

**2021** Program Year

# State of Connecticut Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program  
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program  
HOME Investment Partnerships Program  
Emergency Solutions Grant Program  
National Housing Trust Fund Program

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## Executive Summary

2021-22

The 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) summarizes activities undertaken, in the administration of the five programs described below, by Connecticut State agencies during the 2021-22 Program Year (PY21) which began 7/1/2021 thru 6/30/2022. During PY21, these five programs were administered by the Department of Housing (DOH).

### Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program (SC/CDBG)

The SC/CDBG Program assists smaller cities/towns across the state to address their affordable housing, community development and economic development needs.

### HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

The HOME Program funds the acquisition, construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing around the state.

### Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)

The ESG Program provides funds to emergency shelters, transitional housing for the homeless, and essential Housing both to assist the homeless and to prevent homelessness.

### Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA)

The HOPWA Program aids not for profit organizations in meeting the housing and social service needs of persons with AIDS and HIV related illnesses and their families.

### National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF)

The NHTF Program funds the production of affordable housing through new construction or substantial rehabilitation when it is determined that the units produced will remain affordable for the minimum required time period under the NHTF.

Each of these programs is funded by formula grants from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The annual allocation amounts for the five programs for PY2 are listed below.

<b>Table 1: Program Resource Allocation for PY 2021-2022</b>	
HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)	\$ 9,692,243
Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$ 8,511,446
Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG)	\$ 2,233,995
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$ 271,901
National Housing Trust Fund	\$ 8,448,637
Total	\$ 29,158,222

Source: DOH

To maintain eligibility to administer these programs, the State must periodically prepare and submit a series of documents for HUD approval. In addition to the CAPER, these documents include a five-year Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development (ConPlan) and annual one-year Action Plans. A description for each of the documents required by HUD follows.

The ConPlan is a five-year strategic plan that describes the housing needs of low and moderate-income residents, examines the housing market, outlines strategies to meet the needs and lists all resources available to implement those strategies, and outlines goals, objectives and measures. The ConPlan sets a unified vision, long-term strategies and short-term action steps to meet priority needs. Included in the ConPlan is a Citizen Participation Plan which provides information about how to access Consolidated Plan documents and how to participate in the consolidated planning process through which these documents are developed.

The annual Action Plan is the yearly implementation plan for the five-year ConPlan that describes how the state will use the allocated funds for the five federal programs for a given Program Year. The annual Action Plan also outlines the state's proposed accomplishments for the program year based on the performance measurement system presented in the 2020-24 ConPlan and HUD's Outcome Performance Measurement System for Community Planning and Development Formula Grant Programs.

The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is the annual report to HUD that details the progress the state has made in carrying out the ConPlan and the annual Action Plan. The CAPER describes resources made available, the investment of those resources, the amount and source of leveraged funds, the source and use of program income, geographic distribution and location of investments, the number of families and persons assisted and actions taken to affirmatively further fair housing. Performance Measures are also reported based on actual outcomes for proposed accomplishments that appeared in the corresponding program year Action Plan.

The 2020-24 ConPlan, subsequent annual Action Plans and CAPERS are available on the DOH web site at [www.ct.gov/doh](http://www.ct.gov/doh). The Performance Measurement System used in this document is as outlined in the 2020-24 ConPlan.

## **NARRATIVE STATEMENTS**

- **Affirmatively furthering fair housing**

*Summary of impediments identified in analysis:*

Impediments identified in the analysis are summarized in the Executive Summary of the [Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice](#) which is located on the publications page of the DOH website under **Housing Plans**.

The following actions were taken to overcome the effects of impediments identified through the analysis in the program year:

Actions taken to overcome the effects of impediments identified through the state's Analysis of Impediments in the program year are detailed in this CAPER document in Section II; subsection G. (Continuing Efforts to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing).

- **Actions taken to address the needs of homeless persons and the special needs of persons that are not homeless but require supportive housing**

*Description of the Continuum of Care:*

The State of Connecticut currently has 2 Continua of Care (COC). DOH co-chairs, with Advancing Connecticut Together (ACT), the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) and The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the largest COC in the state. The CT-Balance of State (CT-BOS) CoC has 105 individual grants totaling \$47,430,433 that provides rental subsidies and support services for homeless individuals and families. The CT-BOS has a steering committee made up of 7 state agency partners, 25 private non-profit agencies as well 5 community partners that are currently or recently homeless.. The steering committee is in charge of setting policies aimed at ending homelessness. In 2020-21, the State of Connecticut through the Balance of State Continuum of Care received additional funding in the amount of \$82,195 for the creation of 15 new units of rapid rehousing,\$89,566 for the creation of 7 new units of permanent supportive housing and \$400,000 to support the coordinated entry system. In addition, DOH applied and received \$1,428,127 for a rapid rehousing program for Domestic

Violence Survivors. In this competition, there was only \$50 million available, so DOH's award ranks as one of the largest in the nation

In addition to participation on the CT-BOS, DOH was an active participant in Connecticut's Interagency Committee on Supportive Housing. This group is made up of 10 separate state agencies that provides supportive housing to a variety of different subpopulations. The Interagency Committee collaborates to include supportive housing as a priority population in any affordable housing development seeking state funds. Throughout the past 18 years, the Interagency Committee on Supportive Housing has led to the creation of over 3000 units of permanent supportive housing for the homeless population.

In addition, DOH continues to generate permanent, supportive housing units using the federal Section 811 Project-based Rental Assistance Program. This program has been used in both existing and new construction projects. It has also housed participants of Connecticut's Money Follows the Person program and homeless individuals from the Coordinated Access Network.

*The following actions were taken in the program year to address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless:*

DOH, in addition to funding emergency shelters, also provides services through Connecticut's 7 Coordinated Access Networks, homeless diversion programs, homeless housing support services, CT Rapid Rehousing Program, food pantries, Secure Jobs and connections with other state services. It is the department's expectations that these services will assist with the reduction in the re-occurrences of homelessness by assisting the target population with services to achieve housing stability, based upon their individual needs and vulnerabilities.

DOH has required all emergency shelters to enter information into the CT Homeless Management Information System (CTHMIS). Various services provided include but are not limited to: Advocacy, Intake, needs assessment and case management services; health/mental health services; shelter and housing assistance; transportation/provision of bus tokens, substance abuse counseling, information and referral, budgeting, etc.

DOH continues to implement and manage the CT Rapid Rehousing program. This is a regional program which assists literally homeless households with housing location services and placement, rental assistance as needed, and up to 12 months of in-home housing stabilization case management services.

DOH is an active member of the Balance of State Continuum of Care, as well the CTHMIS Steering Committee.

DOH applied to HUD and received 380 Emergency Housing Vouchers, which will provide rental assistance to prevent or reduce homelessness across the state, related directly or indirectly to the pandemic.

DOH continued to provide over 15,000 rental subsidies to low income households throughout the state through the federal Section 8 Program and the state funded Rental Assistance Program. Within each of these programs, DOH has been able to expand access to rent subsidies to households with disabilities, including those with mental health, substance abuse and developmental disabilities.

*Significant homeless subpopulations assisted were:*

The chronically homeless accounted for the a small fraction of homeless subpopulations assisted during the program year. By years end, Connecticut had less than 20 chronically homeless individuals not matched to a housing resource statewide. DOH also made an effort to end family homelessness by allocating 150 state funded rental subsidies to families currently residing in emergency homeless shelters. Services were targeted through the Individual and Family Support Program Unit at DOH. Also, the department utilized funding (HOPWA and state) to provide services to persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families.

*The following efforts were made in the program year to help homeless make transition to permanent housing and independent living:*

Efforts made in the program year to help homeless make transition to permanent housing and independent living are summarized in Section V (ESG Program Requirements) and Section VI (HOPWA Program Requirements) of this document.

*The following efforts were made to address special needs of persons that are not homeless but require supportive housing:*

Efforts made in the program year to address special needs of persons that are not homeless but require supportive housing are summarized in Section V (ESG Program Requirements) and Section VI (HOPWA Program Requirements) of this document.

*Participation in a Continuum(s) of Care application in FFY 2021 competition:*

The DOH provided 17 Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan for Continuum of Care Applications during the program year.

*The following Continuums of Care projects were funded in the FFY 2021 homeless assistance competition:*

DOH had eleven applications for rapid rehousing programs in the amount of \$9,287,293, one permanent supportive housing applications in the amount of \$862,647 and two coordinated access support service only applications in the amount of \$787,475.

*The following Continuums of Care federal resources were awarded to the State of Connecticut during Program Year 2021 competition:*

State of Connecticut DOH fourteen (14) grants for \$10,937,415.  
State of Connecticut DMHAS forty-eight (48) grants for \$27,996,768.

## **Other Actions**

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- **Actions to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs:*

- DOH continued to prioritize activities and investments in low to moderate income census tracts through the use of Opportunity Mapping, consistent with the current Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

- DOH continued to prioritize activities and investments in permanent supportive housing using both state and federal resources
- DOH carried out various activities designed to deconcentrate homeless shelters and other congregate forms of housing including moving approximately 60% of the overall shelter census to hotels. As a result, the number of homeless individuals affected by COVID-19 was minimal. DOH continues to implement additional housing programs to move these households to permanent housing.

- **Actions to foster and maintain affordable housing**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to foster and maintain affordable housing:*

- In the last year, the Department has created or preserved more than 2,100 affordable housing units. In addition, there are more than 3,539 additional units that are currently under construction, representing state investment of more than \$152,962,830, leveraging more than \$841,929,728 in private investment.
- DOH prioritized the investment of \$9M in CDBG-SC for the preservation of existing affordable housing.
- DOH provided \$554,905 in round 2 for the affordable housing technical assistance grants to promote local planning for affordable housing development

- **Actions to eliminate barriers to affordable housing**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to eliminate barriers to affordable housing:*

DOH continued its association with selected contractors to administer a comprehensive rehabilitation effort through a one-stop process for housing rehabilitation activities including, but not limited to, addressing lead-based paint hazard reduction, code violations, energy conservation improvements and fair housing education. The state's actions to eliminate barriers to affordable housing are discussed in Section II; subsection G. (Continuing Efforts to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing) of this document. Under the Home Program, DOH continues to require that all rehabilitated or developed affordable housing activities be marketed in an affirmative and non-discriminatory manner, with an emphasis on marketing to those least likely to apply.

- **Actions to overcome gaps in institutional structures and enhance coordination**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to overcome gaps in institutional structures and enhance coordination:*

During PY21 DOH continued its participation in various planning committees, and steering groups in order to foster improved coordination between institutional groups and overcome gaps in institutional structures. These included: The Long Term Care Planning Committee; Assisted Living Demonstration Interagency Team; Balance of State – Continuum of Care Steering Committee; Multifamily Advisory Committee; Interagency Council on Supportive Housing and Homelessness; Connecticut Housing Coalition Steering Committee; Connecticut Healthy Homes Inter-Organizational Partners; and the CCEH Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Task Force



- **Actions to improve public housing and resident initiatives**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to improve public housing and resident initiatives:*

During the program year the State made housing related activities a priority and DOH worked closely with public housing authorities to assist in bringing them up to standard. This included projects that added bedrooms to small elderly units, provided services to residents, maintained properties by updating heating systems and completing structural improvements such as roof repairs, energy efficient windows and security improvements such as installation of lighting and electronic systems. The State continued to support the Resident Participation and Rights Act, codified under section 8-64c of the Connecticut General Statutes, that further strengthen tenant's rights in public housing projects, through the formal adoption of regulations - [eRegulations - Home \(ct.gov\)](#)

- **Actions to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards:*

During PY21 DOH continued its efforts to reduce the hazards of lead-based paint through a coordinated outreach effort to provide lead-based paint hazard reduction information to rehabilitation and construction contractors. The 2017 Healthy Homes project contracted in total 219 units, with 49 of those units in the 21-22 contract year. In addition, SC/CDBG funds used to support homeownership rehabilitation loans were increased to absorb the costs associated with the lead-based paint hazard reduction methods requirements. For the HOME program, all rehabilitation activities both rental and homeowner require that lead based paint hazards be remediated in all units and abated wherever possible.

- **Actions to ensure compliance with program and comprehensive planning requirements (including monitoring)**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to ensure compliance with program and comprehensive planning requirements (including monitoring):*

The DOH provided 17 Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan for Continuum of Care Applications during the program year. However, five (5) "Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan" were provided under other circumstances.

DOH contracted the Connecticut Fair Housing Center to train more than 163 shelter staff on the fair housing laws to ensure that they are not denying anyone shelter for illegal discriminatory reasons. DOH held one SC/CDBG workshop on the agency's competitive application process on March 15, 2022 with intent to apply by April 8, 2022 and applications due May 20, 2022 (including updating the audience on the fair housing laws and affirmatively furthering fair housing). DOH has slated CDBG 101 for October 18-21, 2022 and CGA Training /Environmental Review Training – October 25-27, 2022.

Due to COVID, DOH did not conduct monitoring visits or Fair Housing/Civil Rights visits for the SC/CDBG program, or physical inspections and/or income test monitoring visits for the HOME program

- **Actions to reduce the number of persons living below the poverty level (anti-poverty strategy)**

*The following actions were taken in the program year to reduce the number of persons living below the poverty level:*

The five programs covered by the state's Consolidated Plan – SC/CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA and NHTF – directly support the overall State Anti-Poverty Strategy by addressing the housing and/or non-housing community development needs of persons at or below the poverty level. All of the activities undertaken by the state under these programs (as articulated further with in this document) during the program year furthered the state's effort to reduce the number of persons living below the poverty level.

### **Anti-Poverty Strategy:**

In addition to the five programs covered by the ConPlan, the State, through several agencies and organizations, employs numerous policies and programs to reduce the number of families in the state living at or below the poverty level. These programs and the organizations that administer them are described within the Institutional Structure section of state's ConPlan.

Additionally, the State has several statutory and federally mandated interrelated plans that further articulate and constitute the State's Anti- Poverty Strategy. These plans include, but are not limited to, those enumerated below each of which is more fully described on the website for which links are provided in their brief description:

- **[Child Poverty and Prevention Council Progress Report 2014](#)**

The statutory purpose of the Child Poverty and Prevention Council is to develop and promote the implementation of a ten-year plan to reduce the number of children living in poverty in the state by fifty percent; and establish prevention goals and recommendations and measure prevention service outcomes to promote the health and well-being of children and families.
- **[2021 Connecticut Economic Action Plan](#)**

This plan is a strategic plan that reviews numerous factors that influence the state's economic climate, from its transportation network, housing market and education system to its relative tax burden, energy costs and health care system. The plan then recommends specific strategies and initiatives for the future.
- **[State of Connecticut 2020-24 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development](#)**

In accordance with Section 8-37t of the Connecticut General Statutes and 24 CFR Part 91, Connecticut's Consolidated Plan for Community Development provides the framework for the allocation of federal formula grant funding and describes the methods for the intended distribution of state resources, to address the housing and community development needs of extremely low-, low- and moderate-income households in the state over the next five years. This plan is the basis for the policies, strategies, goals and objectives which will be implemented by the State of Connecticut with regard to housing and housing related activities.
- **[2018- 2023 Revised-State CD Plan](#)**

Conservation & Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut 2018-2023 is presented by the Secretary of Office and Policy Management to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development in accordance with Section 16a-29 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS).

- [CT TANF State Plan 2021-2023](#)

This plan describes Connecticut's programs that furnish financial assistance and services to needy families in a manner to fulfill the purposes of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. Connecticut administers a variety of programs through a number of state agencies under the TANF program.

- [Administrative Plan for the Rental Assistance Payments Program "RAP" July 1, 2019](#)

This plan outlines how the State administers, through DOH, the Rental Assistance Program (RAP). RAP, created by legislation in 1985 through Substitute Senate Bill No. 883, is intended to supplement the Federal Section 8 Housing Program (now known as the Housing Choice Voucher Program) by providing an opportunity for low-income families to live in decent, safe and sanitary housing (see sections 17b-812-1 through 17b-812-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies). The program requirements are described in and implemented through this administrative plan.

- [Connecticut Child Care Development Fund \(CCDF\) Plan FY 2022-2024](#)

The Plan describes the CCDF program to be administered by Connecticut as conditionally approved by OCC. The Plan serves as the application for CCDF funds by providing a description of, and assurance about, the grantee's child care program and all services available to eligible families.

- [Connecticut Children's Behavioral Health Plan - 2021 Annual Report](#)

This plan fulfills the requirements of Public Act 13-127, one part of the Connecticut General Assembly's response to the tragedy in Newtown in December 2012. The Legislation called for the development of a "comprehensive implementation plan, across agency and policy areas, for meeting the mental, emotional and behavioral health needs of all children in the state, and preventing or reducing the long-term negative impact of mental, emotional and behavioral health issues of children." This Plan provides Connecticut with a unique and timely opportunity to align policy and systems to support youth and families and to promote healthy development for all our children.

- [Connecticut Department of Developmental Services Five Year Plan 22-27](#)

This plan is a comprehensive five- year plan that serves as a strategic statement of the DDS's direction and an outline of its priorities in carrying out its mission to improve the quality of life for citizens of Connecticut who have disabilities.

- [Partnership for Strong Communities - Opening Doors](#)

Opening Doors is a framework to prevent and end homelessness in Connecticut that is aligned with the Federal Opening Doors plan to end homelessness. The leadership structure for planning and oversight of Opening Doors – CT is the Reaching Home Campaign, which is guided by the vision that no one should experience homelessness and that no one should be without a safe, stable place to call home.

## **I. Assessment of Progress**

Connecticut's 2020-24 Consolidated Plan and subsequent Action Plans outline overarching Principles, Goals, Strategies, Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes, and Indicators based on HUD's Outcome Performance Measurement System for Community Planning and Development Formula Grant Programs as contained in the Federal Register dated March 7, 2006 (Volume 71, Number 44). The state continues to make available HOME, SC/CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, and NHTF funds to eligible recipients based on the priorities set forth in the state's 2020-24 ConPlan and this document.

Below is a summary of the Performance Measures as contained in the 2020-24 ConPlan, which serve as an outline of the annual proposed accomplishments for the 2021-22 Action Plan.

The State of Connecticut, through the Department of Housing, is committed to ensuring everyone has access to quality housing opportunities and options throughout the State of Connecticut. Housing developments clustered around pedestrian-friendly areas, in close proximity to employment and commercial centers, schools, public transportation, and around established infrastructure are an emphasis. Connecticut will revitalize its urban and regional centers with mixed-use, mixed-income housing and community development, providing a safe and clean environment to attract an economically and socially diverse workforce. Chronic homelessness and chronic veteran's homelessness continue to be a priority. The state recognizes that a realistic and comprehensive housing and community development strategy is vital to the future prosperity of Connecticut and that serious challenges continue to be present that must be addressed if Connecticut is to remain competitive and maintain its quality of life.

Housing is a key component of attaining and sustaining local viability and, community health and ensuring a thriving community. Ensuring affordable housing options for both owners and renters is an important contributing factor to future community health. Additionally, many of Connecticut's most vulnerable citizens are in need of quality affordable housing with the availability of services. In order to address these needs, it is important to add new housing as well as preserve affordable housing presently serving households in need in a coordinated and efficient manner.

Housing development is linked to Connecticut's other public policy areas which include, education, transportation, energy cost and availability, public health and safety, environmental quality, and economic development. These areas are not independent of each other. They are interconnected and interdependent. Just as transportation is not just a network of roads and bridges, housing is not just shelter. It is an integral part of the state's socio-economic fabric. Public policy and investment decisions made in one area directly and indirectly impact the other areas. As such, the state must comprehensively consider these relationships and take a multifaceted and balanced approach to addressing Connecticut's housing and community development needs.

Responsible Development and Sustainable Communities' principles consider and connect all of the aforementioned public policy areas. These principles are in conformance with the state's Conservation and Development Policies Plan for Connecticut (C&D Plan), and the current Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. Because Responsible Growth and Sustainable Communities principles make the most efficient uses of energy, land, travel time and other societal resources over the long-term they are incorporated into the state's

Consolidated Plan. The state will use its federal formula grant funding and state resources to address Connecticut's housing and community development needs through the application of Responsible Growth and Sustainable Communities principles and by giving funding priority to projects that address multiple needs and leverage existing infrastructure and resources.

To this end, DOH and CHFA continue to carry out the state's fair housing strategy in order to promote equal housing opportunity for all of Connecticut's citizens and increase housing choice opportunities through the application of responsible development and livability principles and strategies.

The state is actively working to preserve and increase the supply of quality affordable rental housing available to low-and-moderate-income households and improve the ability of low-and-moderate-income residents to access homeownership opportunities and, within available resources, assist distressed households in maintaining homeownership.

The state continues to emphasize programs targeted at homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing and supportive housing as the primary means to prevent and end homelessness in Connecticut. The state continues to work to expand permanent supportive housing in Connecticut to break the cycle of long-term, chronic homelessness.

The state is working to revitalize communities by providing communities in need with: assistance to undertake housing, community and economic development initiatives; and assistance to help undertake community infrastructure, facility, and service projects affecting public health, safety and welfare.

The state continues to encourage the maximization of existing infrastructure and resources and the re-use of blighted and brownfield properties through the application of responsible growth principles and strategies and provide incentives for community revitalization efforts as per the state's responsible growth strategies and the growth management policies specified in the new Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut 2018-2023.

## **A. OVERARCHING GOALS**

The overall goal of the programs covered by this section of the plan is to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons and where applicable extremely low-income persons. The primary means towards this end is to extend and strengthen partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including for-profit and non-profit organizations, in the production, preservation and operation of affordable housing.

