



2024

McHenry County Annual Action Plan



Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

Annual Action Plan 2024 is being presented to the Community amidst the recovery from a Pandemic of global proportions. The 2020 Census data suggests that McHenry County's population is stagnant, and remains near 310,000. This Plan will consider the lack of growth as a sign that the community can improve its existing infrastructure, promoting the wonderful and diverse mix of urban, suburban, exurban, and rural areas the County has in order to foster a better of life while enriching our vibrant community.

The 2024 Annual Action Plan continues many of the efforts put in place to Plan, Prepare for, and Respond to Covid-19, albeit at a lesser level, all while focusing on building strong and vibrant communities.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

Like many communities throughout the United States, McHenry County struggles with a lack of decent affordable housing. Over the course of the past 10 years, there has been no significant growth in the number of units of affordable housing, but there had been a significant conversion of owner units into rentals. Despite this substantive increase in rentals without a corresponding population increase, vacancy rates remain among the lowest in the state, hovering at 5% or lower, almost double the average of the State of Illinois. Coupled with rental rates that are 57% higher than State average, the propensity in McHenry County to be rent burdened is staggering. Keeping people in their housing will be a priority as a result of these factors, including through Homeowner-Occupied Rehabilitation. Developing new affordable housing opportunities remains a critical factor, whether through scattered-site acquisition and rehabilitation or construction. Keeping up with the pace of demand for rentals is especially significant. The County has entered into the realm of economic development, partnering with additional funders to make critical grants to businesses that desperately need them. Building on economic development opportunities across the board will be critical in ensuring McHenry County will remain a vibrant place to live and work. It will remain important to serve the citizen through Infrastructure investments in their local communities and through widespread Public Services, especially through new

and promising models of service. When utilized in an effective way, Public Facility rehabilitation will be an important Plan offering that will enable the use of the programs offered by our service providers for years to come, especially when services are improved or built upon as a result. The County will seek to enhance its direction with the homeless population by considering and addressing underlying factors that lead to homelessness, especially poverty. The community will benefit from the removal of lead-based paint hazards from homes and rentals throughout the community in order to allow for affected children to live in safe housing. McHenry County will remain a key player in the Continuum of Care to End Homelessness, becoming the first Unified Funding Agency in Illinois during the Plan period.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The project types eligible for funding were adapted from the breadth increase that occurred with the amendment to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. This amendment allowed for more opportunities and more ideas to flow forward to the County for consideration and funding.

The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan was initially developed with a narrow scope of activities. The goals for Public Services were easily met early on in the Plan. Because McHenry County contains a high number of former "summer cottage" type housing units, a significant focus of the Plan was on housing rehabilitation in both the CDBG and HOME Programs. During the course of the Plan, costs per unit began to swell, well above the proposed average of \$6,600 per unit. Late in the Plan year, the decision was made to revamp the program, pairing a portion of it to the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program and making the majority of it focused on certain physical aspects of the housing units (i.e. roofs). The last Plan did not anticipate nor factor in other Federal, State, and local funds that were, or could have been, a part of the overall community efforts associated with Community Planning and Development.

During the 2015-2019 Plan, the County advanced its grant year by nine months, making it an October grantee. The County was able to apply for and receive numerous grant awards: State ESG, Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program, EFSP, Treasury funds from the State of Illinois for Economic Development, and Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance.

A number of affordable housing developments were able to come into existence as a result of investments made by the CDBG and/or HOME Programs. These units are clustered in communities throughout the County, a significant achievement in sheer volume considering the limited resources the County has. This matter is of huge significance, and is a key component of the 2024 Annual Action Plan.

As a result of challenges with home values and the extensive rehabilitation needed to bring housing to code, the County has discontinued the use of the HOME program for Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation. The emphasis has been placed on increasing the number of affordable housing units and

instead allowing the CDBG Program to be the exclusive sources of Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation. This will allow for the addition and delivery of new affordable housing units.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

TBD.

5. Summary of public comments

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

TBD.

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

All comments were accepted and will be factored into future funding opportunities and strategic initiatives.

7. Summary

Although alternate methods were available for attending the 2023 Plan process, attendance at meetings was minimal as compared to the breadth expansion of the 2015-2019 Plan. Organizations were present in the process to acknowledge that the activities they might later seek would be eligible under the Plan, and therefore did not propose any additional commentary. McHenry County utilizes a Commission to make funding recommendations to the County Board; therefore, funding decisions have already been determined when the Plan is submitted. The County will continue to explore alternate ideas for getting more commentary involvement in Annual Planning, which would improve if comments are received prior to consideration of funding requests, if feasible.

It should be noted that the County opted not to participate in the new IL-DHS CoC funding as the fiscal lead for the first year, but instead will focus its efforts on how the HUD-CoC and this new program can develop synergies to enhance the overall system.

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

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

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

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	MCHENRY COUNTY	Dpt. of Planning-Community Development Division	
HOME Administrator	MCHENRY COUNTY	Dpt. of Planning-Community Development Division	

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

McHenry County has sent out letters to participating communities for the Urban County requalification.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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

1. Introduction

In developing its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan for Community Development, of which Annual Action Plan 2024 is a subset, McHenry County developed an outreach effort to maximize input from a large cross-section of stakeholders. This outreach effort included public meetings, published meeting notices and online notices, stakeholder meetings, in-person interviews, and telephone interviews. Identifying that the breadth of activities from the prior Plan, as amended, would be carried over.

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

McHenry County has one provider of public housing, the McHenry County Housing Authority. In addition, the County has funded or supported a significant number of assisted units that are provided through the Continuum of Care programs and/or by agencies that participate in the Continuum of Care or the Senior Services Grant Program. Due to McHenry County serving as the lead agency for the Continuum of Care, the County strives to coordinate the efforts of essential county-wide networks and coalitions by participating in each: a) with leadership and oversight roles, b) gathering the specific identified priority needs, strategies, and funding opportunities, c) putting forth an objective view of performance, and finally, d) sharing the knowledge to inform the planning of diverse providers within McHenry County. This allows McHenry County to coordinate efforts to achieve a collective impact on priority needs and policy using focused strategies. Through the Continuum of Care and through its own funding processes, assisted housing providers, health, mental health, and service agencies are encouraged to coordinate and collaborate and duplication of services is evaluated. One example of such efforts through the Continuum of Care has been to offer a weekly assistance program with coordination of health, mental health, and peripheral service providers. McHenry County continues to coordinate and collaborate through active participation in the annual Funders Forum. The Funders Forum, which was spearheaded by the McHenry County Community Development in 2019, is a group of community leaders and funding organizations working to determine community needs and priorities that will improve the well-being of the McHenry County community. Funders Forum partners plan on engaging McHenry County residents and service providers in several assessment activities to determine community needs. Some of the key goals established are to anticipate and manage change, develop collaborative federal and state funding applications for overall community need, and to leverage local funding to address priorities strategically and collaboratively.

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

The 2024 Annual Action Plan will be the fourth plan year in which the County is identified to act as the CoC's Unified Funding Agency.

McHenry County also acts as the Collaborative Applicant for the McHenry County CoC. The Community Development Division is heavily involved in all aspects of the local CoC, which operates as a volunteer network of organizations. This includes working with the CoC to develop plans to end homelessness, developing scoring rubrics for competitions, planning CoC meetings, and continually building a collaborative community wide system of resources. McHenry County spearheaded the community's involvement in the Built for Zero campaign, with its initial focus on targeting a net zero of homeless veterans, or "functional zero". On an ongoing basis, the Community Development Division provides extensive support to the CoC, also including the provision or acquisition of technical assistance to help better address the needs of special homeless population through an improved coordinated entry program.

McHenry County has CoC-funded organizations to improve cross-sector collaborations with local providers, the PHA, and hospital systems to improve housing outcomes for homeless households.

For CoC Program Year 2021, the Community Development office completely revised the CoC scoring rubric, resulting in improved oversight of community projects funds through the CoC, with minor modifications made annually.

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

McHenry County throughout its history is an ententelement community for CDBG and HOME. McHenry County only contains CoC IL-500 and is not a direct recipient of ESG funding. Instead, the county partners with the State of Illinois, which is the ESG recipient, to score, evaluate, and award ESG funds competitive basis annually. The county also serves as the lead for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and requires data quality standards as specified in the HMIS Policies and Procedures. These standards include weekly data reviews to ensure client data is up to date and accurate at local provider agencies. The county was recently informed of new state funding opportunities for rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, and shelter diversion. This new support will effectively double the CoC funding provided annually and offers a new approach to shelter diversion.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	McHenry County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Agency - Emergency Management Other government - County Overall Grantee Administration Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Lead-based Paint Strategy Emergency Management
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Emergency Management Agency responsible for FEMA-funded initiatives. This is a Grantee Department separate from Community Development. Also, the Administration of McHenry County is responsible for assessing access to Broadband Infrastructure and ensuring collaboration with Broadband Internet Service Providers. The Community Development office manages a Lead Safe Housing Program.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	MCHENRY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	McHenry County Housing Authority - review of the PHA Plan and consistency with the Consolidated Plan; CDBG and other funding to provide supportive services and homeowner-occupied rehabilitation. The organization also manages the Community Services Block Grant Program, which is targeted toward homelessness prevention.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Home of the Sparrow
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Employment Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization provides affordable housing units and supportive services to residents of both its shelters and housing units.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	United Way of Greater McHenry County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Grantmaking Agency

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Grantmaking organization consulted in tandem with the community's "Funders Forum," which is a group of grantmaking organizations in the County that support coordinated efforts at building community capacity.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Mental Health Resource League for McHenry County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Grantmaking Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Mental Health Services
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Grantmaking organization consulted in tandem with the community's "Funders Forum," which is a group of grantmaking organizations in the County that support coordinated efforts at building community capacity.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	ASSOCIATION FOR INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Organization that provides supportive housing and services regionally. Expertise provided by CEO, who formerly worked for Supportive Housing Providers Association and the State of Illinois in the role of building capacity for supportive housing.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	PIONEER CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provider organization serving disabled and homeless individuals. This organization also provides emergency shelter and homeless and runaway youth services as well as Coordinated Entry.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	PRAIRIE STATE LEGAL SERVICES - ROCKFORD
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provider of legal services that also provides Fair Housing evaluation and training. This organization also provides homelessness prevention services.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northern Illinois, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Housing Counseling and Credit Repair
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Organization that provides homelessness prevention services, credit repair, court advocacy, down-payment assistance, and other special programs (example mortgage assistance).
10	Agency/Group/Organization	McHenry County Community Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Grantmaking Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Grantmaking agency that provides general operating and special funding for targeted projects, including many cross-sector opportunities with Community Development.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MCHENRY COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Community Housing Development Organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Organization that provides homeowner-occupied rehabilitation and is a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Family Health Partnership Clinic
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization provides health services, especially to homeless and lower income households.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Turning Point, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims

What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization is the community's Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence-designated agency for providing services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

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

McHenry County does not currently provide comprehensive services to individuals who have been released from jail. The county does, however, provide job search assistance and some minor coordination with a local provider in Woodstock. McHenry County would like to support the development of a comprehensive service organization for this population and would provide funding and technical assistance if the opportunity arises.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	McHenry County Community Development	McHenry County follows HUD's System Performance Measures for identifying program outcomes. This includes coordinating cross-sector efforts to reduce the number of new homeless; reduce recidivism among clients who have left homeless services; reduce the length of time any family or person is homeless; and have successful program outcomes at project exit for those who have used services. McHenry County Community Development spearheaded the development, writing, and consultation process of the new CoC Strategic Plan to End Homelessness.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The 2023-2026 CoC Plan to End Homelessness was drafted by McHenry County Community Development. The Community Development division convened several meetings with various agencies to establish target goals and guide the development of the plan.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

TBD.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
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1	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>This was the submission of a public notice to the Northwest Herald with a Circulation of 21,500 with additional social media and internet. The purpose of this notice and its public meeting was to gain feedback from citizenry. The purpose of this newspaper submission was to have a notice that publicized the required 30-day comment period, which was June 1, 2024 - July 1, 2024.</p>	No comments received.	No comments received.	
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Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Internet Outreach	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	There are 5,900 known followers of the County's webpage. The point of posting on the County's webpage was to gain feedback from community members and to make the community aware of the ability to comment and regarding the scheduled public hearing.	No comments received.	No comments received.	https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/departments/planning-development/community-development

3	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>This was a public meeting to which the community was invited. It was the culmination of the submission of a public notice to the Northwest Herald with a circulation of 21,500 persons along with additional social media postings. The other social media postings included the County's webpage and the CD Division's Facebook page. The purpose of this notice and its public meeting was to</p>	No comments received.	No comments received.	
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Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
			gain feedback from the citizenry.			

