in writing, within ten (10) days after the occurrence. The appeal must clearly state the reasons for the appeal. The appeal will be filed with the sub-grantee, who will review the appeal and respond.

For City of Fresno Applicants: If the appellant is not satisfied with the response of the sub-grantee, the appeal may be presented to the City of Fresno Homeless Policy and Prevention Manager within thirty (30) days of the sub-grantee's response. The City will attempt to resolve the grievance within fifteen (15) days. The ruling of the City will be final.

For County of Fresno Applicants: If the appellant is not satisfied with the response of the sub-grantee, the appeal may be presented to the County of Fresno ESG County Coordinator within thirty (30) days of the sub-grantee's response. The County will attempt to resolve the grievance within fifteen (15) days. The ruling of the County will be final.

City/County Administration of the Program

The City and County of Fresno propose to jointly administer their respective ESG Programs, including updates as needed to this policies and procedures manual. Both agencies will jointly issue a request for funding availability, and work together to select the agencies (sub-grantees) who will receive ESG funding, based on the allocation levels identified in the Action Plans. Each entity will contract individually with each selected vendor. The City/County propose to administer ESG sub-grantee agreements over a two term period.

Monitoring

City/County of Fresno staff will meet with all service providers on a monthly basis to discuss performance, rules, and processes, coordinate services, collaboratively exchange best practices and discuss concerns in administering the program. City/County staff will conduct on-site monitoring and audits of all selected service providers to ensure proper administration of the program. All sub-grantees will be

required to submit monthly, quarterly and yearly reports to the City/County to ensure performance measures are being met. Additionally, the City/County will audit all requests for reimbursement of ESG funds before these are paid to the selected City service providers.

Amendments To Program Rules

The Fresno City Manager's office, or his/her designee(s), may change City program requirements from time to time to meet program objectives. The County Administrative Officer, or his/her designee(s), may change County program requirements from time to time to meet program objectives. All changes will be required to meet ESG guidelines.

Updated June 5, 2012

EXHIBIT A

HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION						
HH Mbr #	Last Name	First Name & Middle Initial	Relationship to Head of Household	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	F/T Student (Y or N)	Social Security or Alien Reg. No.

I certify that the information presented in this document is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name of Applicant

EXHIBIT B

ESG Income Eligibility Calculation Worksheet

To be eligible for ESG households must be at or below 30% of the Area Median Income (and meet other ESG eligibility requirements, as identified in federal regulation). Grantees may use this worksheet to determine whether an applicant household meets the ESG income eligibility threshold. A copy of this worksheet should be kept in the ESG participant case file.

Household Member Number	Household Member Name	Age of Household Member
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
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8		
9		
10		
11		
	Total Household Members (Household size)	
	30% of Area Median Income (AMI) for Household Size	\$

Household Member Number/ Name	Sources of Household Income	Gross Documented Current Income Amount	Frequency of Income	Number of Payments per Year	Annual Gross Income (gross income amount X # of payments per year)
	Earned Income (for ADULT household members only)	\$			\$
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	Self-employment/business income	\$			\$
	Self-employment/business income	\$			\$
	Interest & Dividend Income	\$			\$
	Interest & Dividend Income	\$			\$
	Pension/Retirement Income	\$			\$
	Pension/Retirement Income	\$			\$
	Unemployment & Disability Income	\$			\$
	Unemployment & Disability Income	\$			\$
	TANF/Public Assistance	\$			\$
	TANF/Public Assistance	\$			\$
	Alimony, Child Support and Foster Care Income	\$			\$
	Alimony, Child Support and Foster Care Income	\$			\$
	Armed Forces Income	\$			\$
	Armed Forces Income	\$			\$
	Other (specify):	\$			\$
	Other (specify):	\$			\$
Total Annual Gross Income from all Sources			\$		-
30% of Area Median Income for Household Size			\$		-
Variance (If less than AMI, then household is income eligible)			\$		-
Is the household at or below 30% Area Median Income?			YES-Income Eligible		

Exhibit C: RENT REASONABLENESS CHECKLIST AND CERTIFICATION

	Proposed Unit	Unit #1	Unit #2	Unit #3
Address				
Number of Bedrooms				
Square Feet				
Type of Unit/Construction				
Housing Condition				
Location/Accessibility				
Amenities				
Unit:				
Site:				
Neighborhood:				
Age in Years				
Utilities (type)				
Unit Rent				
Utility Allowance				
Gross Rent				
Handicap Accessible?				

