## **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

The Annual Action Plan (AAP) meets the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements for consolidating the application for several grant programs into one submission. The programs include: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). These programs are intended to accomplish three main goals: secure decent housing, provide a suitable living environment, and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons and families.

This AAP represents the fourth year in the 2020 to 2024 Consolidated Planning period for the City of North Las Vegas (CNLV).

The purpose of the Consolidated Plan is:

- To identify a city's, county's, or state's housing and community development needs, priorities, goals, and strategies; and
- To stipulate how funds will be allocated to housing and community development activities during the five-year planning period.

Since the last AAP, CNLV has continued to focus on all the activities addressed in the FY 22/23 year Action Plan including all public service activities, economic development activities such as small business loan programs, housing rehab activities, the Choice Neighborhood STEM Center, the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area and expanded homeless activities.

For FY 2023/24, more focus is being placed on additional needs in the community including the possibility of developing a neighborhood resource center that can address a variety of needs within our communities including veterans, youth families.

CNLV will also continue its implementation of the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) to revitalize and provide housing and economic opportunities through the continued implementation of its 5-year NRSA Plan.

#### 2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

The following high priority needs were identified in the Consolidated Plan research:

- Address and mitigate homelessness
- Create community education and gathering spaces
- Address at-risk youth
- Support health and nutrition of low-income residents
- Access to job training and placement programs
- Social services to address changing economic situations
- Economic development and business support
- Neighborhood revitalization and beautification
- Public improvements and infrastructure
- Affordable housing

## 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

This AAP represents the fourth year in the 2020 to 2024 Consolidated Planning period for CNLV). In the past, CNLV has focused on:

- Supporting social service provider operations (The Salvation Army, Shade Tree, HELP of Southern Nevada, Foster Kinship)
- Providing food and nutrition (Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, Lutheran Social Services, The Just One Project, Three Square, City of North Las Vegas)
- Improving community facilities
- Providing youth education and programs (Boys and Girls Club, SkyView YMCA, Nevada Partners)
- Preventing homelessness with emergency assistance (Shade Tree, Nevada Partners, Salvation Army, HopeLink, CPLC)
- Revitalization (Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area).

These activities and partners have been essential to helping address the needs of low-income residents and persons experiencing homelessness and met the critical needs in CNLV.

The primary challenges encountered during the last Consolidated Plan period were timing- and contact-related. Over the past year, the community began to go beyond dealing with COVID and is just now beginning to engage in ways that were not possible since prior to March 2020, allowing programs to get

back on track to meet program goals and expectations. While realizing some of these challenges are still present, CNLV also intends to hold grantees to more stringent timelines.

#### 4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Working off this public input and past input from the Choice Neighborhood Transformation Plan, CNLV provided additional citizen participation opportunities during the development of the five-year Consolidated Plan, which included:

- CAC Meeting—this Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) reviews funding applications and makes recommendations based on its understanding of the community's needs
- Community meeting to discuss Consolidated Plan and receive feedback
- Online Resident and Stakeholder Surveys
- Marketing of community meetings, survey, public comment periods, and public hearings
- Consolidated Plan and Action Plan 30-day public comment period
- Public Hearings during the development of the Consolidated Plan and during the public comment period

Please refer to the Grantee Appendices for a summary of the citizen participation process and public comments.

## 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.

Citizens and stakeholders were invited to comment on the proposed 2023 AAP during the 30-day public comment period beginning on April 1, 2023, and ending on April 30, 2023. Citizens and stakeholders also had the opportunity to comment during a public hearing on April 19, 2023. CNLV City Council accepted the Annual Action Plan on May 3, 2023.

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

#### 7. Summary

Please see above.

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

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

The following are the agencies/entities 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	NORTH LAS VEGAS	Community Services and Engagment	
ESG Administrator	NORTH LAS VEGAS	Community Services and Engagment	

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### **Narrative**

Please see above.

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## AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

#### 1. Introduction

CNLV participates in various regional committees to stay connected to other agencies in our community addressing the needs of low/moderate income residents. Independently, the City does not have the resources to end homelessness, create affordable housing, and job training opportunities. CNLV acknowledges that we must work in conjunction with other jurisdictions, non-profit partners, and community leaders to make the changes to propel our community.

This section describes the consultation efforts undertaken to:

- 1. Coordinate the development of the annual plan with the efforts of housing providers, social service providers, health care providers and relevant government agencies;
- 2. Coordinate the development of the annual plan with continuum of care efforts; and
- 3. Elicit public input.

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)).

CNLV and the Housing and Neighborhood Services Division engage directly with public agencies, private stakeholders, and regional committees to address the changing needs of our community. Regional level coordination takes place through several avenues, including the Southern Nevada Continuum of Care (CoC) and the Southern Nevada Consortium Meetings. These collaborative groups bring together all the local governmental jurisdictions along with the Regional Transportation Commission, the Clark County School District, the Metropolitan Police Department, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, and the Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority, among others. Local jurisdictions also work together with the appropriate agencies on grant applications for funding not related to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including Choice Neighborhoods, and the Emergency Foods and Shelter Program.

The discussions cover subjects such as joint projects, coordination of CDBG, ESG, and HOME grant applications cycles, and emerging homeless issues. A representative from the CoC attends the consortium meeting to further inform the discussions around regional homeless coordination. A representative of the Nevada State Housing Division also attends the consortium meetings on a regular basis. With regional participation in the Consortium meetings, each jurisdiction can better assess local housing needs, homeless and community development practices, and projects.

The County administers public health programs; therefore, lead-based paint hazards were assessed as part of the County's Consolidated Plan. The risks of lead paint exposure by CNLV residents were

evaluated and considered in setting priorities and developing the allocation plan. The County has two trained and certified Lead Based Paint Risk Assessors in the Community Resources Management Division. CNLV also has a Risk Assessor.

A variety of other groups provide opportunities for the various jurisdictions' governments to coordinate with outside entities in the promotion, production, and planning of affordable housing and homeless assistance.

#### These groups include:

- Housing: Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority, Nevada HAND, Community
   Development Program Center of Nevada, Foresight Development and George Gekakis Inc.
- Homeless Services: Southern Nevada Homeless Continuum of Care, Nevada Homeless Alliance,
   HELP of Southern Nevada, Shannon West Homeless Youth Center
- Social Services: Clark County Social Services, United Way Emergency Food and Shelter, Ryan White Planning Council, The Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Southern Nevada, Nevada Partners
- Health Services: Southern Nevada Health District, Nevada Health Centers, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health, Volunteers in Medicine

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.

NLV Staff and the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care (CoC) are blended at all levels to address the needs of homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness. While Clark County takes the lead as the collaborative applicant and manages a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), all the other government agencies play a pivotal role along with community stakeholders. CNLV current duties are to champion and chair CoC Monitoring Working Group.

The undertaking of the CoC Board includes yearly strategic planning, the annual homeless census (PIT Count), regional coordination, homeless shelter services, HMIS, systems evaluation, HEARTH Act implementation and other activities. Its members are the Community Services and Engagement Director and staff for CNLV, cities of Las Vegas, Henderson, and Boulder City, Clark County Social Services, Veterans Administration, United Way staff, the Nevada Homeless Alliance, the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, Clark County School District Title I HOPE, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and MGM Resorts. CoC is subdivided further into two committees and seven working groups, that are led by public agencies staff with members representation from a cross-section of community stakeholders. The diversity of the volunteers who comprise these groups bring forth a wealth of knowledge, policy makings, and hands-on understanding of the needs of our low- and moderate-income individuals and families and persons experiencing homelessness.

The working groups oversee the planning, operations, and activities of CoC. They develop updates and ensure compliance with the regional 10-year strategic plan through: monitoring of performance measures and outcomes; conducting the services and housing gaps analysis; planning for the Point-In-Time count (PIT) of the homeless population; reviewing and recommending potential CoC projects; submission of CoC application; HEARTH implementation and any other activities under CoC. CNLV staff, City of Las Vegas and Clark County are active participants in the working groups with the ESG programs from all jurisdictions being a standing item on the agenda. All CoC meetings are open to the public; providers or interested parties are encouraged to volunteer for appropriate subgroups representing specific populations. The Southern Nevada Housing and Homeless Plan includes all the jurisdictions that make up Southern Nevada and outlines goals and strategies to guide local governments in funding, developing, and supporting homeless services.

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

All ESG recipients in CoC's geographic area have representation that sits on the CoC working groups. ESG is a standing item on the CoC working groups monthly meeting agenda, where ESG grantees provide information on allocation of ESG funds, discuss ESG application processes-at each stage, work with the CoC working groups to develop performance/written standards and report on subrecipient monitoring. The CoC working groups also reviews and approves the ESG written standards, which are updated through discussions with subrecipients, and provides the funding priorities to the ESG allocations committees, which are then approved by their respective boards and councils. All ESG subrecipients are required to participate in HMIS and the data gathered is shared with the CoC working groups. ESG grantees work with the CoC working groups to ensure collaboration, non-duplication of services, and maximum use of resources. All HMIS administration policies and procedures are reviewed and approved by the CoC working groups.

For ESG written standards please refer to Full Grantee Appendices.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

Agency/Group/Organization	City of North Las Vegas, Community Services and Engagement		
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local		
What section of the Plan was addressed by	Housing Need Assessment		
Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless		
	Homeless Needs - Families with children		
	Homelessness Needs - Veterans		
	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth		
	Homelessness Strategy		
	Non-Homeless Special Needs		
	Anti-poverty Strategy		
	Lead-based Paint Strategy		
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization	City of North Las Vegas, Community Services and Engagement Department		
was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of	participated in earlier public outreach activities during the development of the		
the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Choice Neighborhood Initiative Transformation Plan and the Regional Analysis of		
	Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (RAI). Stakeholder consultation included		
	community meetings, conference calls, and interviews. Information gathered		
	during these consultation activities helped to inform North Las Vegas'		
	Consolidated Plan. During the development of the consolidated plan, City of		
	North Las Vegas, Land Development and Community Services Department was		
	also consulted through a Stakeholder Survey and interview, which focused on		
	organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service		
	providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The		
	anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing,		
	community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city		
	programs.		

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2	Agency/Group/Organization	NEVADA HAND INC.				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Employment				
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey, which focused on organizations serving lowand moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.				
3	Agency/Group/Organization	The City of North Las Vegas, Economic Development Division				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local				
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development				
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, the Economic Development Division was consulted through a Stakeholder Survey and interviews, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.				
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Workforce Connections				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment				

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey and stakeholder interview, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.		
5	Agency/Group/Organization	North Las Vegas Library District		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Other government - Local		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey and stakeholder interview, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.		
6	Agency/Group/Organization	City of North Las Vegas Public Works		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local		

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey and stakeholder interview, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.		
7	Agency/Group/Organization	NEVADA PARTNERS, INC.		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Employment		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey, which focused on organizations serving lowand moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.		
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Valentine Communications		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Services-Education Business and Civic Leaders		

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through an online Survey and participating in community meetings, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.			
9	Agency/Group/Organization	City of North Las Vegas Office of Emergency Management			
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local			
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Hazard Mitigation			
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During the development of the consolidated plan, this organization was consulted through stakeholder outreach, which focused on organizations serving low- and moderate-income persons, housing and service providers, area businesses, and private sector housing professionals. The anticipated outcomes of the survey were to determine the most urgent housing, community development, and economic development needs and evaluate city programs.			

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

All relevant organizations, agencies, and stakeholders were invited to participate in development of the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan. As CNLV builds local awareness, it anticipates stakeholder participation will grow.

# 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	Southern Nevada Homelessness	CNLV's goals contribute to addressing the needs of persons who are experiencing		
Continuum of Care	Continuum of Care	homelessness identified in CoC.		
CNLV Land Use &	CNLV Planning & Development	Land use and zoning regulations were reviewed to assess barriers to housing		
Zoning Regulations	Services	choice.		
Analysis of	CNLV Neighborhood Services	The fair housing strategies established for CNLV overlaps with the Strategic Plans		
Impediments to Fair	Division and Clark County	decent housing, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization goals.		
Housing Choice	Division and Clark County	decent flousing, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization goals.		
Housing Authority 5-	Southern Nevada Regional	The housing authority policies and procedures were reviewed to ensure they		
Year Plan	Housing Authority	support housing choice and address the greatest needs of low-income residents.		
Southern Nevada	Regional Transportation	The regional plan has impacted planning and investment efforts in the Urban Core,		
Strong (SNS)	Commission of Southern Nevada	which overlaps with CNLV public facilities and improvements activities.		
Regional Plan	(RTC)			
		The Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI) Transformation Plan helped to create		
Choice	CNLV Neighborhood Services Division	local strategies to address struggling neighborhoods through a comprehensive		
Neighborhood		approach, including a neighborhood, public housing, and people strategy. While		
Initiative (CNI) Plan	DIVISION	the Transformation Plan exceeds the time frame of the Consolidated and Strategic		
		Plan, many of the neighborhood revitalization goals overlap.		
Neighborhood		After implementing its Transformation Plan and meeting HUDs criteria, CNLV		
Revitalization	CNLV Neighborhood Services	received a NRSA designation through its comprehensive neighborhood		
Strategy Area (NRSA)	Division	revitalization strategy. Many of the public service and infrastructure projects meet		
Strategy Area (NNSA)		the goals of the Strategic Plan.		
2018 Multi-		The plan was reviewed to identify any hazard mitigation needs that could impact		
Jurisdictional Hazard	Clark County	housing of low to moderate income individuals.		
Mitigation Plan		Housing of low to moderate income individuals.		

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Workforce Blueprint 2.0	Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance, Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce, & Workforce Connections	This blueprint aims to unite the business community around a new, comprehensive workforce strategy, which helps craft economic and business goals in the action plan.
Fiscal 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan	CNLV Public Works Department	CIP outlines significant capital improvements over next five years which aligns with community development priorities and goals.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

## Narrative

Please see above

## AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) was updated and approved by City Council in 2017, bringing it into compliance with the provisions of 24 CFR 91.105. In March 2020, CNLV updated its CPP to adjust for evolving needs during COVID-19, in alignment with guidance from HUD and waivers granted by the CARES Act. In addition to the emergency CPP amendment for CARES Act funds, CNLV updated its CPP for its annual review in June 2020. CNLV notified the public (two weeks in advance) of the plan's 30-day public comment period, which occurred from June 10 to July 10, 2020, through CNLV's website and local newspapers. All public comments were accepted. Please refer to the Grantee Appendices for the updated Citizen Participation Plan.

The citizen participation process for the Five-year Consolidated Plan built upon the initial community engagement activities that occurred during the Choice Neighborhood Initiative's Transformation Plan and 2020 Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (RAI). These activities combined with the Consolidated Plan's citizen participation efforts resulted in meaningful engagement of residents and stakeholders representing local organizations and coalitions. The citizen participation process included outreach activities, media outlets, and efforts to reach underrepresented populations (e.g., those in poverty concentrated areas, with limited English proficiency, persons with disabilities). Outreach activities consisted of interviews, resident and stakeholder surveys, and public hearings.

Please refer to Full Grantee Appendices for full details of all citizen participation efforts and public comments.

# **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Or der	Mode of Outr each	Target of Outr each	Summary of response/attend ance	Summary of comments rece ived	Summary of com ments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Public Hearing	Non- targeted/broa d community	CAC voted on CDBG and ESG allocations for public service activities. Both citizens and stakeholders participated on the proposed Consolidated and Action Plan allocation in a CAC public hearing held on March 7, 2023.	See Grantee Unique Appendices for the full Citizen Participation section.	All comments were accepted.	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non- targeted/broa d community	N/A	See Grantee Unique Appendices for the full Citizen Participation section.	All comments were accepted.	

Sort Or der	Mode of Outr each	Target of Outr each	Summary of response/attend ance	Summary of comments rece ived	Summary of com ments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
3	Public comment period	Non- targeted/broa d community	30-day Public comment period held from April 1 to 30, 2023, promoted through online promotion and public notice in local newspaper.	See Grantee Unique Appendices in the consolidated plan for the full Citizen Participation section.	All comments were accepted.	
4	Internet Outreach	Non- targeted/broa d community	N/A	See Grantee Unique Appendices for the full Citizen Participation section.	All comments were accepted.	