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The following table displays the anticipated resources broken down by program type. The actual funding amount available for PY 2024 CDBG and HOME are shown. The remaining items are estimated for PY 2021, 2022, and 2023 and the remaining year of the Consolidated Plan. Prior Year funding comes from projects that can be completed under budget and those are estimated figures together with Program Income generated through recapture of either CDBG or HOME grant funding.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,324,397	0	36,553	1,360,950	0	The amount of Community Development Block Grant funding available.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	568,413	0	145,000	713,413	0	The amount of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program funding available.
Continuum of Care	public - federal	Admin and Planning Housing Public Services Other	0	0	0	0	0	
Section 108	public - federal	Admin and Planning Economic Development	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab	0	0	0	0	0	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - federal	Admin and Planning Economic Development Multifamily rental new construction Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - federal	Admin and Planning Homeowner rehab Housing Multifamily rental rehab Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - federal	Admin and Planning Housing Multifamily rental new construction Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - federal	Admin and Planning Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - federal	Economic Development	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	public - state	Acquisition Admin and Planning Other	0	0	0	0	0	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - local	Admin and Planning Homeowner rehab Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

A 25% match will be required on all HOME Program activities except for admin. The Community Development office encourages at least a 10% leverage on all CDBG except for COVID-19 funding. Any leverage on other projects is voluntary but encouraged as well. The CDBG fund is used as the required match to leverage the Lead Safe Homes Program. Habitat for Humanity will have land donations.

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

McHenry County is working with a land bank or will work with local non-profit organizations to dispose of public properties through the R-1 Regional Planning Office. McHenry County continually works with its Council of Governments to facilitate the use of publicly owned land to develop new housing opportunities. Funding opportunities for housing have been developed (i.e. Treasury ERA-2 Workforce Housing Initiative) to encourage public-private partnerships, particularly for housing.

Discussion

McHenry County has a wide array of resources available for meeting community development needs. Projects are prioritized to include the availability of other funding resources not under the custody of the Community Development office.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	3165 Program Planning and Administration	2020	2024	3- Other Admin	Countywide LMC	Planning and Administration	CDBG: \$264,879 HOME: \$56,841	Other: 2 Other
2	Infrastructure Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	McHenry County Impacted Areas per Map 3 Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure	CDBG: \$655,908	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4852 Persons Assisted
3	Owner Housing Rehabilitation	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Countywide LMC	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock	CDBG: \$96,965	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 15 Household Housing Unit
4	Production of Rental Housing - Affordability	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Countywide LMC	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock	HOME: \$656,572	Homeowner Housing Added: 7 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Public Facilities - Non-Covid	2020	2024	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Countywide LMC	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure	CDBG: \$213,344	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 12660 Persons Assisted
6	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Countywide LMC	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Non-Homeless	CDBG: \$97,549	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 450 Persons Assisted Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 122 Households Assisted
7	Public Services - Non-Covid for Homeless	2020	2024	Homeless	Countywide LMC	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Homeless	CDBG: \$32,305	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 120 Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	3165Program Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	This funds the cost of administering the program according to 24 CFR 92 and 24 CFR 570.

2	Goal Name	Infrastructure Improvements
	Goal Description	These represent area benefit projects
3	Goal Name	Owner Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Production of Rental Housing - Affordability
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Public Facilities - Non-Covid
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless
	Goal Description	
7	Goal Name	Public Services - Non-Covid for Homeless
	Goal Description	

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The County continues to focus on the lack of housing affordability and housing cost burdens by ensuring that residents have access to resources to remain stable and safely housed. Homelessness Prevention is a homeless activity. Coordinated Entry and Coordinated Assessment are the same as one another and may be used interchangeably. Deteriorating infrastructure has prompted much competition for funding resources, particularly in terms of poor stormwater drainage and sanitation improvements.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	2024 Planning and Administration - CDBG and HOME
2	Alano Club of Crystal Lake - Columbus Wallace House Parking Lot
3	City of Marengo - Elm and Forest Street Sidewalk Rehabilitation
4	City of Woodstock - Olson Park Walkability Project
5	Clearbrook - Kingsport CILA Rehab of Basement Living Space
6	Compassion for Campers - Outdoor Camping Supplies for Homeless
7	Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Northern Illinois - Housing Counseling
8	Elderwerks - Social Services Case Management
9	Family Health Partnership Clinic - Medications for Uninsured
10	Habitat for Humanity McHenry County - Affordable Housing
11	Habitat for Humanity McHenry County - Homeowner Occupied Critical Home Repairs
12	Home of the Sparrow - Affordable Housing Landlord Liaison Case Management
13	Independence Health and Therapy - Capital Improvements
14	New Directions - Women's Group Home Critical Repairs
15	Turning Point - Replacement of Shelter HVAC Units for the South Building
16	Village of Hebron - Prairie Avenue Water System Improvements Phase 3
17	Village of McCullom Lake - Orchard Street Drainage and Roadway Improvements
18	Warp Corps - Street Outreach Program

Table 7 - Project Information

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

The prevention of homelessness and creation of affordable housing units is an ongoing major focus in McHenry County due to high cost housing options, lack of available housing, and the Treasury emergency rental and utility assistance program (using ERA funding) has been exhausted. The County

continues to meet its 15% in Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) set-aside requirement as affordable housing is a major focus for the community.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	2024 Planning and Administration - CDBG and HOME
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	3165Program Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Planning and Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$264,879 HOME: \$56,841
	Description	Program Year 2024 Community Development Block Grant Program and HOME Investment Partnerships Program Planning and Administration.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	2200 N. Seminary Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098
	Planned Activities	Planning and Administration
2	Project Name	Alano Club of Crystal Lake - Columbus Wallace House Parking Lot
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$29,091
	Description	This project will replace a degraded parking lot.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 400 people; about 25 meetings per week are held at this building.
	Location Description	36 N. Virginia St, Crystal Lake, IL 60014
Planned Activities	Replacing an asphalt parking lot that has attempted to be patched in years past but is needing more of an overall repair due to the amount of traffic it endures.	
	Project Name	City of Marengo - Elm and Forest Street Sidewalk Rehabilitation

3	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities - Non-Covid
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$75,148
	Description	Remove, replace, and extend an existing concrete sidewalk in a low/moderate income neighborhood.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The proposed project will serve an estimated 3,384 Households of low-moderate income persons.
	Location Description	E. Forest and Elm Street, Marengo, IL 60152
	Planned Activities	Installation of a new sidewalk and ramp improvements for ADA compliance.
	4	Project Name
Target Area		Countywide LMC
Goals Supported		Public Facilities - Non-Covid
Needs Addressed		Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
Funding		CDBG: \$87,164
Description		This project will construct an ADA-compliant sidewalk system around the neighborhood park.
Target Date		9/30/2025
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities		This project estimates to serve 9,270 low/moderate income persons.
Location Description		115 Greenwood Avenue, Woodstock, IL 60098
Planned Activities		The City of Woodstock seeks funding for its Olson Park Walkability Project to enhance and encourage walking and bicycling for recreation, commuting and utilitarian trips within city limits and address ADA-compliance issues in Woodstock's sidewalk system around Olson Park.
	Project Name	Clearbrook - Kingsport CILA Rehab of Basement Living Space

5	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities - Non-Covid
	Needs Addressed	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock
	Funding	CDBG: \$51,032
	Description	Rehabbing a basement of one of their CILA (community integrated living arrangements) buildings.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Kingsport CILA home houses six males, ages 25-33. All of the home's residents are of extremely low income (less than 30% AMI).
	Location Description	339 Kingsport Court, Crystal Lake, IL 60012
	Planned Activities	The rehabilitation of the basement includes: Rehabilitation of basement includes: Adding (1) full bathroom with installation of new insulation, an exhaust fan and vent, water supply lines for vanity, toilet and shower; relocation of light switches and installation of LED lighting (to help lower the risk of photosensitive seizures); waterproofing shower walls and installing tile and floor tiles; painting ceiling and walls; Installing new LVP flooring throughout basement; and creating a space for a multi-sensory room and storage bins for each resident.
6	Project Name	Compassion for Campers - Outdoor Camping Supplies for Homeless
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid for Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,593
	Description	This project will provide outdoor equipment and camping supplies for people experiencing homelessness.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project is anticipated to serve 35 persons experiencing homelessness.

	Location Description	5603 Bull Valley Road, McHenry, IL 60050
	Planned Activities	Compassion for Campers will supply tents, sleeping bags, sleeping mats, tarps, propane, camp stoves, hygiene products, flashlights, backpacks, some food, can openers, pillows, dish and laundry detergent, bug spray, sun screen and other necessary items.
7	Project Name	Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Northern Illinois - Housing Counseling
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Non-Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$8,828
	Description	This project will provide housing counseling and budgeting assistance to LMI McHenry County residents.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimated to assist 164 persons within 0-80% AMI, and an additional 66 persons at 81%+ AMI. Totaling 230 persons.
	Location Description	13707 W. Jackson Street Suite B, Woodstock, IL 60098
	Planned Activities	We are requesting this funding to provide housing counseling to LMI McHenry County residents. These counseling sessions will benefit residents who are struggling to stay current on their housing payments, homeless clients looking to secure permanent housing and clients looking to purchase a home become well informed homebuyers. Each client will attend a counseling session with one of our housing counselors. The counselor will help the client create a budget, review any housing specific issues the client is experiencing and create an action plan with goals and options the client can use to stabilize their housing and financial situation. Clients are invited to attend as many counseling sessions as needed to resolve their issues and help them be financially successful going forward.
8	Project Name	Elderwerks - Social Services Case Management
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless

	Needs Addressed	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Non-Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$17,656
	Description	This project will provide seniors and their families with aging counseling, a variety of information of supportive services that are available, and housing options.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimated 250 low/moderate income persons. Over half are between 0-30% AMI.
	Location Description	251 E. Northwest Hwy, Palatine, IL 60067
	Planned Activities	Elderwerks Social Services Case Management Program provides one-on-one opportunities with seniors and their families to help them navigate health care options, aging solutions, benefit programs, senior housing options, provide connections to engagement & education, and provide essential resources, referrals, and individual support.
9	Project Name	Family Health Partnership Clinic - Medications for Uninsured
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Non-Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$31,339
	Description	Family Health Partnership Clinic maintains its own clinic dispensary where patients of the clinic can access free medication.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving 150 households (200 persons) within 0-30% AMI.
	Location Description	401 E. Congress Parkway, Crystal Lake, IL 60014

	Planned Activities	Family Health Partnership Clinic (FHPC) provides high quality care to the uninsured of the county. That includes getting them medication if they need it. Since patients do not have insurance, and are generally low income, it can be almost impossible to afford the medication that they need to get and remain healthy. FHPC maintains its own clinic dispensary where patients of the clinic can access free medication.
10	Project Name	Habitat for Humanity McHenry County - Affordable Housing
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Production of Rental Housing - Affordability
	Needs Addressed	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock
	Funding	HOME: \$656,572
	Description	This project will construct 6 units of affordable housing.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
Planned Activities		
11	Project Name	Habitat for Humanity McHenry County - Homeowner Occupied Critical Home Repairs
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Owner Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock
	Funding	CDBG: \$96,965
	Description	This project will provide owner-occupied residential rehab.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving 15 persons.
	Location Description	Various locations in McHenry County.