CERTIFICATION:

A. Compliance with Payment Standard

Proposed Contract Rent + Utility Allowance = Proposed Gross Rent

The Proposed Contract Rent ☐ does ☐ does not exceed the maximum allowed monthly rent by bedroom count, as established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the use of the local public housing authority in administering the Housing Choice Voucher Program as follows:

Bedroom Count	Payment Standard
0	\$638.00
1	\$702.00
2	\$829.00
3	\$1,206.00
4	\$1,299.00
Payment standards Effective Date: October 1, 2011	

B. Rent Reasonableness

Based upon a comparison with rents for comparable units, I have determined that the proposed rent for the unit ☐ is ☐ is not reasonable.

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY NAME:	SIGNATURE:	DATE:
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Exhibit D: ESG Housing Habitability Standards Inspection Checklist

About this Tool

These standards apply only when a program participant is receiving financial assistance and moving into a new (different) unit. Inspections must be conducted upon initial occupancy and then on an annual basis for the term of ESG assistance.

The habitability standards are different from the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) used for other HUD programs. Because the HQS criteria are more stringent than the habitability standards, a grantee could use either standard. In contrast to HQS inspections, the habitability standards do not require a certified inspector. As such, ESG program staff could conduct the inspections, using a form such as this one to document compliance.

Instructions: Mark each statement as 'A' for approved or 'D' for deficient. The property must meet all standards in order to be approved. A copy of this checklist should be placed in the client file.

Approved or Deficient	Element
	1. <i>Structure and materials:</i> The structures must be structurally sound so as not to pose any threat to the health and safety of the occupants and so as to protect the residents from hazards.
	2. <i>Access:</i> The housing must be accessible and capable of being utilized without unauthorized use of other private properties. Structures must provide alternate means of egress in case of fire.
	3. <i>Space and security:</i> Each resident must be afforded adequate space and security for themselves and their belongings. Each resident must be provided with an acceptable place to sleep.
	4. <i>Interior air quality:</i> Every room or space must be provided with natural or mechanical ventilation. Structures must be free of pollutants in the air at levels that threaten the health of residents.
	5. <i>Water Supply:</i> The water supply must be free from contamination.
	6. <i>Sanitary Facilities:</i> Residents must have access to sufficient sanitary facilities that are in proper operating condition, may be used in privacy, and are adequate for personal cleanliness and the disposal of human waste.
	7. <i>Thermal environment:</i> The housing must have adequate heating and/or cooling facilities in proper operating condition.
	8. <i>Illumination and electricity:</i> The housing must have adequate natural or artificial illumination to permit normal indoor activities and to support the health and safety of residents. Sufficient electrical sources must be provided to permit use of essential electrical appliances while assuring safety from fire.

	9. <i>Food preparation and refuse disposal:</i> All food preparation areas must contain suitable space and equipment to store, prepare, and serve food in a sanitary manner.
	10. <i>Sanitary condition:</i> The housing and any equipment must be maintained in sanitary condition.
	11. <i>Fire safety:</i> Both conditions below must be met to meet this standard. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Each unit must include at least one battery-operated or hard-wired smoke detector, in proper working condition, on each occupied level of the unit. Smoke detectors must be located, to the extent practicable, in a hallway adjacent to a bedroom. If the unit is occupied by hearing-impaired persons, smoke detectors must have an alarm system designed for hearing-impaired persons in each bedroom occupied by a hearing-impaired person. b. The public areas of all housing must be equipped with a sufficient number, but not less than one for each area, of battery-operated or hard-wired smoke detectors. Public areas include, but are not limited to, laundry rooms, day care centers, hallways, stairwells, and other common areas.

(Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Docket No. FR-5307-N-01, Notice of Allocations, Application Procedures, and Requirements for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Grantees under the Recovery Act)

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

I certify that I am not a HUD certified inspector and I have evaluated the property located at the address below to the best of my ability and find the following:

- ☐ Property meets all of the above standards.
☐ Property does not meet all of the above standards.

Therefore, I make the following determination:

- ☐ Property is approved.
☐ Property is not approved.

Case Name: _____ Street Address: _____ Apartment: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Evaluator's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Please Print. Name: _____ CBO Exec. Dir. Initial: _____

Exhibit E

ESG Lead Screening Worksheet

About this Tool

The *ESG Lead Screening Worksheet* is intended to guide grantees through the lead-based paint inspection process to ensure compliance with the rule. ESG staff can use this worksheet to document any exemptions that may apply, whether any potential hazards have been identified, and if safe work practices and clearance are required and used. A copy of the completed worksheet along with any additional documentation should be kept in each program participant's case file.

Instructions

To prevent lead-poisoning in young children, ESG grantees must comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act of 1973 and its applicable regulations found at 24 CFR 35, Parts A, B, M, and R. Under certain circumstances, a visual assessment of the unit is not required. This screening worksheet will help program staff determine whether a unit is subject to a visual assessment, and if so, how to proceed. A copy of the completed worksheet along with any related documentation should be kept in each program participant's file.