Goals:

1. Work To Ensure Decent Housing Is Available To All.

Decent housing includes assisting homeless persons to obtain appropriate housing and assisting persons at risk of becoming homeless; retention of the affordable housing stock; and increasing the availability of permanent housing in standard condition and affordable cost to low-income and moderate-income families, particularly to members of disadvantaged minorities, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. Decent housing also includes increasing the supply of supportive housing, which combines structural features and services needed to enable persons with special needs, including persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, to live with dignity and

independence; and providing housing affordable to low-income persons accessible to job opportunities.

2. Work to Ensure That All of the State's Residents Live in a Suitable Living Environment.  
A suitable living environment includes improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods; increasing access to quality public and private facilities and services; reducing the isolation of income groups within a community or geographical area through the spatial de-concentration of housing opportunities for persons of lower income and the revitalization of deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods; restoring and preserving properties of special historic, architectural, or aesthetic value; and conservation of energy resources.
3. Work to Ensure That All of the State's Residents Have Access to Economic Opportunities.  
Expanded economic opportunities includes job creation and retention; establishment, stabilization and expansion of small businesses (including micro businesses); the provision of public services concerned with employment; the provision of jobs involved in carrying out activities under programs covered by this plan to low-income persons living in areas affected by those programs and activities; availability of mortgage financing for low-income persons at reasonable rates using nondiscriminatory lending practices; access to capital and credit for development activities that promote the long-term economic and social viability of the community; and empowerment and self-sufficiency opportunities for low-income persons to reduce generational poverty in federally assisted and public housing.

*Note: Different programs have different income group targets. For the purposes of this document, when used with regard to funding activities and/or with goals and objectives, the terms "low-income", "low and moderate income", "low-moderate income" and "low-mod income" include the "very low" and "extremely low" income groups as directed by federal regulations for the programs that specifically target such groups. Please see the Code of Federal Regulations for specific guidance with the applicability of such targets.*

### **Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes, and Indicators**

Each goal is supported by specific objectives (objectives are either specific actions to be taken or specific milestones to be achieved) designed to help achieve the goal. Each of these objectives is, in turn, followed by an output a corresponding proposed outcome and an indicator. Outputs are the products of the activities undertaken to meet the objectives and outcomes are the benefits that result from undertaking those activities. Indicators are the metric that will gauge the performance of the state in meeting the objectives and ultimately the goal to which they relate.

### **Basis for Assigning Priority**

Each objective also has a proposed funding source (or sources), a targeted population and geographic target, and a priority rating. Each objective is supported by a brief discussion of the need/basis for assigning the priority and identifying obstacles to meeting underserved needs summarized from the Needs Assessment and Housing Market Analysis sections of the Consolidated Plan.

Priority ratings were established after a thorough examination of Connecticut's housing and community development needs and the state's current and historical housing market. Based on the state's review of all relevant and available data, specific issues were selected at the

Department of Housing. Issues chosen to be assigned high priority funding status within this plan were selected based on four primary factors: (1) the primary eligibility criteria of the respective funding; (2) the availability of “other” funds to address the issue, (3) the issue’s relative demonstrated need (as identified in the needs assessment), and (4) the impact of the issue on the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

### **High Priority Needs and Funding**

As stated above, only those issues deemed to be a high priority to the state have been identified in this plan. All other issues are, by default, deemed to be a lower priority in terms of federal funding attention.

This does not exclude the state from funding lower priority projects. The high priority designation serves to emphasize to the public, the areas in which the state will concentrate its efforts over the next five years, in terms of housing and community development. Further, it defines where the state will focus its usage of the federal funds accessed through the five state administered federal programs governed by this plan.

A proposed project that addresses a high priority need is not guaranteed funding based solely on the fact that it will address a high priority need. All projects funded by the state must be financially and logistically feasible as well as meet all of the eligibility criteria of the proposed funding source. When two or more projects are competing for funding dollars (all things being equal), the project addressing the high priority need will be given funding preference.

Note: for the purposes of this plan, “Other Funds” include all available state, federal or private funds other than those allocated to the state under the CDBG, ESG, HOME, HOPWA and NHTF programs.

### **Geographic Targeting**

The state targets its federal funds to certain geographic areas consistent with the priorities set in the recommended State Plan of Conservation and Development, except as prohibited by federal or state law. For example, the state's allocation of SC/CDBG and ESG funds may only be used in non-entitlement areas. However, since there is a major emphasis on directing resources to areas in need of revitalization, resources are focused, to the greatest extent possible, in targeted areas.

The existing Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher/Certificate, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation, Resident Service Coordinator grant, Elderly Rental Assistance Payments, State Rental Assistance Payments, and other “housing support” programs are exempt from the state’s geographic targeting.

The following federal resources will be directed toward specific geographic areas as described below:

- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - Emergency Solutions Grant funds are awarded through a formula established by the federal government. The state's allocation of ESG funds may be used anywhere in Connecticut without restriction.
- Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) - The HOME Program was established under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The state's allocation of HOME funds may be used anywhere within the State of Connecticut.

- Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (FLIHTC) - Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits may be used anywhere within the State of Connecticut. However, in accordance with federal law, states are required to develop allocation criteria that disperse the tax credits across the state through an IRS-approved competitive process. CHFA is Connecticut's tax credit administering agency and has an approved competitive process that allows points to be given to rental housing projects. CHFA's allocation plan must be consistent with the recommended State Plan of Conservation and Development.
- Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (SC/CDBG) – Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funds are awarded through a formula established by the federal government. The state's allocation of SC/CDBG funds may not be used in the following jurisdictions: Bridgeport, Bristol, Danbury, East Hartford, Fairfield, Greenwich, Hamden, Hartford, Manchester, Meriden, Middletown, Milford Town, New Britain, New Haven, New London, Norwalk, Norwich, Stamford, Stratford, Waterbury, West Hartford, West Haven. These jurisdictions receive their own allocations of CDBG funds directly from the federal government and are not eligible for use of the state allocation designated for small cities.
- The majority of HOPWA dollars allocated to Connecticut are apportioned through the Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA) of Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven and their surrounding areas. DOH receives a small amount of “Balance of State Dollars” and uses a competitive procurement process for HOPWA services to ensure statewide coverage for the balance of state catchment area: Windham County, New London County, Middlesex County and Litchfield County.
- National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF) – Funding will be available in all 169 communities. Priority will be given to activities in higher opportunity areas as demonstrated through Opportunity Mapping at the DOH website in accordance with the most recent Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. Priority will be given to applications for projects in the higher "opportunity areas.”

## **B. PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT**

### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

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#### **Goal**

Enhance a suitable living environment, create decent housing, provide economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons and address the shelter, housing and service needs of the homeless, those threatened with homelessness with an emphasis on ending chronic homelessness and preventing future homelessness.



## ***Affordable Housing Strategies***

### **Fair Housing and Housing Choice**

Fair housing initiatives promote equal housing opportunity for all of Connecticut's citizens and increase housing choice opportunities through the application of responsible development principles and strategies.

Consistent with the recommendations in the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, the state will implement the following strategies, within available programs and appropriations:

1. Collaborate with other State Agencies to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing
2. Convene stakeholders to review proposed legislative solutions to existing impediments to fair housing choice
3. Ensure State and local planning documents affirmatively further fair housing
4. Maximize the effectiveness of State programs that promote mobility
5. Promote fair housing enforcement and education
6. Encourage the creation and rehabilitation of affordable housing in a variety of locations
7. In cooperation with the Fair Housing Enforcement Office of HUD, the state will endeavor to redraft and update the Connecticut Fair Housing Regulations, and
8. Initiate testing and use of the Connecticut Opportunity Map

### **Supply of Quality Affordable Housing**

The state will work to preserve and increase the supply of quality affordable rental housing available to low- and moderate-income households and improve the ability of low- and moderate-income residents to access homeownership opportunities and, within available resources, assist distressed households in maintaining homeownership. While increasing the supply of low- and moderate income homes available for ownership, the quality of the living environment can be improved by incorporating responsible development strategies such as mixed-use and transit-oriented developments.

The following strategies and goals will help to preserve and expand the supply of quality affordable rental housing and to expand and maintain homeownership:

- Interdepartmental Cooperation - DOH will work cooperatively with other state agencies over the next five years in its effort to not only provide quality affordable housing, but to rebuild ailing urban and suburban centers into healthy communities.
- Support Other Housing Providers - DOH and CHFA will, to the extent possible, support the applications of housing providers for affordable housing funds for which DOH is not an eligible applicant. This includes support for persons and organizations applying for Section 202, Continuum of Care grants, Federal Historic Tax Credits, USDA, and other federal and private funding.
- Financial Resources – DOH, CHFA, and the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will continue to work at the state and federal level to increase the amount of resources available to build or renovate quality affordable housing.

- Low Income Housing Tax Credits - CHFA, through revision of the Low Income Tax Credit Qualified Allocation Plan will ensure that the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program addresses the needs and priorities of this Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development.
- Rental Housing – DOH and CHFA will individually and jointly finance quality affordable new rental housing and preserve existing state-assisted and/or CHFA financed housing stock by using private, federal, local, and state resources.
- Housing Rehabilitation - DOH will use its Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (SC/CDBG) program, as well as other programs, to rehabilitate eligible owner-occupied and small rental housing.
- Homeownership Counseling - CHFA will continue its counseling process for first time borrowers to reduce default rates and will also work to reduce single family delinquencies and foreclosures through proactive intervention indicators.
- Homeownership for Persons with Disabilities – DMHAS, DSS, DOH, and CHFA will promote homeownership opportunities for persons with disabilities who have been unable to access private financing.
- Mortgage Assistance - CHFA will continue to implement the Emergency Mortgage Assistance and CT FAMILIES (Connecticut Fair Alternative Mortgage Lending Initiative & Education Services) program as well as counseling initiatives and mediation efforts to assist economically distressed households maintain homeownership.
- Encourage and promote mixed use and transit-oriented development. To these ends the DOH will prioritize funding requests for affordable housing projects that include mixed-uses and/or are located close to public transportation facilities and are on established bus routes.
- Encourage and support municipal efforts to create higher density residential zoning districts through the Incentive Housing Zone Program and other programs.
- Green Building - Encourage green building by the use of sustainable construction in new buildings that meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards or similar standards and through the use of tax credits, and in coordination with the Green Bank.
- Healthy Homes - DOH, CHFA, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), the Department of Public Health (DPH), DSS, local governments and property owners will work to help abate lead paint through the Connecticut Lead Action for Medicaid Primary Prevention Project (LAMPP) or other similar programs and work with DPH on the implementation of its 'Healthy Homes Initiative' which has been designed to promote and mainstream healthy housing principles to ensure that Connecticut's housing supply is dry, clean, pest-free, ventilated, safe, without contaminants, maintained and accessible.
- Continued use of the Connecticut Opportunity Map.

## **2022-2023 Affordable Housing Objectives**

### **Fair Housing and Housing Choice**

In the 2022-23 fiscal year of the ConPlan, the state will focus its resources to achieve the following:

- Within available appropriations, the DOH will continue to support the Connecticut Fair Housing Center with their efforts to assist the State of Connecticut to fulfill the recommendations in the state's AI for state level action.
- DOH will continue to conduct regular monitoring of its funding recipients in the areas of civil rights and fair housing and enforcement.
- Update and redraft the Connecticut Fair Housing Regulations consistent with guidance from the Fair Housing Enforcement Office HUD.

### **Quality Affordable Housing**

In the 2022-2023 fiscal year of the 2020-24 ConPlan, the state will focus its resources to achieve the following:

With Regard to New Affordable Rental Housing

- DOH will work to create 1,000 new quality affordable rental housing units.

With Regard to New Homeownership Opportunities

- DOH will work to create 100 new affordable homeownership opportunities.

With Regard to Preserving Existing Affordable Rental Units

- DOH will work to preserve 1,000 existing affordable rental housing units.

With Regard to Maintaining Homeownership

- DOH will work to maintain homeownership for 60 households.

The above referenced figures were based on historic program performance, current unit production costs and anticipated financial resources at the time the 2020-24 ConPlan was developed.

## **Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives of the Consolidated Plan and associated Action Plan. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

*To achieve the aforementioned one year Objectives for Affordable Housing Strategies, the state will endeavor to undertake a combination of the following activities, initiatives and specific objectives:*

**Objective 1:**

Enhance suitable living environments for low- and moderate-income through Fair Housing and Housing Choice.

**Output:**

- Within available resources, fund the activities of the Fair Housing Center related to outreach and education with an emphasis on preventing discrimination and increasing housing choice opportunities annually.
- Improve availability/accessibility by supporting the construction and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing for ELI.
- Improved availability/accessibility and affordability by promoting and funding at least one inter-municipal or regional partnership for a housing and/or community development project that benefits low- and moderate-income persons/households to increase housing choice.
- Continue to fund mobility counseling/tenant education programs to encourage/assist/educate approximately 7,596 DOH Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (S8 HCV) and 5,559 State Rental Assistance Payments Program (RAP) participants with moves to areas of higher opportunity.
- Support the upgrading of existing infrastructure within areas where the majority of residents are of low-and-moderate-income to increase housing choice.
- Support up to five infrastructure projects to include reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, water lines, and drainage problems in predominately low-and-moderate-income areas.
- Improve availability/accessibility by supporting the construction and/or rehabilitation and/or expansion of five existing public facilities that primarily serve low-and-moderate-income persons, including but not limited to: transitional housing, battered women shelters, daycare centers, and efforts to meet the needs of the physically handicapped population by supporting projects designed to make current facilities accessible or to provide new facilities for persons with physical disabilities annually.
- Implement TBRA using HOME funds targeted at assisting homeless youths and families with children.

**Outcome:**

- Increased opportunities for housing choice.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of fair housing educational and outreach opportunities achieved.
- Increased housing choice for low-and-moderate-income residents.
- Number of regional projects funded that promote fair housing and further the state's fair housing efforts.
- Number of inter-municipal or regional housing projects supported.
- Number of infrastructure projects conducted per year.
- Number of DOH S8 HCV and RAP participants educated through this program that move to areas of de-concentrated poverty.
- Number of DOH S8 HCV and RAP participant moves from an area of very low or low opportunity to a higher opportunity area.
- Number of HOME TBRA participants.

**Objective 2:**

Enhance suitable living environments through the creation of decent affordable housing.

**Output:**

- Produce up to 1,000 newly constructed or rehabilitated rental units that serve households.
- Produce up to 100 newly constructed or created homeowner units that serve low-and-moderate income households.
- Rehabilitate up to 100 homeowner units that serve low-and-moderate income households.
- Preserve up to 1000 rental units that serve low- and moderate-income households.
- Fund up to one single-family moderate rehabilitation program.
- Create and/or preserve up to 100 residential units through the adaptive re-use of historic structures.
- Support energy conservation/efficiency activities that would primarily serve low-and-moderate-income persons.

**Outcome:**

Increased rental opportunities that serve ELI, low-and-moderate income households in a variety of geographies.

**Indicators:**

- Number of newly constructed rental units.
- Number of newly rehabilitated rental units.
- Number of new multifamily housing units created in areas of high opportunity.
- Number of residential units created/preserved by re-use of historic structures.
- Number of energy efficiency programs funded each year.

**Outcome:**

Increased homeowner housing opportunities that serve low-and-moderate income households in a variety of geographies.

**Indicators:**

- Number of newly constructed ownership units.
- Number of newly rehabilitated ownership units.
- Number of single-family moderate rehabilitation programs funded each year.
- Number of single-family units rehabbed each year.
- Number of residential units created/preserved by re-use of historic structures.
- Number of energy efficiency programs funded each year.

### **Objective 3:**

To enhance suitable living environments through financial intermediaries.

### **Output:**

- Provide economic opportunities in the form of rent subsidies.
- Provide economic opportunities in the form of mortgage assistance.
- Assign priority consideration to the creation of flexible mechanisms that include gap financing and regulatory relief so that the production of affordable homeownership units can be significantly increased throughout the state.
- Produce affordable homeownership units through increased funding flexibility and reduced regulatory burden.
- Coordinate grants and loans from the Housing Trust Fund, Affordable Housing (AHP) and HOME Programs, treating each pool of funding as a source of flexible capital.
- Develop housing projects by allowing developers to seek subsidized capital from a pool of flexible capital.
- Promote and leverage transit oriented development, mixed-use development, brownfield redevelopment and other responsible development principles and strategies.

### **Outcome:**

Expansion of access to rental and homeowner housing that serves low-and-moderate income households.

### **Indicators:**

- Number of rent subsidies.
- Number of mortgage assistance.
- Number of at risk properties identified.
- Number of homeowners assisted.
- Number of mortgages purchased annually in federally targeted urban areas.
- Number of program and investment partnerships created.
- Leverage of CHFA's current programs and leverage of local, state and federal resources.
- Number of moderate and high income households encouraged to move to urban neighborhoods through the creation of a homestead tax exemption.
- Number of rental housing units constructed, rehabbed or preserved using CHFA's multi-family housing development mortgage programs and tax credit equity funding programs.
- Number of housing units funded using CHFA's Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program and tax-exempt bonds.
- Number of housing projects developed through pools of flexible capital.
- Number of affordable homeownership units produced through flexible mechanisms and regulatory relief.

<b>Geographic Distribution &amp; Relative Priority</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	HOME, State, Section 8 HCV	Low-Mod Income	Statewide
Objective 2	HOME, State, CHFA, CDBG, State/Federal Weatherization Programs	Low-Mod Income, CHFA Targeted Populations	Statewide, CHFA Targeted Areas, CDBG Eligible Communities, Statewide
Objective 3	HOME, State, CHFA	Low-Mod Income, CHFA Targeted Populations	Statewide, CHFA Targeted Areas,

## **PUBLIC HOUSING**

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### **Goal**

Provide decent housing and enhance suitable living environments for residents of public housing.

### **Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives of the Consolidated Plan. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

*The unit counts presented in relation to the Public Housing Objectives enumerated below are not in addition to the unit counts stated in the Affordable Housing section of this plan. As stated above funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. In order to fulfill the stated Public Housing Goal the state will endeavor to undertake a combination of the following activities, initiatives and specific objectives:*

#### **Objective 1:**

Address the housing needs of residents of public housing through preservation of existing housing units, the creation of replacement units and additional rent subsidies.

#### **Output:**

- Preserve federally assisted housing units annually by working with current owners and prospective purchasers of these projects to retain them in service to low-income households over the long-term with a focus on projects nearing the end of their current mortgage service periods and those in need of capital reinvestment to provide quality rental housing through a new extended use period.
- Invest in the maintenance/rehabilitation/modernization of 1,000 existing publicly-assisted rental housing units annually to preserve them as a long-term resource.
- Preserve or replace state or federally assisted housing units annually by working with current owners and prospective developers of these projects to retain them in service

to low-income households with a focus on projects in need of capital reinvestment to provide quality rental housing through a new extended use period.

- Encourage local public housing authorities and DOH to respond to all notices of funding availability from HUD to increase the supply of Federal Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers by 50 new vouchers.

**Outcome:**

- New/improved availability/accessibility and affordability in public housing.

**Indicators:**

- Number of public housing units preserved/rehabilitated annually.
- Number of units and properties redeveloped and maintained via capital funding each year.
- Number and amount of new funding opportunities identified and developed annually.
- Number of new Section 8 vouchers each year.

<b>Geographic Distribution &amp; Relative Priority</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State SC/CDBG HOME CHFA Section 8	Low-Mod Income, CHFA Targeted Populations	State-Wide, CHFA Targeted Areas, SC/CDBG Eligible Communities

**HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION & SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**

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**GOAL**

Enhance suitable living environment, create decent housing, and address the shelter, housing and service needs of the homeless, and those threatened with homelessness with an emphasis on ending chronic homelessness, including veteran’s homelessness, as well as preventing future homelessness.

**OBJECTIVES, OUTPUTS, OUTCOMES AND INDICATORS**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives of the Consolidated Plan. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

**Objective 1:**

Enhance suitable living environments to expand the Rapid Re-housing Program (RRP) services. The reoccurrence of homelessness is reduced and those experiencing homelessness are quickly transitioning into permanent housing. Additionally homelessness is averted for those individuals and families in danger of becoming homeless.



**Output:**

- Utilize all eligible resources administered by the DOH to reduce the reoccurrence of homelessness by assisting families who are leaving homeless shelters and transitional living programs to achieve housing stability by providing support services.
- Increase awareness of the service community for the need to have more flexible and diverse service for changing populations.
- Continue RRP to promote quick access to housing for those who are eligible.
- Utilize the Coordinated Access Network (CAN) to produce better placements and outcomes for the most vulnerable individuals in need as assistance.
- Implement the CT811 PRA program to locate project-based rental subsidies in areas where community-based services are available.
- Carry out the Homeless Prevention and Response Fund which will provide forgivable loans and grants to landlords to renovate multifamily homes in exchange for participation in the scattered site supportive housing program or the rapid re-housing program.

**Outcome:**

Eliminate chronic homelessness, and veteran's homelessness, and reduce the occurrence of homelessness in individuals/families/youth.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of homelessness reoccurrences among assisted families leaving shelters and transitional living programs.
- Increases in efficiency or elimination of duplications identified.
- Timely placement of the most vulnerable individuals/families.
- Number of clients served by DSS, DCF and DHMAS through homeless prevention, rapid re-housing and follow-up services is increased.

**Objective 2:**

Enhance suitable living environments that assist families and individuals to remain in permanent housing.

**Output:**

- Maintain the state-funded Eviction Foreclosure Prevention Program that assists families and individuals to remain in permanent housing.
- Increase the supply of permanent supportive housing opportunities for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless, particularly those with special needs by providing financing for renovation of existing buildings. Create 50 new supportive housing units.
- Improve coordination and consistency across the CANs.
- Make available funds for a statewide or series of public service activities designed to prevent homelessness.