Two public hearings and meetings were held during 2023 Annual Action Plan process, one during the 30-day public comment period and one after this period. A public hearing was held during the 30-day public comment on April 19, 2023, which allowed the public to provide comments on the 2023 Annual Action Plan. CNLV City Council accepted all public comments regarding the draft and voted to accept the	Unique Appendices for the full Citizen Participation	hearings and meetings were held during 2023 Annual Action Plan process, one during the 30-day public comment period and one after this period. A public hearing was held during the 30-day public comment on April 19, 2023, which allowed the public to provide comments on the 2023 Annual Action Plan. CNLV City Council accepted all public comments regarding the draft and voted	Non- targeted/broa d community	City Council Public Hearings	5
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			ance	ived	accepted	
					and reasons	
			2023 Annual			
			Action Plan on			
			May 3, 2023.			
			17 individuals -			
			residents and			
			stakeholders -	See Grantee		
	Online	Non	participated in	Unique		
6	Resident and	Non- targeted/broa	an online survey	Appendices for	All comments	www.surveymonkey.com/r/CNLVR
0	Stakeholder	d community	to provide input	the full Citizen	were accepted.	esident23
	Survey	d community	for the	Participation		
			development of	section.		
			the Annual			
			Action Plan			

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

# **Expected Resources**

## AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

The primary resource used to fulfill the goals and strategies of the Five-year Consolidated Plan is CDBG. As available, CNLV will provide direct, general fund contributions to assist with the Plan. These funds will be leveraged with complementary activities and in-kind and monetary donations from the organizations funded with other federal and state programs. In the past, these have included Lutheran Social Services of Nevada (LSSN) and Nevada Partners.

In the past, private financial institutions have provided donations to support mortgages for first time homebuyers, and nonprofits have leveraged funds from other federal and state sources to support housing and public service activities. Clark County has also provided assistance

to support activities funded with CDBG.

# **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amour	nt Available Ye	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition					•	Grants awarded on a formula basis
	federal	Admin and						for housing and community
		Planning						development activities, a portion
		Economic						of which will be awarded for NRSA
		Development						activities.
		Housing						
		Public						
		Improvements						
		Public Services	1,891,435	0	0	1,891,435	1,891,435	
ESG	public -	Conversion and						Grants are awarded to non-profit
	federal	rehab for						providers to provide essential
		transitional housing						services and shelter to homeless
		Financial Assistance						families and individuals.
		Overnight shelter						
		Rapid re-housing						
		(rental assistance)						
		Rental Assistance						
		Services						
		Transitional						
		housing	164,055	0	0	164,055	164,055	

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

Additional federal funds will be leveraged with CDBG including:

- Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)
- Nevada Housing Division (NHD) tax-exempt bonds
- NHD Growing Affordable Housing Program
- Home ARPA

Non-profit organizations utilize other federal, state, and private grant funds. Public Housing programs including Family Self-Sufficiency, Section 8, and Public Housing Comprehensive Grants provide additional funding.

Matching requirements for ESG Program funds will be met by the non-profit community partners receiving ESG Program funds. These non-profit community partners match requirements come from private donations and fundraisers, other federal and state funding, and in-kind donations and volunteer time. This development is ongoing and has added an affordable housing component that will add 72 new affordable housing in two phases of 36 units.

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

In 2008, CNLV purchased a one-acre site along the southern border of the city in the now designated NRSA with CDBG funds. CNLV donated the site for a community health clinic, which will be developed by SARGEM LLC with private funds. The health clinic will be connected to the Buena Vista Springs campus, an 18-acre development of a multi-modal health complex.

These developments will create over 300 well-paying, career-oriented jobs (in addition to several short-term construction jobs) over the next few years that can directly benefit the community and NRSA. CNLV is working with SARGEM to offer residents access to job and training

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opportunities.

Discussion

Please see above.

# **Annual Goals and Objectives**

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

# **Goals Summary Information**

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Expand safe living	2020	2024	Non-Housing	Choice	Create community	CDBG:	Public Facility or
	environments in			Community	Neighborhood	education and	\$328,163	Infrastructure Activities
	the NRSA			Development	Revitalization	gathering spaces		other than Low/Moderate
				Public Services	Strategy Area	Address at-risk		Income Housing Benefit:
					(NRSA)	youth		500 Persons Assisted
						Support health &		
						nutrition of low		
						income residents		
						Access to job		
						training and		
						placement		
						programs		
						Social services to		
						address changing		
						situations		
						Economic		
						Development and		
						Business Support		
						Neighborhood		
						Revitalization and		
						Beautification		
						Affordable Housing		
						Public		
						Improvements and		
						Infrastructure		

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	<b>Goal Outcome Indicator</b>
Order		Year	Year					
2	Expand and	2020	2024	Homeless	City of North Las	Address and	CDBG:	Public service activities
	support public			Non-Homeless	Vegas: Citywide	Mitigate	\$283,715	other than Low/Moderate
	services			Special Needs		Homelessness	ESG:	Income Housing Benefit:
				Non-Housing		Address at-risk	\$151,751	7986 Persons Assisted
				Community		youth		
				Development		Access to job		
				Public Services		training and		
						placement		
						programs		
						Social services to		
						address changing		
						situations		
						Economic		
						Development and		
						Business Support		
						Neighborhood		
						Revitalization and		
						Beautification		
3	Improve &	2020	2024	Non-Housing	City of North Las	Create community	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	construct facilities			Community	Vegas: Citywide	education and	\$526,270	
	& infrastructure			Development		gathering spaces		
						Public		
						Improvements and		
						Infrastructure		

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year					
4	Expand economic	2020	2024	Non-Housing	City of North Las	Access to job	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	and business			Community	Vegas: Citywide	training and	\$375,000	
	opportunities			Development		placement		
						programs		
						Social services to		
						address changing		
						situations		
						Economic		
						Development and		
						Business Support		
5	Create, develop,	2020	2024	Affordable	City of North Las	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0	Other: 1 Other
	and preserve			Housing	Vegas: Citywide			
	affordable							
	housing							

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order	Commont anticities	Year	Year	Diamaina and	City of Novelle Lon	A d d	CDDC	O+h 1 O+h
6	Support activities	2020	2024	Planning and	City of North Las	Address and	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	through planning			Administration	Vegas: Citywide	Mitigate	\$378,287	
	& admin					Homelessness	ESG:	
						Create community	\$12,304	
						education and		
						gathering spaces		
						Address at-risk		
						youth		
						Support health &		
						nutrition of low		
						income residents		
						Access to job		
						training and		
						placement		
						programs		
						Social services to		
						address changing		
						situations		
						Economic		
						Development and		
						Business Support		
						Neighborhood		
						Revitalization and		
						Beautification		
						Affordable Housing		
						Public		
						Improvements and		
						Infrastructure		
						mirastructure		

## Table 6 – Goals Summary

# **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
2	Goal Name	Expand and support public services
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Improve & construct facilities & infrastructure
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Expand economic and business opportunities
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Create, develop, and preserve affordable housing
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Support activities through planning & admin
	Goal Description	

## AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

### Introduction

For AAP 2023, there are 25 projects.

#	Project Name
1	Healthcare Safety Net - Volunteers in Medicine
2	Emergency Shelter for Homeless and Abused Women and Children - The Shade Tree
3	Hope & Opportunity - Boys and Girls Club
4	Meals on Wheels - Catholic Charities
5	Shannon West Homeless Youth Center - HELP
6	Care Coordination Program - Foundation for Positively Kids
7	Early Childhood Education - YMCA
8	Pop Up & Give Mobile Market - The Just One Project
9	Career Corner - The Salvation Army
10	ISS and Academy Support - Communities In Schools of Nevada
11	Kinship Navigator Program - Foster Kinship
12	Senior Supportive Services - Lutheran Social Services
13	Emergency Services - Nevada Partners
14	Choice NRSA Neighborhood Improvement/Rehabilitation
15	Choice NRSA Community/Public Arts
16	Choice NRSA Community Broadband/Tablet Program
17	Choice NRSA Community Engagement
18	Choice NRSA Community Garden Project
19	Choice NRSA Leaders In Training
20	Choice NRSA Employment Training and Placement and Micro Enterprise Assistance
21	STEM Center
22	Neighborhood Resource Center
23	HESG23 North Las Vegas Homeless Projects
24	Urban Center for Advanced Agricultural Technologies (UCAAT) Project
25	CDBG Administration

**Table 7 – Project Information** 

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

The allocation priorities were based on citizen and stakeholder participation during the Consolidated and Action Plan process, as well as the Choice Transformation Plan and RAI. The following needs were

identified during the process and informed the allocation priorities:

#### Public facilities needs:

- Youth Centers/Facilities
- Community Garden

### Public improvements needs:

- Public Transit
- Landscaping/Façade Improvements/Demolition
- Street lighting
- Infrastructure for internet access
- Accessibility (ADA) improvements to community amenities (e.g., parks, trails)
- Health Facilities
- Urban Agriculture and Hydroponics

### Public services and economic development needs:

- Employment training, placement, and retention
- Senior and youth services
- Community Wi-Fi
- Technical assistance with identifying loan and grant opportunities
- Health/mental health services

The largest obstacles to addressing underserved residents in CNLV are funding and lack of private investment.

# **AP-38 Project Summary**

**Project Summary Information** 

1	Project Name	Healthcare Safety Net - Volunteers in Medicine				
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide				
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services				
	Needs Addressed	Support health & nutrition of low income residents Social services to address changing situations				
	Funding	CDBG: \$41,000				
	Description	Volunteers in Medicine of Southern Nevada, Inc., will use funding to provide a safety net of services for the most vulnerable citizens. The overall goal of the program is to close the service gap in health care throughout Southern Nevada, including residents of North Las Vegas, by providing both immediate and preventative health care and related education to our most vulnerable and health-compromised populations. Services to be implemented include medical, dental, social services, and behavioral healthcare services.				
	Target Date	6/30/2024				
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	334 low-income residents and families				
	Location Description	1240 N. Martin Luther King Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89106				
	Planned Activities	Health Services - 05M Social Services - 05				
2	Project Name	Emergency Shelter for Homeless and Abused Women and Children - The Shade Tree				
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide				
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services				
	Needs Addressed	Address and Mitigate Homelessness				
	Funding	CDBG: \$31,400				

	Description	Funds will be used to support the partial salary/benefits of 9 Security Guards, who provide a safe environment and other direct services for low-income homeless women and children at The Shade Tree. The Shade Tree has secured the entire facility from potential outside risk factors and hired staff Security Guards to monitor the facility and provide a safe environment for the women and children who live on site.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	340 Homeless individuals
	<b>Location Description</b>	1 West Owens Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89030
	Planned Activities	Services for Battered and Abused Spouses and Children - 05G
3	Project Name	Hope & Opportunity - Boys and Girls Club
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth
	Funding	CDBG: \$13,150
	Description	The Boys and Girls Clubs of Southern Nevada will use funding to help support the Hope & Opportunity program. This program offers educational, prevention and money management life skills programs to North Las Vegas at-risk school age youth.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	70 at-risk youth
	<b>Location Description</b>	2530 East Carey Ave, North Las Vegas, NV 89030
	Planned Activities	Youth Services - 05D
4	Project Name	Meals on Wheels - Catholic Charities
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide

	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Support health & nutrition of low income residents Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	CDBG: \$21,025
	Description	Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, Meals on Wheels (MOW) program will provide no cost home-delivered meals to clients. Using a case management model which identifies the eligibility and needs of clients as well as creating a nutrition care plan. MOW staff will prepare healthy, balanced meals for clients: seven nutritious meals are delivered weekly in easy to store and heat containers to encourage clients to eat their meals.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	100 Seniors
	<b>Location Description</b>	1501 Las Vegas Blvd., N, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	Senior Services - 05A
5	Project Name	Shannon West Homeless Youth Center - HELP
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address and Mitigate Homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,170

	Target Date  Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Shannon West offers the following services to homeless youth: Safe and stable housing - SWHYC provides emergency shelter, transitional housing, and studio apartments to homeless youth. Youth are provided with a bed, dresser, closet space, and bed and bath linens. Features, such as controlled entrance, security cameras, and 24- hour staffing provide additional security for the youth. Basic Need/Food - Youth receive balanced, healthy meals and snacks, which are planned out by the Kitchen Supervisor and a licensed Nutritionist. In addition to food, youth are provided with hygiene items, bath towels, clothing, and have access to onsite laundry facilities. Intensive Case Management (ICM) - The ICM is a mentor and assists the youth in creating goals for their future. The ICM meets regularly with the youth to get updates on progress, discuss barriers and how to overcome them, and how they can utilize their strengths to move towards their goals. Supportive Services - The most frequent support services needed are identification, birth certificates, transportation, educational supplies, work cards, and clothes.  6/30/2024  25 Youths
	Location Description	1640 E Flamingo Road #100, Las Vegas, NV 89119
	Planned Activities	Youth Services-05D
6	Project Name	Care Coordination Program - Foundation for Positively Kids
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth Support health & nutrition of low income residents
	Funding	CDBG: \$22,040
	Description	Foundation for Positively Kids, Inc. project will provide a health coach to provide medical assistance to children who reside in foster care.  Funding will enable Positively Kids to assess health and health-related social service needs for school-aged foster children and their families in
		North Las Vegas.

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	75 youth and their families
	<b>Location Description</b>	2480 E. Tompkins Ave Suite 222, Las Vegas, NV 89121
	Planned Activities	Health Services - 05M
		Youth Services - 05L
7	Project Name	Early Childhood Education - YMCA
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth Support health & nutrition of low income residents Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	CDBG: \$24,280
	Description	YMCA SkyView Recreation Center select group of 7 preschool aged youth will be enrolled in an education evidence-based preschool program. The program will use the High Scope Preschool Curriculum as outlined in the application. Interval assessments will be made of the participated to ensure they are kindergarten ready.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 preschool aged youth from the SkyView YMCA Recreation Center
	Location Description	SkyView, YMCA located at 3050 E. Centennial Parkway, North Las Vegas, NV 89081
	Planned Activities	Child Care Services – 05L
8	Project Name	Pop Up & Give Mobile Market - The Just One Project
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Support health & nutrition of low income residents Social services to address changing situations

	Funding	CDBG: \$16,150
	Description	The Pantry Assistance Program will prevent exposure of the coronavirus by reducing interaction in high risk situations by supporting local community food pantries and reduce food insecurity and help to prevent increased homelessness.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	7,000 residents
	<b>Location Description</b>	4190 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89115
	Planned Activities	Food Banks-05W
9	Project Name	Career Corner - The Salvation Army
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Access to job training and placement programs
	Funding	CDBG: \$29,360
	Description	The Salvation Army's Vocational Training Program to serve low-income and homeless adults. The clients served in the Vocational Training Program are low income (30% median income or below) or homeless with little or no income (50% median income or below). The program provides essential employment skills, job readiness, life skills and financial management training, on-the-job training, occupational training, job search and job placement to 23 low-income or homeless adults
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	23 low income and homeless residents
	Location Description	2900 Palomino Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89107
	Planned Activities	05H - Employment Training
	Project Name	ISS and Academy Support - Communities In Schools of Nevada

10	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	CDBG: \$14,060
	Description	High School youth program curriculum in life skills, academic assistance, and college and job readiness
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	50 youth
	<b>Location Description</b>	2080 E. Flamingo Rd., Suite 225, Las Vegas, NV 89119
	Planned Activities	Youth Services 05D
11	Project Name	Kinship Navigator Program - Foster Kinship
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,340
	Description	Kinship Navigator Services that provide targeted support, information, resources, and case management help vulnerable kinship families stabilize and to improve the quality of life for children in kinship care. The Kinship Navigator Program model has been evaluated and shown to connect families with relevant financial resources, provide caregivers with information and referrals relevant to their specific caregiving situation, provide emotional support for caregivers, and prevent children from entering the public child welfare system
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	80 at risk youth

Location Description	3925 W Cheyenne Ave, Suite 401. North Las Vegas, NV 89032
Planned Activities	Services for Abused and Neglected Children 05N
Project Name	Senior Supportive Services - Lutheran Social Services
Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
Needs Addressed	Social services to address changing situations
Funding	CDBG: \$16,470
Description	The Senior Supportive Services Program will improve the well-being, reduce food insecurity and increase independence for seniors aged 62 and older or medically fragile individuals by providing a variety of services and case management that will assist them to continue to remain independent by aging in place.
Target Date	6/30/2024
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	100 Seniors
Location Description	4323 Boulder Highway, Las Vegas, NV 89121
Planned Activities	Senior Services - 05A
Project Name	Emergency Services - Nevada Partners
Farget Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
Goals Supported	Expand and support public services
Needs Addressed	Social services to address changing situations
unding	CDBG: \$24,270
Description	The Emergency Services Program will assist individuals and families who are at risk of homelessness by keeping them in their homes. The assistance to local individuals and families by providing utility and rental assistance for up to 3 months.
Farget Date	6/30/2024
	Project Name Parget Area Fooals Supported Reeds Addressed Funding Pescription  Farget Date Estimate the number and type of families hat will benefit from the proposed activities Foocation Description Flanned Activities Froject Name Farget Area Fooals Supported Reeds Addressed Funding

