

## **Executive Summary**

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

#### **1. Introduction**

Santa Barbara's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan constitutes a strategic vision for housing and community development. The goals are to assist low and moderate-income persons, provide decent housing, create suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities. Included in the Consolidated Plan are broad five-year objectives and strategies to accomplish these goals. Specific identifiable benchmarks for measuring progress in realizing the City's vision are proposed in the Action Plan for 2023 as part of the strategy.

The 2023 Annual Action Plan includes application for funds under two different HUD formula programs (Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program). Current year entitlements combined with reallocations and repayments from prior years bring the total funding for program year 2023 to approximately \$1.7 million.

With respect to a declared disaster, the City may elect to use its current entitlement allocations of CDBG and/or HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds to address needs not provided for by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Small Business Administration (SBA), or other disaster relief efforts. Funding for disaster relief may not duplicate other efforts undertaken by federal or local sources unless allowed by the federal government.

All eligible CDBG activities, including those to address declared disasters or emergencies, must meet one of three national objectives, which are: (1) Benefit to low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons; (2) Aid in the prevention of slums or blight; and (3) Meet a need having a particular urgency.

#### **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 2020-24 Consolidated Plan, section SP-45, identifies the City's priority needs and activities, from which the Housing and Community Development Objectives and Outcomes identified in the Plan are based:

1. Assisting the Homeless
2. Decent Affordable Housing
3. Decent Housing Availability
4. Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
5. Economic Opportunity
6. CDBG Planning and Administration
7. HOME Planning and Administration

Please see Annual Goals and Objectives section starting on page 18 for the specific projects.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

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

The program year 2023 Action Plan is the third fourth of the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. Good progress has been made to date during the 2022 program year. Further, the City's most recently submitted Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for program year 2021 demonstrated that the City met or exceeded its Con Plan goals in its 5-year Con Plan period.

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

In accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan, elements of the 2023 Annual Action Plan were developed with citizen input, including a citizen advisory committee who participated in the development of the various sections of the Plan.

The Community Development and Human Services Committee (CDHSC) consists of 13 members who represent specific areas and interests of the community including the disabled community, senior community, Latino community, African-American community, homeless services, business community, and each of the four low-income neighborhoods in the City. The CDHSC served as the initial conduit for

information-gathering and plan review for this year's Action Plan. Each Community Development and Human Services Committee meeting is properly noticed and is open to the public. Public Hearings are widely announced and publicized in the local newspapers.

All public meetings were noticed as per the Brown Act. Notices included the process to request physical accommodations and/or documents in alternate formats. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic all public meetings were held virtually, as allowed by law.

#### Key Dates

September 27, 2022: Public Hearing with CDHSC to solicit input on housing, social service and non-housing community development needs from the public. Notice was published in the local newspaper.

October 4, 2022: Public Meeting before City Council to approve program year 2023 CDBG and Human Services application process and priorities.

March 21, 2023: Public Hearing before City Council for program year 2023 Action Plan. Notice was published in the local newspaper.

March 22, 2023: Draft 2023 Action Plan available for public review for a 30-day period. Notice was published in the local newspaper. The Plan was placed on the City website homepage at [www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov](http://www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov).

All public meetings were noticed as per the Brown Act. Notices included the process to request physical accommodations and/or documents in alternate formats.

In addition to the CDHSC, the City's Neighborhood Improvement Task Force met with the Santa Barbara Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC). The NAC's role is to develop resident-focus on neighborhood issues. During these meetings, citizens identified and prioritized capital project applications to be submitted for review by the CDHSC.

Finally, the City's Consolidated Plan, Action Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report and Citizen Participation Plan were available in alternative formats accessible to persons with limited English proficiency or disabilities, upon request.

## **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.

See attached summary of public comments.

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

Not applicable, all comments were accepted.

## **7. Summary**

The City took numerous steps, including public noticing, advertising and holding public hearings, to ensure citizen participation in the development of the 2023 Action Plan.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	SANTA BARBARA	
CDBG Administrator	SANTA BARBARA	Community Development Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	SANTA BARBARA	Community Development Department
HOPWA-C Administrator		

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

**Narrative (optional)**

The Lead agency is the City of Santa Barbara, Housing and Human Services Division.

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

### **1. Introduction**

The City's consultation efforts are discussed in the following section.

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

The City developed its Program Year 2023 Annual Action Plan through consultation with the Santa Barbara City Housing Authority; City departments; social and health service providers; and adjacent local governments.

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

The City is an active partner in Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County Continuum of Care (CoC) by having a staff person appointed to the CoC's governance board.

The City, led by the County and other members of the CoC are collaborating to achieve the goals outlined in the Countywide Community Action Plan to Address Homelessness. This effort reflects the strong network of partners—including local governments—working toward the common goal of addressing challenges for people experiencing homelessness. Key strategies identified include:

- Increase access to safe affordable housing;
- Use Best Practices to Deliver Tailored Supportive Services and Meet Individual Needs;
- Build a Collective Action Plan and Improve Data Sharing;
- Strengthen Support System Available to Help Residents Obtain and Maintain Housing; and
- Build Provider Capacity to Address the Needs of Specific Populations.

#### **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**

The City is not a recipient of ESG funds. However, as a participant in the CoC, the City participates in developing performance outcomes for ESG-funded projects, as well as implementing policies for HMIS and Coordinated Entry.

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

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Emergency Management Other government - Local
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy Resiliency
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The City's Community Development and Human Services Committee held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing. In addition, the committee provided input on community needs. This helped establish funding priorities for the 2023 Program Year. The City of Santa Barbara's Planning and Building and Safety Departments, who are charged with conducting environmental impact reports and managing our flood plan elevations, provided input on each CDBG capital project that applied for funding. Their input was taken into consideration by the Community Development and Human Services Committee prior to formulating the funding decisions. The Police Chief was consulted regarding the impact of homelessness on emergency services.