**Outcome:**

New and improved sustainability in permanent housing for at risk families and individuals.

**Indicator(s):**

- Funding level and dollars committed to the Eviction Foreclosure Prevention Program.
- Number of at risk families and individuals assisted and remain in permanent housing.
- Number of supportive housing units created.
- Number of project-based rental subsidies placed.

**Objective 3:**

Continue prioritizing homelessness, while prioritizing families and youths.

**Output:**

- Place all known homeless veterans, families, and youth in permanent supportive housing or in service-enhanced housing with subsidies.

**Outcome:**

- All known homeless veterans, families, and youth are placed in permanent supportive housing or in service-enhanced housing with subsidies.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of veterans, families, and youth using a VASH voucher.
- Number of veterans, families, and youth placed in permanent supportive housing.

**Objective 4:**

Maintain the state’s network of “Homeless Shelters.”

**Output:**

- Continue to fund “Homeless Shelters” across the state.

**Indicator(s):**

- Funding leveraged (ESS/ESG).
- Number of shelters DOH funds (ESS/ESG).
- Number of beds by type (men, women, children) (ESS/ESG).
- Number of clients (ESS/ESG).
- Number of services/type provided (ESS/ESG).

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	MFP, State, CT811 PRA, ESS/ESG	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	EFPP, State, ESS/ESG, TANF	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 3	MFP, State, CT811 PRA, VASH	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 4	ESS/ESG, State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

## **OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS**

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### **GOAL**

Create decent housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons with special needs.

### **Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives of the Consolidated Plan. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

### ***Special Needs – General***

#### **Objective 1:**

Improve coordination of the efforts of state agencies and quasi-public entities involved in housing and the provision of social services to persons with special needs.

#### **Output:**

- Participate in Interagency Councils and/or Interagency Committees that meet regularly to insure coordination of efforts for persons with special needs.

#### **Outcome:**

- Coordination between state agencies and quasi-public entities is increased, maintained and sustained leading to more efficient, timely and targeted use of resources which will ultimately lead to more special needs persons being assisted.

#### **Indicator(s):**

- Number of special needs persons assisted over time.

#### **Objective 2:**

Support and promote the coordination of multiple agency resources and inter-agency cooperation.

#### **Output:**

- Utilize the various agency plans to identify opportunities for coordination between state agencies.

#### **Outcome:**

- Agency priorities are better aligned, and efficiencies are implemented resulting in more efficient, timely and targeted use of resources which will ultimately lead to more special needs persons being assisted.

#### **Indicator(s):**

- Number of special needs persons assisted over time.

**Objective 3:**

Provide permanent housing, employment and support services, and rental subsidies to meet the needs of each individual by providing appropriate services which anticipate client needs and address changes in age, health, income and other circumstances to ensure long-term housing stability and independence.

**Output:**

- Link permanent housing, employment and support services, and rental subsidies programs to meet the needs of each individual.

**Outcome:**

- Improved delivery and effectiveness of programs and services.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of clients that received appropriate services across programs.
- Change in the number of clients that received appropriate services over time.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 3	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

***Older Adults and Frail Older Adults***

**Objective 1:**

Maintain the housing choice opportunities for older adults and frail older adults, including access to appropriate services.

**Output:**

- Provide funding to preserve existing housing opportunities that serve older adults and frail older adults.
- Promote cross-population of housing and service options through a continuum of opportunities in one location (rental – congregate – assisted living – nursing facility).

**Outcome:**

- Older adults and frail older adults are able to live within their community of choice in quality, accessible, affordable housing and obtain the services they need to do so.

**Indicator(s):**

- Vacancy rate at existing facilities.
- Number of clients being served by each program.
- Average age of occupant by facility.

**Objective 2:**

Promote efficiency in service delivery to older adults and frail older adults.

**Output:**

- Increase client caseload per case manager.

**Outcome:**

- More older adults and frail older adults will receive assistance and be able to live independently longer with a higher quality of life.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of new client cases managed.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

***Persons with Disabilities***

**Objective 1:**

Increase the number of linkages among federal agencies, state agencies and consumers in providing resources to continue family cohesion with those individuals with disabilities through placement in stable living situations and providing them with appropriate supportive services.

**Output:**

- Increase and/or maintain linkages among federal agencies, state agencies and consumers.

**Outcome:**

- Family cohesion with those individuals with disabilities is increased which ultimately increases quality of life for all members.

**Indicator:**

- Number of families with individuals with disabilities that are placed in a stable living situations with appropriate services.

**Objective 2:**

Increase the accessibility of DMHAS provided client support services connected to affordable housing for individuals with disabilities.

**Output:**

- The number of individuals with disabilities receiving DMHAS support services tied to affordable housing is increased.

**Outcome:**

- Accessible, affordable housing is made available to individuals with disabilities that require it. State and federal resources designed to aid disabled persons are coordinated and leveraged increasing the quality of life for the recipients.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of DMHAS clients with disabilities accessing services and affordable housing.
- Measured decrease in average wait period to receive services and affordable housing.
- Year over year change in the number of individuals with disabilities accessing services and affordable housing.

**Objective 3:**

Continue to provide for accessibility modifications.

**Output:**

- Accessibility modifications for 10 to 25 housing units per year are funded.

**Outcome:**

- New/Improved Availability/Accessibility.
- The supply of housing accessible to the disabled is increased providing more housing options for the disabled allowing them to live within the community of their choice.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of accessibility modifications funded.

**Objective 4:**

Expand accessibility modification activities to: 1) specifically target persons with disabilities who are ready and willing to leave nursing facilities and return to community living; and 2) provide a full range of supportive services, including but not limited to employment training, social, health, recreational, housing and transportation services to ensure successful transition and long-term independence.

**Output:**

- Bond funds are provided to complete accessibility modifications for persons leaving nursing facilities under MFP.
- RAP set-aside for up to 50 eligible persons in support of the MFP is established.

**Outcome:**

- Independent living is restored to those capable of living independently with the aid of appropriate support services. Lower costs to the state and increase in the quality of life for these individuals.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of accessibility projects completed.
- Number of persons returned to independent living as a result of accessibility modifications being made.

- Number of eligible persons transitioning from nursing homes provided RAP certificates.

**Objective 5:**

Create a continuum of affordable housing with support services and increase the supply of appropriate housing so that the disabled can live independently within their community of choice.

**Output:**

- Create linkages between various housing types that serve the disabled.
- The number of accessible housing units in the state is increased.

**Outcome:**

- New/improved affordability.
- Independent living is maintained for those capable of living independently with the aid of appropriate support services. Lower costs to the state and increase the quality of life for these individuals.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of linkage opportunities identified.
- Number of linkage opportunities achieved.
- Year over year change in number of clients being transitioned without displacement.
- Number of new accessible housing units created.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State	Low-Mod Income	State-wide
Objective 3	State/HOME/ SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 4	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 5	State/HOME	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

***Persons With HIV/AIDS And Their Families***

**Objective 1:**

Continue to fund existing HIV/AIDS programs and seek additional federal funding for existing HIV/AIDS programs.

**Output:**

- Existing HIV/AIDS programs are maintained and expanded.

**Outcome:**

- New/improved availability/accessibility especially in connection with the CANs.

- Persons living with HIV/AIDS continue to receive appropriate care and services.
- Funding leveraged (beyond HOPWA).
- Number of service providers DOH funds (HOPWA).
- Number of clients receiving assistance (HOPWA).
- Type of assistance (HOPWA).

**Indicator(s):**

- Dollars leveraged/amount of additional funding received.
- Number of people served by the programs.
- Year over year change in the number of clients accessing services.

**Objective 2:**

Increase access to supportive housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS and increase number of clients over five years.

**Output:**

- Number of people accessing supportive housing services is increased by 10.

**Outcome:**

- New/improved availability/accessibility.
- Supportive housing services become available to more persons living with HIV/AIDS.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of people accessing supportive housing services.
- Year over year change in number of people accessing supportive housing services.

**Objective 3:**

Assess the effectiveness of supportive housing programs for people living with HIV/AIDS periodically through the use of performance measures and ongoing mechanisms to track client preferences and needs.

**Output:**

- AIDS/HIV supportive housing programs are evaluated annually and modified as necessary to improve services and benefits to clients.

**Outcome:**

- New/improved availability/accessibility.
- Supportive housing programs become more efficient and effective in helping persons living with HIV/AIDS live longer and better lives.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of evaluations conducted.



<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State/HOPWA	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide/ HOPWA Eligible Communities
Objective 2	State/HOPWA	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide/ HOPWA Eligible Communities
Objective 3	State/HOPWA	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide/ HOPWA Eligible Communities

### ***Persons With Alcohol Or Other Drug Addiction***

#### **Objective 1:**

Continue existing substance abuse programs at levels permitted by funding availability. Link employment services, housing subsidies and long term supportive care to meet the needs of each beneficiary, by adapting services which anticipate and deal with changes in age, health, income and other circumstances. These actions will influence long term stability.

#### **Output:**

- Increase the number of clients who are provided appropriate services.

#### **Outcome:**

- More persons with substance abuse issues receive appropriate care leading to a better quality of life and a lower incidence of the negative consequences and costs associated with substance abuse.

#### **Indicator(s):**

- Number of clients receiving appropriate services.
- Number of substance abuse clients that received appropriate services.
- Year over year change of the number of substance abuse clients that received appropriate services.

#### **Objective 2:**

Increase coordination between care providers to overcome programmatic barriers for linking individuals/families who are coming out of treatment to find permanent housing.

#### **Output:**

- Increase the number of persons with substance abuse issues who are provided permanent housing after coming out of treatment.

#### **Outcome:**

- More persons with substance abuse issues finding permanent housing after coming out of treatment.

#### **Indicator:**

- Number of clients who find permanent housing after coming out of treatment.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

***Ex-Offenders***

**Objective 1:**

Increase the availability of permanent supportive housing as a housing option, assist individuals leaving the correction system, facilitate their integration back into the community. Individuals leaving the corrections system and in need of long-term supports could either immediately, or after living for a short time in a halfway house, live in supportive housing. The Connecticut Department of Correction (DOC) will work with other state agencies to maximize the use of various funding streams to assist persons to reintegrate into their communities after release from DOC facilities.

**Output:**

- The state will work to increase the availability of permanent supportive housing, the number of halfway house beds, and other supervised community placements that will enhance re-entry efforts.
- The state will utilize funding from the Connecticut Collaborative on Re-Entry (CCR) to aid supportive housing efforts which will be targeted to a small set of individuals with high recidivism rates resulting from complex unmet needs, histories of long-term homelessness, chronic health conditions, and untreated mental illness and addiction.

**Outcome:**

- Recidivism rates will be reduced as a result of the increase in the availability of permanent supportive housing, the number of halfway house beds, and other supervised community placements that will enhance re-entry efforts.

**Indicator(s):**

- Year over year change in the number of halfway house beds and other supervised community placements, enhance re-entry efforts, and pilot approaches.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

**NON-HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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**GOAL**

Enhance suitable living environments, create decent housing and provide economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons through community development

activities that promote responsible growth principles to develop viable urban communities and suitable living environments.

**Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives of the Consolidated Plan. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

**Objective 1:**

Enhance suitable living environments, create decent housing and provide economic opportunities by promoting and funding at least one inter-municipal or regional partnership for community development project.

**Output:**

- Support one inter-municipal or regional project per year under the SC/CDBG Program.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- New/Improved availability/accessibility.
- State, local and regional revitalization efforts and resources will be coordinated to maximize return on investment and chances of success.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The vibrancy of our communities will be improved which will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the state.
- Local governments will be encouraged to create, coordinate and implement comprehensive regional cooperative and cost sharing agreements and strategies which develop viable communities and primarily benefit low-and-moderate-income persons.
- Strategies which facilitate the coordination of SC/CDBG funding with other federal/state/local community development resources will be developed and implemented leading to the maximization of return on investment and benefit.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of inter-municipal/regional projects funded under the SC/CDBG program annually.
- Cost savings for local municipalities and the state due to regional partnerships.
- Number of low-and-moderate-income persons served annually.

**Objective 2:**

Enhance suitable living environments by supporting the upgrading of existing infrastructure within areas where the majority of residents are of low- and moderate-income.

**Output:**

- Support up to four infrastructure projects per year under the SC/CDBG program to include reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, water lines, and drainage problems in predominately low- and moderate-income areas.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- New/Improved availability/accessibility.
- Infrastructure projects will assist in the creation of a safe and sanitary living environment, benefit low-and-moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination of slums or blight and provide community facilities and services affecting public health, safety and welfare all of which will lead to a better quality of life for the citizens of the state.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The vibrancy of our communities will be improved which will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the state.
- Local governments will be encouraged to create, coordinate and implement comprehensive local and regional infrastructure improvement strategies which develop viable communities and primarily benefit low-and-moderate-income persons.
- Strategies which facilitate the coordination of SC/CDBG funding with other federal/state/local community development resources will be developed and implemented leading to the maximization of return on investment and benefit.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of infrastructure projects funded under the SC/CDBG program per year.
- Number of low-and-moderate-income persons served annually.

**Objective 3:**

Enhance suitable living environments by supporting the construction and/or rehabilitation and/or expansion of existing public facilities that primarily serve low- and moderate-income persons, including but not limited to: homeless shelters, battered women shelters, daycare centers, and efforts to meet the needs of persons with physical disabilities by supporting projects designed to make current facilities accessible or to provide new facilities that are accessible to persons with physical disabilities.

**Output:**

- Support up to three public facilities projects per year under the SC/CDBG Program.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- New/Improved availability/accessibility.
- Public Facilities projects will assist in the creation of a safe and sanitary living environment, benefit low-and-moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination of slums or blight and provide community facilities and services affecting public health, safety and welfare all of which will lead to a better quality of life for the citizens of the state.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The vibrancy of our communities will be improved which will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the state.
- Local governments will be encouraged to create, coordinate and implement comprehensive local and regional public facility improvement strategies which develop viable communities and primarily benefit low-and-moderate-income persons.

- Strategies which facilitate the coordination of SC/CDBG funding with other federal/state/local community development resources will be developed and implemented leading to the maximization of return on investment and benefit.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of public facilities projects conducted per year.
- Number of low-and-moderate-income persons served annually.

**Objective 4:**

Enhance suitable living environments and create decent housing by supporting energy conservation/efficiency projects that would that primarily serve low-and-moderate-income persons.

**Output:**

- Fund up to two projects per year under state/federal weatherization programs that would improve energy efficiency.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- New/Improved availability/accessibility and/ or affordability.
- Energy costs borne by low- and moderate-income persons and/or by the state will be reduced freeing up resources that can be used to provide other needed assistance to low-and-moderate-income persons.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The state will move closer to energy independence/self-sufficiency, air quality will improve as will the quality of life of the state's citizens.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of low-and-moderate-income persons served annually.
- Number of units with improved energy efficiency annually.

**Objective 5:**

Assist in the creation of a safe and sanitary living environment, benefit low-to moderate-income people, aid in the elimination of slums or blight and provide community facilities and services affecting public health, safety and welfare all of which will lead to a better quality of life for the citizens of the state through the redevelopment of brownfield redevelopment projects.

**Output:**

- Provide federal/state/local community development resources for up to ten brownfield redevelopment projects over the next five-years.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- Brownfield remediation will assist in the creation of a safe and sanitary living environment, benefit low-to moderate- income people, aid in the elimination of slums or blight and provide community facilities and services affecting public health, safety and welfare all of which will lead to a better quality of life for the citizens of the state.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The vibrancy of our communities will be improved which will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the state.
- Local governments will be encouraged to create, coordinate and implement comprehensive local and regional land use and development/redevelopment strategies which develop viable communities and primarily benefit low-and moderate-income persons.
- Strategies which facilitate the coordination of available brownfield remediation resources with other federal/state/local community development resources will be developed and implemented leading to the maximization of return on investment and benefit.
- Will indirectly reduce sprawl due to reuse of land and avoiding development of raw land.

**Indicator(s):**

- Level of funding provided for brownfield redevelopment projects during the next five years.
- Number of brownfield projects undertaken as a result of the funding provided.
- Number of brownfields/acres and/or buildings brought back to productive use.

**Objective 6:**

Implement one Section 108 Program activity in the next five years.

**Output:**

- Identify potential projects eligible for Section 108 Program funding.
- Support one Section 108 program activity on behalf of one non-entitlement community.

**Short-Term Outcome:**

- New/Improved availability/accessibility to funds.
- Creation and/or retention of permanent, private sector job opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons.
- Increased employment opportunities for low-and-moderate-income persons.

**Long-Term Outcome:**

- The vibrancy of our communities will be improved which will in turn enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the state.
- Local governments will be encouraged and assisted in developing comprehensive economic development strategies to create viable communities by providing economic opportunities, principally for low-and-moderate-income persons.
- Strategies which facilitate the coordination of SC/CDBG funding with other federal/state/local community development resources will be developed and implemented leading to the maximization of return on investment and benefit.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of projects funded under the Section 108 Program annually.
- Number of jobs created by Section 108 projects funded annually.
- Percent of jobs created benefiting low-and-moderate-income persons.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State/SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 2	State/SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 3	State/SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 4	State/SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 5	State/SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide/ SC/CDBG Eligible Communities
Objective 6	Section 108	Low-Mod Income	State -Wide

## **COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION**

### **GOAL**

Enhance suitable living environments, create decent housing and provide economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons through community development activities that promote responsible growth principles to develop viable urban communities and suitable living environments.

### **Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

*The unit counts presented in relation to the Community Revitalization Objectives enumerated below are not in addition to the unit counts stated in the Affordable Housing section of this plan. As stated above funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. In order to fulfill the stated Community Revitalization Goals the state will endeavor to undertake a combination of the following activities, initiatives and specific objectives:*

#### **Objective 1:**

Enhance sustainable living environments, create decent housing and provide economic opportunities for low- and moderate- income persons through community revitalization activities that promote responsible growth principals to develop viable urban communities and suitable living environments.

**Output:**

- Consolidate state bond allocations for shovel ready projects.
- Coordinated state agency activities to encourage and promote support of one Community Revitalization Strategy or Neighborhood Revitalization Zone.

**Outcomes:**

New and improved sustainable communities.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of responsible development projects developed and/or implemented as a result of the implementation of the federal Recovery Zone Economic Development Bond Program.
- Bond allocations consolidated for shovel ready projects.
- Number of state agency activities coordinated to encourage and promote support of Community Revitalization Strategies and Neighborhood Revitalization Zones.
- Number of Community Revitalization Strategies and Neighborhood Revitalization Zones supported using the SC/CDBG Program involving two or more state agencies.

**Objective 2:**

Enhance suitable living environments and create decent housing in areas of need.

**Output:**

- Support up to one municipality in rezoning efforts to enable for higher-density housing, mixed-use developments, and/or transit-oriented developments.
- Support local efforts to develop appropriate urban infill housing to make better use of limited urban land. Support 20 to 60 units of infill housing in urban areas using the HOME/State Housing Programs.
- Promote and support mixed-income housing developments in areas that currently under-serve low-and-moderate-income households.
- Give preference to one mixed-income infill project creating at least 10-25 units of housing in areas that currently under-serve low-and-moderate-income households using the HOME/State Housing Programs.
- Promote mixed-use and/or transit-oriented developments with residential ownership opportunities for low-and-moderate- income households in areas of need.

**Outcomes:**

- New and improved sustainability.
- New and improved affordability.
- New and improved availability/accessibility.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of municipalities funded for zoning changes that enable higher density housing, mixed-use developments, and transit-oriented developments.
- Number of municipalities funded through the Incentive Housing Zone Program.
- Number of municipalities that pursued building higher density housing after adopting the incentive housing overlay zones.
- Number of municipalities supported in rezoning efforts to enable higher-density residential uses, mixed-use developments, and/or transit-oriented developments.



- Number of units of infill housing in urban areas created.
- Number of mixed-income housing units created.
- Number of mixed-use and /or transit-oriented development projects in an urban or suburban area supported for low-and-moderate-income households.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State, SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State, HOME, SC/CDBG	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

## **BARRIERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

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### **GOAL**

The state will reduce or eliminate the impact of barriers at the state, local and regional level in order to promote fair housing choice in Connecticut.

### **Objective 1:**

Encourage the creation and rehabilitation of affordable housing in a variety of locations through competitive funding rounds.

### **Output:**

- Continue to assign a high point value for developments that achieve fair housing goals in historically under-served communities.
- Increase funding flexibility to seize immediate development opportunities to increase affordable housing units in high opportunity communities.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of funding rounds in facilitating the creation of new family affordable housing units to ensure the availability of affordable family housing in diverse areas.

### **Outcomes:**

New affordable housing opportunities in historically under-served communities.

### **Indicator(s):**

- Number of applications received that target communities of high or moderate opportunity.
- Number of applications received that promote fair housing choice, racial and economic integration.

### **Objective 2:**

Collaborate with other agencies to affirmatively further fair housing.

**Output:**

- Participate in new and existing opportunities to align policies and funding with other agencies.

**Outcomes:**

Provide improved housing choice and opportunities in alignment with investments by other agencies.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of housing opportunities generated in alignment with other state investments.
- Number of collaborative opportunities.

**Objective 3:**

Convene stakeholders to review potential legislative solutions to existing impediments.

**Output:**

- Convene partner agencies, organizations and stakeholders in the redrafting of the Connecticut Fair Housing Regulations and Waiting List Regulations.

**Outcomes:**

Provide clear concise regulatory direction on meeting and addressing fair housing requirements in state-supported housing.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of collaborative opportunities with partner agencies, organizations and stakeholders.
- Passage of revised regulations.