	Planned Activities	This project will construct 15 housing units in McHenry County.
12	Project Name	Home of the Sparrow - Affordable Housing Landlord Liaison Case Management
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid and Non-Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing Stock
	Funding	CDBG: \$39,726
	Description	This project will support one exempt, full-time affordable housing, and landlord liaison case manager.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving 30 households; 20 households between 0-30% AMI and 10 households between 31-50% AMI.
	Location Description	1991 Duncan Place, Woodstock, IL 60098

	Planned Activities	The case manager will provide case management services and community outreach/liaison efforts benefitting clients receiving rental assistance, security deposit assistance, utility assistance, or facing eviction in community-based housing. Additionally, the case manager will conduct landlord mediation, client advocacy, and outreach/education services for current and prospective McHenry County-based landlords in efforts to increase the available stock of affordable rental properties for provider-served clients, including those in the Intake process with HOS. The Affordable Housing and Landlord Liaison will be a full-time position dedicated to providing housing-specific case management - such as advocacy, life skills training, referrals to legal aid and credit services - for clients seeking rental assistance or clients actively receiving rental assistance in a HUD, DHS, or other agency-funded program. The Affordable Housing and Landlord Liaison will also be responsible for community outreach efforts to private landlords aimed at increasing the available stock of affordable rental housing for LMI households in McHenry County. This position will coordinate closely with the McHenry County Continuum of Care to End Homelessness, McHenry County Community Development Division, and area service provider partners to build a robust and supportive program focused on improving the rental stock and experience for LMI clients, clients with histories of homelessness, and landlords.
13	Project Name	Independence Health and Therapy - Capital Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$33,938
	Description	This project provides capital improvements, such as, window and light replacement, electrical clean up on the roof, and adding a wheelchair accessible door to the main hallway to the Independence Health and Therapy building.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving 575 households. 309 households within 0-80% AMI and 266 households at 81%+ AMI.

	Location Description	2028 N. Seminary Avenue, Woodstock, IL 60098
	Planned Activities	This project will be improving the building which clients receive services out of. The improvements and repairs consist of converting lighting to LED and brightening exterior lights for client and staff safety; replace windows across the front of the building; removing and updating roof electrical wires; adding a wheelchair accessible door into the main hallway; and replacing sidewalks at the rear of the building due to currently presenting a safety issue for falling and tripping.
14	Project Name	New Directions - Women's Group Home Critical Repairs
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$48,482
	Description	This project will provide infrastructure improvements to the Women's Group Home.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving a total of 210 persons; 202 within 0-30% AMI and 8 within 31-50% AMI.
	Location Description	4612 Tile Line Road, Crystal Lake, IL 60012
	Planned Activities	This project will provide infrastructure improvements to improve the habitability of the Women's Group Home; such as, fixing a broken sliding door to restore full functionality and security, a water softener will be installed to address the low water quality issues stemming from the community well, the driveway will be expanded to accommodate the permitted number of residents without overflowing into the neighboring streets that prohibit overnight parking, roof and gutter repairs are urgently needed to avoid leaks in the near future, and dead trees posing as safety risks will also be removed.
15	Project Name	Turning Point - Replacement of Shelter HVAC Units for the South Building
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements

	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,171
	Description	This project will replace HVAC units for the shelter.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates benefiting 1,660 clients. Turning Point serves approximately 1,660 clients annually.
	Location Description	11019 Highway 14, Woodstock, IL 60098
	Planned Activities	This project will replace HVAC units in the shelter to maintain a habitable environment for clients. HVAC units assist with ensuring pipes do not freeze during the winter.
16	Project Name	Village of Hebron - Prairie Avenue Water System Improvements Phase 3
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$397,263
	Description	This project is increasing the main water extension from 4" to 12" to provide increased water pressure for fire protection and safer and improved drinking water for residents.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates that 26 households within 31-50% AMI will benefit from the improved drinking water.
	Location Description	12007 Prairie Avenue, PO Box 372, Hebron, IL 60034
	Planned Activities	This project is increasing the main water extension from 4" to 12" to provide increased water pressure for fire protection and safer and improved drinking water for residents. The low water pressure and poor water quality is a danger to the community.

17	Project Name	Village of McCullom Lake - Orchard Street Drainage and Roadway Improvements
	Target Area	Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Develop & Maintain Safe and Robust Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$128,963
	Description	The project will provide drainage and roadway improvements for McCollum Lake residents.
	Target Date	9/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates that 988 persons will benefit.
	Location Description	Various locations on Orchard Street in McCollum Lake, IL, 60050
Planned Activities	The project consists of drainage and roadway improvements at five locations within the Village. The locations have experienced excessive problems from the result of poor storm water drainage. The drainage issues have been extensive with erosion of ditches, shoulders and pavement structure caused by the large amounts of water funneling into one area in a short time. Besides eroding the ditches, shoulders and pavement structure, the lack of storm water drainage is causing property damage and creating mosquito breeding grounds. Correcting the drainage problems will create a better living environment for the low-moderate income population of McCullom Lake. This will not only improve the ability of residents to drive on the roadways but also improve their ability to walk and bike on the new roadways. It will also improve the look and feel of the neighborhood, instilling neighborhood pride and encouraging improvements to the adjoining properties.	
18	Project Name	Warp Corps - Street Outreach Program
	Target Area	Countywide LMC
	Goals Supported	Public Services - Non-Covid for Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Establish/Maintain Public Services: Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$21,712

Description	This project will provide street outreach to people experiencing homelessness in McHenry County.
Target Date	9/30/2025
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project anticipates serving 85 people experiencing homelessness.
Location Description	114 N Benton St., Woodstock, IL 60098
Planned Activities	Warp Corps will provide a warming station, supply food and water/coffee, allow guests to obtain clothes and camping equipment, and provide transportation services to allow guests to get to doctor's appointments, court, and employment opportunities on time.

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

The County primarily focuses on impacted areas, although funding is made in other areas of the County as well. To most effectively apply CDBG, HOME, and other federal funds to affirmatively furthering fair housing, the County is working on striking a balance between reinvesting in the lower income areas of greatest need and creating new housing units in areas outside of racial and ethnic concentration. In order to expand the array of housing opportunities available to members of the protected classes, the County is working to foster the creation of affordable family rental housing in non-impacted areas. Infrastructure projects in the qualified areas continue to require large investments of funds. These projects often address the issue of aging infrastructure in the County, including water and sewer projects.

Two areas of the County have been identified as those that will be later pursued as Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas, thereby targeting some of the CDBG funding to long-distressed communities. The County has developed a system for prioritizing goals and scoring for local CDBG and HOME applications. Once an application meets the basic eligibility requirements (LMI benefit, eligible activity that meets a National Objective, addresses one of the stated goals in the Consolidated Plan, etc.), a set of scoring criteria is used or factors related to the application are brought to the attention of the CDHG Commission, which is the body that makes funding decisions. The Commission makes final decisions and recommendations to the County Board based on these objective criteria as well as an interview with the applicants.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
McHenry County Impacted Areas per Map 3	60
Low and Moderate Income Areas per Map 1	25
Countywide LMC	15

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The areas/neighborhoods of concentration of minority and LMI persons tend to be in older areas with a higher level of housing rehabilitation needs. These geographic areas are identified above in Map 3 Impacted Areas. Most of the calls to community providers are for the weatherization program, in addition to the housing rehabilitation program applicants, are from these areas of the County. Areas that are highlighted in the Impacted areas have higher minority populations, higher poverty and are areas where HOME grant funding is limited to rehabilitation of existing homes, whereas CDBG funding may be used with priority for infrastructure and rehabilitation of existing homes. All

benefits that are for community areas will be limited to the areas in Map 1 for low to moderate income areas in accordance with HUD regulation requirements.

Discussion

Many of the distressed housing units are located in areas without municipal water and sewer services, and often suffer from ongoing flooding issues. These projects often address the issue of aging infrastructure in the County, including water and sewer projects. In addition, due to the settlement patterns within the County, many older lakeside communities contain former summer cottages that now have year-round residents. These homes were never constructed as year-round homes and often require more maintenance due to age. Effective water resources for a community can become a high priority when contamination is an issue. The County's Planning and Development Department has received funding for a project to acquire and demolish older housing units that are in the floodways.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	0

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

Discussion

The non-homeless figure is predominately represented by the households served under the rental rehabilitation programs. Homeless/Rental Assistance are clients served through the THOME funds assisting clients who are either already homeless, or at-risk. One of the HOME-ARP funded projects will create 50 units of affordable housing for McHenry County. The construction of the building will begin in the summer of 2024. The other is going to re-apply for IHDA tax credits.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

McHenry County is served by the McHenry County Housing Authority (MCHA) which owns and manages 23 units of single-family public housing. The McHenry County Housing Authority operated an Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program funded under CDBG for single family housing and will complete some HOME activities for rental rehabilitation. It also operates some specialty programs and is the subrecipient for funding under the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program. A portion of the CSBG funding is allocated toward services provided to the homeless in the community.

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

The McHenry County Housing Authority will continue to use the capital fund program to rehabilitate and modernize its public housing units to ensure housing quality standards, as well as energy efficiency. The Housing Authority has removed the homeless preference for public housing (they have 14 PBV units with a homeless preference), will receive and allocation of HOME funding for rehab of affordable housing (non-public housing), and will continue with innovative programs focused on the homeless and vulnerable populations. The McHenry County Housing Authority is exploring the potential of becoming a Community Based Development Organization.

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

The McHenry County Housing Authority has a Resident Advisory Board that is directly involved in a management capacity. The McHenry County Housing Authority has a tenant seat on its board which includes all its housing. Further, The McHenry County Housing Authority involves its residents in management activities with a community service requirement such as volunteering 8 hours/month in some public benefit activity or participating in training, counseling, or classes toward gaining self-sufficiency and independence. Scattered-site tenants are encouraged to take part in local neighborhood watch or crime prevention programs.

The McHenry County Housing Authority will continue to work to provide financial literacy counseling and life skills training, in addition to sending job opening notices to public housing tenants.

The local Habitat for Humanity affiliate targets single parent families and individuals currently utilizing a housing voucher for its Homebuyer programs. This has allowed for opportunities for these households to become homeowners and to free up vouchers for a new use.

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

provided or other assistance

Not applicable. The McHenry County Housing Authority is not designated as troubled.

Discussion

The McHenry County Housing Authority has been an active partner in new programs and CoC initiatives. MCHA is continually supporting local efforts to ensure housing affordability and an end to homelessness.

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

Introduction

The McHenry County Continuum of Care to End Homelessness consists of a variety of people and organizations including representatives from McHenry County government agencies, food pantries, townships, faith-based organizations, housing developers, and healthcare and other social service providers, all working together to provide assistance and confront the problem of homelessness. Committee members include, but are not limited to: the Salvation Army, Pioneer Center (PADS), Prairie State Legal Services, Turning Point, Home of the Sparrow, McHenry Savings Bank, Consumer Credit Counseling Services, Veterans Path to Hope, Thresholds, Veterans Assistance Commission, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, the McHenry County Housing Authority, the Lake-McHenry Regional Office of Education, concerned citizens and formerly homeless individuals, and the McHenry County Department of Planning and Development – Community Development Division.