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	20 low-income households
	<b>Location Description</b>	690 W. Lake Mead Blvd., North Las Vegas, NV 89030
	Planned Activities	05Q Subsistence Payments
14	Project Name	Choice NRSA Neighborhood Improvement/Rehabilitation
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Neighborhood Revitalization and Beautification Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$74,478
	Description	Single-Family Owner-Occupied rehabilitation of properties in the NRSA
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	3-5 Housing Units
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 North Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	14A - Rehab; Single-Unit Residential
15	Project Name	Choice NRSA Community/Public Arts
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Create community education and gathering spaces Neighborhood Revitalization and Beautification
	Funding	CDBG: \$35,755
	Description	Funds will be used to develop community art and/or public art activities to improve the community
	Target Date	6/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 Neighborhood Mural
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 North Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	03Z - Other Public Improvements Not Listed in 03A-03S
16	Project Name	Choice NRSA Community Broadband/Tablet Program
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Create community education and gathering spaces Access to job training and placement programs Social services to address changing situations Economic Development and Business Support
	Funding	CDBG: \$22,539
	Description	Provide broadband access to residents in the target area through tablet program
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	120 People
	<b>Location Description</b>	1731 Yale St, North Las Vegas, NV 89030
	Planned Activities	
17	Project Name	Choice NRSA Community Engagement
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Create community education and gathering spaces Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	CDBG: \$12,093
	Description	Community Engagement activities for the Choice NRSA target area
	Target Date	6/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	50 people
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 North Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	05Z - Other Public Services Not Listed in 05A-05Y, 03T
18	Project Name	Choice NRSA Community Garden Project
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Create community education and gathering spaces Support health & nutrition of low income residents Neighborhood Revitalization and Beautification
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,278
	Description	CDBG funds will be used to improve/expand the Choice Community Garden with the goal of turning it into a facility that will be utilized by the community for gardening, educational economic activities and other community based recreational activities. Development of farmers market and urban farm and coordinate with the CNLV, Nevada Partners and Culinary Academy to develop the \$1.5 million Urban Center for Advanced Agricultural Technologies (UCAAT) which will expand the focus of the garden to produce and provide fresh food to the community while at the same time creating economic development opportunities and jobs for community residents.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	40 Low Income households
	<b>Location Description</b>	O3E - Neighborhood Facilities
	Planned Activities	O3E - Neighborhood Facilities
19	Project Name	Choice NRSA Leaders In Training
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA

	Needs Addressed	Address at-risk youth Access to job training and placement programs
	Funding	CDBG: \$35,755
	Description	CDBG funds will be used to collaborate with surrounding target area high schools to initiate a Leaders in Training program. Identify a cohort of 10-15 9th graders in year one to follow them through to the 12th grade in order to ensure maximum opportunities for leadership training and community engagement with the goal of having youth apply and get accepted to college.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	12 students
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 North Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	05D - Youth Services
20	Project Name	Choice NRSA Employment Training and Placement and Micro Enterprise Assistance
	Target Area	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand safe living environments in the NRSA
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development and Business Support
	Funding	CDBG: \$107,265
	Description	CDBG funds will develop microenterprises within the NRSA by providing Economic Development and Business Support.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 micro businesses
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 North Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
	Planned Activities	18C – Micro Enterprise Assistance
	Project Name	STEM Center

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21	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Goals Supported	Expand economic and business opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development and Business Support
	Funding	CDBG: \$275,000
	Description	STEM Center will target primarily low-income, at-risk youth and young adults to provide incubator services as a pathway to develop microenterprises and entrepreneurs through technical training and soft skill development and support and career pathway opportunities.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	25 people
	<b>Location Description</b>	Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)
	Planned Activities	18C-microenterprise assistance to planned activities
22	Project Name	Neighborhood Resource Center
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Improve & construct facilities & infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Create community education and gathering spaces Public Improvements and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$526,270
	Description	A Neighborhood Center that could provide resources and assistance in a number waysâ¿¿resources for veterans, families, youth.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	300 individuals served
	Location Description	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide (exact location still under consideration)

	Planned Activities	03E - Neighborhood Facilities
		03Z - Other Public Improvements
23	<b>Project Name</b>	HESG23 North Las Vegas Homeless Projects
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Expand and support public services Support activities through planning & admin
	Needs Addressed	Address and Mitigate Homelessness Social services to address changing situations
	Funding	ESG: \$164,055
	Description	The City of North Las Vegas plans to use the 2023 allocation of ESG funds to provide the following services: Salvation Army (Rapid Rehousing) - \$18,764; Lutheran Social Services (Homeless Prevention) - \$15,110; Nevada Partners Emergency Services (Homeless Prevention) - \$19,444; City of North Las Vegas Homeless Services (Street Outreach) \$98,433; ESG Administration - \$12,304
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	350 Homeless Households
	Location Description	1501 Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89101; 1 West Owens Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89030; various locations
	Planned Activities	Four different ESG program components will be funded through the ESG projects:
		Street Outreach (60%)
		Rapid Rehousing (11%)
		Homeless Prevention (21%)
		Administration (7.5%)
24	Project Name	Urban Center for Advanced Agricultural Technologies (UCAAT) Project
	Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
	Goals Supported	Improve & construct facilities & infrastructure Expand economic and business opportunities

Needs Addressed	Economic Development and Business Support Public Improvements and Infrastructure
Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
Description	The Urban Center for Advanced Agricultural Technologies (UCAAT) is an agriculture project, and the city intends to help fund infrastructure for the urban agriculture, utilities such as water lines, electrical hook ups, solar power, etc., or the actual construction of a greenhouse or something similar, e.g.
Target Date	6/30/2024
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	200 individuals served
Location Description	City of North Las Vegas
Planned Activities	17C - Commercial/Industrial: Building Acquisition, Construction, Rehabilitation
	17D - Commercial/Industrial: Other Improvements
Project Name	CDBG Administration
Target Area	City of North Las Vegas: Citywide
Goals Supported	Support activities through planning & admin
Needs Addressed	Address and Mitigate Homelessness Create community education and gathering spaces Address at-risk youth Support health & nutrition of low income residents Access to job training and placement programs Social services to address changing situations Economic Development and Business Support Neighborhood Revitalization and Beautification Affordable Housing Public Improvements and Infrastructure
Funding	CDBG: \$378,287
Description	Administration of CDBG funds
Target Date	6/30/2024
	Funding Description  Target Date Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities Location Description Planned Activities  Project Name Target Area Goals Supported Needs Addressed  Funding Description

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 Other
<b>Location Description</b>	2250 Las Vegas Boulevard North.
Planned Activities	General Program Administration-21A

## AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

North Las Vegas will prioritize CDBG investments to assist individual households, many of which reside in the NRSA's "Urban Core".

CNLV Choice NRSA is a 1.25 square mile area that was identified in the original CNI grant application to HUD based on criteria established by CNI guidelines. The Urban Core of North Las Vegas is in the southwest corner of CNLV, adjacent to the City of Las Vegas, and comprises some of the oldest parts of the Urban Core of North Las Vegas.

The Urban Core's current population is primarily minorities of African American and Hispanic descent. The historic concentration of low-income housing, limited bank credit, stymied neighborhood and business development, and dearth of public services led to a negative reputation and financially struggling times for the Urban Core. The historic concentration of low-income housing, limited bank credit, stymied neighborhood and business development, and dearth of public services led to a negative reputation and financially struggling times for the Urban Core.

Almost 7,500 residents live in the Urban Core, the residents are generally slightly older than those in other areas of CNLV but are on par with Clark County. The larger average household size is probably due to multigenerational households, which are more common among many new immigrants and minority households. The Urban Core retains a strong African American community even though the percentage of African American residents has decreased over the last two decades. The Hispanic/Latino population has steadily grown during that same period, and now accounts for 43% of the total population.

All NRSA projects will be directed to the Urban Core of CNLV.

## **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of North Las Vegas: Citywide	17
Choice Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)	83

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution** 

## Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The majority of CDBG eligible census tracts are located along the southern border of the CNLV.

The Choice Neighborhood Initiative's Urban Core overlaps with multiple CDBG eligible census tracts. The Urban Core is located in the southwest corner of North Las Vegas, adjacent to the City of Las Vegas, and is comprised of some of the oldest parts of the City. This area is bounded by West Cartier Avenue to the north; North 5th Street to the east; Las Vegas to the south; and Clayton Street to the west.

While the rest of the CNLV and surrounding Clark County experienced a large population growth over the last two decades, the Urban Core in North Las Vegas experienced very limited growth due to:

- Lack of new investment
- Aging housing stock
- Distressed assisted housing developments
- Crime

These factors contributed to a decline in the physical and social fabric of the area, which is why these geographic boundaries were selected for the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA).

### Discussion

## AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities - 91.420, 91.220(i) Introduction

This section discusses how CNLV will address the needs of persons at risk of and experiencing homelessness in CNLV during the program year of 2023.

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

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

The City of North Las Vegas's Homeless Services Division conducts outreach to meet individuals and families experiencing homelessness where they are located. The Homeless Services Team (HST) was created with Emergency Solution Grant COVID Funding during the pandemic to help prevent, prepare and respond to the coronavirus. HST drafted the City of North Las Vegas Homeless Initiative with the motto "Bridging the Gap, meeting the Homeless where they're at." The Homeless Outreach and Mobile Engagement (H.O.M.E.) a three-person team encourages essential services to the unsheltered community, connecting them with emergency shelter, housing and critical services, along with providing them with urgent, non-facility-based care.

Through the ESG programs, CNLV will cover a portion of the eligible costs for engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services, transportation, and services for special populations.

CNLV will fund four programs with ESG over the next year to assess the needs of people experiencing homelessness through care management by the H.O.M.E. Team. Outreach workers will assess the needs of homeless persons and assist them with applying for mainstream programs and public benefits including TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, SSI, SSDI and VA benefits.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

CNLV works on various levels with our neighboring communities, social services partners and housing partners as a coordinated response system to make homelessness, rare, brief, and one-time. CNLV has

limited resources to tackle every stage in the system model to prevent homelessness, which makes collaboration critical. CNLV's most effective role in the system modeling to end homelessness is our resource of land for a range of housing development and economic opportunities.

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

A percentage of our current ESG funding focuses on the rapid rehousing model. Our community has the capacity to provide rapid rehousing residence to assist in transitioning people out of homelessness. Any combination of rental assistance which includes short to medium term rental assistance and rental arrears, housing relation and stabilization services financial assistance cost, which includes security deposits and last month's rent.

CNLV has been working with housing partners to provide low/moderate rental facilities. Our housing partners have completed several projects including: Rose Garden Senior Apartments, Madison Palms Apartments, and Donna Louise Apartments. These new affordable housing projects are adding inventory for residents who are exiting out of homelessness into affordable housing. We are continuing to focus our efforts in the area of low/moderate housing on both large- and small-scale projects.

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.

NLV's one-year goals for extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are either being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care or receive assistance from public or private agencies include youth outreach and specialized services to achieved self-reliance, successful career programs for job training and placements, and street outreach and engagement for direct

support.

Actions taken to address these goals include:

- HELP of Southern Nevada Shannon West Youth Homeless Center (SWYHC) will assist youth in the community who find themselves homeless from various circumstances or foster care release. They provide a unique dorm style setting with safe shelter, meals, mental health counseling, and education and job resources. SWYHC teaches young people to be self-reliant and gives them the chance to be productive citizens.
- The Salvation Army Career Corner program works with homeless individuals to get back on their feet. Many of the residents come from the Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center which is a drug and alcohol addiction center located within NLV. These residents are trying to get their lives back on track through sobriety. The Career Corner program gives them an opportunity with housing components and job training and placement. Some of the vocational training programs are culinary, truck driver, construction, warehouse, and security. The program also provides intensive case management to keep the residents on track.
- CNLV's Homeless Outreach and Mobile Engagement (H.O.M.E) Team with the support of ESG funds is the front line to unsheltered citizens. In addition to comments mentioned above, the H.O.M.E. team also works with the Community Correctional Center if a citizen is discharged to homelessness. The team will meet the individual prior to release to discuss housing options and at the time of discharge for direct support.
- CNLV works with the multijurisdictional Continuum of Care team to implement a strategic and
  comprehensive response to the challenges of those with medical and behavioral health
  impairments in our community. This coalition comprises government agencies, the housing
  authority, Workforce Connections, law enforcement, faith-based organizations, business
  owners, social service providers, mental health agencies, hospitals, fire and rescue and homeless
  advocates.
- CNLV will continue to participate in Regional Homeless Coordination efforts to reduce homelessness and address the needs of homeless individuals and families. The City prioritizes assistance for homeless street outreach services, homeless prevention and rapid rehousing, and will award ESG funds accordingly. The City will continue to engage with the Southern Nevada CoC various working groups.

#### Discussion

## AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

This section discusses barriers to affordable housing and actions planned to address those.

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

There are many barriers to affordable access and development of Affordable Housing in the city, including:Social and Economic Issues:dir="ltr" aria-level="1">Lack of funding for mental healthdir="ltr" role="presentation">Lack of funding for mental health aria-level="1">Lack of funding for homelessnessdir="ltr" aria-level="1"><p dir="ltr" aria-level= role="presentation">Lack of funding for social servicesdir="ltr" aria-level="1">Lack of educated populationLack of knowledge to improve current situation|i>|i>|i>|i| dir="ltr" aria-level="1">Rise housing/food costs compared to incomedir="ltr" aria-level="1"><p dir="ltr" role="presentation">Low wage service jobs Cost of Housing:dir="ltr" aria-level="1"> role="presentation">Rising cost and limits of land dir="ltr" aria-level="1">Rising cost of housing constructiondir="ltr" aria-level="1">Rising cost of pre development feesdir="ltr" aria-level="1"><p dir="ltr" a level="1">Stringent building and planning codes Government Support of affordable housing:dir="ltr" aria-level="1">Residents resistance to "affordable housing" in their neighborhoodsdir="ltr" aria-level="1">Support from the State for regional affordable housing plandir="ltr" aria-level="1">Density levels to support affordable housing planningdir="ltr" aria-level="1">Density levels to support affordable housing planning dir="ltr" aria-level="1">Planning requirements that SFR must have garage space and minimum square footagedir="ltr">Some of the actions the city is taking to address these barriers includes utilizing ESG funds for programs to assist low-income households with rent and utility assistance. CNLV is also working to improve barriers to accessing housing opportunities for residents, particularly in the NRSA. CPLC Nevada, the group that will oversee the overall implementation of Choice Strategies for CNLV's Choice NRSA, will work with neighborhood residents to identify housing in disrepair needing rehab or façade improvement. CPLC will also utilize and expand its Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program in order to increase the number of low-to-moderate income households that can qualify to purchase homes and will implement this program within CNLV NRSA target area. Program funds will allow approved

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applicants to receive a housing grant usable to cover the cost of down payment and closing cost requirements over the course of 24 months. An affordable housing component will also be incorporated into the SARGEM development of Buena Vista Springs redevelopment project.

## Discussion

## AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

### Introduction

This section discusses the other actions the CNLV will take to address the needs of low-income residents.

## Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The CNLV will continue to engage in the regional dialogue with neighboring communities and service providers to identify and address underserved needs, maintain affordable housing, and reduce the number of families living in poverty.

## Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The CNLV is working to improve housing stock and increase housing opportunities for residents, particularly in the NRSA. CPLC Nevada, the group that will oversee the overall implementation of Choice Strategies for the CNLV's Choice NRSA, will work with neighborhood residents to identify housing in disrepair needing rehab or façade improvement. CPLC will also utilize and expand their Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program in order to increase the number of low-to-moderate income households that can qualify to purchase homes and will implement this program within the CNLV NRSA target area. Program funds will allow approved applicants to receive a housing grant usable to cover the cost of down payment and closing cost requirements over the course of 24 months.

An affordable housing component will be incorporated into the SARGEM development of Buena Vista Springs redevelopment project.

## Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The CNLV addresses lead paint hazards on homes built prior to 1978 through its Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program. The program offers home rehabilitation assistance to low and moderate-income homeowners to improve their living conditions in order for their home to be safe, habitable and in compliance with local building codes as well as HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule. The program is funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

## Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Through the Choice Transformation Plan and the NRSA, CNLV is focusing significant efforts on reducing poverty within the most underserved areas. Through employment services and training programs, entrepreneurship, a community garden, public art, and increased educational opportunities, the CNLV

aims to reduce poverty, provide more opportunity, and help the community thrive.

## Actions planned to develop institutional structure

CNLV has well-developed partnerships with nonprofit housing providers, including the Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority, economic development organizations, and social service agencies. Staff will continue to facilitate these partnerships and collaborate with partners to deliver programs to address housing needs.