2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Public Housing Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara assisted in the development of the Annual Action Plan by providing information on Public Housing Needs and Resident Initiatives. The HACSB also provided proposed activities to help meet the goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. Understanding the needs of the City's local PHA helped the City determine housing priorities for the 2023 Action Plan.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	County of Santa Barbara Housing and Community Development Department
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The County of Santa Barbara was consulted on the Continuum of Care grants. The City is active on the CoC governance board.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Sarah House of Santa Barbara
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Sarah House of Santa Barbara provided information on its program need and proposed services for the year. Sarah House's provides full supportive services in a complete care residential home for special needs persons with AIDS and terminal illnesses.
5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Pacific Pride Foundation
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Pacific Pride Foundation provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. Human Services funds will be granted to assist Pacific Pride where clients who are newly diagnosed, or who have been living with HIV/AIDS for years, can receive high quality mental health support along with their partners, friends, and family.
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	PATH (People Assisting the Homeless)
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	PATH provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. A CDBG Public Services grant will be provided to assist the program.
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SOLUTIONS
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Broadband/Narrowing Digital Divide
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Domestic Violence Solutions provided information on its program needs for both the Emergency Shelter program, and proposed services for the year. A CDBG Public Services grant will be provided to assist the program. Counselors help to narrow the digital divide by working with survivors on obtaining internet access, showing survivors how to find job opportunities online, help them prepare a resume and complete job applications, and prepare them for online and/or in person interviews.
8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	New Beginnings Counseling Center
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	New Beginnings provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. A CDBG Public Services grant will be provided to assist the program.
9	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Channel Islands YMCA
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	CIYMCA provided information on its program needs for both the Noah's Anchorage and Transitional Housing Programs, and proposed services for the year. A City Human Services grant will be provided to assist the programs.
10	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The Salvation Army, 423 Chapala
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The Salvation Army provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. A City Human Services grant will be provided to assist the program.
11	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. A City Human Services grant will be provided to assist the program.
12	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	St. Vincent's
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	St. Vincent's provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. A City Human Services grant will be provided to assist the program.
13	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Transition House
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Transition House provided information on needs for their shelter and prevention programs and proposed services for the year. A CDBG Public Services Grant will be provided to assist the shelter program and a General Fund grant from the City of Santa Barbara will be granted to their Prevention Program. Transition House's Prevention Program offers homeless mothers and children access to a computer lab that has broad offerings designed to give access and technical training and support to families to help them not only learn programs widely used in the workplace (such as the Microsoft office suite of programming), but also to help them navigate challenges they may face when technology is required to meet day-to-day activities. They help clients enroll children for school, sign up for health care benefits, apply to jobs, pay bills online, make DMV appointments, file taxes, and use the internet for job and housing searches. The computer lab program is designed to help each family on a case-by-case basis if a family has a particular unmet technology need, staff will work to find a way to help them solve it.
14	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Santa Barbara Boys and Girls Club
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Broadband/Narrowing Digital Divide
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Boys and Girls Clubs provided information on its program needs and proposed services for the year. Within their programs four COX technology labs at United Boys & Girls Clubs provide free WiFi, laptops, 3D printers, and other technology for Club members to use. These COX technology labs help not only close the digital divide that members face but run daily technology programming as well as STEM activities. City of Santa Barbara General Funds will be providing grants to this program in program year 2023.

15	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Services - Victims Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Broadband/Narrowing Digital Divide
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Family Service Agency provided information on its Family Resource Centers, Senior Services and Long-Term Care Ombudsman program needs and proposed services for the year. Within FSA's programs, FSA program managers continuously assess needs and opportunities to provide FSA clients with information and resources to ensure digital connectivity. FSA's Senior Services, Long Term Ombudsman Program and Family Resource centers provide direct assistance and technical support to clients in effort to narrow the digital divide. City of Santa Barbara General Funds will be providing grants to these three programs in program year 2023.

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

All known agencies were consulted in this process. The City makes efforts to consult every entity possible in this process.

**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	County of Santa Barbara	Some of the organizations receiving Continuum of Care funds are supported with City CDBG and City General funds.

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

**Narrative (optional)**

The City consulted numerous organizations in the development of this plan, which resulted in funding of various programs that will address the City's Consolidated Plan strategies.



**AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

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

As described in the Consultation Section of this report, elements of the 2023 Annual Action Plan were developed with citizen input, including a citizen advisory committee who participated in the development of the various sections of the Plan. Efforts to broaden participation included public hearings, noticing in newspapers, and on the City website. As a result of this effort, numerous organizations participated in the development of this year's Action Plan and a wide range of services received City funding.

**Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of the September 27, 2022 public hearing for development of the Program Year 2023 Action Plan was published.	No comments were received	N/A	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	The Community Development and Human Services Committee, many of them active service providers and representatives of the targeted groups, held the public hearing on September 27, 2022 to solicit public input on community development needs.	See attachment.	All comments were accepted.	
3	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	A public meeting was held before the City Council on October 4, 2022 to hear the funding-priority recommendations of the CDHSC.	See attachment.	All comments were accepted.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of the availability of CDBG funds was published in the local newspaper and on the City's website homepage.	A total of 46 funding requests were received.	N/A	
5	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	A second Public Hearing was held before the City Council on March 21, 2023 to present the 2023 Action Plan. This meeting notice was published on the local newspaper and notices were sent to interested parties.	See attachment.	N/A	
6	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	A newspaper advertisement was published notifying the public of the availability of the draft Program Year 2023 Action Plan.	N/A	N/A	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
7	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	The draft 2023 Action Plan was posted on the City Website homepage soliciting public comment	N/A	N/A	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

This section of the 2023 Action Plan outlines anticipated resources and explains how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied. Below are non-entitlement resources the City makes available to, or are received by the City's partners vital to meeting its Con Plan strategy.