McHenry County's Continuum of Care (CoC) continues to work collaboratively to address the myriad of homeless issues in the County, including emergency, transitional, and permanent housing, and a range of social services agencies. Two organizations focus on emergency shelter - Turning Point and Pioneer-PADS. In mid-2020, PADS opened a new emergency shelter funded with a combination of CDBG and local Mental Health Board dollars. Two major issues are impacting the level of homelessness in the County: the lack of affordable housing and the housing cost burden of 30%/50%. In addition, limited public transportation options impact the ability of low-income households to access employment centers and social services.

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

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

The Community Development office intends to contract with consultants who are homeless or formerly homeless to ensure coordination and input about the homeless system from individuals with lived expertise. The Community Development office will provide compensation for the consultant's time and input.

The community has made great strides in confronting homelessness, approving a comprehensively developed Plan to End Homelessness, which began operation in January, 2019 with a 2023 update to include more objective measures.

Through CDBG, a Street Outreach program is able to assist street-homeless individuals with accessing

resources.

The CoC has a "Community Awareness Committee" that coordinates events to reach out to homeless individuals and provide education to the public on issues surrounding homelessness. Activities that will take place within the 2020-2024 Plan will also enable the County to market and reach out to homeless individuals with substantial funding from non-HUD programs.

A year-round shelter site opened in the summer of 2020, and increased bed capacity, meaning that the "faith institution" setup previously used is no longer required.

The community continues to offer emergency services for victims of domestic violence (who essentially become homeless after leaving an abusive household) and homelessness preventions services aimed at keeping individuals housed through either rental support or case management/community support.

A "Coordinated Intake and Assessment" system is now in place with an allocation of Continuum of Care funding. Recommendations have been made to enhance CA through technical assistance, thereby improving awareness and marketing of services.

Lastly, McHenry County's CoC is participating in the Built for Zero initiative and is attending technical assistance sessions regarding Stella P and M system modeling with the goal of targeting what types of programs are needed in McHenry County.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The Continuum of Care is focused on more coordination of support services and rehousing over the next year and over the next five years. Street Outreach and case management are needed for people who are chronically homeless and move from shelter to shelter, agency to agency, and jail to detoxification facilities and, finally, back to the streets. It is anticipated that these individuals would need to participate in the shelter setting out to ensure some level of stability, although "Housing First" models are promising and prioritized.

The Continuum of Care has developed a Strategic Plan to End Homelessness that would provide a framework for homeless housing and service delivery. The 2019-2023 Strategic Plan has ended and the Continuum worked towards finalizing goals toward the next plan which will begin in 2023 and end in 2026. The goals that the Continuum focused on are broken into two sets. The first set of goals are targetted to reducing system performance measures each year, while the second set are project-centered goals; such as, expanding street outreach, creating a CoC-wide landlord engagement and assistance program, and increasing the supply of permanent supportive housing and transitional housing units.

The Continuum of Care has effectively strategized and targeted both ESG and CoC funding for: Permanent Supportive Housing (CoC), Rapid Rehousing (CoC), Transitional Housing; low cost per client

(CoC), Coordinated Assessment (CoC), HMIS (CoC), Planning (CoC), Emergency Shelters (ESG), Street Outreach (CDBG), Homelessness Prevention (Treasury). Additionally, the McHenry County Housing Authority outlines use of its Community Services Block Grant funding for Homelessness Prevention, Homeless Services, and Economic Development. The goal is to provide homeless individuals and families with the most effective array of services to enable them to move from homelessness to permanent housing and then live as independently as possible while maintaining stable permanent housing. The continued allocation of CoC Planning funding and HMIS to the County will ensure its effective operation and oversight.

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

Families experiencing homelessness are now offered a wider array of services, including Rapid Rehousing, to reduce the period of homelessness. The community had increased the number of permanent supportive housing and VASH vouchers available to homeless individuals, with a preference for chronically homeless individuals. The housing needs of low-income individuals and families with children are high due to a combination of housing costs (57% higher than state average for rentals), a lack of well-paying local jobs, and the lack of transportation. With the cost of a two-bedroom unit well over \$1,200 per month, few low-income individuals or families can afford a unit in the County. Over 30% of the households in the County earn less than \$50,000 annually.

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.

In terms of rapid rehousing assistance, the CoC agencies have shifted their focus to the continuation of a Rapid Rehousing Program for families and domestic violence survivors. Home of the Sparrow and Veterans Path to Hope will be continuing Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Programs for homeless women, children, and veterans in order to continue efforts at eliminating these homeless populations by 2024. The CoC also initiated a Rapid Rehousing program with the community's domestic violence provider, Turning Point, which is operated by Home of the Sparrow. This project has been very

successful in confronting the needs of domestic violence survivors.

Since assuming responsibility as the HMIS administrator in 2016, the usage of the database has dramatically improved and expanded. Data quality and outcomes are monitored monthly and discussed at monthly CoC meetings. Providers represented in the system have shown interest in utilizing the database to track prevention data, which will provide the CoC with a more accurate picture of existing homeless diversion programs and their efficacy preventing new homeless clients. The data overall will assist the CoC with ongoing decisions on prioritization of funding and the ability to support local needs and issues.

Discussion

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance under the HOME Program will continue to be a lower priority in favor of delivering affordable housing units.

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

Introduction:

McHenry County completed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) in 2012 that identified the public policies that had a negative effect on fair housing, affordable housing and residential investment. These issues were addressed with each local municipality, and changes were made to local ordinances to enhance the ability to develop affordable housing in local McHenry County Communities.

Another key issue remains to be the Housing Cost Burden, which can be addressed through income improvements and lower cost housing options.

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

The AI provided the Fair Housing Action Plan, some of which address barriers to affordable housing, in addition to fair housing. At the time of the A of I study, the Community Development Division imposed restrictions to municipalities that did not revise their ordinances or laws to receiving or applying for CDBG/HOME funding. The County's Planning and Development Department oversees the community's unincorporated areas and has offered fee waivers for the development of homebuyer projects. The CD Division has actively campaigned for the development of affordable housing, both through funding and campaigning for these much-needed developments.

The draft A of I recommended that McHenry County adopt a Fair Housing Ordinance. While this is noble, it would not be far-reaching due to the County not having "Home Rule" status over local municipalities within its jurisdiction. Hence, the Ordinance would only apply to unincorporated areas. That being said, many of the issues that placed barriers were addressed and revised within affected municipalities after the 2012 A of I.

Discussion:

McHenry County requires municipalities to change their zoning ordinances in order to receive CDBG and HOME funding. McHenry County has confirmed compliance or sought amendments to zoning ordinances for the elimination of language that prohibits affordable housing or group homes for Woodstock, Harvard, McCullom Lake, Crystal Lake, Lake in the Hills, and Richmond. In 2015, a project that was proposed in Cary was opposed, not entirely by the public officials, but by the citizens. The developer sought project housing vouchers from the McHenry County Housing Authority. Community Development Division Staff of the McHenry County Department of Planning and Development and the Continuum of Care Chairman went to a Village of Cary Board and to the Illinois Housing Development

Authority meetings to speak in favor of the project and against its protest by educating the public and providing evidence of need in the county. A subsequent senior affordable housing project being developed in Cary with a completion date of 2019 met with little resistance as a result of these prior efforts.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The Community Development Division of the McHenry County Department of Planning considers a wide variety of projects and organizations for funding on an annual basis. The Division actively seeks new applicants in order to consider a wide variety of projects and activities. The following is a summary of the planned actions from the Consolidated Plan (CP) and Annual Action Plan (AP).

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Funding to support service agencies to increase capacity or efficiency of services to serve homeless populations; in addition to increasing services or maintaining the existing level of service for non-homeless, extremely low- to moderate-populations will assist in meeting underserved needs. Newer activities are being undertaken to remove slum and blight and improve economic conditions in underserved areas and/or with underserved populations. Due to the level of Treasury funds anticipated to prevent or end homelessness during this Consolidated Plan period, public service applications for non-homeless or peripheral homeless services (such as medical care) shall be a high priority.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The lack of affordable housing and high-cost burden are some primary issues identified during the development of the Consolidated Plan. The large waiting list indicates that the housing needs for persons with disabilities, in particular mental health, and those with extremely low incomes, are currently unmet. For this reason, projects under the HOME program that add new affordable housing stock are a high priority. Tenant-Based Rental Assistance is a Low Priority, and McHenry County will not entertain applications for Homeowner-Occupied Rehabilitation under the HOME Program, opting instead to fund this activity through the CDBG Program.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

In late 2019, McHenry County received a direct allocation from HUD to develop its Lead Safe Housing Program. On June 13, 2023 McHenry County submitted an application for a 4-year term for the Lead Safe Homes Program which was accepted. The County anticipates 40 additional units of housing throughout the County will receive lead remediation. This will be coupled with some CDBG funding, and it is anticipated that local Section 3 Contractors will be developed through the project. Funding will be focused on rental units with children under age 6 prone to lead-based paint hazards in a household at or below 80% of Area Median Income.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

McHenry County has worked with local service providers to pursue resources and innovative

partnerships to support the development of infrastructure improvements, affordable housing, and public services to confront homelessness. The affordable housing programs, including supporting the production of affordable rental units and rental assistance, the owner-occupied rehabilitation program, down payment assistance, and increasing the number of permanent housing units for homeless persons assists to eliminate poverty through making housing more affordable, preserving the condition and availability of the existing rental housing stock, and helping citizens build assets of all kinds: human, social, financial, and physical.

The community has approved a Regional Economic Development to include neighboring Boone and Winnebago Counties. This includes an Opportunity Zone in the City of Harvard, and Enterprise Zones in Harvard and Woodstock. The purpose of this plan is to enhance existing resources while working closely with neighboring communities to utilize economies of scale to avail jobs and commerce, and ultimately, needed tax revenue to fund services.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The McHenry County Department of Planning and Development is responsible for the overall planning, administration, and monitoring of the County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and other HUD funds made directly to the County. Additionally, the CD Division is the Planning and HMIS Grantee for the CoC and Facilitates support through both ESG and CoC resources. The Community Development and Housing Grant (CDHG) Commission is comprised of the former Housing Commission and CDBG Commission and is composed of governmental officials, citizens and not for profit service agencies, is an advisory commission that meets with frequency to oversee the execution of the CDBG and HOME grant programs.

Other partnerships exist to deliver services in the County. The Continuum of Care meets monthly on projects and issues related to the homeless and makes funding allocations to community providers for services related to homelessness. McHenry County Housing Authority (MCHA) has a seven-member commission appointed by the McHenry County Board. MCHA implements public housing projects and a variety of other programs related to low-income people and housing needs. The MCHA is also the recipient agency for Community Services Block Grant funding (CSBG). This support is geared toward homelessness prevention and economic development activities along with other special projects, such as dental support.

Last, McHenry County is seeking to develop a Community-Based Development Organization to better target resources to develop affordable housing. This would be done through technical assistance and operating funds and is anticipated to include additional local funders.

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

service agencies

The County has been actively working to address the gaps in the institutional delivery system. The process management and institutional structure has been developed to provide a high level of oversight and input into the community development and housing funding decisions. Stakeholders from a cross-section of sectors are involved, including direct service providers and members of the non-profit, for profit, and governmental sectors. Still, the process for prioritizing goals and scoring local CDBG applications has been handicapped by a “scatter-shot” approach to funding. This process is currently being refined to provide a simplified and clearer process for prioritizing goals so that the process encourages a broader range of service providers and leverages additional funds for maximum impact.