Note: ALL pre-1978 properties are subject to the disclosure requirements outlined in 24 CFR 35, Part A, regardless of whether they are exempt from the visual assessment requirements.

Basic Information

Name of Participant
Address Unit Number
City State Zip
ESG Program Staff

Part 1: Determine Whether the Unit is Subject to a Visual Assessment

If the answer to one or both of the following questions is 'no,' a visual assessment is not triggered for this unit and no further action is required at this time. Place this screening worksheet and related documentation in the program participant's file.

If the answer to both of these questions is 'yes,' then a visual assessment is triggered for this unit and program staff should continue to Part 2.

1. Was the leased property constructed before 1978?

☐ Yes

☐ No

2. Will a child under the age of six be living in the unit occupied by the household receiving ESG assistance?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part 2: Document Additional Exemptions

If the answer to any of the following questions is 'yes,' the property is exempt from the visual assessment requirement and no further action is needed at this point. Place this screening sheet and supporting documentation for each exemption in the program participant's file.

If the answer to all of these questions is 'no,' then continue to Part 3 to determine whether deteriorated paint is present.

1. Is it a zero-bedroom or SRO-sized unit?

☐ Yes

☐ No

2. Has X-ray or laboratory testing of all painted surfaces by certified personnel been conducted in accordance with HUD regulations and the unit is officially certified to not contain lead-based paint?

☐ Yes

☐ No

3. Has this property had all lead-based paint identified and removed in accordance with HUD regulations?

☐ Yes

☐ No

4. Is the client receiving Federal assistance from another program, where the unit has already undergone (and passed) a visual assessment within the past 12 months (e.g., if the client has a Section 8 voucher and is receiving ESG assistance for a security deposit or arrears)?

☐ Yes (Obtain documentation for the case file.)

☐ No

5. Does the property meet any of the other exemptions described in 24 CFR Part 35.115(a).

☐ Yes

☐ No

Please describe the exemption and provide appropriate documentation of the exemption.

Part 3: Determine the Presence of Deteriorated Paint

To determine whether there are any identified problems with paint surfaces, program staff should conduct a visual assessment prior to providing ESG financial assistance to the unit as outlined in the following training on HUD's website at:

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/training/visualassessment/h00101.htm>.

If no problems with paint surfaces are identified during the visual assessment, then no further action is required at this time. Place this screening sheet and certification form (Attachment A) in the program participant's file.

If any problems with paint surfaces are identified during the visual assessment, then continue to Part 4 to determine whether safe work practices and clearance are required.

1. Has a visual assessment of the unit been conducted?

☐ Yes

- ☐ No
2. Were any problems with paint surfaces identified in the unit during the visual assessment?
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (Complete Attachment A – Lead-Based Paint Visual Assessment Certification Form)

Part 4: document the level of identified problems

All deteriorated paint identified during the visual assessment must be repaired prior to clearing the unit for assistance. However, if the area of paint to be stabilized exceeds the de minimus levels (defined below), the use of lead safe work practices and clearance is required. If deteriorating paint exists but the area of paint to be stabilized does not exceed these levels, then the paint must be repaired prior to clearing the unit for assistance, but safe work practices and clearance are not required.

1. Does the area of paint to be stabilized exceed any of the de minimus levels below?
- 20 square feet on exterior surfaces ☐ Yes ☐ No
 - 2 square feet in any one interior room or space ☐ Yes ☐ No
 - 10 percent of the total surface area on an interior or exterior component with a small surface area, like window sills, baseboards, and trim ☐ Yes ☐ No

If *any* of the above are ‘yes,’ then safe work practices and clearance are required prior to clearing the unit for assistance.

Part 5: Confirm all identified deteriorated paint has been stabilized

Program staff should work with property owners/managers to ensure that all deteriorated paint identified during the visual assessment has been stabilized. If the area of paint to be stabilized does not exceed the de minimus level, safe work practices and a clearance exam are not required (though safe work practices are always recommended). In these cases, the ESG program staff should confirm that the identified deteriorated paint has been repaired by conducting a follow-up assessment.

If the area of paint to be stabilized exceeds the de minimus level, program staff should ensure that the clearance inspection is conducted by an independent certified lead professional. A certified lead professional may go by various titles, including a certified paint inspector, risk assessor, or sampling/clearance technician. Note, the clearance inspection cannot be conducted by the same firm that is repairing the deteriorated paint.

1. Has a follow-up visual assessment of the unit been conducted?
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
2. Have all identified problems with the paint surfaces been repaired?
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
3. Were all identified problems with paint surfaces repaired using safe work practices?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not Applicable – The area of paint to be stabilized did not exceed the de minimus levels.