In event of disasters, including, but not limited to, (1) Man-made-disasters, (2) Natural disasters, and (3) Terrorism, the City may elect to use its entitlement allocations of CDBG and/or HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds, or any additional emergency funds provided by HUD, to address needs not provided for by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Small Business Administration (SBA), or other disaster relief efforts to undertake Urgent Need activities.

Man-made disasters can include, but are not limited to, chemical spills, mass rioting, power outages, plant explosions, etc. Natural disasters can include, but are not limited to, earthquakes, tsunamis, wildfires, flooding and public health concerns, such as wide-spread diseases including COVID-19. Terrorism events include, but are not limited to, bomb threats, biochemical attacks, cyber-attacks, phishing, virus distribution, etc. Funding for disaster relief may not duplicate other efforts undertaken by federal or local sources unless allowed by the federal government. Potential eligible uses of funds are those that are identified as CDBG or HOME eligible. HUD may provide new guidance on eligible uses in which

the City will comply with and may utilize as well.

**Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	876,711	375,454	0	1,252,165	967,043	Based on HUD's FY23 Annual Allocation
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	606,383	100,000	0	706,383	738,763	Based on HUD's FY23 Annual Allocation

**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**

Federal funds play a crucial role in implementing the Action Plan. Local private and non-federal funds are insufficient to meet the heavy demand for housing and services in our community. Agencies receiving CDBG and HOME funds use those funds to get a commitment from other funding sources and increase their stakeholders. This encourages collaboration and partnerships between agencies and enhances the level of services agencies can provide to low and moderate-income residents.

Leveraging federal funds enables agencies to be more competitive and have a higher success rate. They can build a base of private financial support and increase sustainability by bringing on partners who will have an incentive to continue supporting the agency after the federally-funded grant period ends.

Below are non-entitlement resources the City makes available to, or are received by, the City's partners vital to meeting its Consolidate Plan strategy:

- Section 8 funds: The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara administers the Section 8 program in the City and receives Section 8 funds annually to provide rent subsidies to nearly 3,000 residents.
- Continuum of Care funds: The City is a partner in the County of Santa Barbara Continuum of Care which receives HUD funding and recently secured a Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) grant.
- Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC): The federal 4% and 9% LIHTC is the principal source of funding for the construction of affordable rental housing. They provide a credit against federal tax liability.
- Human Services Grants: The city budget commits approximately \$700,000 annually from the city's General Fund for human services. Human Services funds are intended to support programs that provide basic human needs, such as food and shelter, and programs that are preventative in nature or promote a high degree of functioning. Many of the programs supported through this source aid in the prevention of homelessness, provide emergency and transitional shelter, permanent supportive housing, and other supportive services to persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.
- Santa Barbara General Fund: The city commits General Funds to support homeless programs such as the Restorative Policing program, which helps chronically homeless individuals achieve self-sufficiency, and for general operations-support of PATH Santa Barbara, an interim housing program for homeless individuals.
- Permanent Local Housing Allocation: The city commits State of California PLHA funds to support street outreach services to persons experiencing homelessness, and to provide rental housing mediation services to persons at-risk of losing their housing due to eviction or other rental disputes.

- Private Banks: Women’s Economic Ventures receives private bank funds to support the Community Development Loan Fund, which is augmented with repayment funds from previously provided CDBG seed money.

The City typically uses HOME funds to assist local housing and service providers to provide security deposit loans and TBRA assistance in accordance with Section §92.209. TBRA funds may not be used to pay for case management; therefore, matching contributions shall include the value of voluntary supportive services provided to tenants receiving HOME tenant-based rental assistance during the term of the tenant-based rental assistance contract. The supportive services are necessary to facilitate independent living or are required as part of a self-sufficiency program. Excess match contributions will be rolled over to the following year.



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

N/A

**Discussion**

N/A

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Assisting the Homeless	2020	2024	Homeless	City of Santa Barbara	Homeless Assistance	CDBG: \$131,503	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1035 Persons Assisted
2	Decent Affordable Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing	City of Santa Barbara	Decent Housing	HOME: \$645,745	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 45 Households Assisted
3	Decent Housing Availability	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	City of Santa Barbara	Decent Housing	CDBG: \$251,767	Homelessness Prevention: 10 Persons Assisted Other: 1 Other
4	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Santa Barbara	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$569,862	Other: 6 Other
5	Economic Opportunity	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Santa Barbara	Economic Development	CDBG: \$75,454	Businesses assisted: 8 Businesses Assisted
6	CDBG Planning and Administration	2020	2024	Administration	City of Santa Barbara	Planning for Housing and Community Development	CDBG: \$235,342	Other: 0 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	HOME Planning and Administration	2020	2024	Administration	City of Santa Barbara	Planning for Housing and Community Development	HOME: \$60,638	Other: 0 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

### Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Assisting the Homeless
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Using CDBG public service funds, the City will provide assistance to homeless service providers such as, but not limited to, People Assisting The Homeless (PATH), Domestic Violence Solutions, New Beginnings and Transition House. Using non-CDBG funds, the City will provide financial assistance to programs that aid in the prevention of homelessness, provide emergency and transitional shelter, permanent supportive housing, and supportive activities to persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Decent Affordable Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The City will continue working with local housing and service providers to provide security deposit loans and TBRA assistance using HOME funds. The City will identify CHDOs to acquire, rehabilitate or construct low-income rental units.
3	<b>Goal Name</b>	Decent Housing Availability
	<b>Goal Description</b>	To the extent possible, based upon the availability of funds and a project’s viability, the City will assist affordable housing developers to rehabilitate low-income rental units (using CDBG Revolving Loan funds). Using CDBG administrative funds, the fair housing program will work to remove barriers to fair housing choice (e.g., respond to inquiries, investigate reported cases of housing discrimination, and educate the public on housing rights and responsibilities).  In addition, using General Funds, the City will continue to support programs that make affordable housing available to vulnerable populations for example, programs such as Rental Housing Mediation.