**Objective 4:**

Maximize effectiveness of mobility programs.

**Output:**

- Work with mobility counselors under contract to improve processes.

**Outcomes:**

Provide increased opportunities for mobility.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of clients successfully moved to an improved opportunity area.

**Objective 5:**

Improve fair housing education and enforcement.

**Output:**

- Work with mobility counselors under contract to improve processes.

**Outcomes:**

Provide increased opportunities for mobility.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of clients successfully moved to an improved opportunity area.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	State, HOME	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 2	State, HOME	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 3	State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 4	State, Sec 8 HCV	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide
Objective 5	State, SC- CDBG, HOME, Sec 8 HCV	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide

**LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS**

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**GOAL**

Enhance suitable living environment and create decent housing for low- and moderate-income persons through the evaluation and reduction of lead-based paint hazards and the implementation of Healthy Homes principles, assessment practices, and evidence-based interventions.

**Objectives, Outputs, Outcomes and Indicators**

*It is important to note that funded activities can fulfill multiple objectives. Also, multiple programs and funding sources are often used/combined to fund projects/units. As such an aggregation of the unit/project counts noted below would be an overstatement of what the State of Connecticut can achieve with available resources.*

**Objective 1:**

Enhance suitable living environments and ensure the availability of a decent housing supply that is free of lead-based paint, dry, clean, pest-free, ventilated, safe, without contaminants, maintained and accessible.

**Output:**

- Actively participate in the Statewide Healthy Homes Initiative meetings, as scheduled.
- Collaborate with the DPH Healthy Homes Initiative on the development and implementation of a uniform healthy homes assessment and intervention approach.
- Support the abatement or remediation of lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards, damaged asbestos containing materials, elevated indoor radon levels, and other identified or known environmental hazards in housing units in collaboration with

other state agencies and in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. Lead-based paint testing, and remediation or abatement activities will be conducted in accordance with Regulations of CT State Agencies section 19a-111 et.al., the final lead safe housing rule – [Title X of the Lead-based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (24 CFR Pt 35)] the EPA Lead Paint: Renovation, Repair and Painting Program (RRP) effective April 22, 2010, and through healthy homes assessments and intervention strategies established in concert with the Department of Public Health

- Fund up to three housing rehabilitation projects per year with the goal of making 20 units per year healthy homes (as defined in concert with the Statewide Healthy Homes Initiative).
- Build the technical capacity local housing agencies by sponsoring one (1) National Center for Healthy Homes (NCHH) training courses.
- Support the training and certification of DOH and/or local housing staff who are interested in seeking national certification as “healthy homes specialists”.

**Outcomes:**

- Improved accessibility to housing free of lead-based paint and other environmental health and safety hazards.

**Indicator(s):**

- Number of housing lead-safe rehab projects per year.
- Number of housing units made lead-safe per year.
- Number of housing units that have had a healthy homes assessment conducted.
- Number of housing units where a healthy homes intervention activity is performed.
- Number of low-and-moderate income persons served per year.
- Number of National Center for Healthy Homes training courses coordinated with DPH per year.
- Number of DOH and local housing agency staff trained in the National Center for Healthy Homes Course.
- Number of DOH and local housing agency staff certified as “Healthy Homes Specialists” by the National Environmental Health Association.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION &amp; RELATIVE PRIORITY</b>			
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Targeted Population</b>	<b>Geographic Target</b>
Objective 1	HOME SC/CDBG Other/ State	Low-Mod Income	State-Wide SC/CDBG Small Cities

## **II. Civil Rights Compliance / Employment Outreach / Nondiscrimination /Actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing**

All information on activities or requirements provided in this section were carried out by DOH during FY 2021-2022.

### **A. Civil Rights Compliance**

Recipients of HOME and SC/CDBG funds are required to undertake activities to demonstrate their compliance with applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Because of the various activities eligible under these programs some or all of the following may apply:

- For housing projects with 5 or more units with one owner in common, affirmatively market housing units to persons identified as least likely to apply;
- Utilize newspapers and community resources targeted to members of minority groups to advertise the availability of housing, employment and contracting opportunities;
- Develop and implement a Tenant Selection Plan and Tenant Grievance Procedure;
- Include the Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer Statement and/or Fair Housing Statement and disability logo in all advertisements/notices;
- Provide employment and training opportunities to Section 3 residents and businesses and if required, have in place and implement a Section 3 Plan;
- Utilize the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services web site Directory of Small, Minority- and Women-Owned Businesses to solicit bids and to outreach to these firms. Points were given in the SC/CDBG application process to those Small Cities who could document utilization of these firms;
- Develop and implement a Fair Housing Action Plan;
- Provide a certification to affirmatively further Fair Housing;
- Develop and post a Fair Housing Policy Statement;
- Develop, post and implement an Affirmative Action Plan or Affirmative Action Policy Statement;
- Recipients are required to include in any sub-contracts the necessary affirmative action and equal employment opportunity provisions to demonstrate the subcontractor's compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations;
- Develop and post an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice and Grievance Procedure;
- Post at their offices fair housing and anti-discrimination posters and equal opportunity in employment postings in English and in Spanish;
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to develop and implement or update a Section 504 Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan every 3 years. Points are given in the application process for those CDBG applicants who update and implement their plans; and
- Recipients are monitored to ensure that they implement the Fair Housing Action Steps as identified in their Fair Housing Action Plan. Points are given in the CDBG application process based on the number of documented action steps that were undertaken in the past three years.

## **B. Employment Outreach**

To ensure that the DOH recipients of HOME and SC/CDBG funds provide equal opportunities in employment, contracting and the provision of services and benefits, DOH has incorporated requirements and guidelines pertaining to affirmative action, racial and economic integration and economic development opportunities for small, minority- and women-owned businesses in either the application or in the contract for financial assistance.

For the HOME Program, the dollar value of contracts reported for MBE, WBE and Section 3 is calculated based on HOME projects completed during the program year and may include financing from other than the HOME Program. There were no (0) HOME contracts completed during the program year. One (1) Home contract was signed in the 20-21 Program Year, with several projects approaching Attorney General signature and several predevelopment loans that were awarded.

For the SC/CDBG Program, the dollar amount of contracts reported for MBE, WBE and Section 3 is calculated based on contracts awarded during the program year and may include financing from other than the SC/CDBG Program. The dollar amount of contracts that included SC/CDBG funding awarded to Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (MBE), was \$71,553 of which \$31,447 was awarded to firms owned by persons who are Black Americans, \$9,600 was awarded to firms owned by persons who are Native, and \$30,506 was awarded to firms owned by persons who are Hispanic Americans. The dollar amount of contracts that included SC/CDBG funding awarded to Women-Owned Business Enterprises (WBE) was \$592,465.23. In addition, a total of \$544,368 was awarded in contracts for Section 3 firms.

In addition, DOH contracted with the Fair Housing Center to provide training opportunities for homeless shelter staff and grantees/contractors to address their Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing obligations. These included:

- Trained 163 staff members at shelters for the homeless on the fair housing laws to ensure that they are not denying shelter for illegal discriminatory reasons.
- Fair Housing Training at the Small Cities Application Workshop on March 15, 2022.

## **C. Nondiscrimination/Fair Housing**

DOH will continue to administer the HOME and SC/CDBG programs in a nondiscriminatory manner, in accordance with equal opportunity, affirmative action and fair housing requirements. Recipients of HOME and SC/CDBG funds for housing related activities are required to comply with the following civil rights laws and regulations:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended;
- The Americans with Disabilities Act;
- Executive Orders 11063, 11246, and 12892;
- Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended;
- Minority Small Business Enterprises – good faith effort, 24CFR 85.36(e);
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended;
- Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;

- Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;
- Section 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
- Sections 92.202 and 92.252, 24 CFR Part 92; and
- 24 CFR Part 85.36(e).

#### **D. Applicable State Requirements**

The following may be applicable to the HOME and SC/CDBG programs depending on the activities undertaken:

- Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, Sections 8-37ee-300 through 8-37ee-314, and the Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing and Selection Procedures Manual, under Section 8-37ee-1 through 8-37ee-17;
- Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) Sections 8-37t, 8-37-bb and 8-37dd promoting racial and economic integration;
- CGS Section 46a-64b regarding discriminatory housing practices; and
- 24 CFR Part 85.36 regarding good faith efforts to hire minority and women owned businesses.

The following are applicable to only the HOME program:

- Connecticut Contract Compliance Regulations codified at Section 46a-68j-21 through 43 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, which establish a procedure for awarding all contracts covered by Sections 4a-60 and 46a-71 of the CGS;
- CGS Section 32-9e, Set-aside program for small-, minority- and women-owned firms; and
- 24 CFR 92.351a – Affirmative Marketing.

#### **E. Program Assurances**

Recipients must also comply with program assurances that they will affirmatively further fair housing in all their programs. Recipients must comply with the requirements of 24 CFR 91.25(a) (1), 24 CFR 91.325(a) (1), 24 CFR 91.425(a) (1) and 24 CFR 570.487(b). Each recipient is given a Fair Housing Handbook developed by DOH. The handbook contains information on state and federal fair housing laws, housing discrimination complaint procedures, model fair housing policies and guidelines, duty to affirmatively further fair housing, an overview of disability discrimination in housing, trends in fair housing, pertinent legal decisions, the State Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing and a resource directory.

Accordingly, recipients of HOME and SC/CDBG funds, in compliance with their Certification to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing, were required to submit a Fair Housing Action Plan to DOH for review and approval. The plan must be consistent with the DOH's Fair Housing Action Plan Implementation Guidelines. All recipients of housing funds whether state or federal must provide the FHAP as a condition for funding. This plan has been and process has been adopted by DOH and will be implemented in the same fashion.

The promotion and enforcement of equal opportunity and affirmative action laws and regulations in housing, economic development, and employment is a standard requirement of all SC/CDBG applications. During the review process, applications are evaluated for compliance with Title VI

and for Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity, and the ADA. In the evaluation system there is separate criteria for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity for which points are awarded.

#### **F. 24 CFR 92.351a – Affirmative Marketing – HOME Program**

Recipients of HOME funds with projects with 5 or more HOME–assisted units must adopt DOH’s affirmative marketing procedures and requirements to affirmatively market units. DOH mandates that recipients utilize the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, Sections 8-37ee-1 through 8-37ee-17, and the Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing and Selection Procedures Manual, under Section 8-37ee-300 through 8-37ee-314 when planning and carrying out affirmative fair housing marketing activities. The DOH Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan (AFHMP) format though stylistically different, mirrors the information required on the federal form HUD-935.2A Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan-Multifamily Housing (5/2010). The State of Connecticut Affirmative Fair Housing Selection and Procedures Manual provides detailed information on the fair housing marketing process including how to prepare a marketing plan, timeframes, application process, tenant selection process and methodology, and how to proceed if insufficient number of least likely to apply applicants. The Manual also contains post occupancy requirements, training necessary for housing managers, and reporting requirements. This information is given to each HOME applicant with the application for financing. HOME funds are not awarded until the applicant’s AFHMP and required attachments are approved by DOH.

#### **Assessing the Effectiveness of Affirmative Marketing for HOME projects**

To assess the effectiveness of affirmative marketing, DOH has implemented a “Performance Report on Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Results” which must be submitted to DOH on an annual basis. Recipients provide the percentage of “least likely to apply” (LLA) residing in the project and currently on the project’s waiting list. The goal is a minimum of 20% of the total tenants and/or applicants on the waiting list. The report asks whether the owner’s marketing activities have been successful in attracting LLA, and, if not, what changes they will make to their marketing strategies in furtherance of this goal.

#### **G. Continuing Efforts to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing**

DOH continues to provide the most recent statewide [Analysis of Impediments \(AI\) to Fair Housing Choice](#) on our website. What follows is a review of progress made on the previous year’s goals as outlined in the State AI.

##### **Objective 1 – Increasing housing access for protected classes**

- DOH entered into a contract from 1/1/18 to 1/1/23 with the Corporation for Independent Living for a total of \$1,500,000 from the Affordable Housing (Flex) Fund to finance the “Loans and Grants Program” to undertake the rehabilitation and accessibility upgrades to at least twenty (20) units of owner-occupied housing for the purposes of keeping families in their principal residence and avoiding potential moves to a long term care facility. There were two (2) Money Follows the Person (MFP) jobs completed and nine (9) Loans for Accessibility (LFA) jobs completed.
- DOH awarded \$5,173,500 in Critical Needs and SSHP funding to rehabilitate a total of fourteen (14) state public housing projects, preserving 150 units of family, elderly, congregate and limited equity cooperative housing. As a part of the contracting process, submission of an up-to-date Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan (AFHMP) and



Tenant Selection Plan (TSP) that are in conformance with state regulations was mandatory. DOH has spent a considerable amount of time providing technical assistance to owners and managers of this housing in order to achieve compliance. Individual and group training was offered to applicants. More group training sessions will be offered to these housing providers by DOH in the next fiscal year and beyond.

- DOH is on the Board of Directors for the “Money Follows the Person” Medicaid Rebalancing Program and is active on its Housing Committee and others as required.
- DOH is on the Board of Directors for the Long Term Care Planning Committee, Supportive Housing Preservation Committee; Interagency Council on Supportive Housing and Homelessness; and CCEH Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Task Force.

Objective 2 – Increasing supply of affordable housing.

- DOH awarded \$26,543,737 to support affordable housing development in diverse communities, including ten (10) housing projects during SFY 2021-22, which will result in 444 total units of affordable housing, with 325 of those units DOH supported. Funding will support multifamily development in higher opportunity areas, revitalize senior and family housing.
- 1,383 housing units were completed during SFY 2021-22, of which 552 were DOH supported units.

Objective 3 – Begin systematic data collection on fair housing issues.

- DOH collects data on a quarterly basis from its grantees relative to Section 3 practices, affirmative fair housing action steps and activities.
- DOH is implementing a “Performance Report on Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Results” which must be submitted to DOH on an annual basis detailing the percentage of “least likely to apply” (LLA) in residence and currently on the project’s waiting list.

Objective 4 – Increase training of state employees in the area of fair housing.

- The Connecticut State Legislature reaffirmed its commitment to civil rights and fair housing by authorizing \$670,000 for the SFY 2021-22 to the CT Fair Housing Center (FHC) to continue its work. As part of its duties the FHC provided training and technical assistance on an on-going basis to state employees from DOH, DSS, CHFA and DMHAS who work on fair housing issues and compliance.
- FHC worked with DOH staff to update the SC/CDBG application, process, and training materials for the SC/CDBG Application Workshop.

Objective 5 – Fair Housing outreach, education, and enforcement activities.

The CFHC, with financial assistance from DOH, carried out the following:

- Performed intakes and gave fair housing advice to 854 Connecticut households;
- Investigated 544 complaints of discrimination;
- Assisted 72 Connecticut residents with disabilities in requesting reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications;

- Obtained reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications for 28 Connecticut households without litigation or court action;
- Performed 33 tests designed to investigate any claims of housing discrimination;
- Provided 2,666 hours of legal assistance to the victims of housing discrimination;
- Provided information on the fair housing laws to 4,479 people who are at risk of eviction to ensure that they understand their rights and responsibilities under the fair housing laws;
- Provided 4 translation services for outreach materials into languages other than English and Spanish as needed for 3 state programs that assist tenants and/or homeowners.
- Reached out to 531 Connecticut residents who have foreclosure actions filed against them by inviting them to make an appointment with the Fair Housing Center's foreclosure prevention staff and sending copies of the Fair Housing Center's foreclosure manual;
- Assisted homeowners in danger of losing their homes to foreclosure by offering virtual office hours each week reaching approximately 88 Connecticut residents;
- Updated the CFHC "Representing Yourself in foreclosure: A Guide for Connecticut Homeowners" by adding information regarding the Housing Assistance Fund (HAF) being administered by CHFA
- Distributed the CFHC "Representing Yourself in Foreclosure: A Guide for Connecticut Homeowners" to 97 Connecticut residents;
- Spent 125.1 hours accepting calls and emails and offering assistance on how to obtain mortgage modifications and/or get homeowners approved for HAF to members of the private bar representing homeowners in foreclosure;
- Completed 258 intakes for homeowners in foreclosure and provided 1,872 hours of legal advice;
- Represented 31 homeowners in foreclosure in an effort to save their home, prevent homelessness and ensure their transition to alternative housing, and /or obtain a mortgage modification;
- Worked with tenant groups, tenants living in large buildings, or other groups of tenants to ensure that 69 tenants knew and understood their rights under the landlord/tenant laws and to help them stay in their homes if they wanted;
- Responded to 403 calls from Connecticut residents who are in danger of eviction because of the economic impact of COVID-19;
- Provided 205.5 hours of legal assistance to people who are in danger of being evicted due to the economic downturn as the result of COVID-19;
- Assisted tenants in applying for rental assistance programs by reviewing notices of waiting list openings, ensuring that the notices comply with the applicable regulations and fair housing laws, and notifying them about how and when to apply;
- Worked with 90 homeowners applying to HAF or for a mortgage modification to ensure that their requests were processed correctly;
- Advocated with banks, regulators, and others to preserve access to banking services for low-income people and people of color;
- Provided fair housing information to 48 new homebuyers by presenting at first homebuyer classes sponsored by housing counseling agencies;
- Participated in 15 meetings of the Long Term Recovery Group to assist in addressing fair housing issues;
- Participated in 18 meetings of the Right to Counsel (RTC) program to ensure that it incorporated equity principles and that BIPOC received the help they needed.

The following education and training opportunities were provided:

- Trained 163 staff members at shelters for the homeless on fair housing laws to ensure that they are not denying shelter for illegal discriminating reasons;
- Provided training at the Small Cities Application Workshop on March 15, 2022.

Objective 6 - Monitoring and enforcement of fair housing laws and policies.

The CFHC, with financial assistance from DOH, carried out the following:

- Performed 17 rental tests to determine if subsidized landlords were evaluating eviction records on a case-by-case basis.
- Monitored and reviewed appellate matters where it was necessary to protect homeowner's rights and access to justice, particularly when they were facing foreclosure as a self-represented party;
- Spent 41 hours monitoring bank mergers and branch closings to determine how they affect access to banking services for low-income people and people of color;
- 4 new discrimination cases were filed as a result of CFHC's monitoring activities to ensure compliance with the anti-discrimination laws.

If discrimination is found as the result of any of the CFHC's monitoring activities, CFHC will determine and impellent next steps to ensure compliance with the ant-discrimination laws – CFHC's attorneys are currently making decisions about which cases to file in court.

### **Small Cities Actions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing**

HUD has requested that “the state highlight the achievements of the SC-CDBG it funds in future PERs”.

DOH has placed increased emphasis on the actions and achievements of the SC-CDBG beneficiaries. Applicants are scored in the application process on their ability to carry out the Local Action Steps outlined in the state's Analysis to Impediments to Fair Housing (AI). They are also monitored at project completion on the progress they have made or are making toward fulfilling the outcomes of the steps they have chosen. New applicants (defined as those that have not received a SC-CDBG grant in the past three years or more) are also rated on actions they have taken in furtherance of fair housing. The following achievements are based on a review of 12 grantees. The results are as follows:

#### Accomplishments by Action Step

- **Action Step 1** - Identify developable land within the municipality for developers of affordable housing – 3 towns;
- **Action Step 2** – Participate in regional planning efforts to ensure that there is affordable housing in a variety of locations –3 towns;
- **Action Step 3** – Report municipal and regional racial and ethnic composition data in municipal POCDs
- **Action Step 4** – Publish the municipality's POCD on its website –2 towns;
- **Action Step 5** – Review occupancy ordinances, regulations and/or guidelines to ensure that the rules are not unnecessarily restrictive for families with children. At a minimum they should be in line with reasonable local fire and building codes

- **Action Step 6** – Determine whether the zoning ordinances and other occupancy rules are enforced in a non-discriminatory way – 1 town;
- **Action Step 7** – Review zoning ordinances to determine if they require special permits for affordable housing or require large lot sizes, low density requirements, or other policies that would make the development of affordable housing expensive and propose changes to such requirements –1 town;
- **Action Step 8** – If the municipality’s zoning ordinance does not include a statement that people with disabilities have the right to request a reasonable accommodation of a change in any zoning ordinance, add this to the existing zoning ordinance
- **Action Step 9** – if a municipality uses a residency or employment preference to select affordable housing tenants, it should conduct an analysis to determine if such requirements have an illegal disproportionate impact on non-Hispanic Blacks, Hispanics, people with disabilities, single-parent families, and people with housing subsidies
- **Action Step 10** – Maintain and make easily available comprehensive, current lists of available housing units, with a special emphasis on units in high-opportunity neighborhoods. Consider additional funding for housing authorities to support this effort
- **Action Step 11** – Appoint a fair housing officer, have him or her trained on their duties and responsibilities as a fair housing officer, and publicize the person’s name, contact information, and job responsibilities –2 towns;
- **Action Step 12** – Sponsor or work with housing provider associations to sponsor fair housing trainings for housing providers
- **Action Step 13** – Refer complaints of housing discrimination to HUD, CHRO, or a private fair housing agency –1 town;
- **Action Step 14** – Provide Spanish (and possibly other languages) as an option on the main telephone line for reporting fair housing complaints or asking housing related questions; and
- **Action Step 15** – Pool resources to provide language access to LEP individuals on a regional basis including translating and making available vital housing forms in Spanish

### III. HOME Program Requirements

#### A. Resource Allocation PY 2021-22

The following table (Table 16) provides a summary of the resource allocation for program year 2021-22.