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

Regional level coordination takes place through several avenues, including the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition (SNRPC) and its various committees, the Southern Nevada Continuum of Care (SNH COC), and the Southern Nevada Consortium Meetings. These collaborative groups bring together all of the local governmental jurisdictions along with the Regional Transportation Commission, the Clark County School District, the Metropolitan Police Department, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, and the Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority, among others. Local jurisdictions also work together with the appropriate agencies on grant applications for funding not related to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including Choice Neighborhoods, and the Emergency Foods and Shelter Program. CNLV brings the community together for monthly meetings during the summer, fall, and winter for CDBG and ESG, through the Citizen Advisory Committee. CNLV will continue this coordination with SNRPC, SNH CoC, and the County.

#### Discussion

## **Program Specific Requirements**

## AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

## Introduction

## 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.

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## Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Reference 91.220(I)(4)

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

Please see attachment.

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

Service providers who receive Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding through the Southern Nevada Continuum of Care and ESG through the CNLV, who also primarily serve homeless individuals who are 18 years of age and older are required to participate in the Coordinated Intake (CI) process. Homeless individuals will be assessed using the Community Housing Assessment Tool (CHAT) during Intake. There are currently two major hubs for the intake process, Clark County Social Services, and also for homeless single veterans, the Veterans Administration Administrative Community Resource & Referral Center (CRCC). During intake homeless individuals will be assessed, evaluated, and referred to services if they are available and appropriate for the individual, through the Continuum of Care, and/or other providers in the community. Homeless service providers who serve other types of sub-populations such as families and youth will also be required to use the centralized coordinated intake process once it is implemented for that particular sub-population. Based on the CoC's CI, ESG recipients shall be required to use that system to help determine an individual or family's need for emergency shelter or other ESG funded assistance.

ESG sub-recipients are responsible to assess an individual or family's initial need for emergency shelter and must re-assess their need on an ongoing basis to ensure that only those individual or families with the greatest need receive ESG-funded emergency shelter assistance. Shelters that serve families must serve all eligible families and may not refuse services based on the age of children or the size of the family.

Client re-assessment will take place at the participant level and at the service provider level. Clients meet with case managers throughout their participation in the program and have regular progress evaluations. Clients have the opportunity to provide assessment and feedback of programs as well.

Clients assisted with ESG funds are to be entered into HMIS during client intake and the agency must maintain a minimum HMIS data quality of 90%. Agencies solely providing emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence, stalking, sexual abuse, and trafficking are exempt. In those cases, a comparable database should be used that protects the identity and safety of clients.

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

CNLV utilizes a Request for Proposal (RFP), which invites qualified organizations to apply for ESG Funding. Through an application process the non-profit agencies answer questions regarding their agency, proposed programs, staffing, and understanding of the scope or work, budget and relevant experience. CNLV uses a Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) to review applications, applicants, and make recommendations based on their perception of the community's needs. All applications are reviewed by staff for eligibility and completeness prior to review by the CAC.

CAC gives recommendations to the CNLV City Council, who makes the final project selections for submittal to the CNLV and eventually HUD. HUD must approve the selected projects before an award notification is made.

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

CNLV has devised specific actions to encourage increased participation in its entitlement programs. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to provide input into all aspects of the CNLV's planning activities – from assessing needs and setting priorities through performance evaluation. The CNLV will continue to provide a forum for citizens to contribute information, ideas, and opinions on how residents can benefit from these grant programs. Techniques will include, as needed, neighborhood meetings, presentations to local organizations, public hearings, newspaper advertisements, e-mail, social media, television presentations, and individual personal contacts. The North Las Vegas participates in quarterly Consortium meetings where local jurisdictions confer on issues related to the Consolidated Plan and community trends, and issues surrounding regional homelessness.

Southern Nevada has a process in place for regional collaboration on homeless issues which includes discussion related to ESG funding, while respecting each individual political jurisdiction. As a result, the governance structure recognizes the initial regional framework designed by SNRPC in 2003, while incorporating the rules and regulations enacted through the HEARTH Act and the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program in 2009. In 2014, both the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care (SNH CoC) and the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Board (SNH CoC Board) were defined. Although, Clark County Social Service provides staff support for much of the activities of the SNH CoC. The SNH CoC Board, comprised of local stakeholders, Homeless individuals, and the CNLV staff oversees the activities CoC. This oversight includes identification of homeless issues, gaps in services, coordination of the allocation of funds, and the development and biannual evaluation of HELP HOPE HOME, and Southern Nevada's Regional Plan to End Homelessness. Activities of the SNH CoC Board include yearly strategic planning, the annual homeless census, regional coordination,

inclement weather shelter, HMIS, system evaluation, HEARTH Act implementation, CoC monitoring, and other activities.

Its members are the Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager and staff for the CNLV, City of Las Vegas and Henderson, and Clark County Social Services Director and staff; Veterans Administration, United Way staff, the Nevada Homeless Alliance, the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, Clark County School District Title I HOPE, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, MGM Resorts, and the City of Boulder City.

The working groups oversee the planning, operations and activities of the SNH CoC. They develop the updates to and ensure compliance with the regional 10-year strategic plan through: monitoring of performance measures and outcomes; conducting the services and housing gaps analysis; planning for the Point-In-Time count (PIT) of the homeless population; reviewing/ recommending potential CoC projects; submission of the CoC application; HEARTH implementation and any other activities under the CoC. CNLV Staff, City of Las Vegas and Clark County are active participants in the working groups with the ESG programs from all jurisdictions being a standing item on the agenda. All CoC meetings are open to the public; providers or interested parties are encouraged to volunteer for appropriate subgroups representing specific populations. The Southern Nevada Housing and Homeless Plan includes all of the jurisdictions that make up Southern Nevada and outlines goals and strategies to guide local governments in funding, developing and supporting homeless services.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Programs are subjected to "on-site monitoring" by jurisdiction staff or a HUD representative on a 24-hour notice during normal working hours. Representatives are granted access to all program records for audit, examination, and review and may request to interview program recipients who volunteer to be interviewed.

All monitoring in is to be based on the following risk analysis process (subrecipients who have had high staff turnover, who are new awardees, or who have not been monitored in two years)

- Schedule monitoring visit with subrecipients
- Send out a letter notifying the subrecipient of the time and date of the monitoring visit
- Update monitoring tools/forms as needed
- Post schedule on calendar and notify other staff members responsible for conducting monitoring
- Conduct entrance conference and monitoring visit using monitoring form
- Request missing documents to be submitted by a designated time
- Send monitoring summary letter
- Letter should include findings and conclusions and the timeline for addressing findings. It should also include recommendations for improvement.

At the end of the monitoring review, staff conducts an exit conference with the appropriate

participant officials or staff to discuss conclusions. In part, this serves to confirm the accuracy and completeness of the information used to form the basis for the monitoring conclusions.

The COC has extended the agreement with Strategic Progress to continue to monitor COC programs as well as ESG programs. Strategic Progress in on their 5th year to conduct the onsite monitoring; this team has participated in over 30 federal grant evaluation designs, evaluation projects, and implementation of evaluation plans or evaluation of federally funded agencies or initiatives. Strategic Progress has developed various tools for desktop, virtual and onsite monitoring. The basis for monitoring is to address findings and provide recommendations for program improvements.

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## **Citizen Participation Comments**



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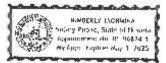
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# APPENDIX A. Community Participation

Before the development of the Consolidated Plan, the Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (RAI) was conducted. Regional partners and CNLV held community meetings to receive input on barriers to fair housing.

Working off this public input and past input from the Choice Neighborhood Transformation Plan, CNLV provided additional citizen participation opportunities during the development of the Five-year Consolidated Plan, which included:

- CAC Meeting—this Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) reviews funding applications and makes recommendations based on their understanding of the community's needs;
- Online Resident and Stakeholder Survey—online survey to provide input for the development of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan;
- Stakeholder and CNLV Staff Interviews—conducted during the Consolidated Plan process to understand needs, programs, and services;
- Marketing of community meetings, survey, public comment periods, and public hearings—promoted through stakeholders, CNLV's website, and/or emails sent to community;
- Consolidated Plan and Action Plan 30-day public comment period; and
- Public Hearings during the development of the Consolidated Plan and during the public comment period.

The images below show snapshots of the public input process, which included an online survey and promotion, and online access to plans for viewing and/or public comment on the CNLV's website.

## **Resident Online Survey Snapshot**



# Stakeholder Online Survey Snapshot



Source: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CNLVStakeholder23

Promotion of Resident and Stakeholder Online Survey—distributed online and to stakeholders to distribute to clients

# We need your input!

Take the City's survey and provide input on housing and community development needs

www.surveymonkey.com/r/CNLVResident23





Scan the QR code o

If you have questions or need a accommodation, please contact or or CommunitySolutionsResearch

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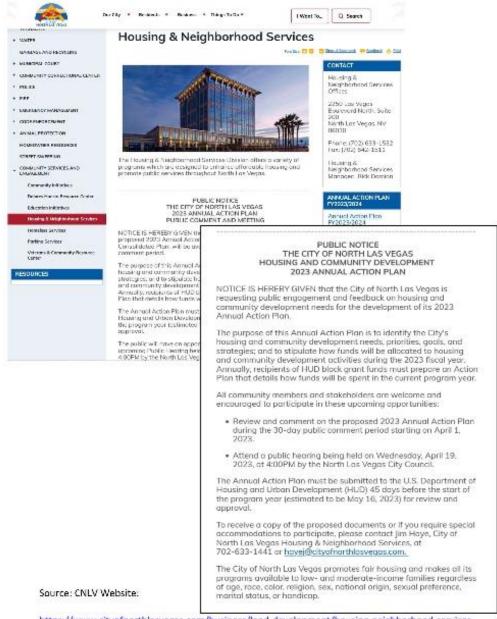




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#### Website Snapshot: Public Notices and Access to Plans



https://www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com/business/land-development/housing-neighborhood-services

#### **Community Participation Elements**

The community input process for the Annual Action Plan included public hearings and meetings, an online resident and stakeholder survey, stakeholder interviews, and public comment period. All comments and views were accepted and considered in the development of the Consolidated Plan.

Public hearings and meetings. Three public hearings and meetings were conducted throughout the 2023 Annual Action Plan process, one prior to, one during, and one after the 30-day public comment period. Both citizens and stakeholders participated in the proposed Action Plan allocation in a Citizen Advisory Committee public hearing held on March 7, 2023.

A public hearing was held during the 30-day public comment on April 19, 2023, which allowed the public to provide comments on the 2023 Annual Action Plan. No public comments were submitted during this period.

CNLV City Council accepted all public comments regarding the draft and voted to accept the 2023 Annual Action Plan on May 3, 2023.

**Public comment period.** The proposed Annual Action Plan was available for public comment for 30 days, between April 1 and 30, 2023. The proposed plan was posted online on the City's website. Citizens and stakeholders were initially invited to comment on the draft plan through a public notice published in the Las Vegas Review Journal and online. CNLV accepts all public comments, yet no public comments were submitted during this period.

Resident and stakeholder survey. Seventeen individuals participated in an online survey in March 2023 to provide input for the development of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan.

Primary concerns regarding housing were lack of affordable housing, lack of public funding to support housing, overcrowding, and maintenance and repairs.

Respondents identified the top unmet housing needs in the North Las Vegas area:

- Housing for persons at 30% Area Median Income or AMI or less (extremely low income, generally poverty level, less than \$24,600/year)
- Homeownership opportunities for low-income households (earning less than 80% AMI or about \$50,300/year)
- Housing for persons at 60% AMI or less (very low income, generally earning less than \$31,450/year)
- 4. Housing for persons with serious mental illness
- 5. Housing for youth transitioning out of foster care

When stakeholder participants were asked to identify the single most important issue concerning the availability of quality housing in North Las Vegas, they identified:

- Lack of affordable housing
- Not enough housing available in general
- Under investment from private sector

Stakeholders also offered advice for North Las Vegas to be able to increase the effectiveness of its housing programs:

- "Maybe build small homes that are affordable to purchase and not rent."
- "Increase the supply of long-term affordable rental housing."
- "Develop strategic partnerships on workforce development."
- "Secure housing programs that match the high cost of affordability. Many of the current programs are outdated or mismatched with our valley."
- "Partner with developers to build more affordable housing for rent and sales by providing or easing access to funding."
- "Build a coordinated entry system to identify how many North Las Vegas residents are in need of housing services and which can assist with tracking referrals and successes of all the programs funded by CNLV."
- "Increase access to job training and increase the amount of affordable housing units. Base the cost of those units on what people actually make and can afford while they are still taking care of their families."

Community Development Needs. In this year's online survey, stakeholder respondents identified the following top unmet community development needs:

- 1. Training & Job Placement for young adults (i.e., STEM training)
- 2. Children/education/youth services
- 3. Neighborhood revitalization
- 4. Job training programs
- 5. Grocery stores

**Homelessness.** Stakeholders were asked to identify the principal challenges faced by persons experiencing homelessness in North Las Vegas or surrounding areas in receiving services, acquiring housing, and remaining housed, and provided the following responses:

- "Access to housing and services after being housed."
- "Securing affordable housing."
- "Lack of family support and full wraparound services."

"Many families and youth in need of housing do not qualify for HUD assistance. More prevention programs are needed to provide rental and other assistance to ensure people do not end up in homeless situations. This keeps people housed where their children are already attending school and puts less burden on the homeless service system. Requirements for assistance need to be broad to ensure we are truly keeping people out of homelessness rather than putting them into homelessness so they qualify for services."

When stakeholders were asked what resources were most needed to help the people they serve end their experience with homelessness, they identified:

- "Funding."
- "Affordable housing."
- "Additional income opportunities for those on fixed income, access to free healthcare, and mentorship."



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# I. Definitions

Certification: is a written, notarized assertion, based on supporting evidence that must be kept available for inspection by ESG recipient staff, HUD, by the Inspector General of HUD, and by the public. The assertion shall be deemed to be accurate unless HUD determines otherwise, after inspecting the evidence and providing due notice and opportunity for comment.

Consolidated Plan: is the plan prepared in accordance with 24 CFR Part 91. Recipient means the legal entity to which HUD awards an ESG award and which is accountable for the use of the funds provided.

Grantee(s): "Grantee(s)" refers to recipients and Subrecipients of Federal Continuum of Care or Emergency Solutions Grant funding.

HMIS: is the Homeless Management Information System.

Household: refers to individuals or families.

HUD: is the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**Non-profit organization:** is an organization described in 26 U.S.C. 501(c) that is exempt from taxation under subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code, has an accounting system and a voluntary board, and practices nondiscrimination in the provision of assistance.

Participant(s): "Participant(s)" refers to all individuals and families receiving assistance through a Continuum of Care or Emergency Solutions Grant-funded provider, including persons participating in programs funded through other federal, state, local, or private sources.

State: is the State of Nevada.

**Sub-recipient:** is any private non-profit organization or unit of general local government to which a sub-recipient provides funds to carry out the eligible activities under the grant and which is accountable to the sub-recipient for the use of the funds provided. The terms "sub-recipient" and "sub recipient" are synonymous.

# II. Introduction

In accordance with Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (24 CFR) 91.220(I)(4)(i) and 576.400(e) (1), The Southern Nevada Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC) developed the following written standards for the provision and prioritization of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding for the City of Las Vegas, the City of North Las Vegas, and Clark County. ESG recipients and subrecipients are required by HUD to have written standards for providing ESG assistance and must consistently apply these standards to all program participants. The following standards are intended as basic, minimum standards to which individual ESG applicants and/ or subrecipients can add additional and more stringent standards applicable only to their own projects. These required standards help to ensure that the ESG program is administered fairly and systematically. The Southern Nevada Homeless CoC will continue to build upon and refine this document.

# III. Background

The City of Las Vegas, the City of North Las Vegas, and Clark County are each awarded ESG funds annually from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as part of the annual allocation Process. These funds are designed to assist sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) significantly amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, including major revisions to the Emergency Shelter Grants program, which was renamed the Emergency Solutions Grants program. The HEARTH Act, and implementation of the applicable federal regulations by HUD, incorporated many of the lessons learned from the implementation of the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Recovery Act Program (HPRP) into the new ESG program, including placing a stronger emphasis on rapid re-housing assistance.

# IV. Evaluation and Documentation of Eligibility for ESG

#### **ESG General Eligibility Standards**

Individuals and families eligible for emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, or other assistance funded by ESG funds must be homeless or at risk of homelessness based on criteria defined by the General Definition of Homeless Individual, found in the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH Act) and the Definition of At-Risk of Homelessness defined by the Emergency Solutions Grant Program interim rule. Complete definitions are found at 24 CFR 576.2 and are included as Appendix A.