4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Using CDBG funds, the City will provide financial assistance to improve public facilities, parks, and infrastructure, and non-profit service providers' facilities.
5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Economic Opportunity
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Using CDBG Revolving Loan funds, as available, Women's Economic Ventures will provide small business forgivable loans to persons who do not qualify for conventional bank loans.
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	CDBG Planning and Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The City will conduct the following administration/planning activities: (1) General Administration of the overall CDBG Program, including preparation of budget, applications, certifications and agreements, (2) Coordination of all CDBG-funded capital improvement projects, (3) Coordination of the Public Service Subrecipients, (4) Monitoring of all CDBG projects/programs to ensure compliance with federal regulations, (5) Preparation of the Annual Action Plan, (6) Preparation of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), (7) TBRA program monitoring, and (8) IDIS drawdowns.
7	<b>Goal Name</b>	HOME Planning and Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The City may use up to ten (10) percent of the HOME allocation for the overall administration of the HOME Program. The City will use HOME funds to ensure the overall development, management, coordination (including coordination with Community Housing Development Organizations), and monitoring of all HOME-funded projects/programs to ensure compliance with federal regulations of the HOME program.

# Projects

## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

### Introduction

Below is a summary of the eligible projects that will take place during the program year that address the City's priority needs. Specific objectives are detailed in the individual project descriptions that follow.

### Projects

#	Project Name
1	Domestic Violence Solutions Emergency Shelter
2	New Beginnings - Safe Parking Rapid Rehousing
3	People Assisting The Homeless (PATH)
4	Transition House
5	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
6	Security Deposit Loan Program
7	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation/Construction Assistance
8	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program
9	Fair Housing Program
10	City Neighborhood Improvement Task Force
11	PATH Shelter Lighting Upgrades
12	PATH Shelter Painting Project
13	Transition House Exterior Painting Project
14	Women's Economic Ventures Loan Fund
15	CDBG Administration
16	HOME Administration

Table 7 - Project Information

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

In establishing five-year priorities for assistance with CDBG and HOME funds, the City of Santa Barbara has taken several factors into consideration: 1) those households most in need of housing and community development assistance, as determined through the Consolidated Plan needs assessment, consultation, and public participation process; 2) which activities will best meet the needs of those identified households; and 3) the extent of other non-federal resources and programs available to address these needs.

The highest priority has been assigned to the needs of the lowest income residents, based on the

assumption that due to the extremely high cost of rental and ownership housing, they are at greater risk of displacement, homelessness or other serious housing situations due to limited financial resources and other limitations they may face. In addition, high priority has been placed on programs that assist the homeless due to the high level of homeless persons found by the Point in Time Count as described in the Homeless Needs Assessment of the Consolidated Plan.

The basis for giving priority to public facilities, parks and infrastructure was determined from the non-housing community needs assessment of the Consolidated Plan, which identified projects in the City's Capital Improvement Plan that would be CDBG eligible. In addition, the Consolidated Plan found that CDBG funds are one of few funding sources that are available to non-profit organizations for capital improvements.

The major obstacles include the high and sustained demand for public services, as well as the lack of funding. During the last 13 years, the City's CDBG allocation has dropped by 25% and the HOME allocation by 21%. These cuts, along with the state's elimination of Redevelopment Agencies, with no subsequent replacement, are the main obstacles to meeting underserved needs.

**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

1	<b>Project Name</b>	Domestic Violence Solutions Emergency Shelter
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Assisting the Homeless
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$32,000
	<b>Description</b>	Shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	73 families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Confidential location, serving City of Santa Barbara residents.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The emergency shelter provides safe shelter and basic needs (food, clothing) up to 45 days. An individualized client plan includes referrals, professional clinical counseling, and strategies for financial and housing issues. Educational groups are conducted for health topics, parenting, safety and boundaries, relationships, stress management, budgeting, and other life skills. Emergency shelter services are 24 hours, 7 days a week. Provide hot line assistance and respond to calls from 911 law enforcement or area hospitals.
2	<b>Project Name</b>	New Beginnings - Safe Parking Rapid Rehousing
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Assisting the Homeless
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$45,295
	<b>Description</b>	Safe Parking and Rapid Rehousing Program
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	500
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide.



	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This program will provide safe overnight parking, case management, and rapid rehousing services to persons living in their vehicles.
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	People Assisting The Homeless (PATH)
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Assisting the Homeless
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$37,000
	<b>Description</b>	PATH is a full-service, residential wellness center for the homeless. PATH uses best and evidence-based practices to serve the county's high acuity unhoused individuals. Our programs are comprehensive and integrated to provide a holistic and individualized service delivery with a trauma-informed care approach.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	60 Persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	816 Cacique St. Santa Barbara, Ca. 93101
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Services include street outreach, temporary housing to stabilize individuals, case management, three meals a day, hygiene support, mental health assessment and case management, alcohol and drug recovery counseling, job development, benefits procurements, housing assistance, and an on- site health clinic.
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Transition House
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Assisting the Homeless
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$17,208
	<b>Description</b>	Transition House is dedicated to the solution of family homelessness in the Santa Barbara community. The Transition House Shelter is located in downtown Santa Barbara, is the first of three stages in our housing continuum, and is open seven days a week. It offers emergency housing and three nutritious meals a day to Santa Barbara area homeless families with children. Families stay an average of three to four months.