<b>Table 16: HOME Program Resource Allocation for PY 2021-2022</b>	
State Administration (10%)	\$ 969,224
CHDO Set-aside (15%)	\$ 1,453,836
Subtotal	\$ 2,423,060
Program Income	\$ 738,938
Allocation available for other eligible activities	\$ 8,008,121
FY 2020-21 Allocation	\$ 9,692,243

#### B. Disbursements PY 2021-22

The following table (Table 17) provides a summary of disbursements for program year 2021-22.

<b>Table 17: Summary of HOME Program Disbursements For Projects During PY 21-22</b>	
FFY	Disbursement Amount
2015	\$799,350.17
2017	\$1,902,497.57
2018	\$1,944,855.41
2019	\$4,421,165.60
2020	\$3,736,821.46
Total	\$12,804,690.21

**C. Summary of Allocations and Expenditures**

The following table (Table 18) provides a summary of allocations and expenditures.

<b>Table 18: Summary of HOME Program Allocations and Expenditures</b>							
<b>FFY 21-22 HOME Allocation</b>	<b>Total HOME Allocations to Date</b>	<b>Amount of HOME Funds Expended During PY 21-22</b>	<b>Total Amount of HOME Funds Expended to Date</b>	<b>FFY 21-22 Allocated Admin Funds</b>	<b>Total Admin Allocated To Date</b>	<b>Amount of Admin Funds Expended During PY 21-22</b>	<b>Total Amount of Admin Funds Expended to Date</b>
\$9,692,243	\$291,679,922	\$12,804,690	\$236,336,728	\$969,224	\$31,776,675	\$979,393.96	\$27,099,202

**D. Contracted PY 2021-22**

The following table (Table 19) is a summary of projects contracted during the program year.

<b>Table 19: HOME Program Projects Contracted During Program Year 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2022</b>											
<b>Recipient Name</b>	<b>IDIS Project Name and Number</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Estimated Project Cost</b>	<b>Proposed HOME Investment</b>	<b>Fund Type</b>	<b>Year Funded From</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Unit Type</b>	<b>Home Units</b>	<b>Committed</b>
New Samaritan Parkville	#3352	126 New Park Avenue, Hartford, CT	New		\$1,653,344			New	R		12/07/2021
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$1,653,344</b>						

### E. Summary of Geographic Distribution

The following table (Table 20) provides a summary of HOME Projects Contracted During PY 2021-22 Summary of Geographic Distribution

<b>Table 20: HOME Projects Contracted During PY 2021-22 Summary of Geographic Distribution</b>	
<b>County</b>	<b>HOME \$</b>
Hartford	\$1,653,344
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,653,344</b>

### F. Summary of Activities

The following table (Table 21) provides a summary of HOME Projects Contracted During PY 2021-22 Summary by Activity.

<b>Table 21: HOME Program Project Contracted During PY 2021-22 Summary by Activity</b>		
<b>Activity</b>	<b>HOME Funding</b>	<b>Number of Projects</b>
Rehab/Rental	\$0	0
NC/Rental	\$1,653,344	1
NC/Owner	\$0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,653,344</b>	<b>1</b>



### G. Leveraged Funds

The following table (Table 22) provides a summary of HOME Projects Contracted During PY 2021-22 Identifying Funding Leveraged.

<b>Table 22: HOME Projects Contracted During PY2021-22 Identifying Funding Leveraged</b>						
<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Proposed HOME Investment</b>	<b>Public Sector Financing</b>	<b>Private Financing/ Equity</b>	<b>Total Financing Leveraged</b>	<b>Total Estimated Project Cost (\$)</b>
New 126 New Park Avenue	Hartford	\$1,653,344	\$5,146,900	\$2,625,000	\$7,771,900	\$9,425,244
<b>Total</b>		\$1,653,344	\$5,146,900	\$2,625,000	\$7,771,900	\$9,425,244

### H. Match Funds

The following tables (Table 23a and Table 23b) provide a summary of matching funds.

<b>Table 23a: Summary of HOME Match Activity for PY 2021-22</b>							
<b>Match Contributed During PY</b>	<b>Excess Match Banked from Prior PY s</b>	<b>Total Match Funds Available</b>	<b>Source of Match Funds</b>	<b>Disbursement Requiring Match</b>	<b>Required Match %</b>	<b>Match Liability Amount</b>	<b>Excess Match to Carry Over to Next PY</b>
\$34,463,625	\$179,169,477.01	\$213,633,102.01	State Funds	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	\$213,633,102.01

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**Table 23b: HOME Match Liability History**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Match Percentage</b>	<b>Total Disbursement</b>	<b>Disbursements Requiring Match</b>	<b>Match Liability Amount</b>	<b>HOME matching funds provided</b>	<b>Total HOME Matching Funds Provided</b>	<b>Balance per Fiscal Year</b>
1992	25%	\$ 8,836,483.10	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$15,000,000.00	\$15,000,000.00	\$15,000,000.00
1993	25%	\$ 7,687,259.00	\$ 7,082,859.00	\$1,770,714.75	\$17,924,131.53	\$32,924,131.53	\$31,153,416.78
1994	25%	\$ 3,850,801.08	\$ 3,172,001.08	\$ 793,000.27	\$4,736,422.67	\$37,660,554.20	\$35,096,839.18
1995	25%	\$ 6,672,989.73	\$ 5,883,389.72	\$1,470,847.43		\$37,660,554.20	\$33,625,991.75
1996	25%	\$ 8,084,326.89	\$ 7,226,826.88	\$1,806,706.72		\$37,660,554.20	\$31,819,285.03
1997	25%	\$ 7,006,306.16	\$ 6,590,406.16	\$1,647,601.54		\$37,660,554.20	\$30,171,683.49
1998	25%	\$ 3,398,893.88	\$ 2,219,988.60	\$ 554,997.15		\$37,660,554.20	\$29,616,686.34
1999	25%	\$ 2,684,788.60	\$ 2,398,193.88	\$ 599,548.47		\$37,660,554.20	\$29,017,137.87
2000	25%	\$ 4,691,397.14	\$ 3,264,527.80	\$ 816,131.95	\$300,000.00	\$37,960,554.20	\$28,501,005.92
2001	25%	\$ 9,624,703.09	\$ 8,190,947.60	\$2,047,736.90		\$37,960,554.20	\$26,453,269.02
2002	25%	\$25,565,862.69	\$22,688,077.84	\$5,672,019.46	\$13,393,233.00	\$51,353,787.20	\$34,174,482.56
2003	12.5%	\$10,746,242.32	\$ 9,688,684.38	\$1,211,085.55		\$51,353,787.20	\$32,963,397.01
2004	12.5%	\$13,164,467.80	\$11,870,651.02	\$1,483,831.38		\$51,353,787.20	\$31,479,565.63
2005	25%	\$11,569,009.26	\$ 9,872,451.00	\$2,468,112.75		\$51,353,787.20	\$29,011,452.88
2006	25%	\$ 6,811,972.53	\$ 5,744,907.25	\$1,436,226.81	\$500,000.00	\$51,853,787.20	\$28,075,226.07
2007	25%	\$15,321,802.41	\$13,883,604.34	\$3,470,901.08		\$51,853,787.20	\$24,604,324.99
2008	25%	\$ 9,727,683.65	\$ 8,465,697.99	\$2,116,424.49	\$200,000.00	\$52,053,787.20	\$22,687,900.50
2009	25%	\$12,124,023.23	\$11,152,650.02	\$2,788,162.50		\$52,053,787.20	\$19,899,738.00
2010	12.5%	\$19,797,828.40	\$18,451,431.99	\$2,306,428.99	\$2,511,286.00	\$54,565,073.20	\$20,104,595.01
2011	12.5%	\$15,756,442.03	\$15,075,076.74	\$1,884,384.59		\$54,565,073.20	\$18,220,210.42
2012	25.0%	\$13,720,902.71	\$13,083,571.47	\$3,270,892.86	\$2,766,986.00	\$57,332,059.20	\$17,716,303.56
2013	25.0%	\$ 8,338,854.05	\$ 7,024,181.82	\$1,756,045.45	\$1,676,000	\$59,008,059.20	\$17,636,258.11
2014	12.5%	\$ 6,695,228.86	\$ 6,177,866.99	\$ 722,233.37		\$59,008,059.20	\$16,914,024.74
2015	12.5%	\$ 2,759,153.35	\$ 2,559,153.35	\$ 319,894.16	\$7,175,000	\$66,173,059.20	\$23,744,130.58
2016	12.5%	\$ 9,846,211.60	\$ 8,912,533.52	\$1,114,066.69	0	\$66,173,059.20	\$22,630,063.89
2017	12.5%	\$ 6,813,315.71	\$ 5,209,417.50	\$ 651,177.18	\$31,839,906	\$98,012,965.20	\$53,818,792.71
2018	25.0%	\$ 2,078,470.84	\$ 916,116.00	\$ 229,029.00	\$39,637,203	\$137,650,168.20	\$93,226,966.71
2019	25.0%	\$3,784,738.82	\$3,784,738.82	\$946,184.70	\$41,805,523	\$179,455,691.20	\$134,086,305.01
2020	0%	\$4,515,319.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,083,172	\$224,538,863.20	\$179,169,477.01
2021	0%	\$10,632,002.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34,463,625	\$259,002,488.20	\$213,633,102.01

**I. Program Income Activity**

The following table (Table 24a) provides a summary of projects for which Program Income was committed during the Program Year.

<b>Table 24a: HOME Projects Funded During PY 2021-2022 Using Program Income</b>			
<b>Project Name</b>	<b>IDIS #</b>	<b>Grant Year</b>	<b>Reprogrammed Program Income</b>
Northeast Brackett School	3000	2020	\$115,804.89

The following table (Table 24b) provides a summary of program income expenditure activity.

<b>Table 24b: HOME Program Income Activity for PY 2021-2022</b>			
<b>Balance Carried Forward from Previous PY</b>	<b>Amount Received During PY 21-22</b>	<b>Amount Expended During PY 21-22</b>	<b>Balance to be Carried Forward to Next PY</b>
\$115,804.89	\$738,938.53	\$115,804.89	\$738,938.53

**J. MBE/WBE Activity**

The following table (Table 25) provides a HOME Program Summary of Dollar Value of MBE & WBE Contracts Closed during PY 2021-22.

Table 25 has no data due to no activity relative to MBE/WBE activity in the program year.

<b>Table 25: HOME Program -Summary of Dollar Value of MBE &amp; WBE Contracts Closed during PY 2021-2022</b>					
<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Dollar Amount MBE</b>	<b>Dollar Amount WBE</b>	<b>Total</b>
					\$0
<b>Total</b>					\$0

*\* the dollar value of MBE & WBE contracts are based on HOME Projects closed during the PY and include financing from other than HOME Program.*

**K. Property Acquisition/ Relocation**

Table 26 was omitted due to no activity relative to HOME Program Summary of Property Acquisition/Relocation during PY 2021-22.

**L. Community Housing Development Organization Awards**

The following table (Table 27) provides a summary of HOME projects contracted during PY 2021-22 that represent awards to State-designated CHDOs.

There were no CHDO projects awarded during the Program Year due to the waiver. There were several predevelopment loans awarded to CHODO projects we anticipate to come on-line as development projects in upcoming year(s).

<b>Table 27: HOME projects contracted during PY 21-22 that represent awards to State-designated CHDOs</b>						
<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Unit Type</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>	<b>Name of CHDO</b>

Source: DOH

**M. Compliance Monitoring**

The following table (Table 28) provides a summary of compliance monitoring during PY 2021-2022.

There were no projects monitored during the Program Year

<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Unit Type</b>	<b>HOME Units</b>	<b>Stage of Project</b>	<b>Date of Monitoring</b>	<b># of Visits</b>	<b>Physical Inspection</b>	<b>Affordability</b>
New Haven	Hill Development		Rehab	Rental	65	Occ	10/13/2021	1	Drive-by only	Pass Inc & Rent Test

**N. Technical Assistance/Training**

The following table (Table 29) provides a summary of technical assistance/training.

<b>Table 29: HOME and CDBG-SC Program Workshops &amp; Technical Assistance Provided During 2020-2021 Program Year</b>					
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Event Description</b>	<b>Date of Event</b>	<b>Location of Event</b>	<b>Type of Attendees</b>	<b># of Attendees</b>
SSHP Funding Round	Separate meetings were held for each of the applicants	2021-2022	Virtual	Housing authorities and non-profits	8 teams meeting monthly
CDBG-SC and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	CDBG-SC Application Workshop, updates on changes to application, changes to the process, and impact relative to affirmatively furthering fair housing	3/15/22	Virtual	Applicants for Small Cities grants	100
CDBG-SC and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	CDBG-SC How to Manage your CDBG-SC Program, updates to fair housing laws and affirmatively furthering fair housing	TBD	Virtual	Applicants/grantees for Small Cities grants	TBD
CDBG 101 and CGA Training/Environmental Review Training	Six-day workshop for gaining deeper knowledge of the Small Cities CDBG Program and cross-cutting requirements.	October 18-23, 2022 and October 25-27, 2022	Virtual	Municipal officials, town managers, grant administrators, others	TBD

#### IV. NHTF Program Requirements

##### A. Affordable Units for Completed Projects PY 2021-22

The following table (Table 30) provides a summary of affordable units for completed projects in program year 2021-22. There are several projects about to be closed out, however not officially completed in this program year.

<b>Table 30 Affordable Units for Completed Projects PY 2021-22</b>						
<b>Tenure Type</b>	<b>0 - 30% AMI</b>	<b>0% of 30+ to poverty line (when poverty line is higher than 30% AMI)</b>	<b>% of the higher of 30+ AMI or poverty line to 50% AMI</b>	<b>Total Occupied Units</b>	<b>Units Completed, Not Occupied</b>	<b>Total Completed Units</b>
Rental	-	-	-	-	-	-
Homebuyer						

<b>Table 30 A: Contracted NHTF Projects 2021-22</b>				
<b>Project</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Affordable units &lt; 30% AMI</b>	<b>NHTF</b>	<b>State FLEX</b>
Armstrong Court Phase 3 (rental)	Greenwich	9 (total 42)	\$1,016,700	\$2,983,300
The New Horizon's Village (rental)	Unionville	22 (total 22)	\$3,308,083	\$2,200,000
ACS Youth Alpha Home (rental)	Bridgeport	6 (total 6)	\$ 388,395	\$2,674,604
Cedar Pointe Phase 1 (rental)	Newington	18 (total 72)	\$ 1,600,000	\$4,000,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>55 (Total 142)</b>	<b>\$6,313,178</b>	<b>\$11,857,904</b>

## V. SC/CDBG Program Requirements

### A. Resource Allocation PY 2021-22

The following table (Table 31) provides a summary of the resource allocation for program year 2021-22.

<b>Table 31: SC/CDBG Program Resource Allocation for PY 2021-2022</b>	
State Administration (2%)	\$ 170,229
Additional \$100,000 State Administration	\$ 100,000
Technical Assistance (1%)	\$ 85,114
Subtotal	\$ 355,343
Urgent Need (up to \$500,000)	\$ 0
Allocation available for all other eligible activities	\$ 8,156,103
FY 2020-21 Allocation	\$ 8,511,446

Source: DOH

### B. Allocation and Expenditure for Administration

The following table (Table 32) provides a summary of allocations and expenditures for administration.

<b>Table 32: SC/CDBG Program Funds Available for Administration During PY 2021-22</b>			
<b>FFY 20-21 SC/CDBG Program Allocation Funding Allowed for Admin.</b>		<b>Amount of SC/CDBG Program Funding Expended on Admin.</b>	<b>Amount of Matching Funds Provided by State Toward Admin.</b>
\$ 100,000	State Admin.	\$1,069,310	\$ 969,310
\$ 170,229	2% of Allocation		

Source: DOH

Note: State matching funds are required for the 2% of Allocation used for administration. The required match amount is calculated on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The source of the state matching funds is General Funds.

C. Awarded PY 2021-22

The following table (Table 33) provides a summary of awarded contracts during the PY 2021-22.

Table 33: SC/CDBG Program Projects Contracted During Program Year 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2022															
Recipient/ Location Project#	Grant #	Project Description	Grant Awarded	Amended Amt	Year Funded From	CV Project (Y/N)	Activity	# Units	HO/ Rental	NC/ Rehab	Public Hsng	# People	#Jobs Created/ Retained	Multi-family/ Elderly	Date AG Signed Contract (NA; DOH COMM)
Ansonia	SC2100201A	Modernization at James J. O'Donnell Elderly Housing Complex	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	40	R	Rehab	Yes			E	
Essex	SC2105001A	Improvements At Essex Court	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	36	R	Rehab	Yes			E	7/11/2022
North Haven	SC2110101A	Temple Pines Improvements Hybrid	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	80	R	Rehab	Yes			E	7/20/2022
Shelton	SC2112601A	Housing Modernization at Sinsabaugh Heights	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	132	R	Rehab	Yes			E	
Wallingford	SC2114801A	Ulbrich Heights Renovations	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	14	R	Rehab	Yes			E	7/20/2022
Westbrook	SC2115401A	Worthington Manor	1,500,000.00		2021		Public Housing Modernization	32	R	Rehab	Yes			E	
Diaper Bank of Connecticut (A Non-Profit)	SC2110102C	Basic Health Needs Across the Lifespan	500,000.00		2021	Y	Public Service					6000			
Community Health Resources, Inc.	SC2104901C	Mobile Homeless Diversion Program	316,200.00		2021	Y	Public Service					1680			
Portland	SC2011302D	Portland Senior Center COVID Renovations	725,000.00		2020	Y	Public Facilities					826			
Stonington	SC2013701	Shelter Diversion of Eastern CT		350,000.00	2020	Y	Public Service					955			
Westport	SC2015801	Fairfield Shelter Diversion Program - Westport		299,000.00	2020	Y	Public Service					1500			
<b>Total</b>			<b>10,541,200.00</b>	<b>649,000.00</b>											

Source: DOH

D. Summary of Geographic Distribution

The following table (Table 34) provides a summary of geographic distribution.

Table 34: CDBG Projects Awarded During PY 2021-22 Summary of Geographic Distribution	
County	CDBG \$
New Haven	4,500,000
Middlesex	2,225,000
Fairfield	1,799,000
Cumberland	1,500,000
New London	350,000
Statewide/Regional	816,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,190,200</b>



E. Summary of Activities

The following table (Table 35) provides a summary of awarded activities during the program year.

<b>Table 35: SC/CDBG Program Projects Awarded During PY 2021-22 Summary by Activity</b>		
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>Number of Projects</b>
Public Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 9,800,000	6
Public Service	\$ 3,245,548	4
Public Infrastructure	\$ 2,900,000	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,190,200</b>	<b>11</b>

F. Leveraged Funds

The following table (Table 36) provides a summary of leveraged funds.

<b>Table 36: CDBG Projects Contracted During PY 21-22 Identifying Funding Leveraged</b>					
<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Proposed CDBG Investment/ Amendment</b>	<b>Total Financing Leveraged</b>	<b>Total Estimated Project Cost (\$)</b>
Modernization at James J. O'Donnell Elderly Housing Complex	SC2100201A	Ansonia	1,500,000.00	58,900.00	\$ 1,558,900.00
Improvements At Essex Court	SC2105001A	Essex	1,500,000.00	93,000.00	\$ 1,593,000.00
Temple Pines Improvements Hybrid	SC2110101A	North Haven	1,500,000.00	195,278.00	\$ 1,695,278.00
Housing Modernization at Sinsabaugh Heights	SC2112601A	Shelton	1,500,000.00	10,000.00	\$ 1,510,000.00
Ulbrich Heights Renovations	SC2114801A	Wallingford	1,500,000.00	159,000.00	\$ 1,659,000.00
Worthington Manor	SC2115401A	Westbrook	1,500,000.00	0.00	\$ 1,500,000.00
Basic Health Needs Across the Lifespan	SC2110102C	Diaper Bank of Connecticut (A Non-Profit)	500,000.00	153,570.00	\$ 653,570.00
Community Health Resources	SC2104901C	Community Health Resources, Inc.	316,200.00	0.00	\$ 316,200.00
Portland Senior Center Kitchen and Warming Center	SC2011302D	Portland	725,000.00	0.00	\$ 725,000.00
Southeastern Shelter Diversion	SC2013701	Stonington	350,000.00	68,500.00	\$ 418,500.00
Fairfield/Westport Shelter Diversion	SC2015801	Westport	299,000.00	0.00	\$ 299,000.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 11,190,200</b>	<b>\$ 738,248</b>	<b>\$ 11,928,448.00</b>

Source: DOH

Key: Refer to the Key Appendix

G. 1% Technical Assistance Funds

The following table (Table 37) provides a summary of 1% technical assistance funds.

<b>Table 37: SC/CDBG 1% Technical Assistance Funds Expended During PY: 2021-2022</b>	
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Salaries	\$ 53,202.77
Fringe	\$ 51,704.22
Education and Training	\$ 3,528.00
Training Costs Non-Employees	\$ 16,672.00
Management and Consultant Services	\$ 31,675.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 156,781.99</b>

Source: DOH, OFA

H. De-obligated Funds

The following table (Table 38) represents de-obligated funds for Program Year 2021-2022

<b>Table 38: SC/CDBG Program De-Obligated: 2021-2022</b>		
<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Grant Year</b>	<b>Funds De-Obligated</b>
Plainville Woodmoor Manor & Centerview Village	2019	\$ 413,686.72
Derby Cicia Manor Public Housing Modernization	2019	\$ 231,794.20
Wallingford John Savage Commons PHM	2019	\$ 337,410.23
Groton-Mystic River Homes Construction	2019	\$ 572,364.56
Henry Stern Center Public Housing Modernization	2019	\$ 758,409.27
Windham Nathan Hale Terrace PHM	2019	\$ 202,549.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>\$2,516,214.09</b>

Source: DOH, OFA

I. MBE/WBE Activity

The following table (Table 39) provides a summary MBE/WBE activity.