Participants in ESG-funded programs must have incomes at or below 30% of the Area Median Income based on the HUD income limits in effect at the time of income verification. Income eligibility is not based on HUD income limits that correspond with the grant year under which the ESG funds were awarded. Current income limits can be found by following the directions on the HUD Exchange web site at: <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5079/esg-income-limits/">https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5079/esg-income-limits/</a>

Subrecipients of ESG funds will develop policies and procedures to evaluate individuals' and families' eligibility for assistance under ESG. This will involve participating in Coordinated Entry with the CoC and screening individuals to determine eligibility based on criteria for ESG as determined by HUD.

#### **Emergency Shelter Eligibility & Documentation**

Emergency Shelter programs are required to document eligibility at program entry. However, HUD recognizes that third-party documentation at the emergency shelter level is not feasible in most cases. Therefore, shelters have a different standard of recordkeeping than is required for all other types of assistance. Subrecipients operating emergency shelters can document homeless status through a certification by the individual or head of household as the primary method of establishing homeless eligibility. Under no circumstances must the lack of third-party documentation prevent an individual or family from being admitted immediately to emergency shelter, receiving street outreach services, or receiving services from a victim service provider.

For shelters where program participants may stay only one night and must leave in the morning, documentation must be obtained each night. If program participants stay more than one night, then documentation must be obtained on the first night the household stays in the shelter. Please note that emergency shelters are required to enter each individual or family seeking emergency shelter into HMIS, but the intake process should be able to be done in a quick manner.

# Rapid Re-Housing Eligibility & Documentation

Program participants receiving ESG Rapid Re-Housing assistance must be literally homeless, as defined by the ESG interim rule. Re-evaluation must occur not less than once annually. At this re-evaluation, the participant's household income cannot exceed 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. Examples of documentation include program entry forms, assessment tools for

Coordinated Entry, and copies of wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, bank statements or other documents that outline participant assets and affirm that the household is at or below 30% of the Area Median Income. HUD's preferred order of documentation as described below applies to Rapid Re-Housing programs.

# **Homelessness Prevention Eligibility & Documentation**

For households receiving ESG Homelessness Prevention assistance through ESG, income also cannot exceed 30% of Area Median Income, and this must be determined during entry into the assistance program. Re-evaluation for Homelessness Prevention assistance must take place not less than once every three months, with records being kept for each re-evaluation. Examples of documentation include program entry forms, assessment tools for Coordinated Entry, copies of eviction notices or utility bills and shut-off notices, and copies of wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, bank statements or other documents that outline participant assets and affirm that the household is at or below 30% of the Area Median Income. HUD's preferred order of documentation as described below applies to Homeless Prevention programs.

# V. Recordkeeping Requirements

# Preferred Order of Eligibility Documentation

Subrecipients must establish and follow written intake procedures to ensure compliance with HUD's definition of homelessness and recordkeeping requirements. Subrecipient will maintain records for five years for each individual and family determined ineligible to receive ESG Homelessness Prevention or Rapid Re-housing assistance. The record must include documentation of the reason for that determination, demographic data (race, sex, national origin), and age.

HUD has a preferred order of documentation for eligibility of clients being served by ESG-funded projects. Please note that there are exceptions to this preferred order, including emergency shelters, street outreach, and victim services, in order to protect the safety of individuals/families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence. HUD's preferred order for other ESG-funded programs is:

- 1. Third Party Documentation
  - Written documentation that includes such items as eviction notices, job termination notices, wage statements, benefits statements, tax returns or bank statements.
  - Oral documentation, which includes clear notes that document names, dates, and information shared through conversations with former employers, landlords, government benefits staff or others in an official position to verify client status.
- Intake Staff Observations, including notes on client status; this is not applicable to income documentation.
- Self-Certification, which should be used only as a last resort with careful documentation of how income documents were sought and why they could not be secured for a client.

For all ESG programs, subrecipients are required to keep documentation of client eligibility, but the original assessment and HUD's preferred order can vary somewhat based on the type of program, as outlined above.

#### Survivors of Domestic Violence

For individuals who are survivors of domestic violence, acceptable evidence includes:

- Source documents provided by an outside source (Written Third Party Verification of Homeless Status form or Oral Third-Party Verification of Homeless Status); or Records contained in an HMIS or comparable database used by victim service or legal service providers are acceptable evidence of third-party documentation and intake worker observations.
- Staff/Intake worker observations. Documentation by Subrecipients' staff is considered observation of Homeless Status.
- Certification from the person seeking assistance. Subrecipient staff must certify efforts made to obtain third party documentation before allowing applicant to self-certify.

Lack of third-party documentation must not prevent an individual or family from being immediately admitted to emergency shelter, receiving street outreach services, or being immediately admitted to shelter or receiving services provided by a survivor service provider.

#### Individuals Residing in an Institution

For individuals residing in an institution (including a jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital, or other similar facility) for fewer than 90 days, acceptable evidence includes:

- Discharge paperwork or a written or oral referral. From a social worker, case manager, or other appropriate official of the institution, stating the beginning and end dates of the time residing in the institution that demonstrates the person resided there for less than 90 days.
- 2. An Oral Statement-All oral statements must be recorded by the intake; or
- 3. Certification from the person seeking assistance. Where the evidence above is not obtainable, a written record of the intake worker's due diligence in attempting to obtain the evidence described in the paragraph above and a certification by the individual seeking assistance that states that they are exiting or have just exited an institution where they resided for less than 90 days; and Evidence of literally homeless status prior to entry.

Evidence that the individual was homeless and living in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, and was chronically homeless prior to entry into the institutional care facility (as defined in paragraph (1) of 25 CFR 578.3) (acceptable documentation listed above).

#### VI. Use of Data and Coordination of Services

#### Using HMIS and the Sage HMIS Reporting Repository

Clients assisted with ESG funds need to be entered into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) during client intake. Agencies administering ESG funds must:

- 1) Maintain a minimum HMIS data quality of 90%
- Maintain complete and accurate files for all clients assisted with ESG funds (both in HMIS and through hard copy documentation of eligibility)
- Comply with all data collection and entry requests to allow proper use of the Sage HMIS Reporting Repository and the completion of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)
- 4) Keep complete and accurate files for all families and individuals denied services under the ESG program. These files must contain general demographic information and document the reason for the denial of services and must be kept for five (5) years.

PLEASE NOTE: Agencies providing services solely to victims of domestic violence, stalking, sexual abuse, and trafficking are exempt from using HMIS. In those cases, a comparable database will be used that protects the identity and safety of clients.

#### **Coordinated Entry**

To help ensure homeless households receive immediate housing and minimize barriers to housing access, all service providers which receive Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding, including ESG recipients and subrecipients, are required to participate in the Southern Nevada Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry System (CES)/Coordinated Intake (CI). All ESG providers must comply with relevant provisions of the Southern Nevada Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures.

The primary coordinative body for implementation will begin with the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care. Implementing Coordinated Entry is a federal requirement for several federal programs under the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In Southern Nevada, we have used it as an opportunity to initiate changes in our homeless response system, shifting from an ad hoc access and assessment process to a standardized process for all clients with coordinated referrals to housing and supportive services. The Continuum's designated coordinated entry provider(s) will coordinate with referral agencies, United Way EFSP recipients, and other community resources to link clients in need of housing assistance to other services and shelters.

Homeless individuals will be assessed through the centralized coordinated entry process. During intake, homeless individuals will be assessed, evaluated, and referred to services if they are available and appropriate for the individual.

Homeless service providers who serve other types of sub-populations such as families (adults accompanied by children), unaccompanied youth, and persons at risk of homelessness will also be required to use the centralized coordinated intake process as implemented for that particular sub-population. Providers serving households fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions, including human trafficking, may include

separate but comparable processes and databases in order to provide safety, security, and confidentiality. The Coordinated Entry process must allow emergency services and shelter programs to operate with as few barriers to entry as possible. The process must also ensure adequate privacy protection of all participant information.

Additional information on Coordinated Entry can be found in the HUD Notice: CPD-17-01, issued January 23, 2017 and found at: <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Notice-CPD-17-01-Establishing-Additional-Requirements-or-a-Continuum-of-Care-Centralized-or-Coordinated-Assessment-System.pdf">https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Notice-CPD-17-01-Establishing-Additional-Requirements-or-a-Continuum-of-Care-Centralized-or-Coordinated-Assessment-System.pdf</a>.

#### **HMIS Data Standards**

Except as otherwise specified, data associated with the CE system should be stored in the CoC's HMIS. All data entered into or accessed or retrieved from HMIS must be protected and kept private in accordance with the Clarity Nevada HMIS Governance Charter's Privacy Plan and HMIS Data and Technical Standards as announced by the CoC Interim Rule at 24 CFR 578.7(a)(8).19. Before collecting any information as part of the CE system, all staff and volunteers must first either (1) obtain the participant's informed consent to share and store participant information for the purposes of assessing and referring participants through the CE process, or (2) confirm that such consent has already been obtained and is still active.

Prior to every client's initial assessment, ESG-funded programs must provide a verbal explanation that the client's information will be entered into an electronic database that stores client information and an explanation of the HMIS Client Consent to Release Information form terms. After being provided a verbal explanation, each client who agrees to have his or her personal protected information HMIS must sign the HMIS Client Consent to Release Information form.

Whenever possible, the participant's consent should be in written form. The ESG subrecipient will not deny services to any participant based on that participant's refusal to allow their data to be stored or shared unless a Federal statute requires collection, use, storage, and reporting of a participant's personally identifiable information as a condition of program participation. Where appropriate, non-personally identifiable information about participants who refuse consent to share personally identifiable data should be logged in an electronic case file that uses pseudonyms, e.g., "Jane Doe," to preserve as much non-personally identifiable information as possible for statistical purposes.

The completeness and accuracy of data entered into HMIS and the CE system will be checked at least once per month as part of the community's overall efforts to continuously improve data quality. The CoC will provide training and technical assistance upon request to anyone using the CE system that faces obstacles to inputting complete and accurate data, and may recommend and/or require technical assistance for providers who receive a low score on automated data quality reports. Clients assisted with ESG funds should be entered into HMIS during client intake, agency must maintain a minimum HMIS data quality of 80%. Agencies solely providing emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence, stalking, sexual abuse, and trafficking can request an exempt but, must try to code clients in the HMIS to hide their identity. If that is not possible, and only in those cases, a comparable database should be used that protects the identity and safety of clients.

#### Confidentiality of Records

All ESG-funded programs must uphold all privacy protection standards established. Only individuals who have completed a full set of HMIS training and signed an HMIS end-user agreement may directly access CE system data. All such persons must be informed of and understand the privacy rules associated with collection, management, and reporting of client data. Only persons who have a direct role to play in the CE system (i.e., intake, assessment, matching, referral, management, technical assistance, or evaluation) should have direct access to CE system data on the general homeless population of the CoC. Other service providers should be limited to data that relates to specific clients who are currently assigned to or enrolled with those service providers. In certain circumstances, individuals can access CE HMIS data for research purposes without meeting the above criteria. A research data agreement is required to receive HMIS aggregated data. Please see the Clarity Nevada HMIS Governance Charter for more details on research agreements.

However, in sharing data, great care must be taken not to share personally identifiable data outside the context of the systems and purpose(s) covered by the client's affirmative consent. Therefore, all entities that routinely share data with or receive data from the CE system must sign data-sharing agreements that obligate the entities to follow comparable privacy standards and that restrict the use of the data being shared to uses that are compatible with clients' consent. In particular, personally identifiable data must always be used for the benefit of the client to which the data pertains, and not for the general convenience of other government entities. Requests for data made by prosecutors, detectives, immigration officials, or by police officers who are not actively cooperating with the CoC should be refused unless the requesting party displays a valid warrant specifically ordering the release of the data.

#### VII. Street Outreach Standards

Standards for targeting and providing essential services related to street outreach | 24 CFR 576.400(e)(3)(ii)

# Street Outreach Requirements, Eligible Activities & Costs

Street Outreach should be principally focused to one goal: that of supporting persons experiencing homelessness in achieving some form of permanent, sustainable housing. While Street Outreach providers may use incentives to encourage trust and build relationships, or to ensure that homeless households' emergency needs are met, the awards made should be used with permanent housing as the end goal rather than simply seeking to alleviate the burden of living on the streets.

ESG street outreach funds may be used for costs of providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and provide urgent, non-facility-based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate facility.

Individuals and families shall be offered the following eligible Street Outreach activities, as needed and appropriate: engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health, transportation services (24 576.101).

## **Target Population**

Providers of Street Outreach services shall target unsheltered homeless individuals and families, meaning those with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground. All street outreach must target areas where homeless individuals dwell, be that on private/public property, undeveloped land, in encampments or in tunnels located within the municipality.

# VIII. Emergency Shelter Standards

#### **Emergency Shelter Requirements, Eligible Activities & Costs**

Policies and procedures for admission, diversion, referral, and discharge by emergency shelters assisted under ESG, including standards regarding length of stay, if any, and safeguards to meet the safety and shelter needs of special populations, e.g., victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and individuals and families who have the highest barriers to housing and are likely to be homeless the longest.

ESG funds may be used for costs of providing essential services to homeless families and individuals in emergency shelters, renovating buildings to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals, and operating emergency shelters. An emergency shelter is any facility with the primary purpose of providing temporary shelter for the homeless in general of for a specific population of the homeless. Emergency shelters do not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements.

Homeless individuals/families seeking shelter must be provided shelter. Shelter stays should be avoided, if possible, and when not possible, limited to the shortest time necessary to help participants regain permanent housing. If there are no appropriate or available beds immediately available for the client at the location he/she is seeking assistance, then the agency must collaborate with another provider to place client into another appropriate shelter.

Shelters must meet or exceed minimum habitability standards specified in CFR 576.403 that covers the building structure and materials, access, space and security, interior air quality, water supply, sanitary facilities, environmental temperatures, light and electricity, food preparation, sanitary conditions, and fire safety.

There is no city or county-imposed limit on the length of stay. It is the discretion of the agency and program providing shelter services to set limits, if any, on the length of stay depending on the target population, client's barriers to obtain permanent housing, and other circumstances the client is facing. Households should only be referred to ESG-funded emergency shelters after exhausting all available options for diversion. Emergency shelter programs should be closely linked to the Regional Coordinated Entry System (CES) to ensure clients are referred to the most appropriate housing resources including, but not limited to, rapid re-housing and permanent supportive housing. Linkages should also be made to applicable mainstream resources.

Per HUD, sheltered families with children cannot be broken apart. If no shelter is available on-site, an alternative living arrangement must place the family together which may include placement at another shelter/ housing provider that can house families, or hotel-motel rooms (only in areas where no other appropriate shelter is available).

Providers should aim to have clients leave the program into a permanent and stable housing situation. This can be placement into supportive housing, or client may become self-sufficient and able to maintain his/her own housing with a stable source in income.

If client leaves the program and is not stably housed, all efforts should be made to place client into another more appropriate shelter/ housing situation.

Vulnerable populations seeking shelter need access to appropriate shelter that is safe, sanitary, and meets or exceeds minimum habitability standards. This population includes victims of domestic violence, youth, people with special needs, the elderly, medically frail, mentally ill, and victims of human trafficking. Upon intake and if necessary, client may be referred and sheltered elsewhere in a more appropriate location. Emergency shelters that provide housing to victims of domestic violence must have an appropriate security system in place to protect housed victims of domestic violence from their perpetrators. Currently there are a few providers that offer emergency shelter beds and supportive services to these vulnerable populations. There is no time limit on their length of stay. Clients are not discharged back out to the street or into unsafe living conditions, but if necessary are referred to another appropriate housing program.

In addition to homeless clients seeking shelter, street outreach is conducted by local homeless providers including the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to get homeless people located in places not meant for human habitation into emergency shelter or transitional/ permanent housing.

#### **Emergency Shelter and Essential Services**

Policies and procedures for assessing, prioritizing, and reassessing individuals' and families' needs for essential services related to emergency shelter | 24 CFR 576.400(e)(3)(iv)

ESG funds may be used to provide essential services to individuals and families who are in an emergency shelter. Essential services for participants of emergency shelter assistance can include case management, child care, education services, employment assistance and job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, transportation, and services for special populations.

ESG recipients shall be required to use the Coordinated Entry system to help determine an individual or family's need for emergency shelter or other ESG funded assistance, per the Clark County/Las Vegas Continuum (COC).

ESG sub-recipients are responsible to assess an individual or family's initial need for emergency shelter and must re-assess their need on an ongoing basis to ensure that only those individual or families with the greatest need receive ESG-funded emergency shelter assistance. Shelters that serve families must serve all eligible families and may not refuse services based on the age of children or the size of the family.