The Continuum of Care continues to be an active forum for the development of community relationships in addition to its role as the response to community homelessness. The McHenry County Mental Health Board is also very active at pulling community leaders and partners together through its meetings of stakeholders and grantees. These efforts facilitate a great deal of community coordination around homelessness, housing, and service issues in the community.

Discussion:

McHenry County has evolved tremendously in the facilitation of the development of affordable housing and resources for the homeless but identifies the need to continue in these areas to make greater strides at reducing poverty in the community. New affordable housing units will remain critical as the County confronts the high housing cost burden experienced by McHenry County residents.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has issued a series of waivers and suspensions related to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). McHenry County will follow the requirements under the CDBG and HOME programs and intends to utilize any suspensions and waivers currently available or that become available for CDBG and HOME to efficiently administer available funds.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	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
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	90.00%

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HOME Investment Partnership 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:

McHenry County does not utilize forms of investment beyond those identified in 24 CFR 92.205(b).

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 County uses recapture guidelines for homeownership activities. Currently, a recapture agreement is executed to capture the full HOME subsidy out of net proceeds from the sale. Recapture requirements means that if the property does not continue as the principal residence of the owners for the duration of the period of affordability being a minimum of five (5) years or greater as per HOME regulations based on investment total, the County will recapture the full amount of the HOME investment received by the owners as calculated by using the appropriation conditions listed below:

In the event of a sale of the property during the period of affordability, the County shall recapture an amount equal to the HOME investment in the property. In the event of refinancing during the period of affordability, the County shall ensure that the loan terms of any loan to which HOME funds are subordinated are reasonable and sustainable. The County is currently developing procedures on refinancing HOME investment in the properties. In the event of a foreclosure, the County shall recapture from the net proceeds up to the original amount of the HOME investment associated with the purchase and rehabilitation of the property subordinate to the first mortgage lien against the property. The County's five-year Consolidated Plan also permits option for resale if deemed appropriate. Resale agreements must state fair return and reasonable qualifications for low-income homebuyers. To maintain compliance with HOME, each recipient of HOME funds is required to file an approved affirmative marketing plan or adopt the County's plan as a condition of each funding agreement. Most organizations use several methods of meeting affirmative marketing requirements, including multi-lingual documents, and outreach to local businesses, schools, service centers and churches. Organizations are encouraged to work with other local agencies to share resources and develop policies that meet marketing requirements within each individual organization. The County continually updates its Section 504 compliance records and procedures and follows policies and programs that prohibit discrimination in employment, housing, access to education and public services.

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:

Recapture provisions as outlined in 24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(1) through (7) shall be enforced in

cases where HOME funds are provided as a direct subsidy to the homebuyer as down payment, closing costs, and/or purchase price assistance. McHenry County shall recapture only the amount of direct subsidy to the buyer. The development subsidy is excluded. Additionally, the County uses recapture guidelines for homeownership activities. The amount of the direct HOME investment received by the owners and the period of affordability requirement is listed below:

The voluntary or involuntary sale or transfer of the property during the period of affordability will trigger repayment of direct HOME subsidy, subject to availability of net proceeds, to McHenry County to be utilized for HOME eligible activities. Subordination of McHenry County Mortgages due to Refinancing of Primary Loans. In the event of refinancing during the period of affordability, the County shall ensure that the loans terms of any loans to which HOME funds are subordinated are reasonable and sustainable. McHenry County's provisions are summarized as follows: Should the mortgagor under a McHenry County mortgage desire to refinance a mortgage which is superior to the McHenry County mortgage, McHenry County will subordinate its mortgage, as follows: homeowner may not take cash out; homeowner may roll into the new first mortgage only reasonable and customary closing costs associated with the refinancing (this does NOT include points paid to buy down the interest rate); the new first mortgage principal balance cannot exceed the original first mortgage principal; the new first mortgage must be a fixed rate loan (15 year permissible on a case by case basis, dependent on capacity to make payments); balloon mortgages are not permissible; if the prior mortgage required escrowing of taxes and insurance, the new mortgage shall also have this requirement. In the event of a foreclosure, the County shall recapture from the net proceeds up to the original amount of the direct HOME subsidy investment and subordinate to the first mortgage lien against the property. The Recapture revisions shall be enforced through a mortgage, note and recapture agreement filed with the McHenry County Recorder's Office and the requirements within shall be triggered upon a sale or transfer of the HOME assisted property. The amount recaptured will be the entire amount of the HOME direct subsidy to the homeowner, with the total collections capped by net proceeds. Net proceeds are the sales price minus the superior loan repayment (other than HOME) and any closing costs. All projects using homebuyer assistance must follow the County's Homebuyer policy adopted in January 2014 and attached as a Grantee unique appendix for this AP.

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:

Not applicable. McHenry County does not intend to utilize HOME funding for this purpose.

5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with

special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

N/A

6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

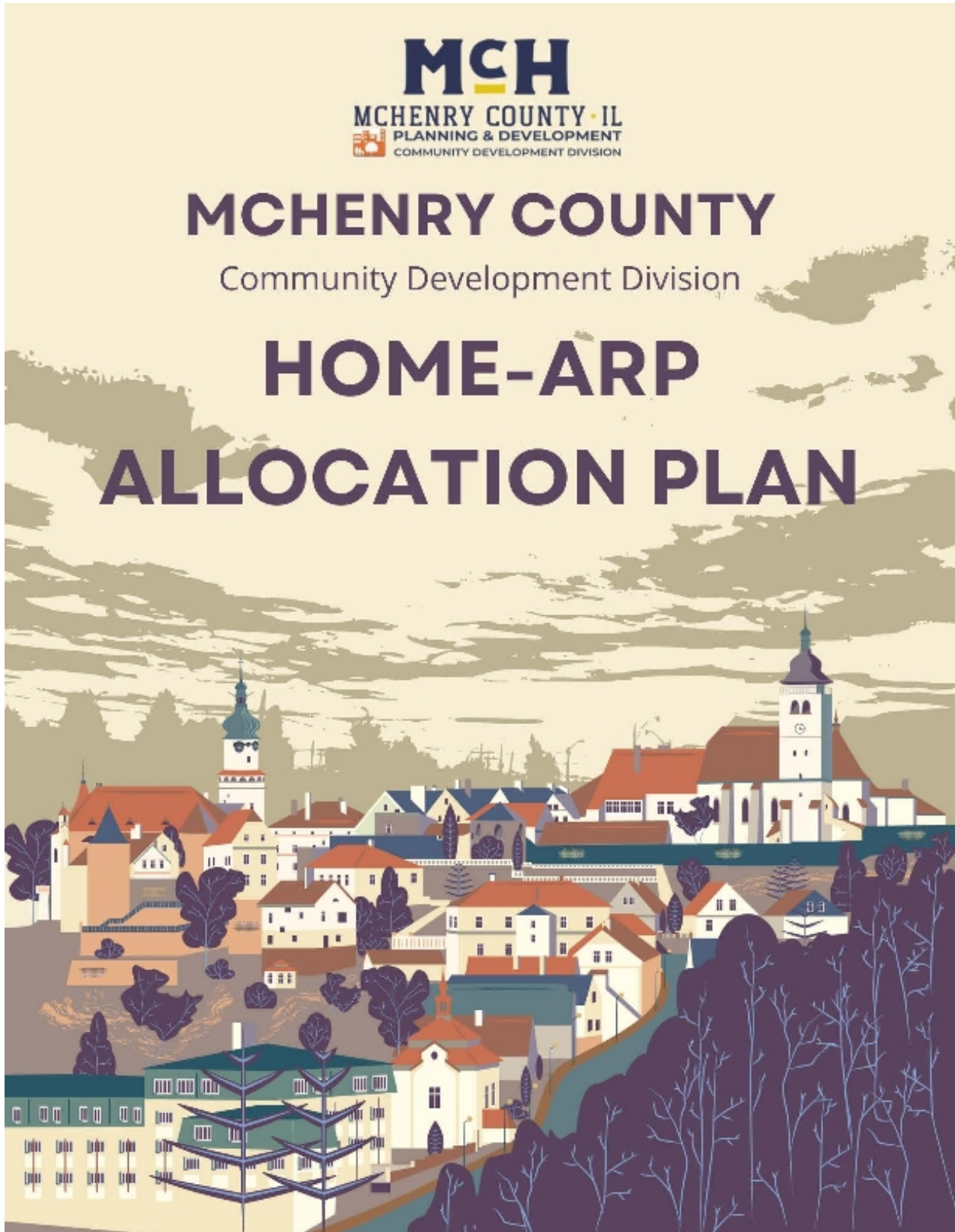
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7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).

N/A

McHenry County commonly provides more than 90% of Low- and Moderate-Income Benefit. The County has the recapture and resale measures in place in this Plan as procedural guidelines for the HOME Program.

Attachments



Consultation

Summarize the consultation process.

- McHenry County Community Development staff met with various agencies and providers that have unique and specific knowledge about the needs and what types of projects would best benefit the qualified populations listed in the NOFO.
- McHenry County Community Development staff had utilized a HOME-ARP survey for the members of the McHenry County Continuum of Care. The survey requested participants to prioritize the eligible activities and then also provide feedback and input about each of the eligible activities. Provider agencies articulated any gaps in services and housing needs by providing written feedback in the HOME-ARP survey. The County has taken the feedback from each of the consultations and created a list of all the input and feedback.

List of the organizations consulted:

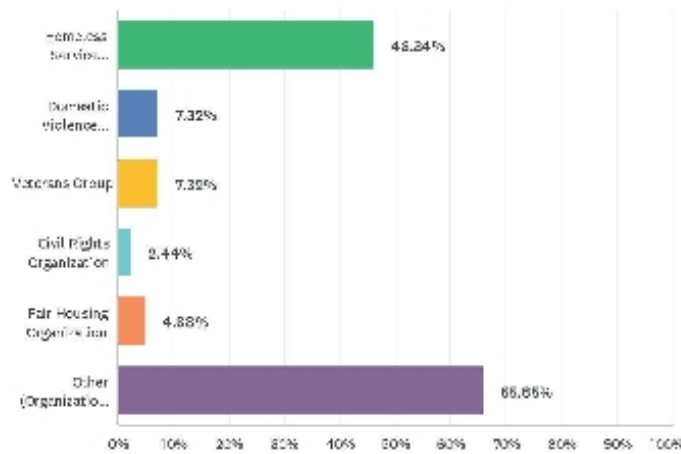
Agency Name	Type of Agency	Method of Consultation
Continuum of Care Leadership	Network of service providers for low-income residents	Virtual
Family Health Partnership Clinic	Service provider that assists low-income residents with a specific focus on improving the health of individuals	Virtual
Home of the Sparrow	Service provider that assists low-income residents; with a specific focus in women and children	Virtual
Housing Authority	Service provider that assists low-income residents with housing issues	Virtual
Pioneer Center for Human Services	Service provider that assists residents with a varying array of programs with specific focus on those with IDD's	Virtual
Prairie State Legal Services	Service provider that assists low-income residents; specifically with legal advice	Virtual
Thresholds	Service provider that assists low-income residents; specifically with mental health	Virtual
Turning Point	Service provider that assists victims of domestic violence	Virtual
Veterans Assistance Commission	Service provider that assists veterans	Virtual
Veterans Path to Hope	Service provider that assists low-income veterans	Virtual
Willow Church	Collaboration partner that assists people experiencing homelessness and those with IDD's	Virtual

HOME-ARP Survey:

McHenry County HOME ARP Survey

Q3 Which type of organization(s) below best describes the group with which you are affiliated? (select as many choices as needed) *

Answered: 41 Skipped: 1

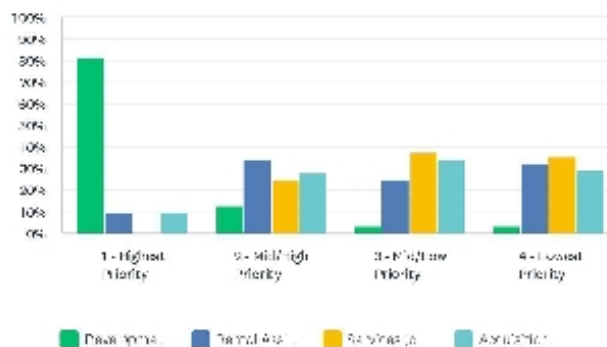


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Homeless Services Provider	46.34% 19
Domestic Violence Service Provider	7.32% 3
Veterans Group	7.32% 3
Civil Rights Organization	2.44% 1
Fair Housing Organization	4.88% 2
Other (Organization addressing the needs of People Experiencing or At Risk Homelessness, People Experiencing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, or People with High Risk of Housing Instability)	65.85% 27
Total Respondents: 41	

McHenry County HOME-ARP Survey

Q6 How would you rank the following eligible uses of HOME-ARP funds in terms of priority within our community?