<b>Table 39: SC/CDBG Program - Summary of Dollar Value of MBE &amp; WBE Contracts for PY 2021-2022</b>				
<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Dollar Amount MBE</b>	<b>Dollar Amount WBE</b>	<b>Total</b>
Bethlehem	PI	-	\$500.00	\$500.00
Cheshire	PI	-	\$500.00	\$500.00
East Hampton	SC20044201A	-	\$208,500.00	\$208,500.00
Farmington	SC1905201	\$9,990.00	-	\$9,990.00
Groton	SC19/MRH; SC20CV	-	\$19,253.30	\$19,253.30
Ledyard	PI	-	\$39,950.48	\$39,950.48
Lebanon	PI	-	\$47,842.50	\$47,842.50
Mansfield	SC2007803CV; SC2007802D	\$6.00	\$48,330.50	\$48,336.50
Plainville	SC1911001; PI	\$30,500.00	-	\$30,500.00
Putnam	PI	-	\$33,775.00	\$33,775.00
Stonington	SC2013701; SC2007803CV	\$21,457.12	\$193,813.45	\$215,270.57
Torrington	PI	\$9,600.00	-	\$9,600.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$71,553.12</b>	<b>\$592,465.23</b>	<b>\$664,018.35</b>

Source: DOH

J. Program Objectives

Statutory Requirements of Section 104(e)

Please note the objectives listed here are separate and non-relating to the Goals and Objectives contained in the Consolidated Plan.

Assessment of the Relationship of the Use of Funds to State's Objectives

DOH has established two program priority objectives and nine secondary objectives for the SC/CDBG Program. The program priority objectives are the creation or preservation of affordable housing and the enhancement of employment opportunities for low and moderate-income persons. The nine additional objectives range from housing issues to coordinated strategies for neighborhood revitalization.

Program Priority Objectives:

Affordable Housing

Affordable housing continues to be the highest priority for DOH's SC/CDBG program. The SC/CDBG program has defined Affordable Housing as that housing which meets the Section 8, Fair Market Rent (FMR) limits after rehabilitation or construction. DOH continues to require that FMRs be applied for a minimum of five years after unit

completion. The following is a breakdown of funding dedicated to Affordable Housing activities.

<b>Table 40: SC/CDBG Program Summary of Affordable Housing Activity</b>				
<b>FFY</b>	<b>Amount Obligated to Recipients</b>	<b>Funds for Local Administration</b>	<b>Affordable Housing</b>	<b>% of Funding for Affordable Housing</b>
1996	\$ 14,124,080	\$ 911,453	\$ 5,007,102	35%
1997	\$ 13,952,390	\$ 1,048,560	\$ 5,189,373	37%
1998	\$ 13,523,650	\$ 983,877	\$ 3,848,354	28%
1999	\$ 13,660,420	\$ 1,114,059	\$ 2,929,505	21%
2000	\$ 13,695,880	\$ 954,302	\$ 5,737,318	42%
2001	\$ 14,266,670	\$ 1,148,546	\$ 5,083,525	36%
2002	\$ 14,269,580	\$ 1,017,857	\$ 5,142,332	36%
2003	\$ 14,970,890	\$ 1,442,345	\$ 6,879,462	46%
2004	\$ 15,289,457	\$ 1,260,500	\$ 4,789,500	31%
2005	\$ 14,554,078	\$ 1,222,123	\$ 5,753,600	40%
2006	\$ 13,135,742	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,636,000	20%
2007	\$ 13,219,057	\$ 1,220,750	\$ 6,752,000	51%
2008	\$ 12,860,432	\$ 1,435,000	\$ 6,475,000	50%
2009	\$ 12,800,000	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 8,425,000	66%
2010	\$ 12,471,500	\$ 1,280,500	\$ 9,207,000	74%
2011	\$ 12,272,000	\$ 1,233,500	\$ 9,030,500	74%
2012	\$ 11,352,263	\$ 1,121,442	\$ 9,832,840	87%
2013	\$ 11,850,000	\$ 1,162,000	\$ 11,350,000	96%
2014	\$ 12,851,155	\$ 706,500	\$ 10,902,866	85%
2015	\$ 11,994,526	\$ 663,720	\$ 9,976,306	83%
2016	\$ 12,655,847	\$ 652,920	\$ 10,902,866	86%
2017	\$ 12,163,000	\$ 626,000	\$ 10,285,468	85%
2018	\$ 12,281,888	\$ 565,864	\$ 8,756,913	71%
2019	\$ 13,013,975	\$ 376,735	\$ 11,036,339	85%
2020	\$ 21,745,548	\$ 641,590	\$ 11,290,450	52%
2021	\$ 11,190,200	\$ 376,796	\$ 8,449,104	76%

Source: DOH

#### Economic Development

In contrast to affordable housing, funding for economic development activities was at a very low level from FFY '85 – FFY '92. Though the rating and ranking system continued to give priority to economic development projects, very few applications containing such activities had been submitted for funding.

To increase economic development activities, the State created an intensive SC/CDBG economic development technical assistance program and an economic development set-aside. Although the result of this effort was a dramatic increase in both the amounts of SC/CDBG funds requested for economic development activities as well as the number of activities funded, the economic development set-aside was eliminated for FFY '97 and

FFY '98 but included again for FFY '99 and FFY '00. The set-aside was again eliminated in 2001 and has not been re-established.

<b>Table 41: SC/CDBG Program Summary of Economic Development Activity</b>				
<b>FFY</b>	<b>Amount Obligated to Recipients</b>	<b>Funds for Local Administration</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>% of Funding for Economic Development</b>
1996	\$ 14,124,080	\$ 911,453	\$ 2,414,423	17%
1997	\$ 13,952,390	\$ 1,048,560	\$ 1,657,630	12%
1998	\$ 13,523,650	\$ 983,877	\$ 1,338,654	10%
1999	\$ 13,660,420	\$ 1,114,059	\$ 986,667	7%
2000	\$ 13,695,880	\$ 954,302	\$ 750,145	5%
2001	\$ 14,266,670	\$ 1,148,546	\$ 1,527,376	11%
2002	\$ 14,269,580	\$ 1,017,857		0%
2003	\$ 14,970,890	\$ 1,442,345	\$ 450,653	3%
2004	\$ 15,289,457	\$ 1,260,500		0%
2005	\$ 14,554,078	\$ 1,222,123	\$ 985,000	7%
2006	\$ 13,135,742	\$ 300,000		0%
2007	\$ 13,219,057	\$ 1,220,750		0%
2008	\$ 12,830,432	\$ 1,435,000		0%
2009	\$ 12,800,000	\$ 1,350,000		0%
2010	\$ 12,471,500	\$ 1,280,500		0%
2011	\$ 12,272,000	\$ 1,233,500		0%
2012	\$ 11,352,263	\$ 1,121,442		0%
2013	\$ 11,850,000	\$ 1,162,000		0%
2014	\$ 12,851,155	\$ 706,500		0%
2015	\$ 11,994,526	\$ 663,720		0%
2016	\$ 12,655,847	\$ 652,920		0%
2017	\$ 12,163,000	\$ 626,000		0%
2018	\$ 12,281,888	\$ 565,864		0%
2019	\$ 13,013,975	\$ 376,735		0%
2020	\$ 21,745,548	\$ 641,590		0%
2021	\$ 11,190,200	\$ 376,796		0%

Source: DOH

Program Secondary Objectives:

Shelter for the Homeless

Shelter for the homeless has been identified as statewide priority. In addition to SC/CDBG funding, there are both state and federal programs to assist homeless shelters. Though shelters for the homeless remain a program objective, the establishment of the ESG program has greatly reduced the requests of SC/CDBG funds to be used for this purpose.

#### Revitalization of Deteriorated Residential and /or Business Districts

The revitalization of deteriorated residential and/or business districts has been identified as a priority for DOH under neighborhood revitalization strategies in the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan. Priority is given to SC/CDBG proposals, which demonstrate a coordinated effort to revitalize such districts.

#### Leveraging of non-SC/CDBG Funds

The leveraging of non-SC/CDBG funds is taken into consideration under the application evaluation system under the evaluation criteria of “project feasibility”. The leveraging of non-SC/CDBG funds results in higher application scores and higher funding priority. Once projects are approved for funding this information is traced through quarterly reports.

#### Provision of Housing

SC/CDBG applications that include the provision of housing in proximity to jobs and community facilities receive greater community impact scores and thus have a higher funding priority.

#### Enforcement of Housing and Health Codes

DOH's SC/CDBG program has adopted the Section 8 Housing Quality Standards as the minimum standard for all housing rehabilitation activities funded through this program. In addition, all grantees are required to meet local health and housing codes. Code enforcement programs are also encouraged as long as they meet HUD requirements concerning area-wide low and moderate-income benefit.

#### Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

The promotion and enforcement of equal opportunity and affirmative action laws and regulations in housing, economic development, and employment is a standard requirement of all SC/CDBG proposals. During the application review process applications are reviewed for compliance with Title VI and for Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity. In the application evaluation system there is a separate evaluation criteria for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity for which points are awarded.

#### Promotion of Land Use

The promotion of land use policies that encourage equal opportunity in housing, economic development, and employment. The State has passed legislation easing the planning and zoning burdens for projects proposing to create affordable housing in zoning restrictive communities. The SC/CDBG program encourages such programs and applications to receive extra points under the Community Impact and Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity categories.

#### Promotion of Community Facilities

The promotion of community facilities as part of a neighborhood revitalization effort is a key SC/CDBG program component as evidenced by the high percent of such facilities funded each year.

#### Promotion of Coordinated Strategies to Meet the Needs of Connecticut Communities

DOH continues to fund applications for neighborhood revitalization and public facility projects through the current rating and ranking system. Each applicant for funding is required to provide information in the application pertaining to project need in the community and the impact of the project on the community. The proposed applications activities are reviewed in light of the information provided.

K. Benefit to L.M.I. Persons

Evaluation of the Extent to Which the Program Benefited Low and Moderate Income Persons:

The figures below are given to document the extent to which DOH's SC/CDBG funds have benefited low and moderate-income persons. This information clearly documents that the vast majority of SC/CDBG funds benefit low and moderate-income persons.

<b>Table 42: SC/CDBG Program Summary of Low Moderate Income Benefit Activity</b>					
<b>FFY</b>	<b>Amount Obligated to Recipients</b>	<b>Funds for Local Administration</b>	<b>Amount Meeting National Objective</b>	<b>Amount of Funding to which Benefit Test Applies</b>	<b>% of Low/Moderate Benefit</b>
1996	\$ 14,124,080	\$ 911,453	\$ 12,789,282	\$ 12,289,282	87%
1997	\$ 13,952,390	\$ 1,048,560	\$ 12,853,855	\$ 12,840,241	92%
1998	\$ 13,523,650	\$ 983,877	\$ 12,464,934	\$ 12,060,125	89%
1999	\$ 13,660,420	\$ 1,114,059	\$ 11,964,878	\$ 11,964,878	88%
2000	\$ 13,695,880	\$ 954,302	\$ 12,203,362	\$ 11,968,415	87%
2001	\$ 14,266,670	\$ 1,148,546	\$ 12,311,495	\$ 11,267,747	79%
2002	\$ 14,269,580	\$ 1,017,857	\$ 12,155,316	\$ 11,490,613	81%
2003	\$ 14,970,890	\$ 1,442,345	\$ 14,644,230	\$ 14,204,230	95%
2004	\$ 15,289,457	\$ 1,260,500	\$ 14,462,969	\$ 14,112,969	92%
2005	\$ 14,554,078	\$ 1,222,123	\$ 13,585,877	\$ 12,713,100	87%
2006	\$ 13,135,742	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,896,000	\$ 2,636,000	20%
2007	\$ 13,219,057	\$ 1,220,750	\$ 12,024,250	\$ 12,024,250	91%
2008	\$ 12,830,432	\$ 1,435,000	\$ 11,869,000	\$ 11,869,000	93%
2009	\$ 12,800,000	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 12,300,000	\$ 12,300,000	96%
2010	\$ 12,471,500	\$ 1,280,500	\$ 11,930,713	\$ 11,930,713	96%
2011	\$ 12,272,000	\$ 1,233,500	\$ 11,149,000	\$ 11,149,000	91%
2012	\$ 11,352,264	\$ 1,121,442	\$ 10,230,822	\$ 10,230,822	90%
2013	\$ 11,850,000	\$ 1,162,000	\$ 10,688,000	\$ 10,688,000	90%
2014	\$ 12,851,155	\$ 706,500	\$ 12,144,655	\$ 12,144,655	95%
2015	\$ 11,994,526	\$ 663,720	\$ 11,330,806	\$ 11,330,806	94%
2016	\$ 12,655,847	\$ 652,920	\$ 12,002,927	\$ 12,002,927	95%
2017	\$ 12,163,000	\$ 626,000	\$ 11,537,000	\$ 11,537,000	95%
2018	\$ 12,281,889	\$ 565,864	\$ 11,716,025	\$ 11,716,025	95%
2019	\$ 13,013,975	\$ 376,735	\$ 12,673,240	\$ 12,673,240	97%
2020	\$ 21,745,548	\$ 641,590	\$ 21,103,958	\$ 21,103,958	97%
2021	\$ 11,190,200	\$ 376,796	\$ 10,813,404	\$ 10,813,404	97%

Source: DOH

L. Compliance Monitoring

There was no compliance monitoring that happened in Program year 2021-22 (Table 43).

M. Technical Assistance/Training

The following table (Table 44) provides a summary of technical assistance/training.

<b>Table 44: SC/CDBG Program Workshops and Technical Assistance Provided During PY 2021-2022</b>					
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Event Description</b>	<b>Date of Event</b>	<b>Location of Event</b>	<b>Type of Attendees</b>	<b># of Attendees</b>
CDBG-SC and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	CDBG-SC Application Workshop, updates on changes to application, changes to the process, and impact relative to affirmatively furthering fair housing	3/15/22	Virtual	Applicants for Small Cities grants	100
CDBG-SC and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	CDBG-SC How to Manage your CDBG-SC Program, updates to fair housing laws and affirmatively furthering fair housing	TBD	Virtual	Applicants/grantees for Small Cities grants	TBD
CDBG 101 and CGA Training/Environmental Review Training	Six-day workshop for gaining deeper knowledge of the Small Cities CDBG Program and cross-cutting requirements.	October 18-21, 2022 and October 25-27, 2022	Virtual	Municipal officials, town managers, grant administrators, others	TBD

Source: DOH

N. Closed Out PY 2021-22

<b>Table 45: SC/CDBG Program Projects Closed Out* during Program Year: 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2022</b>								
<b>Recipient/ Location</b>	<b>Year Funded From</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Grant Awarded</b>	<b>Project #</b>	<b># Units</b>	<b>Type Rental/ HO</b>	<b>NC/ Rehab</b>
Bethlehem	2014	Housing Rehabilitation Program	HR	\$400,000.00	SC1401001	13	HO & R	Rehab
Windsor	2014	Housing Rehabilitation Program	HR	\$400,000.00	SC1416401	27	HO & R	Rehab
Seymour	2014	Housing Rehabilitation Program	HR	\$400,000.00	SC1412401	14	HO & R	Rehab
Rocky Hill	2016	Harold J. Murphy Senior Housing Improvements	PHM	\$800,000.00	SC1611901	30	R	Rehab



O. Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

The following table (Table 46) provides a summary of certifications of consistency with the consolidated plan issued during the program year 2021-22.

<b>Table 46: Summary of Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan Provided During PY 2021-2022</b>		
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Issued To:</b>	<b>Date</b>
Annual PHA Plan	Enfield Housing Authority	9/30/2021
Annual PHA Plan	Vernon Housing Authority	10/12/2021
Annual PHA Plan	Naugatuck Housing Authority	12/16/2021
Annual PHA Plan	Willimantic Housing Authority	4/14/2022
Summerfield Townhouses	East Hartford Housing Authority	10/12/2021

P. CDBG CV Funding

The following table (Table 47) provides a summary of projects that were contracted in the program year.

<b>Table 47: CDBG CV Funding Projects Contracted Program Year 2021-22</b>				
<b>Town Located</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>CDBG Funding</b>	<b>Year Funded</b>
Statewide	Public Service	Basic Health Needs Across The Lifespan	\$500,000	2021
Regional	Public Service	Mobile Homeless Diversion Program	\$316,200	2021
Portland	Public Facility	Portland Senior Center COVID Renovations	\$725,000	2020
Stonington	Public Service	Shelter Diversion of Eastern Connecticut (Amendment)	\$350,000	2020
Westport	Public Service	Fairfield Shelter Diversion Program (Amendment)	\$299,000	2020
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$2,190,200</b>	

## VI. ESG Program Requirements

### A. State Summary Report FY 2021-22

#### 1. Grantee and Community Profile

The Department of Housing (DOH) is complying with the federal reporting requirements and submits its Annual Report for the period 07/01/21– 6/30/2022.

As a lead agency for the provision of emergency shelter services and rapid rehousing program to individuals and/or families who are literally homeless, DOH administers Connecticut’s Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program.

DOH administered ESG funds by providing assistance to nine (9) non-profit organizations. In addition, DOH provided state and other funding to these same providers who are experienced, well established in their communities and provide quality services. The funding received from ESG enabled the organizations to provide shelter beds, case management services and rapid re-housing services to literally homeless persons, prevention of homelessness and the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to track all ESG data.

The pool of federal and state dollars, allocated to non-profit agencies was utilized for the provision of temporary shelter for homeless individuals and families. The funds provided operational costs, essential services such as case management, health, education, employment and training as well as HMIS costs and rapid re-housing. Federal ESG funds were targeted and expended as follows:

<u>ESG category</u>	<u>Annual Target % of ESG allocation (\$2,233,995.00)</u>	<u>Annual actual % of ESG allocation (\$2,233,995.00)</u>
Emergency Shelter Operations	40%	45%
HMIS	4%	7.5%
Rapid Re-Housing	41%	40%
Administration	5%	7.5%
Homeless Prevention	10%	0%

Through competitive procurement, DOH awarded six (6) ESG funded shelters: two (2) shelters that support families, three (3) shelters for both families and individuals, and one (1) shelter that supports individuals. These shelters used the ESG funds for shelter operations, rapid re-housing and/or prevention services. These shelters were previously established due to the documented need to support homeless individuals and families. In addition to ESG funded shelters, DOH also funded an additional 32 shelters utilizing state and federal funds, which brought the total funded shelters to 37. DOH utilized ESG monies for rapid re-housing for this fiscal year. DOH awarded a non-profit, Advancing Connecticut Together (ACT), the right to act as the ESG financial assistance fiduciary agency. At a minimum 40% of the annual ESG allocation went to ACT to administer financial assistance requested by housing relocation and stabilization agencies. DOH leveraged existing resources to provide Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services to ensure that literally homeless households would have a better chance of remaining stably housed. Through competitive procurement, seven (7) agencies were awarded assistance to aid our homeless population with housing relocation and up to 12 months of stabilization services and in-home case management. These eight agencies receive referrals for services and financial assistance through their local Coordinated Access Network (CAN).

DOH regularly consulted with the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness, Inc. for the provision of technical assistance, programmatic training needs, program development service model recommendations and program evaluation.

DOH works collaboratively with the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness (CCEH) and Nutmeg

Consulting, LLC. Through a DOH contract with CCEH, Technical Assistance and Training (TA & T) is provided to emergency shelter programs and rapid rehousing programs. DOH is able to meet its goal of providing quality supportive housing to homeless people and their families through its partnership with CCEH, and the local service providers. DOH contractually requires its providers to utilize a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for data entry and reporting compliance purposes. CCEH subcontracts with Nutmeg Consulting for HMIS support, training and technical assistance and user support services.

DOH allocated Federal and State funds for a combined total of \$45,154,785 for the provision of housing assistance and supportive services to homeless people.

Most state contractors provided a core of services, which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Intake, needs assessment and case management services;
- Educational & vocational services;
- Health/Mental health Services;
- Shelter and housing assistance;
- Substance abuse counseling;
- Rapid Rehousing;
- Transportation / provision of bus tokens;
- Outreach; and
- Workshops on life skills, budgeting, parenting skills, nutrition, etc.

Other related services provided by certain service providers include health care, consumable supplies, food and meal services, employment assistance, client support and child care.

## **2. Formula Program Accomplishments**

OTHER – non-ESG monies

The purpose of using this funding is to ensure all residents achieve greater self-sufficiency, stabilize their environment and to assist them in moving into permanent housing.

Permanent Supportive Housing was strongly supported in Connecticut. In January 2002, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was entered into by several state agencies including the Office of Policy and Management (OPM), DOH, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), the Department of Social Services (DSS), the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) and the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH). This MOU supported the statewide PILOTS Supportive Housing Initiative and the purpose was to increase service-supported, affordable housing for people with mental illness or substance abuse problems who face homelessness. DOH devoted both Section 8 and State Rental Assistance to project-based programs developed as part of this initiative. DOH actively participated in the Balance of State Continuum of Care Steering Committee and HMIS Steering Committee Meetings. DOH was also a member of the Reaching Home Steering Committee.

Since 2002, Connecticut has created over 3000 units of permanent housing and has leveraged over \$200 million in state general and bond funds for these units.

### **Homeless Prevention & Supportive Housing**

GOAL: Enhance suitable living environment, create decent housing, and provide economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons and address the shelter, housing and service needs of the homeless, those threatened with homelessness with an emphasis on preventing homelessness.