Client re-assessment will take place at the participant level and at the service provider level. Clients meet with case managers throughout their participation in the program, and have regular progress evaluations. Clients have opportunity to provide assessment and feedback of programs as well.

Clients assisted with ESG funds are to be entered into HMIS during client intake and agency must maintain a minimum HMIS data quality of 90%. Agencies solely providing emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence, stalking, sexual abuse, and trafficking are exempt. In those cases, a comparable database should be used that protects the identity and safety of clients.

Clients must be assisted to the maximum extent possible with connections to other programs targeted to homeless people in the local Continuum of Care area, as well as mainstream housing, health, social services, employment, education, and youth programs for which they may be eligible (see 24 CFR 576.400 Area-wide systems coordination, sections b and c for a full list). This includes CoC, HUD-VASH, Education for Homeless Children and Youth, Health Care for Homeless, Runaway and Homeless Youth, Homeless Veterans Reintegration, Section 8, Public Housing, HOME Investment Partnership, Workforce Investment Act, and TANF programs. When assisting vulnerable populations, services must be tailored to address their special needs. Individualized case management is also highly encouraged.

To improve awareness of services, ESG-funded agencies are required to attend training and meeting sessions on homeless services in the community. This includes the Mainstream Programs Basic Training, the SNRPC Committee on Homelessness meetings, and SOAR training.

#### **Eligible Participants**

ESG-funded emergency shelter programs serve households that meet the definition of "homeless" as defined by HUD at 24 CFR 576.2. Households served by ESG-funded emergency shelters lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; cannot be served by other programs or resources; and have no other options for overnight shelter.

#### Recordkeeping Requirements

For shelters where program participants may stay only one night and must leave in the morning, documentation must be obtained each night. If program participants may stay more than one night, then documentation must be obtained on the first night the household stays in the shelter.

Subrecipients operating emergency shelters can document homeless status through a certification by the individual or head of household as the primary method of establishing homeless eligibility. One method of meeting this standard would be to require households to complete a sign-in sheet, with a statement at the top informing the individual or head of household that by signing, they certify that they are homeless.

Under no circumstances must the lack of third-party documentation prevent an individual or family from being immediately admitted to emergency shelter, receiving street outreach services, or being immediately admitted to shelter or receiving services provided by a victim service provider.

#### **HMIS**

All individuals and families seeking emergency shelter must be entered into HMIS. Only the uniform data elements are required, however, at entry.

#### Coordination Among Shelters and Service Providers

Policies and procedures for coordination among emergency shelter providers, essential services providers, homelessness prevention, and rapid re-housing assistance providers; other homeless assistance providers; and mainstream service and housing providers. See § 576.400(b) and (c) for a list of programs with which ESG-funded activities must be coordinated and integrated to the maximum extent practicable | 24 CFR 576.400(e)(3)(v)

A centralized coordinated entry has been adopted by the Continuum of Care and is in place in Southern Nevada for certain populations. Providers assisting those populations and assisted with ESG funds must participate in the centralized coordinated entry system. Providers are also required have their most recent information updated in Nevada 211. To improve collaboration and awareness of services, ESG funded agencies are required to attend training and meeting sessions on homeless services in the community.

Case management and intake staff are required to attend Mainstream Programs Basic Training classes, which provide information on the local and federal resources and programs covering the following core topics: Income Supports, Employment Services, Health Care, Legal Services, and Housing Resources. Specialized topics typically include: Veterans, Housing Resources, Employment Services/Income Supports, Addictions & Mental Health, Homeless Youth/Young Adults and Families w/ Children, Human Trafficking, Senior Services/ Health Care Services, Legal Services/ Financial Literacy, Domestic Violence, HIV/AIDS, and Services for Persons with Disabilities.

ESG subrecipients on the director or management level are highly encouraged to attend a minimum of 5 Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care (SNH CoC) Board meetings per year.

One staff member from each ESG-funded program providing direct supportive services is highly encouraged to complete SSI/SSDI, Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) training within 18 months of the date their assistance agreement for ESG funds is fully executed. Outcomes should be reported to SNH COC Board staff at least once per year. SOAR training, a national project funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is available for direct service workers who, once trained, understand Disability Determination Services and Social Security Administration's requirements and appropriate documentation needs. SOAR training helps to decrease the time to issue determinations and reduces the need for appeals. This is highly beneficial for eligible adults who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have a mental illness and/or co-occurring substance abuse disorder, which are also populations that face significant barriers to seeking stable affordable permanent housing.

# IX. Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Standards

#### Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing Eligible Activates & Costs

Homelessness Prevention (HP) assistance includes housing relocation and stabilization services and/or short- and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 576. The costs of homelessness prevention are only eligible to the extent that the assistance is necessary to help the program participant regain stability in the program participant's current permanent housing or move into other permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) assistance includes housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/ or medium-term rental assistance to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. All Subrecipients are required to receive referrals through the Regional Coordinated Entry System.

#### Eligibility & Recordkeeping

Policies and procedures for determining and prioritizing which eligible families and individuals will receive homelessness prevention assistance and which eligible families and individuals will receive rapid re-housing assistance | 24 CFR 576.400(e)(3)(vi)

Intake and HMIS: In addition to the application forms created by their organization, subrecipients are required to use HMIS during client intake when adding a client to their ESG-funded program. Criteria must be supported by documentation that has been copied and uploaded into the electronic file in HMIS and stored in the client's file.

Homeless Prevention: Eligible participants are individuals/families with incomes below 30% Area Median Income, at risk of becoming homeless and moving into an emergency shelter or a place not meant for human habitation. All assisted individuals/families must meet eligibility criteria as outlined at 576.103 Homeless Prevention Component in the Interim Rule. Participants are eligible if they meet the HUD definition of "at risk of homelessness", or who meet the criteria in paragraph 2, 3, or 4 of the homeless definition in 2 CFR 576.2 (See Appendix A) AND have an annual income below 30% of area median family income. The client file must contain source documentation of annual income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements. Those who meet the HUD criteria of eligibility will receive priority for assistance over other eligible persons. Those who meet the HUD criteria of eligibility and who score over 20 points on the Housing Needs Assessment Matrix will receive priority for the most appropriate assistance over other eligible persons.

Rapid Re-housing: Eligible participants need to be literally homeless. To be eligible beneficiaries must meet the definition of homelessness under paragraph 1 of the "homeless definition" defined by the ESG interim rule (see Appendix A), or meet criteria under paragraph 4 of homeless definition AND live in an emergency shelter or other place described in paragraph 1 of homeless definition. Clients eligible under the HUD definition of literally homeless will receive priority over other eligible persons. Clients eligible

under the HUD definition of literally homeless and receive the appropriate score from the CHAT will receive priority over other eligible persons. HUD requires clients receiving assistance for rapid re-housing to be re-evaluated at least once per year, however, on a local basis, additional assessments are required.

#### Prioritization

Homeless Prevention programs should target households at greatest risk of homelessness and assist participants to increase household incomes during enrollment.

ESG rapid re-housing assistance targets and prioritizes homeless families who are most in need of this temporary assistance and are most likely to achieve and maintain stable housing, whether subsidized or unsubsidized, after the program concludes. Depending on need, families are connected to either short-term or medium-term rental assistance.

Short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months) programs target families with low to moderate barriers to securing and retaining permanent housing. These families require minimal service intervention and limited financial assistance to secure and stabilize in permanent housing.

Medium-term rental assistance (4-24 months) is targeted towards families who experience moderate to high barriers to securing and retaining housing. These families have multiple barriers to housing that require longer periods of time to resolve and may require more intensive service interventions.

#### Homelessness Prevention: Rental Assistance to Prevent Eviction

All clients will complete the Homeless Prevention Consortium Housing Needs Assessment Matrix and the Supplemental Application or agency application. Clients eligible under the HUD definition of at risk of homelessness and who score over 20 points on the Matrix will receive priority for the most appropriate assistance over other eligible persons who are at risk of homelessness. Clients eligible under the HUD definition of homelessness will be matched to a program that best fits their circumstances. HUD requires clients receiving assistance for homeless prevention to be re-evaluated at least once every three months. Furthermore, the following local conditions apply:

#### Short-term rent (1 to 3 months of assistance allowed at 100% rate of rent)

- The household will actively engage in a Housing Stabilization Plan, the goal of which will be to either increase income and/or reduce expenses such that the rental cost is no more than 80% of the household's net income.
- The client household will agree to participate in case management and other activities designed to improve their ability to remain stably housed.
- The initial assistance must have been necessary to avoid eviction (eviction notice/ notice to quit letter required), or to avoid or reduce an unnecessary episode of homelessness of the household.
- Rental assistance may not be provided to a program participant receiving rental assistance from other public sources (except for 6 months arrears).
- Rental rates must not exceed the Fair Market Rent specified for household size and rental rates must comply with HUD's rent reasonableness.

- Any housing units constructed before January 1, 1978, will be assessed for lead-based paint hazards.
- Housing unit must meet minimum habitability standards specified in 24 CFR 576.403(c).
- Each household receiving rental assistance must have a legally binding, written lease (between the owner and participant household) for the rental unit in their name.
- Agency must have a rental assistance agreement in place with the party to which payments are being made which must set forth the terms under which rental assistance will be provided.
- 10. Arrears (no more than 6 months) must be paid off first to bring the balance to zero. Payment of rental arrears can only be a one-time payment up to 6 months including any late fees on those arrears. Late fees for subsequent months will not be paid with ESG funds.
- Unit owners must be paid on a timely basis in accordance with the rental assistance agreement. Any late payment penalties that are incurred must be paid by subrecipient or household (with non-ESG funds).
- 12. The household will be "re-evaluated" for income eligibility no later than the 20th day at the end of the 3rd month. At re-evaluation, household income cannot exceed 30% of AMI, otherwise financial assistance will cease. The client file must contain source documentation of income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements.
- A second and third issuance of rental assistance can be considered when the household demonstrates compliance with and progress on the Housing Stability Plan.
- 14. If at the third month "re-evaluation" and assessment finds that the client needs additional assistance, and if the household demonstrates compliance with and progress on the Housing Stability Plan, and if client continues to meet income qualifications, client may proceed to receive medium term rent assistance. Client must continue to be "re-evaluated" every three months.

#### Medium-term rent (4 to 24 months of assistance)

Up to 100% of the fourth month of rent may be paid. Additional months may be paid at a rate of 75% of rent.

- The household will continue to actively engage in a Housing Stability Plan, the goal of which will be to either increase income and/or reduce expenses such that the rental cost is no more than 80% of the household's net income;
  - a. Priority will be given to households who receive the appropriate score from the CHAT and who may need more than 3 months to stabilize.
- The household will be re-assessed monthly, no later than the 20th day of each month. Each
  additional month of rental assistance can be considered when the household demonstrates
  compliance with and progress on the Housing Stability Plan. For each re-assessment, the client
  file must contain source documentation of income, including wage statements, tax returns,
  benefits statements, or bank account statements.

# Homelessness Prevention: Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

Eligible expenses under this category include: rental application fees, last month's rent, security deposits, moving costs, utility deposits, and utility payments.

Housing relocation and stabilization services relating to rent

NOTE: All clients will complete the Clark County Coordinated Entry process

 Eligible households/ individuals must be individuals/families with incomes below 30% Area Median Income, at risk of becoming homeless and moving into an emergency shelter or a place not meant for human habitation. All assisted individuals/families must be evaluated and

meet eligibility criteria as outlined at 24 CFR 576.103 Homeless Prevention Component in Interim Rule. Participants are eligible if they meet the HUD definition of "at risk of homelessness", or meet the criteria in paragraph 2, 3, or 4 of the homeless definition (see Appendix 1) AND have an annual income below 30% of area median family income. The client file must contain source documentation of annual income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements.

- If necessary to relocate to another affordable housing unit, security deposits may be paid but must equal no more than 2 months of rent.
- 3. If necessary as a component of relocation to affordable housing, moving costs may be allowed on a case-by-case basis as allowed by the ESG Interim Regulation: 24 CFR 576.105. Eligible costs are truck rentals, hiring a moving company, and temporary storage fees for up to 3 months. Fees must be reasonable and occur after client intake and before the new move into a more affordable home.
- If necessary to relocate and obtain new housing for household, last month's rent (of new housing unit) may be paid. Assistance must not exceed one month's rent.

#### Housing relocation and stabilization services relating to utility assistance

All clients will complete the Homeless Prevention Consortium Housing Needs Assessment Matrix,
Homeless Prevention Consortium Supplemental Application, agency application and/or have a
Southern Nevada Continuum of Care Centralized Coordinated Assessment and Intake System referral.

Eligible utility services are gas, electric, water, and sewage.

- 1. Eligible households/ individuals must be individuals/families with incomes below 30% Area Median Income, at risk of becoming homeless and moving into an emergency shelter or a place not meant for human habitation. All assisted individuals/families must be evaluated and meet eligibility criteria as outlined at 24 CFR 576.103 Homeless Prevention Component in Interim Rule. Participants are eligible if they meet the HUD definition of "at risk of homelessness", or meet the criteria in paragraph 2, 3, or 4 of the homeless definition (see Appendix 1) AND have an annual income below 30% of area median family income. The client file must contain source documentation of annual income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements.
- The utility must be for a service at a housing unit leased or otherwise contracted to the assisted household. Housing unit must also meet minimum habitability standards specified in 24 CFR 576.403(c).
- Household must provide documentation that they will be losing their housing (eviction letter) and is also to receive rental assistance to avoid homelessness.
- Utility service must be in client's name and at the address they are living and obtaining rental assistance.
- Households with a shut off notice of utilities shall be assisted to bring the past due amount to a zero balance, provided utilities are no more than six (6) months in arrears and shall be considered for rental assistance in that or the following month.
- If the household has an Eviction Notice, they can be assisted with rent arrears and utilities arrears
- The client file must contain evidence that the household has applied for assistance from one or more of the Energy Assistance Programs administered through the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the State of Nevada or through the United Way of Southern Nevada, or other public programs available for assistance with utility payments;
- Up to <u>24</u> months of utility payments per household, per service, including up to 6 months of arrearages, per service is allowed. Arrears must be paid as a one-time payment.

#### Homelessness Prevention: Maximum Period and Frequency of Assistance

Any combination of *rental assistance* which includes short- and medium-term rental assistance (including arrears) AND security deposits and last month's rent (both eligible under housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance) may not exceed 24 *months* total during any 3-year period.

#### Rental assistance

The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive short/ medium term rental
assistance is 3 times per 24-month period. Rental arrears are the exception and are limited to 1
time assistance, per participant, within a 3-year period.

#### Housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance costs (relating to rent)

- Rental application fees, security deposits, and last month's rent are limited to 1 time assistance, per participant, per service, within a 3-year period.
- Security deposits cannot exceed 2 months of rent.
- · Last month's rent may not exceed 1 month of rent.

#### Housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance costs (relating to utilities)

- The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive utility assistance for monthly
  utility bill payments is 3 times per 24-month period per service.
- The maximum period a participant can receive utility assistance is <u>24</u> months within a 3-year period. The exception is arrears. Utility arrear payments of up to 6 months are allowed per participant, per service, within a 3-year period.
- Deposits are limited to 1 time assistance per participant, per service, per 3 years.

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Evaluation of Participant Eligibility

ESG-funded RRH projects are required to complete an initial evaluation of a participant's eligibility and needs prior to program entry. ESG-RRH is available to individuals and families whose income is less than or equal to 30 percent of Area Median Income (AMI) and who are literally homeless under Category 1 of the Homeless Definition Final Rule. In addition, during the initial evaluation, grantees are required to determine the amount of assistance and type of assistance needed by the participant to obtain and maintain permanent housing stability. At a minimum, subrecipients must re-evaluate participant eligibility and the amount and type of assistance required at least once annually for all participants receiving assistance. To continue to receive CoC- and ESG-RRH assistance, a participant's re-evaluation must demonstrate eligibility based on:

- Amount and Type of Assistance Needed: The grantee must determine the amount and type of assistance needed by the participant to (re)gain stability in permanent housing.
- Lack of Resources and Support Networks: The participant must continue to lack sufficient resources and support networks necessary to retain housing without assistance.
- Income: The participant's income must be less than or equal to 30 percent of Area Median Income (AMI).

Subrecipients should require participants/clients to notify the project in the event of changes in their income or other circumstances that affect their need for assistance (e.g., changes in employment

income or in household composition). When notified of any such material change, grantees must reevaluate eligibility, as well as the amount and/or types of assistance needed by the participant.

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Rental Assistance

Generally, restrictions are similar to the rent and utility restrictions under Homelessness Prevention, except that the maximum number of month's client can be assisted is 24 months, per 3-year period, under rapid re-housing.