4. Was a clearance exam conducted by an independent, certified lead professional?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not Applicable – The area of paint to be stabilized did not exceed the de minimus levels.

5. Did the unit pass the clearance exam?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not Applicable – The area of paint to be stabilized did not exceed the de minimus levels.

Note: A copy of the clearance report should be placed in the program participant's file.

Exhibit F

ESG Lead-Based Paint Document Checklist

About this Tool

The following checklist provides ESG grantees with an overview of common documents that can be used to verify compliance with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act. Note that this checklist does not cover all of the documentation that providers would want to include in all instances. For example, additional documentation may be required if the property is found to meet exemptions listed under Part 2 of the Lead Screening Worksheet.

Document Name	Purpose	✓
Application	Documents age of children	
Screenshot of property record from online tax database	Documents age of property	
Lead Screening Worksheet	Documents exemptions (additional documentation will vary based on exemption)	
Lead-Based Paint Visual Assessment Certification	Documents that a visual assessment was conducted and problems with paint surfaces were not identified	
Owner Certification (if applicable)	Documents owner certification that any identified problems with paint surfaces have been repaired and that safe work practices were followed, as applicable	
Clearance Report (if applicable)	Documents that unit passed clearance	
Documentation of ongoing maintenance activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual Assessment Certification Forms Clearance report from each maintenance job involving painted surfaces above the de minimis threshold Notice of lead hazard reduction for each maintenance job involving painted surfaces 	Documents that a visual assessment is performed at least annually during the assistance period and that any deteriorated paint was appropriately addressed (including clearance and notice of lead hazard reduction)	
Documentation of response to EIBLL child: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copies of risk assessment Abatement or clearance report Relocation documents Correspondence with health department 	Documents that if an EIBLL child was identified in the unit, the situation was addressed in accordance with the Lead Safe Housing Rule.	

Exhibit G

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT HOMLESS PREVENTION AND RAPID REHOUSING

Report To :	<input type="checkbox"/>	County of Fresno	or	<input type="checkbox"/>	City of Fresno
Name of Agency:					
Project:					
Reporting Month					

I. PROGRESS NARRATIVE

A. List specific accomplishments during this reporting period:

B. Problem areas:

C. Is the project following the approved implementation schedule?

D. Has there been any private sector involvement? If so, please provide information here.

II. STATUS OF HMIS REPORTING AND DATA INPUT

III. NARRATIVE DESCRIBING SPECIFIC HOUSING RELOCATION & STABILIZATION SERVICES PROVIDED DURING REPORTING PERIOD
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IV. NARRATIVE DESCRIBING SPECIFIC HABITABILITY INSPECTION SERVICES PERFORMED OR CONTRACTED OUT DURING REPORTING PERIOD

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V. PENDING ISSUES:

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VI. CONCLUSIONS:

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AGENCY

Name	Title	Date

CITY/COUNTY USE ONLY

Reviewed by City/County Staff					Date

Exhibit H
ESG Funds Disbursement Request

Report Period: _____

ORGANIZATION NAME: _____ PROJECT NAME: _____ ESG- _____ CONTRACT NUMBER: _____	ATTENTION: _____ Claudia Cazares HUD CONTRACT TIME LAPSED: 0% CONTRACT TIME LAPSED: 0% CONTRACT FUNDS EXPENDED: 0%
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SEND THE MONTHLY INVOICE FORM TO _____ ALONG WITH COPIES OF ALL INVOICES VERIFYING
EXPENDITURES TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: City of Fresno, Planning and Development Department, Attn: Housing
Manager, 2600 Fresno St., Room 3070, Fresno, CA 93721

Homeless Prevention - Financial Assistance				Homeless Prevention - Relocation & Stabilization			
	Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date		Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date
Rental Assistance				Case Management Services			
Security & Utility Deposits				Outreach and Engagement			
Utility Payments				Housing Search			
Moving Cost Assistance				Legal Service			
				Credit Repair			
Total		\$0.00		Total		\$0.00	

Rapid Re-Housing - Financial Assistance				Rapid Re-Housing - Relocation & Stabilization			
	Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date		Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date
Rental Assistance				Case Management Services			
Security & Utility Deposits				Outreach and Engagement			
Utility Payments				Housing Search			
Moving Cost Assistance				Legal Service			
				Credit Repair			
Total		\$0.00		Total		\$0.00	

Administrative Cost				Emergency Shelter/Street Outreach			
	Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date		Budget	Month Expense	Year to Date
Total				Total			

FOR CONTRACTOR USE

Submitted by:

Name: _____ Title: _____

Date: _____ Phone: _____

Four /City/County Use Only:

Approved By:

Name: _____ Date: _____ Amount: _____