#### **Objective 1:**

Enhance suitable living environments to expand the Rapid Re-housing Program (RRH) services. The reoccurrence of homelessness is reduced and those experiencing homelessness are quickly

transitioning into permanent housing. Additionally homelessness is averted for those individuals and families in danger of becoming homeless.

- Utilized housing stabilization case managers with the CT Rapid Rehousing program to reduce the reoccurrence of homelessness by assisting families who are homeless / leaving emergency shelters to achieve housing stability by providing housing support services.
- Continue the statewide Rapid Rehousing program to assist literally homeless households with housing find and placement, rental assistance as needed and 12 months of in home housing stabilization case management.
- Contractually required Homeless Management Information System utilization for emergency shelter, transitional living programs and Rapid Rehousing programs to obtain unduplicated client level data.
- Maintain the community coordinated access networks for the homeless crisis system statewide.

**Objective 2:**

Maintain the state's network of Homeless Shelters and rapid rehousing

- Utilized Rapid Rehousing, administered by DOH, to reduce the reoccurrence of homelessness by assisting families who are literally homeless to achieve housing stability by providing housing support services.
- Contractually required Homeless management information system utilization for emergency shelter and transitional living programs to obtain unduplicated client level data.
- Encourage homeless shelter and transitional living participation in the Point In Time (PIT) count conducted by Advancing Connecticut Together ( ACT). The department shall offer a portion of funding to support such activity, when funds are available.

## VII. HOPWA Program Requirements

### A. HOPWA Executive Summary FY 2021-22

This is the State of Connecticut's 2021-22 Executive Summary for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

1. Date of Executive Summary update: August 2022
2. Grantee Name: Department of Housing
3. Grant Type: Formula
4. Grant Selection: Continuing
5. Grantee and Community Profile

As a lead agency for the provision of Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS and their families, the State of Connecticut Department of Housing (DOH) administers Connecticut's HOPWA formula grant for the Balance of State, which serves the Middlesex and New London Counties.

DOH works collaboratively with AIDS Connecticut (ACT) that receives a DOH contract to provide technical assistance to all services providers and to perform an annual "Standards of Care" Review, a coordinated effort between DOH staff representatives and the staff of ACT. With the partnership of ACT and the local providers, DOH is able to meet its goal of providing quality supportive housing to persons with HIV/AIDS in the State of Connecticut.

In FY 2020-21, the Department of Housing expended \$127,910 in Federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds for the program year, which covered the time period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. It is a "balance of state" program that served 23 unduplicated households with HIV/AIDS through agreements between DOH and 2 non-profit organizations located in Middlesex and New London Counties.

HOPWA funds were pooled with approximately \$4,149,176 in annual funding from Connecticut's general operating budget.

6. Formula Program Accomplishments

DOH and ACT carried out the following activities during the FY 2021-22:

- DOH awarded contracts through a competitive procurement process. The Sub-recipients provided scattered-site apartments, STRMU and a range of support services to clients in Middlesex and New London counties during this period.
- During the reporting period, DOH and its Project Sponsors provided tenant-based rental assistance to 15 households. Twenty-three (23) unduplicated households received supportive services which included the following: case

management/client advocacy/access to benefits & services.

- Of the households serviced during this reporting period, 4 households obtained an income producing job.
- The Department provided training and technical assistance for CTHMIS utilization to HOPWA funded agencies, utilizing non-HOPWA funds.
- The Department and project sponsors participated in quarterly HOPWA grantee meetings convened by HUD-local.
- The Department staff (programmatic and fiscal) participated and completed HOPWA on-Line Financial Management Training.

## 7. Program Partners

The following non-profit organizations are located in the Eastern Connecticut:

Columbus House, Inc.  
Margaret Middleton  
586 Ella Grasso Blvd.  
New Haven, CT 06516  
[mmiddleton@columbushouse.org](mailto:mmiddleton@columbushouse.org)  
203-401-4400

Alliance for Living  
Kelly Thompson  
154 Broad Street  
New London, CT 06320  
[kthompson@allianceforliving.org](mailto:kthompson@allianceforliving.org)  
860-447-0884

Is the contractor: ALL OF THE ABOVE

- a non-profit organization? – Yes
- a faith-based organization? - No

DOH allocated HOPWA funds to the project sponsors for tenant based rental assistance, Short Term Rent Mortgage and Utility assistance, case management, life management, operation costs, administration cost and daily support services.

Effective July 1, 2020, in order to fully coordinate HOPWA activities with assistance provided under the Continuum of Care Program, the Department of Housing's HOPWA program was integrated with the State's Coordinated Entry system known as the Coordinated Access Networks (CANs). The use of the CANs' coordinated entry system helped to assure that HOPWA assistance was provided to those living with HIV/AIDS with the highest vulnerability and risks to housing stability. All referrals for permanent housing (TBRA) funded through HOPWA occurred through the CAN system. HOPWA grantees were required to report permanent supportive housing (TBRA) vacancies to their local CAN and accepted only applicants referred by their local CAN off the By-Name List

(BNL). This ensured that applicants who had been homeless the longest and had the most intensive service needs received priority access to HOPWA resources.

## **B. Formula Program Accomplishments**

### **Other Special Needs**

GOAL: Create decent housing and a suitable living environment and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons with special needs and address the shelter, housing and service needs of persons with special needs.

### ***Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families***

#### **Objective 1:**

Continue to fund existing HIV/AIDS programs and seek additional federal funding for existing HIV/AIDS programs.

- The original goal was to serve 22 individuals and/or families in Middlesex and New London counties. The goal was exceeded and 23 individuals and families benefited from TBRA dollars and short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance.
- Through existing State resources, the Department of Housing provided funding for about 22 HIV/AIDS programs.

#### **Objective 2:**

Increase access to supportive housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS and increase number of clients over five years.

- New/improved availability /accessibility especially in connection with the CANs
- DOH is a partner in the Reaching Home Campaign, a network of state and local providers that has been created to increase supportive housing throughout Connecticut. The Reaching Home Campaign utilizes an on-going evaluation and self-assessment model to revise its goals.
- DOH encourages programs that fall into “balance of state” – Litchfield, Tolland, New London and Middlesex Counties, to seek additional federal, state and grant funding, the possible restructuring of 3 major AIDS-specific funding streams can impact how much funding is available to continue to provide services. The 3 AIDS-specific funding streams are as follows: HOPWA, Center for Disease Control’s (CDC) Enhanced Comprehensive HIV Prevention Plan (ECHPP) and Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act.
- Utilizing state monies, an “AIDS/HIV Residential Housing Fund” to assist households with security deposit, short term subsidies, etc. when no other resources are available to assist with housing stability.

**Objective 3:**

Assess the effectiveness of supportive housing programs for people living with HIV/AIDS periodically through the use of performance measures and ongoing mechanisms to track client preferences and needs.

- Each sub grantee, which provides supportive AIDS housing, is expected to provide an acceptable level of quality support services, in addition to an acceptable occupancy rate in their housing program. The level of acceptability for DOH is set by the outcome measures, which vary from 80% to 100%. Each program is thoroughly audited once a year by an outside contractor hired by ACT, in conjunction with the Department of Housing. The audit process is the Quality Assurance Review Process (QARP). This half- day audit is comprised of 22 standards covering Health and Safety, Client Intake and Services, Administration, Occupancy Rates, Confidentiality, Case Management Services. A score of 80% or higher is considered a passing score.

*\*\* Please note that the QARP, also known as audit, does not replace or supersede HUD monitoring requirements. This process is examining the quality of service provided to the target population. The Department conducted a HOPWA monitoring visit in addition to the QARP. Monitoring Letters were sent from the Department to sub grantee at the conclusion of the monitoring visit that outlined successes, compliance, findings, deficiencies and need for corrective action plans, as appropriate.*

- In addition, DOH has worked in collaboration with DMHAS and Corporation for Supportive Housing to create a quality assurance monitoring and review process for all state-funded supportive housing programs in Connecticut. Monitoring has been ongoing. DMHAS contracts with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) who in turn has contracted Housing Innovations (HI) to conduct site visits at Connecticut supportive housing projects funded by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) and the Department of Housing (DOH). These visits assess the quality of services provided in the Demonstration, Pilots, and Next Steps programs, with the goal of making those services most effective. DOH staff coordinates rent subsidy contract monitoring with HI services site visits. The standards are entitled: "SOCIAL SERVICE STANDARDS FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING". Program coordination and/or leveraging of funding sources were provided by the State of Connecticut Department of Housing, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Ryan White, Middlesex and Litchfield County Housing Authorities, Community Health Centers and various other local community resources.
- The department requires providers to utilize HMIS for data entry purposes.

**C. Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report - See Appendix G.**



## **VIII. Citizen Participation**

### **A. Summary**

The State of Connecticut 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) was made available in accordance with Connecticut's 2020 - 2024 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, and Citizens Participation Plan. DOH solicited public input on the draft 2021-2022 CAPER during a 15-day Public Comment Period from September 15, 2022 through September 30, 2022. Notification for the public commentary period was published in four newspapers on September 30, 2022 including one in Spanish. The legal notice as well as a copy of the draft 2021-2022 CAPER was made available on the DOH web site during the comment period. Additionally the legal notice was forwarded to all 169 Municipal Chief Elected Officials, approximately 75 Community Partners and the state's regional Councils of Government. A copy of the legal notice and a listing of the newspaper publications is contained in the Appendixes of this document.

### **B. Comments Received**

As indicated above, the State of Connecticut sought written public comment during the period September 15, 2022 through September 30, 2022.

Although a number of requests to view the PER were received, no comments on the PER were submitted.

## **IX. Appendix**

- A. Legal Notice
- B. Newspaper Publication List
- C. HOME – Annual Performance Report, HUD Form 40107
- D. CDBG/SC - PR 28 CDBG Financial Summary (Performance and Evaluation Report) – need low mod benefit
- E. CDBG/SC - Contract and Subcontract Activity, HUD Form 2516
- F. ESG Program: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report
- G. HOPWA Program: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

**Appendix A**  
**Legal Notice**  
**Notice of Public Comment Period**  
**State of Connecticut**  
**Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report**  
**for the 2021-2022 Program Year**

Pursuant to the provisions of 24 CFR 91, the State of Connecticut Department of Housing (DOH), has prepared the Performance and Evaluation Report (PER) for the 2021-2022 Program Year. This report contains detailed information on the five federal formula grant programs governed by the State's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development: HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (SC/CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF). Funding for the 2021-2022 Program Year for the five programs represents \$29,158,222. All of these programs were administered by the Department of Housing.

The PER is available for review and public comment from September 15, 2022 through September 30, 2022. A copy of the PER and related documents are available on the Department of Housing's web site, <http://www.ct.gov/doh/site/default.asp>. You may contact Michael Santoro for further information at 860-270-8171.

Comments on the PER may be sent to Michael Santoro, Department of Housing, at [CT.Housing.Plans@ct.gov](mailto:CT.Housing.Plans@ct.gov) thru September 30, 2022. All comments received will be included in the final version of the CAPER.

Department of Housing programs are administered in a nondiscriminatory manner, consistent with equal employment opportunities, affirmative action, and fair housing requirements. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for information in alternative formats must be directed to the ADA (504) Coordinator, at (860) 270-8000.

Publication Date: September 15, 2022

**Appendix B  
Newspaper Publication**

**Hartford Courant  
285 Broad Street  
Hartford, CT 06115  
Distribution: All Counties in Connecticut**

**La Voz Hispana Connecticut  
51 Elm Street, Suite 307  
New Haven, CT 06510  
Distribution: Hartford, Bridgeport, New Haven, Waterbury, Stamford  
Norwalk, Meriden, New Britain, Danbury**

**Connecticut Post  
410 State Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06604  
Distribution: All Counties in Connecticut**

**New Haven Register  
100 Gando Drive  
New Haven, CT 06513  
Distribution: New Haven and Middlesex Counties**

# Annual Performance Report HOME Program

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and Urban Development  
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and Development

OMB Approval No. 2506-0171  
(exp. 8/31/2009)

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

The HOME statute imposes a significant number of data collection and reporting requirements. This includes information on assisted properties, on the owners or tenants of the properties, and on other programmatic areas. The information will be used: 1) to assist HOME participants in managing their programs; 2) to track performance of participants in meeting fund commitment and expenditure deadlines; 3) to permit HUD to determine whether each participant meets the HOME statutory income targeting and affordability requirements; and 4) to permit HUD to determine compliance with other statutory and regulatory program requirements. This data collection is authorized under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act or related authorities. Access to Federal grant funds is contingent on the reporting of certain project-specific data elements. Records of information collected will be maintained by the recipients of the assistance. Information on activities and expenditures of grant funds is public information and is generally available for disclosure. Recipients are responsible for ensuring confidentiality when public disclosure is not required.

This form is intended to collect numeric data to be aggregated nationally as a complement to data collected through the Cash and Management Information (C/MI) System. Participants should enter the reporting period in the first block. The reporting period is October 1 to September 30. Instructions are included for each section if further explanation is needed.

Submit this form on or before December 31.	This report is for period (mm/dd/yyyy)		Date Submitted (mm/dd/yyyy)
Send one copy to the appropriate HUD Field Office and one copy to: <b>HOME Program, Rm 7176, 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington D.C. 20410</b>	Starting	Ending	

## Part I Participant Identification

1. Participant Number	2. Participant Name		
3. Name of Person completing this report		4. Phone Number (Include Area Code)	
5. Address	6. City	7. State	8. Zip Code

## Part II Program Income

Enter the following program income amounts for the reporting period: in block 1, enter the balance on hand at the beginning; in block 2, enter the amount generated; in block 3, enter the amount expended; and in block 4, enter the amount for Tenant-Based rental Assistance.

1. Balance on hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	2. Amount received during Reporting Period	3. Total amount expended during Reporting Period	4. Amount expended for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	5. Balance on hand at end of Reporting Period (1 + 2 - 3) = 5
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## Part III Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Business Enterprises (WBE)

In the table below, indicate the number and dollar value of contracts for HOME projects completed during the reporting period.

	a. Total	Minority Business Enterprises (MBE)			f. White Non-Hispanic
		b. Alaskan Native or American Indian	c. Asian or Pacific Islander	d. Black Non-Hispanic	
A. Contracts					
1. Number					
2. Dollar Amount					
B. Sub-Contracts					
1. Number					
2. Dollar Amount					
	a. Total	b. Women Business Enterprises (WBE)	c. Male		
C. Contracts					
1. Number					
2. Dollar Amount					
D. Sub-Contracts					
1. Number					
2. Dollar Amounts					

**Part IV Minority Owners of Rental Property**

In the table below, indicate the number of HOME assisted rental property owners and the total dollar amount of HOME funds in these rental properties assisted during the reporting period.

	a. Total	Minority Property Owners				f. White Non-Hispanic
		b. Alaskan Native or American Indian	c. Asian or Pacific Islander	d. Black Non-Hispanic	e. Hispanic	
1. Number						
2. Dollar Amount						

**Part V Relocation and Real Property Acquisition**

Indicate the number of persons displaced, the cost of relocation payments, the number of parcels acquired, and the cost of acquisition. The data provided should reflect only displacements and acquisitions occurring during the reporting period.

	a. Number	b. Cost	Minority Business Enterprises (MBE)			f. White Non-Hispanic
Households Displaced	a. Total	b. Alaskan Native or American Indian	c. Asian or Pacific Islander	d. Black Non-Hispanic	e. Hispanic	f. White Non-Hispanic
1. Parcels Acquired						
2. Businesses Displaced						
3. Nonprofit Organizations Displaced						
4. Households Temporarily Relocated, not Displaced						
5. Households Displaced - Number						
6. Households Displaced - Cost						

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**Part I: Financial Status**

**A. Sources of State CDBG Funds**

1)	State Allocation	\$8,511,446.00
2)	Program Income	
3)	Program income receipted in IDIS	\$0.00
3 a)	Program income receipted from Section 108 Projects (for SI type)	\$0.00
4)	Adjustment to compute total program income	\$0.00
5)	Total program income (sum of lines 3 and 4)	\$0.00
6)	Section 108 Loan Funds	\$0.00
7)	Total State CDBG Resources (sum of lines 1,5 and 6)	\$8,511,446.00

**B. State CDBG Resources by Use**

8)	State Allocation	
9)	Obligated to recipients	\$355,343.00
10)	Adjustment to compute total obligated to recipients	\$0.00
11)	Total obligated to recipients (sum of lines 9 and 10)	\$355,343.00
12)	Set aside for State Administration	\$170,229.00
13)	Adjustment to compute total set aside for State Administration	\$0.00
14)	Total set aside for State Administration (sum of lines 12 and 13)	\$170,229.00
15)	Set aside for Technical Assistance	\$85,114.00
16)	Adjustment to compute total set aside for Technical Assistance	\$0.00
17)	Total set aside for Technical Assistance (sum of lines 15 and 16)	\$85,114.00
18)	State funds set aside for State Administration match	\$0.00

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19)	Program Income	
20)	Returned to the state and redistributed	
20 a)	Section 108 program income expended for the Section 108 repayment	
21)	Adjustment to compute total redistributed	\$0.00
22)	Total redistributed (sum of lines 20 and 21)	\$0.00
23)	Returned to the state and not yet redistributed	\$0.00
23 a)	Section 108 program income not yet disbursed	\$0.00
24)	Adjustment to compute total not yet redistributed	\$0.00
25)	Total not yet redistributed (sum of lines 23 and 24)	\$0.00
26)	Retained by recipients	\$0.00
27)	Adjustment to compute total retained	\$0.00
28)	Total retained (sum of lines 26 and 27)	\$0.00

**C. Expenditures of State CDBG Resources**

29)	Drawn for State Administration	\$0.00
30)	Adjustment to amount drawn for State Administration	\$0.00
31)	Total drawn for State Administration	\$0.00
32)	Drawn for Technical Assistance	\$0.00
33)	Adjustment to amount drawn for Technical Assistance	\$0.00
34)	Total drawn for Technical Assistance	\$0.00
35)	Drawn for Section 108 Repayments	\$0.00
36)	Adjustment to amount drawn for Section 108 Repayments	\$0.00
37)	Total drawn for Section 108 Repayments	\$0.00
38)	Drawn for all other activities	\$0.00
39)	Adjustment to amount drawn for all other activities	\$0.00
40)	Total drawn for all other activities	\$0.00



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**D. Compliance with Public Service (PS) Cap**

41)	Disbursed in IDIS for PS	\$0.00
42)	Adjustment to compute total disbursed for PS	\$0.00
43)	Total disbursed for PS (sum of lines 41 and 42)	\$0.00
44)	Amount subject to PS cap	
45)	State Allocation (line 1)	\$8,511,446.00
46)	Program Income Received (line 5)	\$0.00
47)	Adjustment to compute total subject to PS cap	\$0.00
48)	Total subject to PS cap (sum of lines 45-47)	\$8,511,446.00
49)	Percent of funds disbursed to date for PS (line 43 / line 48)	0.00%

**E. Compliance with Planning and Administration (P/A) Cap**

50)	Disbursed in IDIS for P/A from all fund types - Combined	\$0.00
51)	Adjustment to compute total disbursed for P/A	\$0.00
52)	Total disbursed for P/A (sum of lines 50 and 51)	\$0.00
53)	Amount subject to Combined Expenditure P/A cap	
54)	State Allocation (line 1)	\$8,511,446.00
55)	Program Income Received (line 5)	\$0.00
56)	Adjustment to compute total subject to P/A cap	\$0.00
57)	Total subject to P/A cap (sum of lines 54-56)	\$8,511,446.00
58)	Percent of funds disbursed to date for P/A (line 52 / line 57) Combined Cap	0.00%
59)	Disbursed in IDIS for P/A from Annual Grant Only	\$0.00
60)	Amount subject the Annual Grant P/A cap	
61)	State Allocation	\$0.00
62)	Percent of funds disbursed to date for P/A (line 59 / line 61) Annual Grant Cap	0.00%

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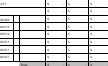
**Part II: Compliance with Overall Low and Moderate Income Benefit**

63) Period specified for benefit: grant years 2019 – 2021

64) Final PER for compliance with the overall benefit test: [ **No** ]

	Grant Year	2019	2020	2021	Total
65) Benefit LMI persons and households (1)		6,568,321.84	434,710.77	0.00	<b>7,003,032.61</b>
66) Benefit LMI, 108 activities		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
67) Benefit LMI, other adjustments		7,546,340.58	5,530,493.65	7,427,798.74	<b>20,504,632.97</b>
68) Total, Benefit LMI (sum of lines 65-67)		14,114,662.42	5,965,204.42	7,427,798.74	<b>27,507,665.58</b>
69) Prevent/Eliminate Slum/Blight		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
70) Prevent Slum/Blight, 108 activities		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
71) Total, Prevent Slum/Blight (sum of lines 69 and 70)		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
72) Meet Urgent Community Development Needs		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
73) Meet Urgent Needs, 108 activities		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
74) Total, Meet Urgent Needs (sum of lines 72 and 73)		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
75) Acquisition, New Construction, Rehab/Special Areas noncountable		0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>0.00</b>
76) Total disbursements subject to overall LMI benefit (sum of lines 68, 71, 74, and 75)		14,114,662.42	5,965,204.42	7,427,798.74	<b>27,507,665.58</b>
77) Low and moderate income benefit (line 68 / line 76)		1.00	1.00	1.00	<b>1.00</b>
78) Other Disbursements		1.00	1.00	1.00	<b>3.00</b>
79) State Administration		267,607.00	0.00	0.00	<b>267,607.00</b>
80) Technical Assistance		47,817.10	0.00	0.00	<b>47,817.10</b>
81) Local Administration		324,235.76	375,271.32	0.00	<b>699,507.08</b>
82) Section 108 repayments		0.00	43,891.96	0.00	<b>43,891.96</b>