Depending on the terms of the project's individual grant agreement, ESG grantees may provide participants with up to 24 months of rental assistance during any three-year period. Assistance may include any combination of short-term rental assistance, medium-term rental assistance; or rental arrears (consisting of a one-time payment of up to 6 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees).

Participants may receive additional assistance if they have received less 24 months of rental assistance during any three-year period. Participants who have complied with all project requirements during their residence and have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and who reasonably believe they are imminently threatened with harm from further domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking (which would include threats from a third-party, such as a friend or family member of the perpetrator of the violence), if they remain in the assisted unit, and are able to document the violence and basis for their belief, may retain the rental assistance and move to a different CoC's geographic area if they move out of the assisted unit to protect their health and safety. See recordkeeping requirements to ensure proper documentation of imminent threat of harm.

#### Short-term rent (1 to 3 months of assistance allowed at 100% rate of rent)

Short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months) is targeted to individuals and families with low-tomoderate housing barriers. These persons require minimal service intervention and limited financial assistance to secure and stabilize in permanent housing.

- The household will actively engage in an intensive case management plan, the goal of which will be to either increase income and/or reduce expenses such that the rental cost is no more than 80% of the household's net income.
  - a. The household should score over 20 points on the Housing Needs Assessment Matrix or a Southern Nevada Continuum of Care Centralized Coordinated Assessment and Intake System referral. Highest priority for the most appropriate program will be given to clients scoring over 30 points
- The household will be "re-evaluated" for eligibility at the end of the third month, not later than
  the 20th day of each month. At re-evaluation, household income cannot exceed 30% of AMI,
  otherwise financial assistance will cease. The client file must contain source documentation of
  income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account
  statements.
- Rental assistance may not be provided to a program participant receiving rental assistance from other public sources.
- Rental application fees are eligible for ESG reimbursement (under housing relocation & stabilization services).
- Security deposits may be paid but must equal no more than 2 months of rent (eligible under housing relocation & stabilization services).

- If necessary to obtain housing for household, last month's rent (of new move housing unit) may be paid. Assistance must not exceed one month's rent (eligible under housing relocation & stabilization services).
- Up to 6 months of arrears are allowed by HUD including any late fees, but must be one-time payment, per participant, per service.
- Each household receiving rental assistance must have a legally binding, written lease (between the owner and participant household) for the rental unit in their name.
- Agency must have a rental assistance agreement in place with the party to which payments
  are being made which must set forth the terms under which rental assistance will be provided.
- The housing unit where the household will reside must be affordable to the household. Rental
  rates must not exceed the Fair Market Rent specified for household size and rental rates must
  comply with HUD's rent reasonableness.
- Any housing units constructed before January 1, 1978 will be assessed for lead-based paint hazards.
- Housing unit must meet minimum habitability standards specified in 24 CFR 576.403(c).
- 13. The first issuance of rental assistance can be up to 100% of the upcoming month's rent. Rent must be paid on a timely basis, in the case that any late fees are incurred in the new housing situation, those fees will not be paid with ESG funds.
- A second and third issuance of rental assistance can be considered when the household demonstrates compliance with and progress on intensive case management plan.
- 15. If necessary, client receiving short term assistance may proceed to receive medium-term rent assistance (4-15 months of assistance). Client will continue to be re-assessed on a monthly basis. For each re-assessment, the client file must contain source documentation of income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements.

#### Medium term rent (4 to 15 months of assistance)

Medium-term rental assistance is targeted to individuals and families with moderate-to-high housing barriers. These persons have multiple housing barriers that require longer periods of time to resolve and may require more intensive service interventions.

Month 4 can be paid at up to 100%, months thereafter can be paid at 75%.

- The household will actively engage in an intensive case management plan, the goal of which will be to either increase income and/or reduce expenses such that the rental cost is no more than 80% of the household's net income.
- The household will be "re-evaluated" for eligibility monthly, not later than the 20th day of each month. For each re-evaluation, the client file must contain source documentation of income, including wage statements, tax returns, benefits statements, or bank account statements.

#### Amount of Rental Assistance

It is expected that the level of assistance will be based on the goal of providing the minimum level of support necessary for each household to achieve long-term housing stability. As such, case managers will use HUD's rental calculation process to determine the amount of rental assistance and the participant's contribution, which shall not exceed the following guidelines:

- Maximum Rental Assistance Amount: Grantees may provide up to 100% of the cost of rent to participants.
- . Maximum Participant Share of Rent: Participants may pay up to 100% of the cost of rent.

Provision of rental assistance should be based on the participant's individualized need. Participants should be offered the minimum amount of rental assistance necessary for the participant to obtain and maintain stability in permanent housing. Based upon the initial evaluation of a participant's housing barriers, periodic re-evaluation, and the participant's progress meeting the goals of his or her housing stability plan, grantees have the discretion to determine and provide the appropriate level of rental assistance.

#### **Gradually Declining Subsidies**

Grantees shall institute a gradually declining rental assistance structure so that individuals and families will be confident that they can assume full responsibility of the monthly contracted rent, monthly utility costs, and other essential household costs at the end of the rental assistance period.

#### Payments

Grantees must make timely payment to each owner in accordance with the rental assistance agreement. All rent payments must go directly to a third-party (i.e., the landlord). Participants and grantees are solely responsible for paying any late-payment penalties that they incur, using non-CoC or ESG funds.

#### Administration of Funds

Participants receiving rental assistance funds pay their portion of rent directly to the landlord. The difference between the total rent and the amount paid by the participant is then paid by the grantee. Grantees may never cover the cost of the participant's rent if the participant fails to pay his or her portion of the rent.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Public Law 115-31, approved May 5, 2017) authorizes nonprofit organizations to administer rental assistance to landlords in permanent housing. Administering rental assistance in the CoC Program is defined as: (1) contracting for and making rental assistance payments to the landlord/landowner; and (2) conducting the Housing Quality Standards inspections. The costs of administering rental assistance are considered service delivery costs of rental assistance and are eligible under the rental assistance budget line-item of the CoC Program.

#### Restriction for Participants Already Receiving Rental Assistance

Rental assistance cannot be provided to a participant who is already receiving rental assistance, or living in a housing unit receiving rental assistance or operating assistance through other Federal, State, or local sources,

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

All clients will be assessed in the Clark County Coordinated Entry process.

#### Housing relocation and stabilization services relating to rent:

- If necessary to move to an affordable housing unit, security deposits may be paid but must equal no more than 2 months of rent.
- If necessary to obtain housing for household, last month's rent (of new housing unit) may be paid. Assistance must not exceed one month's rent.

#### Housing relocation and stabilization services relating to utilities;

All clients will complete the Housing Needs Assessment Matrix, agency application and/or have a Southern Nevada Continuum of Care Centralized Coordinated Assessment and Intake System referral. Clients eligible the HUD definition of literally homeless and who score over 30 points on the Matrix or have a Southern Nevada Continuum of Care Centralized Coordinated Assessment and Intake System referral will receive priority for the most appropriate program over other eligible persons. Generally, restrictions are similar to the rent and utility restrictions under Homeless Prevention except that the maximum number of months client can be assisted is 24 months with rapid re-housing within a 3-year period.

- Up to 15 months of utility payments per participant, per service, including up to 6 months of
  arrearages, per service is allowed (must pay arrear as a one-time payment). Eligible utility
  services are gas, electric, water, and sewage. Household is also to receive assistance with rent in
  order to stabilize.
- The assisted household's existing arrears (of only up to 6 months) must be paid in full to bring their
  past due balance to zero. After the payment of any arrearages, client may receive utility
  assistance for new utility charges.
- Utility deposits to pay a standard utility deposit required by utility company are an eligible ESG expense (under housing relocation & stabilization services).
- The utility is for a service must be at a housing unit leased or otherwise contracted to the assisted household.
- The client file must contain evidence that the household has applied for assistance from one or more of the Energy Assistance Programs administered through the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the State of Nevada or through the United Way of Southern Nevada, or other public programs available for assistance with utility payments.

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Case Management

Participants must meet with a case manager not less than once per month to assist the participant in ensuring long-term housing stability. Additional case management will be provided on a case-by-case basis as necessitated by demonstrated need. Case managers should help to develop a plan to assist the participant retain permanent housing after the assistance ends, taking into account all relevant considerations, such as the participant's current or expected income and expenses, other public or private assistance for which the participant will be eligible and likely to receive, and the relative affordability of available housing in Southern Nevada.

Case management consists of costs associated with assessing, arranging, coordinating, and monitoring the delivery of individualized services.

ESG-RRH participants may receive case management for no more than 30 days during the period in which the participant is seeking permanent housing and no more than 24 months during the period in which the participant is living in permanent housing.

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Supportive Services

Case managers will assist each participant, as needed, to obtain appropriate supportive services, including assistance in obtaining permanent housing, medical and mental health treatment, counseling, and other services essential for achieving independent living. Grant funds may be used to pay for eligible supportive services that address the specific needs of participants. See Appendix B for a full list of eligible supportive services under ESG Rapid-Rehousing.

#### Rapid Re-Housing: Maximum Period and Frequency of Assistance

Any combination of rental assistance which includes short- and medium-term rental assistance (including rental arrears) AND security deposits and last month's rent (both eligible under housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance costs) may not exceed 24 months during any 3-year period.

#### Rental assistance

The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive short/ medium term rental
assistance is 3 times per 24-month period. Rental arrears are the exception and are limited to 1
time assistance, per participant, within a 3-year period.

#### Housing relocation and stabilization services financial assistance costs (relating to rent)

- Rental application fees, security deposits, and last month's rent are limited to 1 time assistance, per participant, per service within a 3-year period.
- Security deposits cannot exceed 2 months of rent.
- Last month's rent may not exceed 1 month of rent.

#### Housing relocation and stabilization financial assistance costs (relating to utilities)

- The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive utility assistance with monthly
  utility bill payments is 3 times per 24-month period, per service.
- The maximum period a participant can receive utility assistance is 24 months within a 3-year period. The exception is arrears. Utility arrear payments (of up to 6 months) and deposits are limited to 1 time assistance, per service, per 3-year period.
- Deposits are limited to one-time assistance, per participant, per service, per 3 years.

# **Limits on Housing Stabilization and Relocation Services**

Housing Stabilization and Relocation Services financial assistance policies and procedures addressed above in detail. This includes rental application fees, security deposits, last month's rent, utility deposits, utility payments and moving costs.

There will be no maximum monetary amount of assistance established per client as long as expenses are reasonable and comply with fair market costs.

<u>Under Homeless Prevention</u>: Any combination of *rental assistance* which includes short- and mediumterm rental assistance and rental arrears, *housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance costs* which includes security deposits, and last month's may not exceed 12 months during any 3-year period.

- The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive rental assistance is 3 times per 24-month period. Arrears are the exception, which are limited to a one-time payment per service.
- Rental application fees, security deposits, and last month's rent are limited to a one-time payment per service per 3 years.
- Security deposits cannot exceed 2 months of rent.
- · Last month's rent may not exceed 1 month of rent.
- The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive utility assistance for monthly
  utility bill payments is 3 times per 24-month period per service.
- Utility arrear payments (of up to 6 months) per participant per service per 3-year period.
- Deposits are limited to one-time assistance per participant per service per 3-year period.

<u>Under Rapid Re-Housing:</u> Any combination of rental assistance which includes short- and medium-term rental assistance and rental arrears, housing relocation & stabilization services financial assistance costs which includes security deposits, and last month's may not exceed 24 months during any 3-year period.

- The maximum times a participant can receive non-consecutive rental assistance is 3 times per 24-month period.
- Arrears are the exception, (rental application fees, security deposits, and last month's rent) which are limited to a one-time payment per service per 3-year period.
- Security deposits cannot exceed 2 months of rent.
- Last month's rent may not exceed 1 month of rent.
- Utility arrear payments (of up to 6 months) and deposits are limited to one-time assistance per service per 3-year period.

Note on moving costs: eligible costs are for moving expenses, such as truck rental or hiring a moving company. Assistance may include payment of temporary storage fees for up to 3 months as long as fees are accrued after the program participant begins receiving ESG assistance. Fees must be reasonable and occur after client intake and before the new move into a more affordable home. Moving and storage costs are limited to one-time assistance per client household per 3-year period.

Housing stabilization and relocation service costs include: housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair.

- Housing stability case management is limited to 24 months during the period the program
  participant is living in permanent housing.
- All other service costs are limited to 24 months per 3-year period on service costs assistance for program participants receiving homeless prevention assistance, and 24 months per 3-year period for program participants receiving rapid re-housing assistance.

## Additional Rapid Re-Housing Program Requirements

Under the ESG Interim Rule, rental assistance is subject to additional requirements, including rent reasonableness and Fair Market Rent (FMR) standards, housing standards, lease agreements and rental assistance agreements, and termination policies.

#### Rent Requirements

Rental assistance must be sufficient to ensure long-term housing stability for the participant, both for the duration of his or her participation and upon exit. Thus, the purpose is to place participants into housing that will be sustainable in the long-term. In addition, case managers are expected to work with participants to review household budgets and ensure that households can maintain their housing upon completion of the program.

#### Rent Reasonableness

For participants receiving rental assistance, unit rent may not exceed HUD's rent reasonableness standard. This means that the rent charged for a unit must be reasonable in relation to rents currently being charged for comparable units in the private, unassisted market and must not be in excess of rents currently being charged by the owner for comparable unassisted units. These rent restrictions are intended to help ensure that participants can remain in their housing after assistance ends.

Rent reasonableness requirements do not apply when a participant receives only financial assistance or services under the ESG Program's Housing Stabilization and Relocation Services. This includes rental application fees, security deposits, an initial payment of "last month's rent," utility payments or deposits, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, landlord-tenant mediation, legal services, and credit repair.

## Fair Market Rent

Household rent for participants receiving ESG-funded rental assistance must not exceed the FMR established by HUD. Current FMR guidelines may be found online at https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/fmr.html.

As with rent reasonableness, FMR requirements do not apply when a participant receives only financial assistance or services under the ESG Program's Housing Stabilization and Relocation Services.

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## X. Housing Standards

Lead-Based Paint Requirements: All HUD-funded programs with housing units occupied by participants are required to incorporate lead-based paint remediation and disclosure requirements. Generally, these provisions require the recipient to screen for, disclose the existence of, and take reasonable precautions regarding the presence of lead-based paint in leased or assisted units constructed prior to 1978.

CoC-funded units are required to incorporate HUD regulations in 24 CFR part 35, subparts A, B, K, and R. ESG-funded projects are required to incorporate the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 USC 4821-4846), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 USC 4851-4846), and 24 CFR part 35, subparts A, B, H, J, K, M, and R in the unit.

Habitability Standards: Housing for all ESG program participants receiving rental assistance must met HUD minimum habitability standards for permanent housing. Grantees must document compliance with this standard by signing and completing a Habitability Standards Checklist before the participant signs the lease and before the grantee provides any ESG rental assistance or services specific to the unit. In addition, grantees must inspect all units at least annually to ensure that the units continue to meet habitability standards.

Rental Assistance Agreements: In addition to a lease between the participant and owner, the ESG Interim Rule also requires a rental assistance agreement between the grantee and the property owner. The grantee may make rental assistance payments only to an owner with whom the grantee has entered into a rental assistance agreement. To help establish a relationship with a participant's landlord, CoC grantees may also choose to require a rental assistance agreement.

The rental assistance agreement must set forth the terms under which rental assistance will be provided, including the requirements of ESG assistance. In addition, the rental assistance.

## XI. Additional Minimum Standards and Requirements

## Nondiscrimination, Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Outreach, and Fair Housing

Southern Nevada's ESG recipients – the City of Las Vegas, the City of North Las Vegas, and Clark County - do not tolerate discrimination on the basis of any protected class (including actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, familial status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status) during any phase of the CE process. Some programs may be forced to limit enrollment based on requirements imposed by their funding sources and/or state or federal law. All such programs will avoid discrimination to the maximum extent allowed by all funding sources and their authorizing legislation. All aspects of the Southern Nevada CE system will comply with all Federal, State, and local Fair Housing laws and regulations. Participants will not be "steered" toward any particular housing facility or neighborhood because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or the presence of children. All locations where persons are likely to access or attempt to access the CE System will include signs or brochures displayed in prominent locations informing participants of their right to file a non-discrimination complaint and containing the contact information needed to file a nondiscrimination complaint. Maximum standards shall comply with the requirements for nondiscrimination, equal opportunity, and affirmative outreach processes.