Answers: 32 Skipped: 10



	DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING	RENTAL ASSISTANCE	SERVICES (CASE MANAGEMENT, LEGAL SERVICES, MOVING COST ASSISTANCE, ETC.)	ACQUISITION/DEVELOPMENT OF NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER UNITS	TOTAL
1 - Highest Priority	81.25% 26	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	32
2 - Mid-High Priority	12.50% 4	31.25% 11	25.00% 8	20.00% 8	32
3 - Mid-Low Priority	3.13% 1	25.00% 8	37.50% 12	34.38% 11	32
4 - Lowest Priority	3.13% 1	37.50% 12	34.38% 11	25.00% 8	32

Summarize the feedback received from these entities:

The feedback received from the consultations, HOME-ARP survey narrative responses, and public meetings continued to show the high need for the development of affordable rental housing in the community. Agencies that are involved in McHenry County’s Continuum of Care prioritized the development of affordable housing as the highest priority amongst the four eligible activities with 81.25% of agencies prioritizing affordable housing as the highest priority. The greatest barrier within McHenry County is the lack of affordable rental housing. This shortage of affordable rental units only exacerbates McHenry County’s housing problem along with rapidly increasing rental prices from the units that are available coupled with the lack of housing vouchers creates a stagnant housing system and increases the difficulty of placing and finding units available for clients.

Public Participation

Describe the public participation process, including information about and the dates of the public comment period and public hearing(s) held during the development of the plan. The public comment period began on April 27, 2022, with publication of the notice of public comment period in the Northwest Herald on April 27, 2022. The comment period was open until May 10, 2022. Additionally, the notice of the open comment period was published in the Northwest Herald, McHenry County also sent the notice out through a contact list of providers and agencies throughout the county. The notice was also published on Facebook.

McHenry County held two public hearing dates for the public to attend. One public hearing was on May 9, 2022, at 10:00am. The other public hearing was on May 10, 2022, at 1:00pm.

McHenry County Community Development staff utilized a HOME-ARP survey that requested CoC agencies to rank the four eligible uses of HOME-ARP funding by priority. The four eligible uses are:

- Development of affordable rental housing
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
- Supportive services
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter

Describe any efforts to broaden public participation.

McHenry County held two public hearings to offer the public a morning and afternoon time as well as two different days to allow for more people to attend. The notice and the dates of the public hearings was sent individually through email as well as published to Facebook.

Additionally, a HOME-ARP survey was created to gain more insight on what the service providers apart of the McHenry County Continuum of Care felt the HOME-ARP funding should be used for.

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

- Lack of affordable housing
- High rent and cost burdens
- Limited housing stock available in the County
- High need of long-term case management and supportive services for clients in programs
- High increase of rental housing rates
- Having more accessibility for non-English speakers through staff and flyers/notices
- Possible interim step between shelter and apartment for clients
- Having better transportation for clients to access services from their renting locations/shelters

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why. All comments were accepted and incorporated in the McHenry County HOME-ARP allocation plan.

Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis

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

	Occupied	Capacity	Available
Emergency Shelter	57	57	0
Transitional Housing	62	62	0
Rapid Rehousing	41	41	0
Permanent Supportive Housing	31	31	0
Other Permanent Housing	0	0	0
Total	191	191	0

Information provided by the 2022 McHenry County Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5:

McHenry County's Point in Time Count (PIT) for 2022 was recently completed this year in February. During the 2022 PIT Count, 81 sheltered and 11 unsheltered people experiencing homelessness were identified. 4 people were experiencing chronic homelessness. Of those 92 people experiencing homelessness, 38 identified as female, 53 as male, and 1 as transgender. 84 of the 92 people experiencing homelessness identified as white, 2 as Black or African American, and 6 as multiple races.

On an annual basis, there are roughly 92 veterans. At any given time, 23 veterans can reside in a transitional setting, while another 25-30 can receive assistance through other programs like SSVF and HUD-VASH. On an annual basis, there are roughly 194 children, with several of them being runaway youth that quickly move on to other communities where a wider variety of services exist. Children tend to participate in services with family members at a high level in McHenry County. Emergency Shelters, outside of Turning Point for domestic violence, tend to have few, if any children present. Instead, the children move into more family-based services at providers like Home of the Sparrow.

Of a typical year with 861 clients in the CoC system documented in HMIS (meaning that it excludes doubled-up and victims of domestic violence), 61% are White, 17.2% identify as Black/African American, 0.3% Asian, 0.5% Native American, 0.1% Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, 2.9% identify as Multiple Races, and 18% which the client did not want to provide the data. This data suggests that white homeless individuals experience homelessness at a rate about 30 percentage points lower than the County's population. African Americans experience homelessness at a rate that is significantly higher than the 2-3% represented in the general population. McHenry County has studied this disparity in the past, with data suggesting that permanent housing interventions occurred at a significantly higher levels with any disparate populations, suggesting that efforts to ensure equity are in place, but not to the proper levels. The

County's CoC intends to participate in identifying the means by which equity can continually be better reached.

Unsheltered homeless is more common in the urban centers of the County, and involves minimal numbers at the typical "Point-in-Time" Count every January. Street Outreach is available to assist clients who are experiencing homelessness with a baseline level of services and access points into the homeless system. The County had expanded its emergency shelter in 2020 from 34 to 70 beds to increase capacity for system entry. Rapid Rehousing is provided through TBRA (HOME) and the CoC program to assist with moving households quickly out of homelessness.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5:

Housing cost burden is a significant issue in McHenry County, accounting for the majority of housing problems in the community. McHenry County's 2011-2015 CHAS data shows 76,037 households at or below 30% AMI that are cost burdened. There are 22,148 between 30-50% AMI that are cost burdened. There are 14,395 that are 50% or greater that are cost burdened. Demographically speaking, the County's population is represented as 90.1% White, 1.1% Black/African American, 2.5% Asian, 0.3% Native American, and 6% of other races/two or more races. In McHenry County, the housing cost burden affects the population in a manner consistent with the County's population, meaning that there are not disproportionately affected groups. The fact remains that housing cost burden is a community-wide issue that needs to be confronted on multiple fronts. These numbers are based upon the data in McHenry County's Consolidated Plan for 2020-2024 and CHAS 2011-2015 data.

Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking:

Turning Point provides services for victims of domestic violence. CDBG funds have been used to assist their operations. Turning Point provides 22 beds for emergency use for families.

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability, as defined by HUD in the notice:

Out of the 113,269 housing units in McHenry, about 20% (22,654) are rental units, a number that is decreasing as housing stock is reconverted into single family housing. Studies have shown that there are rental unit "deserts," meaning that there is little to no rental stock available even if someone was ready and willing to pay for it.

The two biggest housing problems in McHenry County are:

- Rental cost burden of more than 30% of gross monthly income
- Rental cost burden of more than 50% of gross monthly income
- 4,545 of the rental housing units have households with a cost burden of 50% or more; 3,011 of the households have an income that is at or below 30% of the Area Median Income.
- The 3,011 renter households at or below 30% of Area Median Income and with a housing cost burden of more than 50% are precariously housed, and could most easily slip into homelessness by missing a few work days or having a car fail.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations.

Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5:

The McHenry County Continuum of Care works collaboratively to address the myriad of homeless issues in the County, including emergency, transitional, and permanent housing, and a range of social services agencies. Two organizations focus on emergency shelter – Turning Point and Pioneer-PADS.

A year-round shelter side opened in the summer of 2020, and increased bed capacity, meaning that the “faith institution” setup previously used is no longer required. The community continues to offer emergency services for victims of domestic violence, who essentially become homeless after leaving an abusive household, and homelessness prevention services aimed at keeping individuals housed through rental support, case management and community support. A “Coordinated Intake and Assessment” system is now in place with an allocation from the Continuum of Care. McHenry County CoC is participating in the Built for Zero initiative.

Two major issues that are impacting the level of homelessness in the County are the lack of affordable housing and the lack of a year round shelter side within the community. In addition, limited public transportation options impacts the ability of low-income households to access employment centers and social services. Also, McHenry County’s affordable housing stock is not robust enough to assist with providing housing to meet the current demand of those needing housing. McHenry County will use the HOME-ARP funds to create more affordable housing stock for the county.

At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5:

Characteristics of low-income individuals and families with children, especially extremely low-income, who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered include lack of skills required to obtain employment; deficiencies in personal skills to sustain employment; or health issues that prevent employment. Because the cost of housing in McHenry County is high, and the availability of affordable units is low, these personal and employment obstacles make obtaining and sustaining housing that much more difficult. McHenry County has a strong network of case management, employment skills resources, and family self-sufficiency programs to assist persons in overcoming these obstacles. The McHenry County CoC emphasizes affordable housing so that households are not placed in an unsustainable situation where they will be faced with homelessness when assistance is terminated.

In a rapid rehousing situation, when a client has been successfully rehoused, case management is focused on helping to provide voluntary services and supports that will aid in sustaining housing stability and self-sufficiency. Case management may continue after financial assistance ends, if appropriate or requested by the household. For those that require ongoing support after exiting the rapid rehousing program, case managers provide participants with warm handoffs to mainstream and community-based services that will continue to assist them. Access to affordable housing, workforce development or mainstream benefit resources are all key to addressing the needs of formerly persons experiencing homelessness and nearing the end of receiving rapid rehousing assistance.

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McHenry County partnered with the McHenry County Housing Authority and utilized the ERA funding to provide rental and utility assistance through the County wide MCEURAP program (McHenry County Emergency Utility and Rental Assistance Program). The MCEURAP program provided 827 households with rental and utility assistance with the average assistance per household around \$13,780.

Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice:

In McHenry County, Turning Point housed 83 clients in its secure emergency shelter in FY 2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022) and another four clients housed in the agency's transitional housing. About 30 clients exited the shelter into housing provided by a housing provider in the county.

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability, as defined by HUD in the notice:

In McHenry County, clients exiting shelter are challenged to find affordable housing they can afford, and wait lists for housing can be long. Many of the agency's clients leave shelter to stay with family and friends, but usually this is only a temporary solution until adequate permanent or transitional housing can be secured.