	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	87 homeless families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	425 E. Cota St. Santa Barbara, Ca. 93101
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Clients receive case management, career counseling, social service referrals, ESL classes, specialized children's programming, sliding scale licensed infant care, basic medical exams, and budgeting instruction. The shelter is open year-round and serves only homeless families with children.
5	<b>Project Name</b>	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Decent Affordable Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Decent Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$539,787
	<b>Description</b>	To provide rental assistance to special needs persons (homeless or imminently at risk of being homeless) in order to secure permanent rental housing, using HOME Entitlement and Program Income funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	30 homeless families
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	To provide rental assistance to special needs persons (homeless or imminently at risk of being homeless) in order to secure permanent rental housing.
6	<b>Project Name</b>	Security Deposit Loan Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Decent Affordable Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Decent Housing

	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$15,000
	<b>Description</b>	HOME entitlement and/or program income provides security deposit assistance to assist persons in securing permanent rental housing.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	15 families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	HOME entitlement and/or program income provides security deposit assistance to assist persons in securing permanent rental housing.
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation/Construction Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Decent Affordable Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Decent Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$90,958
	<b>Description</b>	HOME Entitlement, Program Income and CHDO funds will be used to assist affordable housing developers in the rehabilitation, acquisition, or construction of very -low- and low-income rental housing units.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	To the extent possible, based upon Request for Proposals submissions and funding availability, HOME Entitlement, Program Income and CHDO funds will be used to assist affordable housing developers in the rehabilitation, acquisition, or construction of very low- and low-income rental housing units.
<b>8</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Decent Housing Availability
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Decent Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$240,000
	<b>Description</b>	The City's Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) facilitates the rehabilitation of low-income rental units.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	34 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide, administration at 630 Garden St.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	To the extent possible, based upon Request for Proposals submissions and funding availability, the City's Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) facilitates the rehabilitation of low-income rental units. Preservation, energy efficiency, and health and safety hazards are the main priorities of the program. Lead-based paint abatement is a component of the program and every unit selected for rehab is tested. Elimination or encapsulation remedies are implemented if lead is detected.
9	<b>Project Name</b>	Fair Housing Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	CDBG Planning and Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Planning for Housing and Community Development
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$11,767
	<b>Description</b>	Using CDBG administration funds, the City's Fair Housing Program responds to inquiries, investigates reported cases of housing discrimination, and educates the public on rights and responsibilities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide, administered at 630 Garden St.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	See Description.
10	<b>Project Name</b>	City Neighborhood Improvement Task Force
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$341,869
	<b>Description</b>	The NITF is an interdepartmental task force comprised of City staff from Public Works, Community Development, Fire, Police, Parks & Rec., City Administrator, and City Attorney. The NITF identifies and carries out neighborhood-improvement projects.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide, administered at 630 Garden St.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Alameda Park Safety Lighting Project will replace the lamp fixtures on the park’s 18 existing walkway lightpoles with new LED fixtures to increase user safety and reduce light pollution. The Bohnett Park Basketball Court Expansion Project will expand the existing court at Bohnett Park from one to two basketball courts. The Westside Neighborhood project will replace approximately 8,500 square feet of asphalt surface at the existing basketball and handball courts, as well repaint the courts’ lines.
11	<b>Project Name</b>	PATH Shelter Lighting Upgrades
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$113,517
	<b>Description</b>	PATH is a full-service, residential wellness center for the homeless. PATH uses best- and evidence-based practices to serve the county’s high-acuity unhoused individuals. Our programs are comprehensive and integrated to provide a holistic and individualized service delivery with a trauma-informed care approach.

	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	60
	<b>Location Description</b>	816 Cacique Street
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Upgrade lighting on the first floor of the building. This includes removing the existing fluorescent lights and replacing them with flat panel LED lights.
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	PATH Shelter Painting Project
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$51,322
	<b>Description</b>	PATH is a full-service, residential wellness center for the homeless. PATH uses best- and evidence-based practices to serve the county's high-acuity unhoused individuals. Our programs are comprehensive and integrated to provide a holistic and individualized service delivery with a trauma-informed care approach.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	60
	<b>Location Description</b>	816 Cacique Street
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Interior painting of first floor of homeless shelter including entrance, lobby, common areas, and stairways.
<b>13</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Transition House Exterior Painting Project
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$63,158

	<b>Description</b>	Transition House is dedicated to the solution of family homelessness in the Santa Barbara community. The Transition House Shelter is located in downtown Santa Barbara, is the first of three stages in our housing continuum, and is open seven days a week. It offers emergency housing and three nutritious meals a day to Santa Barbara area homeless families with children. Families stay an average of three to four months.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	87 families
	<b>Location Description</b>	425 East Cota Street
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	External painting of Transition House’s emergency shelter facility.
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Women's Economic Ventures Loan Fund
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Economic Opportunity
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$75,454
	<b>Description</b>	Community Development Loan Fund will be operated by Women's Economic Ventures (WEV). The program provides forgivable small business loans to persons who do not qualify for conventional bank loans.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	333 S. Salinas St. Santa Barbara, Ca. 93103

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The program provides forgivable small business loans to persons who do not qualify for conventional bank loans. CDBG previously provided seed money to help establish the revolving loan fund. The loans will convert to grants once the borrower has completed a learning track designed by WEV to enhance their financial and business management skills and increase the probability of their business' survival and profitability.
<b>15</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	CDBG Planning and Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Planning for Housing and Community Development
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$223,575
	<b>Description</b>	City staff administer the CDBG program to meet Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	630 Garden St. Santa Barbara, 93101
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	City staff administer the CDBG program to meet federal regulations.
<b>16</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	City of Santa Barbara
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	HOME Planning and Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Planning for Housing and Community Development
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$60,638
	<b>Description</b>	City staff administer the HOME program to meet federal regulations.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A



	<b>Location Description</b>	630 Garden St. Santa Barbara, 93101
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	City staff administer the HOME program to meet federal regulations.

## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)**

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

The City utilizes CDBG and HOME funds for projects and programs operated citywide. However, the majority of the construction projects are targeted to the most disadvantaged neighborhoods: those Census tracts with 51% or more of the residents who are low- or moderate-income.

### **Geographic Distribution**

<b>Target Area</b>	<b>Percentage of Funds</b>
City of Santa Barbara	100

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution**

### **Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically**

As stated above, the City of Santa Barbara utilizes CDBG and HOME funds for projects/programs operated citywide. However, the majority of the construction projects are targeted to the most disadvantaged neighborhoods: those census tracts with 51% or more of the residents who are low- or moderate- income. The highest priority has been assigned to the needs of the lowest income residents, based on the assumption that in this high-cost real estate market, they are at greater risk of displacement, homelessness, or other serious housing situations due to limited financial resources and other limitations they may face.

### **Discussion**

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

The Consolidated Plan identifies priorities that are intended to address affordable housing needs in Santa Barbara. The priority needs and objectives were developed based on the findings from both quantitative research (Needs Assessment and Housing Market Analysis) and qualitative research (public meetings, resident survey, and stakeholder meetings). The priority housing needs were determined based on the rental market gap, the number of households who were cost-burdened, living in substandard and overcrowded conditions, and/or who could not afford homeownership.

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b>	
Homeless	45
Non-Homeless	34
Special-Needs	0
Total	79

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

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b>	
Rental Assistance	45
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	34
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	79

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

#### Discussion

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara (HACSB) is the local public agency providing safe, decent, and high-quality affordable housing and services to eligible persons. The Housing Authority is considered a high performer by HUD, and currently administers 3,017 Housing Choice Vouchers in the community (457 of which are project-based section 8 units converted from public housing using HUD's Rental Assistance Demonstration, or RAD program). In addition to the HUD-supported units/vouchers, HACSB owns/manages another 1,519 affordable units funded locally and/or through Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC).

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

The needs of public housing are addressed in the Public and Assisted Housing sections of the Consolidated Plan (NA-35, MA-35, and SP-25). In addition, the Housing Authority's 2019-2024 Five-Year Action Plan examines the community's affordable housing needs and charts the HACSB's course to help address these needs by establishing measurable goals and objectives for improving operations and furthering its mission to provide affordable housing. HACSB was strategic in preserving a local mobile home park providing affordable housing to 42 families and overseeing the ownership transfer to the Authority's affiliate non-profit. HACSB was awarded low-income housing tax credits to develop a 28-studio apartment for those moving from homelessness, or are at-risk of homelessness, which is currently under construction and expected to be completed mid-2023. In 2023, HACSB will also add 14 units of workforce housing through the development of a mixed-use property in downtown Santa Barbara gifted to the Authority for this purpose. HACSB also recently acquired an 8-unit building (2-one bedroom and 6 two-bedroom units) preserving them as affordable. Additionally, developments currently in the pipeline include a 48-unit complex for low-income families and a middle-income workforce project downtown. Additionally, the Authority is now one of 24 agencies in the nation designated a Moving to Work (MTW) agency by HUD allowing increased flexibility in managing landlord participation in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program, and consequently, provide more affordable housing.

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

The Housing Authority has empowered a Resident Council/Resident Advisory Board to serve as a focal point of information and feedback to the Housing Management and Property Development Departments. Periodic resident surveys are coordinated by the Resident Council to solicit valuable input from those who might not otherwise voice their opinions. The role of the Resident Council is invaluable as it affects current and future program/grant evaluation and development. HACSB also encourages

tenant participation on the Housing Authority Commission/Board of Directors.

One of HACSB's five goals in their strategic plan is to "Encourage client stability and upward mobility through community building, engagement, and partnerships." Action steps for this goal include:

- Access available resources for the enhancement of key Resident Services initiatives.
- Collaborate with strategic community partners to strengthen HACSB's response to critical community needs and issues.
- Continue HACSB's involvement in community needs and issues by Commissioners, staff and residents' service on boards, task forces, and commissions related to the promotion of affordable housing, a sustainable community, and self-sufficiency.
- Promote self-sufficiency and mobility among HACSB residents and participants through programs, services, partnerships, and initiatives.
- Promote education and employment as strategies for youth to rise out of poverty and attain self-sufficiency.

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

N/A. The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara is a "High Performer" under the Section 8 Management Assessment Program.

**Discussion**

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

### **Introduction**

The City of Santa Barbara is part of the Santa Maria/Santa Barbara County Continuum of Care (CoC). Through the CoC homeless needs are being addressed on a regional basis with coordinated services and shelters provided by agencies located throughout the county. The City will continue the following actions during the Action Plan period:

- Prevent low-income individuals and families with children (especially those with incomes below 30% of median) from becoming homeless;
- Address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless individuals and homeless families;
- Help homeless persons make the transition to permanent housing; and
- Support organizations that provide permanent supportive housing.