#### Faith-Based Activities

Minimum standards for faith-based activities (24 CFR 576.406) are:

Providers receiving ESG funding shall not engage in inherently religious activities as part of the ESGfunded programs or services. Such activities must be offered separately from ESG -funded programs and services and participation must be voluntary.

## **Environmental Review**

Before any funds are committed, an environmental review will be conducted of all ESG-funded grantee project site(s) to demonstrate there are no hazardous materials present that could affect the health and safety of the occupants. Environmental reviews will be acceptable for a 1 to 5-year time period, depending on the project type. The costs of carrying out environmental review responsibilities are an eligible use of administrative funds. All ESG activities are subject to environmental review under HUD's environmental regulations in 24 CFR part 58.

The subrecipient, or any contractor of the subrecipient, may not acquire, rehabilitate, convert, lease, repair, dispose of, demolish, or construct property for an ESG project, or commit or expend HUD or local funds for ESG eligible activities, until an environmental review under 24 CFR part 58 has been performed and the recipient has received HUD approval of the property.

## **Termination Policies**

If a program participant violates program requirements or no longer meets minimum eligibility requirements for program assistance, the subrecipient may terminate assistance. To terminate assistance, the minimum required formal process must consist of:

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

Termination does not bar the subrecipient from providing further assistance at a later date to the same family or individual.

## **Grievance Policy**

Each ESG funded organization shall have a grievance procedure and shall implement the procedure when applicable.

## XII. Best Practices for ESG Programs

## **Housing First**

Housing First is a proven approach in which all people experiencing homelessness are believed to be "housing-ready" and are provided with permanent housing immediately, with minimal or no preconditions, behavioral contingencies, or barriers (e.g., income, sobriety, etc.). Effectively implementing a Housing First approach requires prioritizing people with the highest needs and vulnerabilities, engaging more landlords and property owners, and making our projects client-centered spaces without barriers to entering or remaining in the project. All CoC and ESG grantees are expected to minimize barriers to entry to the maximum extent permitted under their individual grant agreements and take appropriate steps to implement the Housing First approach.

## Low-Barrier Programming

Entry requirements can act as a barrier to services and housing placement, leaving our most vulnerable and chronic homeless unable to access services. Low Barrier Housing is housing in which a minimum number of expectations are placed on people who wish to live there. The aim is to have as few barriers as possible to allow more people access to services. Low barrier programs typically follow a harm reduction philosophy which focuses on the risks and consequences of a particular behavior, rather than on the behavior itself. With regard to housing, harm reduction means that tenants have access to services to help them address their substance use issues. It is based on the understanding that recovery is a long process, and that users need a stable living arrangement in order to increase the likelihood for success in overcoming their addictions. The focus centers on being healthier rather than on the unrealistic goal of being perfectly healthy right away.

The following are some common eligibility and continued stay criteria for emergency and permanent housing for clients that can be considered "low threshold":

- Homeless
- Age 18 or older
- · Ambulatory and not requiring hospital or nursing home care
- Agree to be nonviolent
- Agree to not use or sell drugs or illegal substances on the premises
- Agree to treat other clients, staff, and the property with respect
- Agree to obey fire and other safety regulations.

Below are examples of criteria that providers are recommended NOT to include when determining eligibility:

- · Sobriety and/or commitment to be drug free
- · Requirements to take medication if the client has a mental illness
- · Participation in religious services or activities
- · Participation in drug treatment services (including NA/AA)
- Proof of citizenship
- Identification
- Referral from the police, hospital, or other service provider (as opposed to self-referrals)
- · Payment or ability to pay (though saving plans are encouraged)

- · Complete a period of time in a transitional housing, outpatient, inpatient, or other institutional setting/treatment facility
  Maintain sobriety or abstinence from alcohol and/or drugs
- Comply with medication
- · Achieve psychiatric symptom stability
- · Show willingness to comply with a treatment plan that addresses sobriety, abstinence, and/or medication compliance
- · Agree to face-to-face visits with staff

# Appendix A. Definitions of "Homeless" and "At-Risk of Homelessness" for the ESG Program

### **HUD Definition of Homelessness**

Literally Homeless (Category 1 of the HUD Homeless Definition). An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

- (1) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
- (2) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or,
- (3) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

At Imminent Risk of Homelessness (Category 2 of the HUD Homeless Definition). An individual or family, who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:

- The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
- (2) No subsequent residence has been identified; and,
- (3) The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing.

Homeless Under Other Federal Statutes (Category 3 of the HUD Homeless Definition). Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:

(1) Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)), or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);

- (2) Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance:
- (3) Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and,
- (4) Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities; chronic physical health or mental health conditions; substance addiction; histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect); the presence of a child or youth with a disability; or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment.

Fleeing Domestic Abuse or Violence (Category 4 of the HUD Homeless Definition). Domestic violence and other dangerous or life-threatening conditions.

Any individual or family who:

- (1) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
- (2) Has no other residence; and,
- (3) Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, and faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the program shall consider any individual or family to be homeless, who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions in the individual's or family's current housing situation, including where the health and safety of children are jeopardized, and who have no other residence and lack the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing.

## ESG Program Definitions of "Homeless" and "At-Risk of Homelessness"

At risk of homelessness means:

- (1) An individual or family who:
  - (i) Has an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD;
  - (ii) Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the "homeless" definition in this section; and

- (iii) Meets one of the following conditions:
  - (A) Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
  - (B) Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
  - (C) Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
  - (D) Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
  - (E) Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons reside per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
  - (F) Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
  - (G) Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient's approved consolidated plan;
- (2) A child or youth who does not qualify as "homeless" under this section, but qualifies as "homeless" under section 387(3) of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a(3)), section 637(11) of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832(11)), section 41403(6) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2(6)), section 330(h)(5)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)(5)(A)), section 3(m) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012(m)), or section 17(b)(15) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)(15)); or
- (3) A child or youth who does not qualify as "homeless" under this section, but qualifies as "homeless" under section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a(2)), and the parent(s) or guardian(s) of that child or youth if living with her or him.

## Homeless means:

- (1) An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
  - (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
  - (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or
  - (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;
- (2) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:
  - (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
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  - (ii) Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance:
  - (iii) Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
  - (iv) Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment; or
- (4) Any individual or family who:
  - (i) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
  - (ii) Has no other residence; and
  - (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

## Appendix B. ESG Rapid Re-Housing Eligible Supportive Services

## **Housing Services and Related Services**

Assisting participants in locating, obtaining, and retaining suitable permanent housing, including:

- Housing search
- Tenant counseling
- Understanding leases
- Arranging for utilities
- Making moving arrangements
- · Assessment of housing barriers, needs, and preferences
- · Development of an action plan for locating housing
- · Outreach to and negotiation with landlords
- Assessment of housing for compliance with ESG requirements for habitability, lead-based paint, and rent reasonableness
- · Assistance with submitting rental applications

## Case Management

Assessing, arranging, coordinating, and monitoring the delivery of individualized services to facilitate housing stability for a participant who resides in permanent housing or to assist a participant in overcoming immediate barriers to obtaining housing by, for example:

- Providing ongoing risk assessment and safety planning to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking
- · Using the Coordinated Entry System
- Counseling
- · Developing, securing, and coordinating services
- · Obtaining Federal, State, and local benefits
- Monitoring and evaluating participant progress
- · Providing information and referrals to other providers
- Developing an individualized housing and service plan, including planning a path to permanent housing stability
- · Conducting required annual re-evaluation(s)

## **Legal Services**

Costs of resolving a legal problem that prohibits a participant from obtaining or retaining permanent housing, including:

- Client intake
- · Preparation of case for trial
- · Provision of legal advice
- · Representation at hearings
- Counseling
- · Filing fees and other necessary court costs

Legal services are subject to the following provisions:

- Eligible Billing Arrangements: CoC funds may be used only for legal advice from and
  representation by licensed attorneys and by person(s) under the supervision of licensed
  attorneys. Costs may be based on: (1) hourly fees; or (2) fees based on the actual service
  performed (i.e., fee-for-service) but only if the cost would be less than the cost of hourly fees.
- Ineligible Billing Arrangements: Funds must not be used for legal advice and representation purchased through retainer fee arrangements or contingency fee arrangements.
- Eligible Subject Matters: Landlord/tenant disputes; child support; guardianship; paternity; emancipation; legal separation; orders of protection and other civil remedies for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; appeal of veterans and public benefit claim denials; resolution of outstanding criminal warrants.
- Ineligible Subject Matters: Legal services related to immigration and citizenship matter, or related to mortgages and homeownership.

## **Moving Costs**

Costs such as truck rental or hiring a moving company, including payment of temporary storage fees for up to 3 months

### **Utility Deposits**

Standard utility deposit that the utility company requires of all customers.

#### Mediation

Mediation between the participant and the landlord/landowner or person(s) with whom the participant is living.

## **Credit Repair**

- Credit counseling
- Accessing a free personal credit report
- Resolving personal credit issues
- Other services needed to assist with critical skills related to household budgeting and money management

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#### CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Pair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan - It wil, comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Retocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CPR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation essistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 12 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOMF programs.

Anti-Lobbying -- to the best of the jurisdiction's tanovledge and belief:

- 1. No I ederal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on betailf 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, according to modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 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
- It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lohbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts and engrants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

Consistency with plan -The housing activities in he undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Porsons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consulidated plan-

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12) 10.8.C. 1701a) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

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#### Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan — Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

- 1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).
- 2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2023 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.
- 3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

- A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
- A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (4), U.S.C. 3000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

f.ead-Based Paint - Rs activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Parl 35, Subports A. B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws - It will comply with applicable laws.

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## **Emergency Solutions Crants Certifications**

The Finergency Solutions Grants Program recipiont certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation — If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building harbre rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individual's and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shorter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs—In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the FSG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site on structure, so long the recipient serves the same (ype of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of defrestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation — Any renovation corried ou, with LSG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services — The recipient will assist hemeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for fless individuals.

Matching Funds The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality. The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to say individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Tuvolvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, reacvaling, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the LSG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the recognition.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy—The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protectly for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of eare (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homeressness for these persons.

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## APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

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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 contain Endorst assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duty authorized representative of the applicantr, I certify that the applicant

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal seestance, and the natitutional, menagenal and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planting, management and completion of project described in this application.
- Vittl give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General
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  the right to examine all records, books papers, or
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- 3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property total or other interest in the sits and facilities without cermisates and instructions from the awarding agency. Will report the Feogral awarding agency directives and will include a dovenant in the title of real property ecquired in whole or in part with Federa assistance funcs to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
- Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and apportioations.
- 5. Will provide and maintain composers 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 records and such other information as may be required by the escaperical swerding agency or State.
- 6 Will initiate and complete the work within the approade time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- 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 persons, gs.n.

- Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of ment systems for programs funced under one of the 19 statutes of regulations specified in Appendix A of OPVfs Standards for a Went System of Personnel Acm. sitration (5.C.F.R. 930, Subpar. F).
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- 11. WW. compty, or has already combined, with the requirements of Titles II and all of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Heal Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-845) which provide for fair and equitacle treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. Those requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (6. J. S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7524-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole crimicart with Federal funds.
- 13. Will comply, as approable, with the provisions of the Davis Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Salety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding liabor standards for Ederally-assisted construction subagreements.
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- 15. W3" comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) Institution of convironmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Pokey Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-199) and Executive Order (EQ) 11514. (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EQ 11798; (c) protection of wellands pursuant to EQ 11798; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EQ 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Chastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (18 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of

- Federal actions to State (Clear Air) implementation. Plans under Section 175(c) of the Clear Air Action 1955, as amerided (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et asq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 99-523), and, (n) protection of endangered species ander the Engangered Species Act of 1970, as amonded (P.L. 93-205).
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- Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Americans of 1996 and Ottat Circular No. A 133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
- Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
- 20. Will comply wan the recurrements of Section 108(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which promibits grant award registerts on a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe froms of trafficking in present during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Produing a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (5) Using forced factor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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#### CERTOFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Luiform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and reincation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Adaposition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CTR Part 24. It has in effect and its following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CPR Part 42 in connection with any serivity assisted with finding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOMF programs

Anti-Lobbying - To the hear of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief;

- No Foderal 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 my 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, Ican, or conperative 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, toan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-L1.L., "Disclosure form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- 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.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Gram, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS finids are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Orban Developmen. Act of 1968 (12) U.S.C. 170(u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

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Signature of Authorized Official Date

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## Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Clitzen Participation -- It is in tull compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91,105

Community Development Plan — Its ornsol dated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for nersons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan - If, a following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

- 1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit flow- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of shims or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or weifare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).
- 2. Overa I Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2023-2024 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.
- 3. Special Assessments, It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 form guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not tow-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CORG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDRG finds to cover the assessment.

Recessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

- 1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdivition against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
- 2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically harring entrance to or exit from a fixibity or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lend-Based Paint - Its activities concerning lend-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24. CFR Part 35, Subparts A. B. J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws - It will comply with applicable laws.

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#### Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation — If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter fee homeless individuals and farollies for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency sholter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or lamily after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG finds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or lumily after the completed renovation.

Besential Services and Operating Costs — In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or assential services related to street our each or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless ladividuals and families for the period during which the ESO assistance is provided. Without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Removation - Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homoless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim) services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving, independent livingly, and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

Matching Funds The recipient will obtain metahing amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

**Confidentiality** The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence provention or freetinent services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement — To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renewaling, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

**Consolidated Plan** All activities the recipient underrakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

**Discharge Policy** The recipions will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or micr youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for those persons.

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#### APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

## INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

## **Lobbying Certification**

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when his transaction was made or entered in a. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

#### ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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NOTE: Cortain of those assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain haderal assurances, they are uncomplicated to contify to additional assurances. If such is the cash, you will be notified.

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

- Has the legal authority to apply for Foodral assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (no uding funds sufficient to pay the non-Fedeval 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 Ceneral of the United States and if appropriate, the State, the right to exemine all records, books ipapers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in apportance 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 tills or other interest in the site and facilities without participations from the swarding 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 insoful title of the project.
- Will comply with the requirements of the essistance swarding agency with regard to the drafting ineview 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 epacifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding eigency.
- Will esseptish sorioguards 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.

- VII. comply with the Intergovernmental Personne Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4723-4783) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 attaines or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Mor'l System of Personnel Administration (S.C.F.R. 900, Suppart F).
- Will comply with the Lead-Based Pairt Poisoning Preservior Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- 40. Will comply with all Faderal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1904 (P.L. 88-362). which pronibits discrimination on the casis of race. color or national origin (b) Tille IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§:661 1683, and 1985–1985), which prohip to discrimination on the basis of sex. (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as smended (29) U.S.C. \$794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicace, (d) the Age Discrimination Acr of 1975, as amended (42 H S C §§6101-8107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P. L. 92-255), as: amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse: (f) the Comprehensive Alcoho, Abuse and Alcuhotan, Prevention, Trestraent and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amonded, is along to nondistrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) 9§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 to S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ed. 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohoand crug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Givil Rights Art, of 1988 (42 U.S.C. §§3801 et seq.), as amended, releting to nond scrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (I) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statue(s) under which supplication for Hederal againstance is being made: and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statue(s) which may apply to the arclication.

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- 11. Will comply, or has a ready complied, with the requirements of littles. I and III of the Uniform Relocation Assis, ande and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P. \_\_ 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 ortograms. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U S C §§1501-1509 and 7324-7329) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- 13 Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis Baton Act (40 U.S.C. §§276e to 279a-7), the Copoland Act (40 U.S.C. §276e and 18 U.S.C. §874) and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327, 333) regarding labon standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
- 14 Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1873. (P.L. 93-234) which requires redizients in a special flood hazard ace to participate in the program and to purchase hood insurance in the total cost of insurable construction and agol, silium is \$10,000 princes.
- 15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Polloy Act of 1859 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (FO) 11514- (b) notification of visiating facilities pursuant to EO 11798; (c) protection of wellands pursuant to EO 11990. (d) evaluation of food hazards in foodplains in accordance with EO 11883; (a) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coasial Zone Vanagement Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et see.); (f) conformity of

- Fodoral sotions to State (Clean Air) implamentation Plane under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 ot soq.); (c) profection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523), and, (h) profection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as schedded (P.L. 93-205).
- Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system
- Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 105 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1988, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), FO 11593. (dorblication and protection of historic procedus) and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. §6469a-1 et sec).
- 18 Will cause to be performed the required financial and compilence sudits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1998 and OMB Circular No. A-133, 'Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.'
- 19 Will comply with all approache requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
- 20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 108(g) of the Trainoking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.O. 7104) which prohibits grant award requients on sub-reapient from (1) Engaging in severe times of trail cking in persons outling the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Produing a commercial sex act during the cends of time that the award is in effect in the performance of the award or subawards uppor the award or subawards uppor the award.

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