Identify and consider the current resources available to assist qualifying populations, including congregate and non-congregate shelter units, supportive services, TBRA, and affordable and permanent supportive rental housing:

The McHenry County Housing Authority (MCHA) will continue to use the capital fund program to rehabilitate and modernize its public housing units to ensure housing quality standards, as well as energy efficiency. The Housing Authority has worked to allow for a homeless preference for its affordable housing; will receive the allocation of HOME funding for rehab of affordable housing (non-public housing); and will continue with innovative programs focused on the homeless and vulnerable populations.

The community had increased the number of permanent supportive housing and VASH vouchers available to homeless individuals, with a preference for chronically homeless individuals. The housing needs of low-income individuals and families with children are high due to a combination of housing costs (57% higher than state average for rentals), a lack of well-paying local jobs, and the lack of transportation. With the cost of a two-bedroom unit well over \$1,200 per month, few low income individuals or families can afford a unit in the County. Over 30% of the households in the County earn less than \$50,000 annually.

In addition, 47% of owners with mortgages, 17% of owners without mortgages, and 55% of renters in the county spent 30% or more of household income on housing. This financial position leaves many individuals and families who are currently housed in a precarious situation with no safety net if a major housing repair is needed or a large housing expense occurs. For these reasons, the development of affordable housing in the community remains a priority with both HOME and CDBG funding-especially housing that targets LMI populations. The McHenry County Housing Authority has set a homeless preference for its public housing and has set aside

vouchers earmarked for the homeless, and continues to include these vouchers with affordable housing developments.

McHenry County's Continuum of Care (CoC) continues to address a wide array of homeless issues. Thank you for everything that you have been using. The CoC has effectively strategized and targeted both ESG and CoC funding for: Permanent Supportive Housing (CoC), Rapid Rehousing (CoC), Transitional Housing; low cost per client (CoC), Coordinated Assessment (CoC), HMIS (CoC), Planning (CoC), Emergency Shelters (ESG), Street Outreach (CSBG), Homelessness Prevention (Treasury). Additionally, the McHenry County Housing Authority outlines use of its Community Services Block Grant funding for Homelessness Prevention, Homeless Services, and Economic Development. The goal is to provide homeless individuals and families with the most effective array of services to enable them to move from homelessness to permanent housing and then live to independently as possible while maintaining stable permanent housing. The continued allocation of CoC Planning funding and HMIS to the County will ensure its effect operation and oversight.

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

The strengths of the McHenry County service delivery system are the collaborations that exist between McHenry County, the Continuum of Care, the Mental Health Board, and community providers. Case Managers across all these sectors connect clients to mainstream benefits and assist program participants in gaining employment, improving education and job skills, learning budgeting skills, dental, credit, and legal help. Improvements in data collection and reporting through the HMIS over the last five years have also resulted in the ability to make better data drive decisions in delivery of services and to document services received by homeless persons. There continues to be a gap in the number of beds needed for permanent supportive housing.

To overcome systemic gaps in the service and delivery system, the use of the coordinated entry system is a requirement in McHenry County for funded providers. Service providers utilize best practices developed through the VI-SPDAT assessment of the Continuum of Care. The Continuum of Care in McHenry County is reviewing options for replacement of the VI-SPDAT.

The most common housing problem in McHenry County is cost burden above 50%. The second most common problem is cost burden above 30%. The 50% or higher cost burden tends to diminish as income levels increase, as one might expect. However, it remains a factor in the cost burden category of between 30-50%. This data applies to both rental and homeowner scenarios, and suggests that affordability is a major issue in the jurisdiction. At a substantially lower level, overcrowding is an across the board concern. Substandard housing tends to affect renters at a rate of 10 times or more than homeowners, suggesting that rental rehabilitation programs would assist in ameliorating this issue.

McHenry County does not have sufficient housing for households of all income levels. The lower income households below 50% of Area Median Income tend to experience higher levels of housing cost burden. The National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) provides annual information on the Fair Market Rent (FMR) and affordability of rental housing in counties and cities in the U.S. In McHenry County, the FMR for a two-bedroom apartment in Woodstock in 2020 is \$1,200. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities without paying more than 30% of income on housing, a household must earn \$4,000 monthly or \$48,000 annually. Assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks per year, the level of income translates into an Hourly Wage of \$19.23. In McHenry County, a minimum-wage worker earns an hourly wage of \$11. In order to afford the FMR for a two-bedroom apartment, a minimum-wage earner must work 70 hours per week, 52 weeks per year. The NLIHC estimates that roughly 50% of the County renters are currently unable to afford the two-bedroom FMR units. Overall, any form of new development will need much higher levels of local investment in order to keep rent levels low enough to meet the demands of the lowest income households. TBRA can be used as an investment in lower income households to meet the gap of funding to make housing affordable, but only on a temporary basis. Additional Housing Choice Vouchers for the community would be beneficial in assisting with meeting income gaps.

The limited number of affordable units for both low- and moderate- income households continues to be a large gap in the County housing market. The housing stock remains primarily single family owner occupied housing, with limited rental options. The number of sales homes built in the last 20 years has continued to outpace the level of development of rental housing. Also, the existing rental stock tends to be older and in poorer condition. Finally, while there are vacant rental units available in more distant areas of the County, such as Harvard, the lack of transportation options limits the number of potential renters. Conversely, it is particularly difficult to find affordable housing in the southeastern area of the County, which is closer to job centers and downtown Chicago, with more available transportation options. Social justice is a major factor in the development of new housing units to ensure that households can access goods and services. According to the County's 2030 Comprehensive Plan, approximately one in three homeowners and one in two rental households were living in homes they could not afford. There continues to be a great need for affordable housing within the County.

McHenry County completed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) in 2012 that helped to identify public policies that had a negative effect on fair housing, affordable housing and residential investment. A few of the key barriers include limited zoning for multi-

family development, the high cost of land and construction, and the lack of public financing incentives to reduce these costs. While affordability/income is not a protected class under the Fair Housing Act, the County recognizes the interchangeable nature of fair housing and affordability issues, and therefore will evaluate conditions accordingly when appropriate. Many of the negative policies were eliminated from local zoning ordinances after the implementation of the 2012 Analysis. A draft Analysis for 2022 encourages the use of a Fair Housing Ordinance. While impactful, it would be limited to governing only the unincorporated areas of the County. In addition, McHenry County's employment opportunities and lack of transportation are barriers that continually affect the location of affordable housing. These barriers can prevent development and force lower income households to live farther from job opportunities. This home-to-work distance makes it difficult for the unemployed to find work; for the employed, it lengthens the commute, which lowers the quality of life for County residents.

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

McHenry County will use the HOME-ARP funding to serve people experiencing homelessness, households "at-risk" of homelessness, and individuals or families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

The priority needs for qualifying populations in McHenry County are:

- Affordable rental housing, including permanent supportive housing
- Non-congregate shelter
- Supportive services, including:
 - Case management
 - Childcare
 - Coordinated service linkage
 - Credit repair
 - Education services
 - Employment assistance and job training
 - Financial assistance to secure stable housing, such as rental application fees, security and utility deposits, and first and last month's rent
 - Housing navigation
 - Housing search and counseling assistance
 - Landlord-Tenant liaison services
 - Legal services, eviction services assistance
 - Life skills training
 - Mental health services
 - Outpatient health services
 - Outreach services
 - Substance abuse treatment services
 - Transportation, bus passes and assistance walking to home

Explain how the level of need and gaps in the PJ's shelter and housing inventory and service delivery systems based on the data presented in the plan.

McHenry County utilized several data reports and sources to analyze and determine the community needs and assess the level of gaps in the service and delivery system; such as, the 2021 Point-in-Time Count, 2021 Housing Inventory Count, public hearings and meetings, consultation with various agency providers, McHenry County Consolidated Plan to End Homelessness, CoC Strategic Plan to End Homelessness, McHenry County Annual Action Plan. Each of these various data reports was based on its own data while engaging the McHenry County community, stakeholders, and people with lived experience for insight.

HOME-ARP Activities

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

McHenry County will issue a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) that will state up to \$2,010,000 HOME-ARP funding will be made available for delivery of affordable rental housing to developers or non-profit organizations to acquire and rehabilitate housing units or historic sites for use as affordable housing stock. McHenry County is seeking to develop at least 25 units, with a preference for supportive-type housing models and family affordable housing.

Applications will be reviewed by the Community Development Division and then presented to the McHenry County Community Development and Housing Grant Commission. Approved applicants will then seek final approval from the McHenry County Board.

McHenry County will not be administering eligible services directly.

McHenry County met with various service providers during the consultation process. All agencies were able to provide feedback, share goals, and provide information on gaps that they felt needed to be addressed in the community. The agencies that McHenry County consulted with ranged from local community health agencies, legal and housing agencies, those agencies apart of the local CoC, etc. Consulted agencies and agencies that provided feedback through the HOME-ARP survey all expressed a need for more affordable housing units, permanent supportive housing, along with supportive services.

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

The funding will not be provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan.

Use of HOME-ARP funding:

Category	Funding Amount
Supportive Services	\$ 0
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 0
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 0
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 2,010,000
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0
Administration and Planning	\$ 215,083
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$ 2,225,083

Describe how the characteristics of the shelter and housing inventory, service delivery system, and the needs identified in the gap analysis provided a rationale for the plan to fund eligible activities.

McHenry County intends to use the HOME-ARP funding to assist with the current housing stock problem in the county and the high need for more units. This was due to the feedback received from the HOME-ARP survey and public meetings. The units that will be constructed with the HOME-ARP funding will provide individuals and families that are included within the qualified population categories.

HOME-ARP Housing Production Goals

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

McHenry County plans to support the production of 79 permanent supportive housing units.

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

McHenry County plans to support the production of 79 permanent supportive housing units for persons with disabilities, veterans, who are experiencing homelessness, and those that need access to supportive services.

Preferences

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

- Preferences cannot violate any applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a).
- PJs are not required to describe specific projects to which the preferences will apply.

McHenry County has not given a preference to any of the qualifying populations or subpopulations.

If a preference was identified, explain how the use of a preference or method of prioritization will address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying populations or category of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis.

No preference has been identified.

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

No preference has been identified.

HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines

Establish a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing to demonstrate that rehabilitation of HOME-ARP rental housing is the primary eligible activity.

McHenry County will not be refinancing.

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

This is not applicable.

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

This is not applicable.

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

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

This is not applicable.

Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable.

This is not applicable.

PUBLIC NOTICE

**INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR
THE 2021 HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN
FOR MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Public comments on the 2021 HOME- ARP Allocation Plan are being solicited from April 27, 2022, to May 20, 2022.

The Plan will guide decisions regarding allocations and expenditure of funds available to McHenry County through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Allocation Plan will set forth specific courses of action to be undertaken to address the needs of low- and moderate-income persons in such areas as affordable housing and homelessness. For Program Year 2021, McHenry County allocated over \$2,010,000 in HOME American Rescue Plan funding to support the development of affordable housing in McHenry County. The Annual Action Plan is guided by the 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan. This is a HUD requirement in addition to submitting an amendment to the 2021 Annual Action Plan.