The City's goal is to have a seamless continuum of care for the homeless. The City has implemented a multi-pronged effort to provide adequate housing and social services to this very vulnerable segment of our community.

### **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 supports numerous outreach and assessment programs for homeless individuals:

- **Co-Response Officer** – In January 2021, the Santa Barbara Police Department (SBPD) added a Co-Response Officer position. This Officer is trained in responding to and helping people in crisis. The department's Co-Response Officer is partnered with a licensed mental health clinician. Together, the team has responded to approximately 600 calls involving people in crisis. Many of these calls involve persons experiencing homelessness, who often suffer from mental health issues and/or drug or alcohol addiction. Additionally, the Co-Response Officer works to reunite homeless persons with family and connect them with assistance programs or work opportunities. Over the last year, the SBPD has successfully reunified 63 people.
- **City Net** – City Net is a nonprofit street outreach and housing services provider that is currently under contract with the City to provide case management services citywide to help secure safe, supportive housing for vulnerable homeless individuals.
- **Noah's Anchorage Street Outreach** - This program serves young people, ages 12-24, by providing outreach to youth on the streets on a regular basis. Services are aimed specifically at marginalized youth populations that are not seeking services through other community-based

organizations.

- New Beginnings Safe Parking - The Safe Parking Program provides safe parking and case management assistance to individuals and families who live in their vehicles. This program provides weekly street outreach with community volunteers to reach out to newly homeless and connect them with services.
- People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) - PATH Santa Barbara is an interim housing program designed for people experiencing homelessness to help stabilize and work towards permanent housing goals. PATH will outreach to unsheltered persons during inclement weather to promote their services and interim housing opportunities.
- Freedom Warming Centers - Volunteer outreach teams are notified of weather-related warming center activations to notify homeless individuals of available safe sleeping locations.

In addition, as a member of the Santa Barbara/Santa Maria Continuum of Care (CoC), the City has actively helped implement the County's Coordinated Entry System (CES) to standardize the process by which people experiencing homelessness access housing and homeless services.

The City is represented on the CoC Board and commits to the continued oversight of the CES. In addition, the City will encourage participation of our local housing and homeless service providers, particularly recipients of City Human Services and Community Development Block Grant funds, in the CES.

### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

The City has and will continue to address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless individuals and homeless families through support of homeless programs such as:

- PATH for year-round emergency beds, temporary and transitional shelter, and social services;
- Transition House for emergency shelter for families - temporary and transitional, meals, childcare and job assistance;
- Domestic Violence Solutions for temporary shelter, supportive services, and transitional assistance for victims of domestic violence and their children;
- Salvation Army Hospitality House for transitional shelter and case management to homeless men and women;
- Sarah House for full supportive services in a complete care residential home for special needs persons with AIDS and terminal illnesses;
- Noah's Anchorage Youth Shelter for temporary housing and crisis intervention services for homeless, or runaway youth;
- My Home for case management for formerly homeless youth living in Artisan Court and;
- Rescue Mission also provides emergency shelter ten days per month per individual.

### **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**

The City will continue to support programs whose mission is to help homeless persons transition to permanent housing. This Consolidated Plan and the 2023 Action Plan identify several projects that the City will fund for the duration, including Tenant Based Rental Assistance and security deposit assistance activities, as well as homeless shelters for individuals and families that have outlined program goals to move persons into permanent housing.

To meet the needs of the chronically homeless, Santa Barbara will continue to support and expand direct access to housing and “housing first” programs that are successful in getting the homeless off the streets and out of shelters. The City will also continue to pull together and seek additional resources to build permanent supportive housing units, expand the number of permanent housing subsidies, maintain a balanced approach to housing chronically homeless singles and families for continued reductions in these areas, and focus on ending homelessness rather than managing it.

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

The City helps prevent low-income individuals and families with children (especially those with incomes below 30% of median) from becoming homeless through programs such as the Rental Housing Mediation Program, Fair Housing Enforcement Program, and Transition House, all of which have substantial programs to assist in homeless prevention. Transition House offers a homelessness prevention program to assist very low-income households increase their earning potential and improve their household finance management. The Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program rehabilitates substandard multi-family buildings and implements affordability controls. The Rental Housing Mediation Program assists and/or mediates disputes between tenants and landlords to prevent the possibility of displacement/homelessness. The Fair Housing Enforcement Program investigates reported cases of housing discrimination and educates the public on housing rights and responsibilities.

## **Discussion**



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

### **Introduction:**

Section MA-40 and SP-55 of the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan discussed the impact of public policies on affordable housing and residential investment in detail. This section of Action Plan identifies actions planned to address barriers to affordable housing. Barriers to affordable housing in Santa Barbara include market factors, physical limitations, government regulations, and neighborhood resistance.

### **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**

Continue to provide land use and financial incentives in cooperation with the Housing Authority and private developers to use underutilized and small vacant parcels to support affordable development on infill sites.

Continue to implement inclusionary housing requirements on new ownership developments to provide below market rate units. Through the use of resale controls, subsidized units will continue to be available to moderate income households for many years. The City also enacted inclusionary housing requirements on certain rental housing developments to provide housing at below-market rental rates.

Continue to support lot consolidation and development on small infill sites, pursue the dedication of surplus public land for affordable housing, and evaluate opportunities for the integration of housing above public and private parking lots.

Continue to operate the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) Program as funds allow for multi-family properties. Assist in preserving the existing rental housing stock by allowing the reconstruction or rehabilitation of apartments at non-conforming General Plan densities and zoning standards.

Continue newly-adopted development regulations related to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units that reduce barriers, streamline approval, and facilitate the development of ADUs.

Continue to implement actions identified in the 2015-2023 Housing Element to expedite the review process for residential infill and affordable housing projects.

Through the Average Unit Density (AUD) Program, continue to support the construction of smaller, more affordable residential units. Increased densities and development standard incentives are allowed in most multi-family and commercial zones of the City to promote additional housing. Rental, employer-sponsored, and limited equity housing cooperative units that provide housing opportunities to the City's

workforce are encouraged. Minimum parking requirements for AUD Program projects were removed in the Central Business District.

Continue to advocate for and pursue federal, state, local, and private funding sources for affordable housing.

Continue the provision of quality affordable housing with complementary design to enhance compatibility with the surrounding area. Continue to provide opportunities for neighborhood input on project design.

**Discussion:**

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

The City of Santa Barbara along with other partnership agencies will continue to work to meet underserved needs, foster affordable housing, reduce poverty and lead-based paint hazards, and enhance coordination while improving institutional structure.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

The major obstacles include the high and sustained demand for public services, as well as the lack of funding. To address these obstacles, the City has developed the funding priorities described in this Action Plan in order to make the most use of the City's available resources. Specific actions in the 2023 program year that rely on CDBG and HOME funds include funding directed to the following organizations and programs:

- Domestic Violence Solutions—Santa Barbara Emergency Shelter;
- New Beginnings—Safe Parking Shelter and Rapid Rehousing Program;
- PATH Santa Barbara;
- Transition House—Shelter operations and bathroom remodel;
- Park and community facilities improvements — Alameda Park Safety Lighting Project, Bohnett Park Basketball Court Expansion Project, Westside Community Center Sports Court Renovation Project, PATH Lighting Upgrades, PATH Painting Project, and Transition House Painting Project;
- Women's Economic Ventures—Small business forgivable loan program; and
- Security Deposit and Tenant Based Rental Assistance.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

The City's efforts to foster and maintain affordable housing are identified in the Annual Affordable Housing Goals section (AP-55) and in the Barriers to affordable housing section (AP-75) of this Plan. Affordable housing is an ongoing and critical issue in Santa Barbara and the City is committed to fostering and maintaining affordable housing within resources constraints of federal and local funding. The City is also working to remove governmental constraints to housing development, as discussed in SP-55 of the Consolidated Plan and AP-75 of the Action Plan.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

To reduce lead-based paint hazards in existing housing, all housing rehabilitation projects supported with federal funds are tested for lead if not statutorily exempt and asbestos. When a lead-based paint or asbestos hazard is present, the City or the City's sub-grantee contracts with a lead/asbestos consultant

for abatement or implementation of interim controls, based on the findings of the report. Tenants are notified of the results of the test(s) and the clearance report(s). In Section 8 programs, staff annually inspects units on the existing program and new units as they become available. In all cases, defective paint surfaces must be repaired. In situations where a unit is occupied by a household with children under the age of six, corrective actions will include testing.

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

As discussed in SP-70 of the Consolidated Plan, the City of Santa Barbara's anti-poverty strategy includes both policy initiatives that address structural causes of poverty, and the funding of economic and social programs that enable low-income clients to move towards self-sufficiency and end the cycle of poverty. This is enabled through funding and management of the City's Human Services grants and related programs. The City's Housing Authority also operates a Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS) to allow Section 8 participants and public housing tenants to move up and out of assisted housing.

The City's goal in this regard is to ensure that an individual or family has enough income, as well as knowledge, personal skills, and support systems necessary to secure safe and affordable housing, obtain quality childcare, fulfill education and employment goals, access physical and mental health services, save money for future needs, obtain nutritious food, acquire basic necessities such as clothing, and build strong, stable families. The City will continue to focus on self-sufficiency as its primary anti-poverty approach through the Consolidated Plan by administering existing programs and implementing initiatives for new human service programs.

All projects included in the 2023 Action Plan will address poverty either directly or indirectly.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

Institutional delivery structure is discussed in detail in the Consolidated Plan (SP-40). Santa Barbara's strategy to overcoming gaps in institutional structure is demonstrated by an emphasis on providing services to people experiencing homelessness as well as to other special needs populations, and partnering with the housing authority to develop and preserve affordable housing. The City also works to leverage funding sources to maximize impact and seek supplemental funding where possible (e.g. local funding sources, LIHTC, etc.) The City continues to actively consult with a variety of nonprofits, social service providers, neighborhoods and citizens, and other governmental agencies to address needs and develop institutional structure.

Actions planned to enhance

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

Coordination between public agencies providing housing resources, assisted housing providers, private

and governmental healthcare providers and mental health and human service agencies is critical to the delivery of viable products/services.

One of the roles of the Community Development and Human Services Committee (CDHSC) is to foster integration, coordination, and cooperation of human service providers in the City of Santa Barbara in order to better serve human needs. Further, the City will encourage joint reviews of funding program guidelines and regulations. This will be undertaken to increase coordination between CDBG and other funding programs.

**Discussion:**

## Program Specific Requirements

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

**Introduction:**

The City undertakes the following Program Specific Requirements.

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

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	367,202
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>367,202</b>

#### Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	99.00%

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

N/A. The City only invests HOME funds in a manner consistent with the forms of assistance specified

in 24 CFR 92.205(b). These have included interest-bearing loans, deferred and amortized payment loans, or grants. The majority of assistance comes in the form of deferred payment loans.

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

The City does not, and has no plans to, use HOME funds for homebuyer activities.

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

The City does not, and has no plans to, use HOME funds for homebuyer activities and therefore HOME resale or recapture activities do not apply.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The City currently has no plans to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt.

5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).
6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).
7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).

The City of Santa Barbara meets the program specific requirements as outlined above.