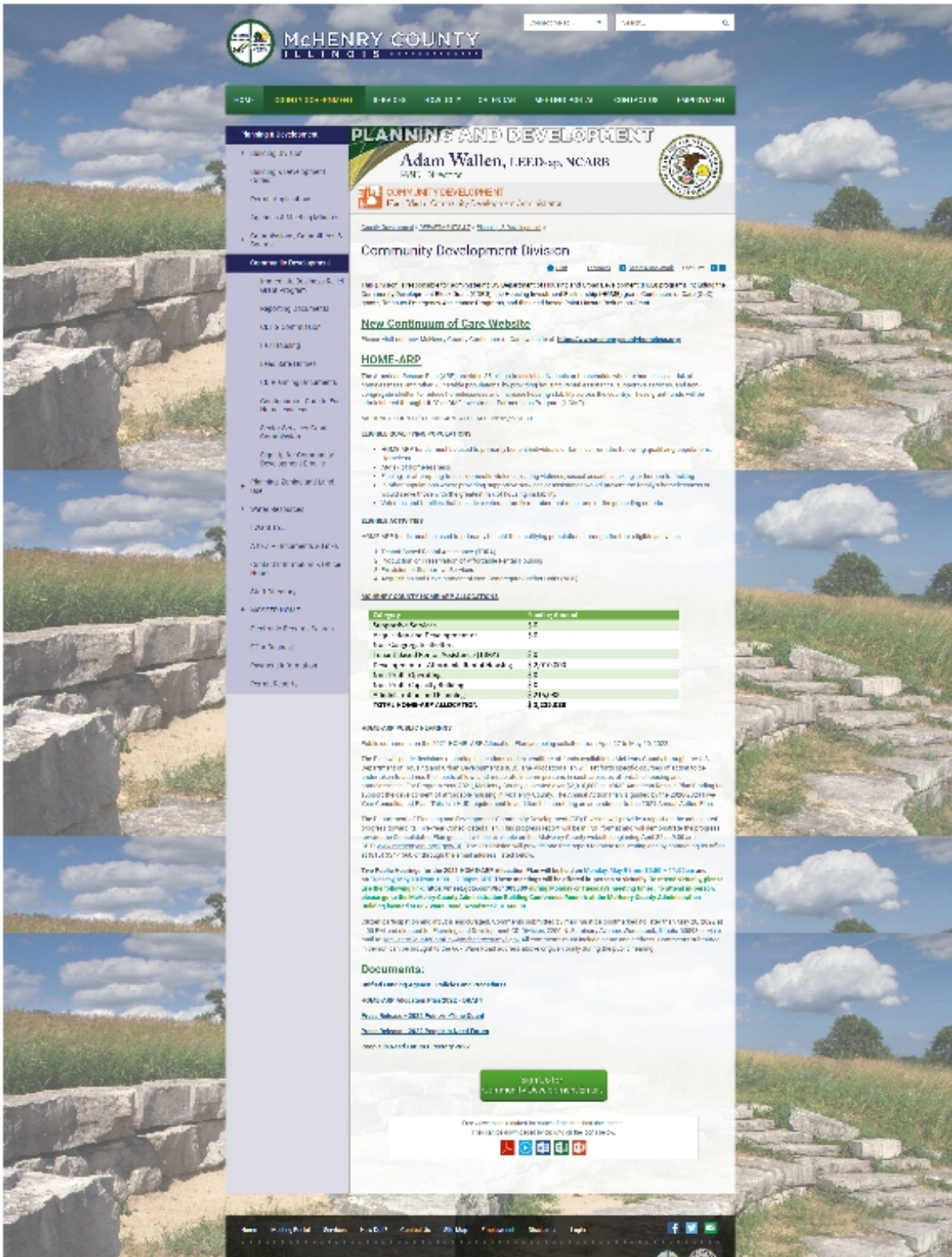
The Department of Planning and Development-Community Development (CD) Division will provide a report on the anticipated progress toward its Five-Year Consolidated Plan. This progress report will be in PDF format and will demonstrate the progress toward the Consolidated Plan goals. It will be available on the McHenry County website beginning April 25 at 9:00 am CDT: www.mchenrycountyl.gov/CD. The CD Division will provide one free report to those requesting one by contacting its office at (815) 334-4560 or through the email address listed below.

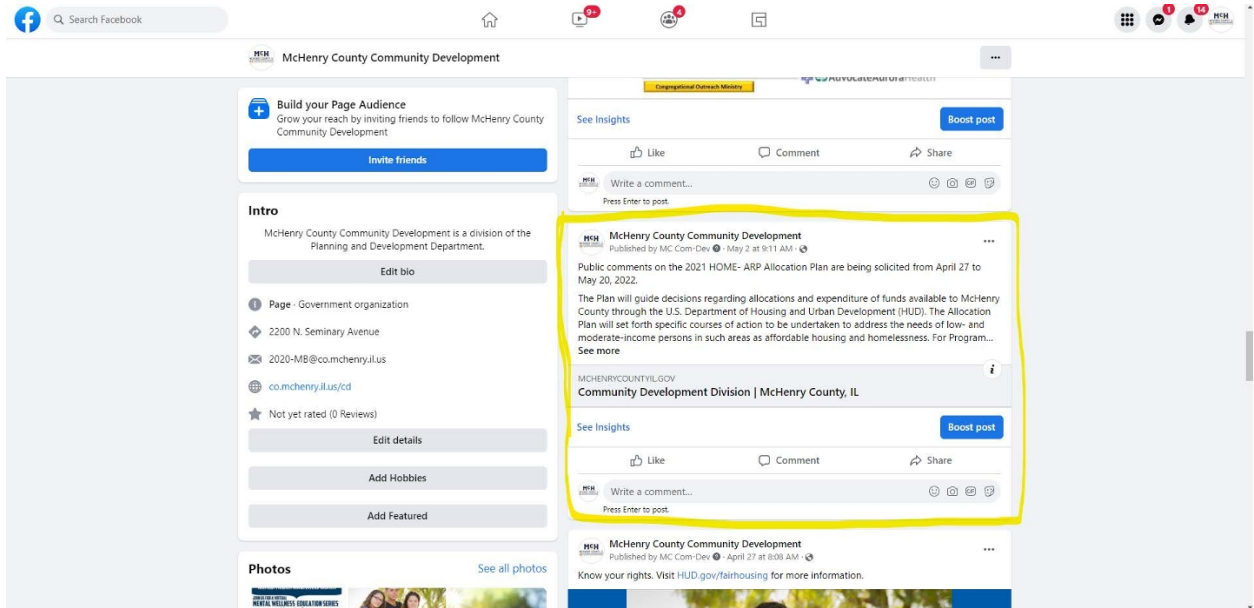
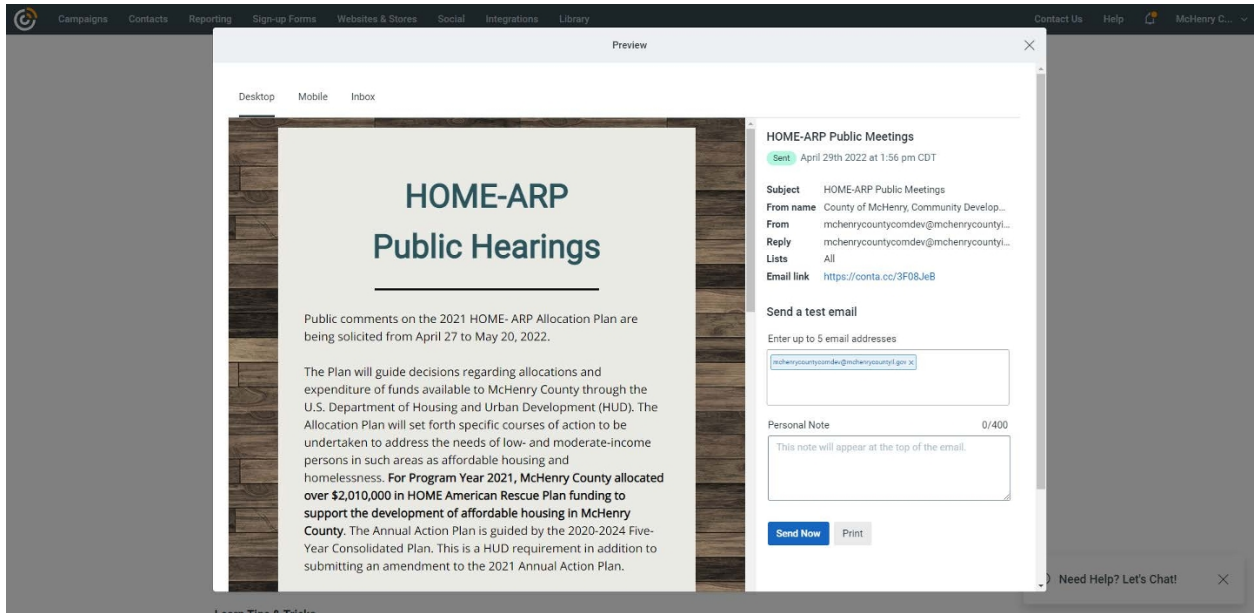
Public Hearing:

Two Public Hearings for the 2021 HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be held on Monday, May 9 at 10:00 - 11:00 am and on Tuesday, May 10 from 1:00 - 2:00pm CDT. These meetings will be offered in-person or virtually. To attend virtually, please use the following link: <https://meet.goto.com/864303509> at the time of that day's meeting. To attend in-person, please go to the McHenry County Administration Building Conference Room A at the McHenry County Administration Building located at 667 Ware Road, Woodstock, IL 60098.

Citizen participation and input is encouraged. Comments submitted by mail must be postmarked no later than May 20, 2022 at 4:00 PM and directed to: Planning and Development-CD Division, 2200 N. Seminary Avenue, Woodstock, Illinois, 60098 or via e-mail to: McHenryCountyComDev@mchenrycountyl.gov. All comments must include name and address. Comments submitted in person can be brought to the 667 Ware Road address above or given orally during the public hearing.

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HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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


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


Signature of Authorized Official 12-1-22
Date

Chairman - County Board
Title

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
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* 3. Date Received: 01/11/2023	4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: DAJDARKEBMSYU	5b. Federal Award Identifier: M21-00170016	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="County of Holtzmyr"/>		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 366006623	* c. UEI: DAJDARKEBMSYU	
d. Address:		
* Street: 2200 N Seminary Drive	Street2: <input type="text"/>	
* City: Woodstock	City2: <input type="text"/>	
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* State: GA	State2: <input type="text"/>	
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* Country: USA: UNITED STATES	Country2: <input type="text"/>	
* Zip / Postal Code: 60098000	Zip / Postal Code2: <input type="text"/>	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Planning and Development	Division Name: Community Development	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Mr.	* First Name: Nicholas	* Last Name: Bushler
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
Title: Chairman, Holtzmyr County Board		
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>		
* Telephone Number: 815-245-9673	Fax Number: <input type="text"/>	
* Email: NJBushler@holtzmyrcountyil.gov		

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* 8. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text" value="3: County Government"/>	
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13. Competition Identification Number: <input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text" value="Perry County HOME ARP"/>	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>	
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: <input type="text" value="Perry County HOME ARP Allocation Plan"/>	
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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant	IL-014
* b. Program/Project	IL-014
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
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17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date:	9/20/2021
* b. End Date:	09/30/2030
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	2,225,083.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	2,225,083.00
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
<input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/> .	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.	
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* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)	
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If "Yes", provide explanation and attach	
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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an Internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix:	Mr.
* First Name:	Nicholas
Middle Name:	
* Last Name:	Bushler
Suffix:	
* Title:	Chairman, McHenry County Board
* Telephone Number:	815-245-9073
Fax Number:	
* Email:	N.Bushler@mcHenrycountyil.gov
* Signature of Authorized Representative:	
* Date Signed:	12-1-22

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

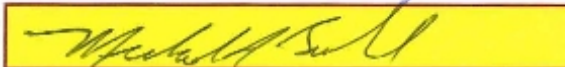
1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1081-1583, and 1685-1688), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-265), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§525 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply in the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
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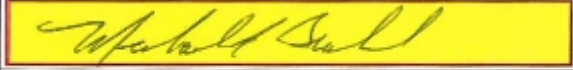
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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
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