Account Name	2023	2024
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash	100	120
Accounts Receivable	200	250
Inventory	150	180
Prepaid Expenses	50	60
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant, and Equipment	500	550
Intangible Assets	100	100
Total Assets	1000	1260
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	150	180
Short-Term Debt	100	100
Other Current Liabilities	50	50
Non-Current Liabilities		
Long-Term Debt	300	300
Other Non-Current Liabilities	50	50
Total Liabilities	600	780
Equity		
Common Stock	200	200
Retained Earnings	200	280
Total Equity	400	480
Total Liabilities and Equity	1000	1260







**ESG allocation - DOH contractors - DOH contracts 7/1/21 - 6/30/22**

	<u>Street Outreach</u>	<u>Emergency Shelter-</u> <u>2060100</u>	<u>20687-</u> <u>Prevention &amp; Rapid Rehousing</u>	<u>Rapid Re-Housing</u> <u>20687-2060105</u>	<u>Data Collection - HMIS</u> <u>20687-2060100</u>	<u>Administration</u> <u>7.5% max 20687-</u> <u>2060101</u>	<u>Total ESG Funding</u>		
<b>DOH Contractor</b>	Essential Services	Major Rehab/ Renovation	Essential Services	Shelter operations	Housing relocation and short term rental assistance	housing relocation, stabilization case management, short to long term rental	HMIS costs		
Prudence Crandall - New Britain (DV-No HMIS entry)				\$23,563.00			\$1,899.00	\$25,462.00	
Community Renewal Team - East Hartford Shelter				\$417,820.00			\$33,877.00	\$451,697.00	
St. Vincent de Paul-Bristol				\$186,042.00			\$15,084.00	\$201,126.00	
Columbus House - Middletown family shelter				\$226,200.00			\$18,237.00	\$244,437.00	
Beth-EI				\$71,478.00			\$5,795.00	\$77,273.00	
Pacific House (former shelter for the homeless)				\$73,845.00			\$5,795.00	\$79,640.00	
AIDS CT - statewide rental assistance fiduciary					\$777,282.00		\$63,022.00	\$840,304.00	
CT Coalition to end homelessness - HMIS						\$167,958.00	\$13,618.00	\$181,576.00	
CHR					\$122,544.00		\$9,936.00	\$132,480.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>				\$998,948.00	\$0.00	\$899,826.00	\$167,958.00	\$167,263.00	<b>\$2,233,995.00</b>

<b>Allocation:</b>
ESG Program - \$998,948
ESG Admin - \$167,263
ESG HMIS - \$167,958
ESG Rapid rehousing - \$899,826
<b>TOTAL ESG - \$2,233,995</b>

Total funds for rapid rehousing = \$899,826, 40% of total ESG allocation



# **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program**

## **Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Measuring Performance Outcomes**

OMB Number 2506-0133 (Expiration Date: 01/31/2021)

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The CAPER report for HOPWA formula grantees provides annual information on program accomplishments that supports program evaluation and the ability to measure program beneficiary outcomes as related to: maintain housing stability; prevent homelessness; and improve access to care and support. This information is also covered under the Consolidated Plan Management Process (CPMP) report and includes Narrative Responses and Performance Charts required under the Consolidated Planning regulations. Reporting is required for all HOPWA formula grantees. The public reporting burden for the collection of information is estimated to average 41 hours per manual response, or less if an automated data collection and retrieval system is in use, along with 60 hours for record keeping, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Grantees are required to report on the activities undertaken only, thus there may be components of these reporting requirements that may not be applicable. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

**Overview.** The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) provides annual performance reporting on client outputs and outcomes that enables an assessment of grantee performance in achieving the housing stability outcome measure. The CAPER fulfills statutory and regulatory program reporting requirements and provides the grantee and HUD with the necessary information to assess the overall program performance and accomplishments against planned goals and objectives.

HOPWA formula grantees are required to submit a CAPER demonstrating coordination with other Consolidated Plan resources. HUD uses the CAPER data to obtain essential information on grant activities, project sponsors, housing sites, units and households, and beneficiaries (which includes racial and ethnic data on program participants). The Consolidated Plan Management Process tool (CPMP) provides an optional tool to integrate the reporting of HOPWA specific activities with other planning and reporting on Consolidated Plan activities.

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**Continued Use Periods.** Grantees that used HOPWA funding for new construction, acquisition, or substantial rehabilitation of a building or structure are required to operate the building or structure for HOPWA-eligible beneficiaries for a ten (10) years period. If no further HOPWA funds are used to support the facility, in place of completing Section 7B of the CAPER, the grantee must submit an Annual Report of Continued Project Operation throughout the required use periods. This report is included in Part 6 in CAPER. The required use period is three (3) years if the rehabilitation is non-substantial.

**Record Keeping.** Names and other individual information must be kept confidential, as required by 24 CFR 574.440. However, HUD reserves the right to review the information used to complete this report for grants management oversight purposes, except for recording any names and other identifying information. **In the case that HUD must review client-level data, no client names or identifying information will be retained or recorded. Information is reported in aggregate to HUD without personal identification. Do not submit client or personal information in data systems to HUD.**

In connection with the development of the Department’s standards for Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS), universal data elements are being collected for clients of HOPWA-funded homeless assistance projects. These project sponsor records would include: Name, Social Security Number, Date of Birth, Ethnicity and Race, Gender, Veteran Status, Disabling Conditions, Residence Prior to Program Entry, Zip Code of Last Permanent Address, Housing Status, Program Entry Date, Program Exit Date, Personal Identification Number, and Household

Identification Number. These are intended to match the elements under HMIS. The HOPWA program-level data elements include: Income and Sources, Non-Cash Benefits, HIV/AIDS Status, Services Provided, Housing Status or Destination at the end of the operating year, Physical Disability, Developmental Disability, Chronic Health Condition, Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Medical Assistance, and T-cell Count. Other HOPWA projects sponsors may also benefit from collecting these data elements. HMIS local data systems must maintain client confidentiality by using a closed system in which medical information and HIV status are only shared with providers that have a direct involvement in the client’s case management, treatment and care, in line with the signed release of information from the client.

**Operating Year.** HOPWA formula grants are annually awarded for a three-year period of performance with three operating years. The information contained in this CAPER must represent a one-year period of HOPWA program operation that coincides with the grantee’s program year; this is the operating year. More than one HOPWA formula grant awarded to the same grantee may be used during an operating year and the CAPER must capture all formula grant funding used during the operating year. Project sponsor accomplishment information must also coincide with the operating year this CAPER covers. Any change to the period of performance requires the approval of HUD by amendment, such as an extension for an additional operating year.

**Final Assembly of Report.** After the entire report is assembled, number each page sequentially.

**Filing Requirements.** Within 90 days of the completion of each program year, grantees must submit their completed CAPER to the CPD Director in the grantee’s State or Local HUD Field Office, and to the HOPWA Program Office: at [HOPWA@hud.gov](mailto:HOPWA@hud.gov). Electronic submission to HOPWA Program office is preferred; however, if electronic submission is not possible, hard copies can be mailed to: Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, Room 7248, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, D.C., 20410.

**Definitions**

**Adjustment for Duplication:** Enables the calculation of unduplicated output totals by accounting for the total number of households or units that received more than one type of HOPWA assistance in a given service category such as HOPWA Subsidy Assistance or Supportive Services. For example, if a client household received both TBRA and STRMU during the operating year, report that household in the category of HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance in Part 3, Chart 1, Column [1b] in the following manner:

HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance		[1] Outputs: Number of Households
1.	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	
2a.	Permanent Housing Facilities: Received Operating Subsidies/Leased units	
2b.	Transitional/Short-term Facilities: Received Operating Subsidies	
3a.	Permanent Housing Facilities: Capital Development Projects placed in service during the operating year	
3b.	Transitional/Short-term Facilities: Capital Development Projects placed in service during the operating year	
4.	Short-term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance	
5.	Adjustment for duplication (subtract)	
6.	TOTAL Housing Subsidy Assistance (Sum of Rows 1-4 minus Row 5)	



**Administrative Costs:** Costs for general management, oversight, coordination, evaluation, and reporting. By statute, grantee administrative costs are limited to 3% of total grant award, to be expended over the life of the grant. Project sponsor administrative costs are limited to 7% of the portion of the grant amount they receive.

**Beneficiary(ies):** All members of a household who received HOPWA assistance during the operating year including the one individual who qualified the household for HOPWA assistance as well as any other members of the household (with or without HIV) who benefitted from the assistance.

**Chronically Homeless Person:** An individual or family who : (i) is homeless and lives or resides individual or family who: (i) Is homeless and lives or resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter; (ii) has been homeless and living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least 1 year or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years; and (iii) has an adult head of household (or a minor head of household if no adult is present in the household) with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability (as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)), post traumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability, including the co-occurrence of 2 or more of those conditions. Additionally, the statutory definition includes as chronically homeless a person who currently lives or resides in an institutional care facility, including a jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital or other similar facility, and has resided there for fewer than 90 days if such person met the other criteria for homeless prior to entering that facility. (See 42 U.S.C. 11360(2)) This does not include doubled-up or overcrowding situations.

**Disabling Condition:** Evidencing a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability, chronic physical illness, or disability, including the co-occurrence of two or more of these conditions. In addition, a disabling condition may limit an individual's ability to work or perform one or more activities of daily living. An HIV/AIDS diagnosis is considered a disabling condition.

**Facility-Based Housing Assistance:** All eligible HOPWA Housing expenditures for or associated with supporting facilities including community residences, SRO dwellings, short-term facilities, project-based rental units, master leased units, and other housing facilities approved by HUD.

**Faith-Based Organization:** Religious organizations of three types: (1) congregations; (2) national networks, which include national denominations, their social service arms (for example, Catholic Charities, Lutheran Social Services), and networks of related organizations (such as YMCA and YWCA); and (3) freestanding religious organizations, which are incorporated separately from congregations and national networks.

**Grassroots Organization:** An organization headquartered in the local community where it provides services; has a social services budget of \$300,000 or less annually, and six or fewer full-time equivalent employees. Local affiliates of national organizations are not considered "grassroots."

**HOPWA Eligible Individual:** The one (1) low-income person with HIV/AIDS who qualifies a household for HOPWA assistance. This person may be considered "Head of Household." When the CAPER asks for information on eligible individuals, report on this individual person only. Where there is more than one person with HIV/AIDS in the household, the additional PWH/A(s), would be considered a beneficiary(s).

**HOPWA Housing Information Services:** Services dedicated to helping persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families to identify, locate, and acquire housing. This may also include fair housing counseling for eligible persons who may encounter discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or handicap/disability.

**HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance Total:** The unduplicated number of households receiving housing subsidies (TBRA, STRMU, Permanent

Housing Placement services and Master Leasing) and/or residing in units of facilities dedicated to persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families and supported with HOPWA funds during the operating year.

**Household:** A single individual or a family composed of two or more persons for which household incomes are used to determine eligibility and for calculation of the resident rent payment. The term is used for collecting data on changes in income, changes in access to services, receipt of housing information services, and outcomes on achieving housing stability. Live-In Aides (see definition for Live-In Aide) and non-beneficiaries (e.g. a shared housing arrangement with a roommate) who resided in the unit are not reported on in the CAPER.

**Housing Stability:** The degree to which the HOPWA project assisted beneficiaries to remain in stable housing during the operating year. See *Part 5: Determining Housing Stability Outcomes* for definitions of stable and unstable housing situations.

**In-kind Leveraged Resources:** These are additional types of support provided to assist HOPWA beneficiaries such as volunteer services, materials, use of equipment and building space. The actual value of the support can be the contribution of professional services, based on customary rates for this specialized support, or actual costs contributed from other leveraged resources. In determining a rate for the contribution of volunteer time and services, use the criteria described in 2 CFR 200. The value of any donated material, equipment, building, or lease should be based on the fair market value at time of donation. Related documentation can be from recent bills of sales, advertised prices, appraisals, or other information for comparable property similarly situated.

**Leveraged Funds:** The amount of funds expended during the operating year from non-HOPWA federal, state, local, and private sources by grantees or sponsors in dedicating assistance to this client population. Leveraged funds or other assistance are used directly in or in support of HOPWA program delivery.

**Live-In Aide:** A person who resides with the HOPWA Eligible Individual and who meets the following criteria: (1) is essential to the care and well-being of the person; (2) is not obligated for the support of the person; and (3) would not be living in the unit except to provide the necessary supportive services. See *24 CFR 5.403 and the HOPWA Grantee Oversight Resource Guide* for additional reference.

**Master Leasing:** Applies to a nonprofit or public agency that leases units of housing (scattered-sites or entire buildings) from a landlord, and subleases the units to homeless or low-income tenants. By assuming the tenancy burden, the agency facilitates housing of clients who may not be able to maintain a lease on their own due to poor credit, evictions, or lack of sufficient income.

**Operating Costs:** Applies to facility-based housing only, for facilities that are currently open. Operating costs can include day-to-day housing function and operation costs like utilities, maintenance, equipment, insurance, security, furnishings, supplies and salary for staff costs directly related to the housing project but not staff costs for delivering services.

**Outcome:** The degree to which the HOPWA assisted household has been enabled to establish or maintain a stable living environment in housing that is safe, decent, and sanitary, (per the regulations at 24 CFR 574.310(b)) and to reduce the risks of homelessness, and improve access to HIV treatment and other health care and support.

**Output:** The number of units of housing or households that receive HOPWA assistance during the operating year.

**Permanent Housing Placement:** A supportive housing service that helps establish the household in the housing unit, including but not limited to reasonable costs for security deposits not to exceed two months of rent costs.

**Program Income:** Gross income directly generated from the use of HOPWA funds, including repayments. See grant administration

requirements on program income at 2 CFR 200.307.

**Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA):** A rental subsidy program that is tied to specific facilities or units owned or controlled by a project sponsor. Assistance is tied directly to the properties and is not portable or transferable.

**Project Sponsor Organizations: Per HOPWA regulations at 24 CFR 574.3,** any nonprofit organization or governmental housing agency that receives funds under a contract with the grantee to provide eligible housing and other support services or administrative services as defined in 24 CFR 574.300. Project Sponsor organizations are required to provide performance data on households served and funds expended.

**SAM:** All organizations applying for a Federal award must have a valid registration active at sam.gov. SAM (System for Award Management) registration includes maintaining current information and providing a valid DUNS number.

**Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility (STRMU) Assistance:** A time-limited, housing subsidy assistance designed to prevent homelessness and increase housing stability. Grantees may provide assistance for up to 21 weeks in any 52-week period. The amount of assistance varies per client depending on funds available, tenant need and program guidelines.

**Stewardship Units:** Units developed with HOPWA, where HOPWA funds were used for acquisition, new construction and rehabilitation that no longer receive operating subsidies from HOPWA. Report information for the units is subject to the three-year use agreement if rehabilitation is non-substantial and to the ten-year use agreement if rehabilitation is substantial.

**Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA):** TBRA is a rental subsidy program similar to the Housing Choice Voucher program that grantees can provide to help low-income households access affordable housing. The TBRA voucher is not tied to a specific unit, so tenants may move to a different unit without losing their assistance, subject to individual program rules. The subsidy amount is determined in part based on household income and rental costs associated with the tenant's lease.

**Transgender:** Transgender is defined as a person who identifies with, or presents as, a gender that is different from his/her gender at birth.

**Veteran:** A veteran is someone who has served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. This does not include inactive military reserves or the National Guard unless the person was called up to active duty.

# Housing Opportunities for Person With AIDS (HOPWA) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Measuring Performance Outputs and Outcomes

OMB Number 2506-0133 (Expiration Date: 01/31/2021)

## Part 1: Grantee Executive Summary

As applicable, complete the charts below to provide more detailed information about the agencies and organizations responsible for the administration and implementation of the HOPWA program. Chart 1 requests general Grantee Information and Chart 2 is to be completed for each organization selected or designated as a project sponsor, as defined by 24 CFR 574.3.

*Note: If any information does not apply to your organization, please enter N/A. Do not leave any section blank.*

### 1. Grantee Information

<b>HUD Grant Number</b> CTH21-F999		<b>Operating Year for this report</b> From (mm/dd/yy) 7/01/2021 To (mm/dd/yy) 6/30/2022	
<b>Grantee Name</b> State of Connecticut Department of Housing			
<b>Business Address</b>		505 Hudson Street 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	
<b>City, County, State, Zip</b>		Hartford	CT <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 2px;">06106</span>
<b>Employer Identification Number (EIN) or Tax Identification Number (TIN)</b>		32-0410548	
<b>DUN &amp; Bradstreet Number (DUNs):</b>		078847898	<b>System for Award Management (SAM):: Is the grantee's SAM status currently active?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, provide SAM Number:
<b>Congressional District of Grantee's Business Address</b>		CT 1 <sup>st</sup> district	
<b>*Congressional District of Primary Service Area(s)</b>		2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4th	
<b>*City(ies) and County(ies) of Primary Service Area(s)</b>		Cities: Middletown and New London	Counties: Middlesex and New London
<b>Organization's Website Address</b>  www.ct.gov/doh		<b>Is there a waiting list(s) for HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance Services in the Grantee Service Area?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, explain in the narrative section what services maintain a waiting list and how this list is administered.	

\* Service delivery area information only needed for program activities being directly carried out by the grantee.

## 2. Project Sponsor Information

Please complete Chart 2 for each organization designated or selected to serve as a project sponsor, as defined by 24 CFR 574.3. Use this section to report on organizations involved in the direct delivery of services for client households.

*Note: If any information does not apply to your organization, please enter N/A.*

<b>Project Sponsor Agency Name</b> Columbus House, Inc.		<b>Parent Company Name, if applicable</b> N/A	
<b>Name and Title of Contact at Project Sponsor Agency</b>		Margaret Middleton	
<b>Email Address</b>		<a href="mailto:mmiddleton@columbushouse.org">mmiddleton@columbushouse.org</a>	
<b>Business Address</b>		Columbus House 586 Ella T. Grasso Blvd	
<b>City, County, State, Zip,</b>		New Haven, New Haven, CT 06519	
<b>Phone Number (with area code)</b>		203-401-4400	
<b>Employer Identification Number (EIN) or Tax Identification Number (TIN)</b>		22-2511873	<b>Fax Number (with area code)</b> N/A
<b>DUN &amp; Bradstreet Number (DUNs):</b>		13-1764912	
<b>Congressional District of Project Sponsor's Business Address</b>		CT 3 <sup>rd</sup> District	
<b>Congressional District(s) of Primary Service Area(s)</b>		CT 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Districts	
<b>City(ies) and County(ies) of Primary Service Area(s)</b>		<b>Cities:</b> Middletown	<b>Counties:</b> Middlesex
<b>Total HOPWA contract amount for this Organization for the operating year</b>		\$169,462	
<b>Organization's Website Address</b>		<a href="http://www.columbushouse.org">www.columbushouse.org</a>	
<b>Is the sponsor a nonprofit organization?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Please check if yes and a faith-based organization.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Please check if yes and a grassroots organization.</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Does your organization maintain a waiting list?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  <b>If yes, explain in the narrative section how this list is administered.</b>	

<b>Project Sponsor Agency Name</b> Alliance For Living, Inc.		<b>Parent Company Name, if applicable</b> N/A	
<b>Name and Title of Contact at Project Sponsor Agency</b>	Kelly Thompson		
<b>Email Address</b>	<a href="mailto:kthompson@allianceforliving.org">kthompson@allianceforliving.org</a>		
<b>Business Address</b>	Alliance For Living 154 Broad Street		
<b>City, County, State, Zip,</b>	New London, New London, CT 06320		
<b>Phone Number (with area code)</b>	860-447-0884		
<b>Employer Identification Number (EIN) or Tax Identification Number (TIN)</b>	06-1245514	<b>Fax Number (with area code)</b> N/A	
<b>DUN &amp; Bradstreet Number (DUNs):</b>	78-4163784		
<b>Congressional District of Project Sponsor's Business Address</b>	CT 2ndDistrict		
<b>Congressional District(s) of Primary Service Area(s)</b>	CT 2 <sup>nd</sup> District		
<b>City(ies) and County(ies) of Primary Service Area(s)</b>	<b>Cities:</b> New London	<b>Counties:</b> New London	
<b>Total HOPWA contract amount for this Organization for the operating year</b>	\$56,909		
<b>Organization's Website Address</b>	<a href="http://www.allianceforliving.org">www.allianceforliving.org</a>		
<b>Is the sponsor a nonprofit organization?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>Please check if yes and a faith-based organization.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Please check if yes and a grassroots organization.</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Does your organization maintain a waiting list?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  <b>If yes, explain in the narrative section how this list is administered.</b>	

## **5. Grantee Narrative and Performance Assessment**

### **a. Grantee and Community Overview**

Provide a one to three page narrative summarizing major achievements and highlights that were proposed and completed during the program year. Include a brief description of the grant organization, area of service, the name(s) of the program contact(s), and an overview of the range/type of housing activities provided. This overview may be used for public information, including posting on HUD's website. *Note: Text fields are expandable.*

Columbus House is a non-profit agency that provides an array of services including emergency shelter, outreach, case management, permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing, medical respite, and employment services. Our agency is based in New Haven, but provides services throughout the state of Connecticut. The Columbus House Middletown HOPWA program provides Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) and case management services. A dedicated HOPWA Case Manager provided services for 11 clients in the Middlesex area. The services included coordinating with medical, behavioral health, and substance use providers, referring to employment/vocational, budgeting, assisting with daily living skills, and housing counseling.

To gain more access about this program and the services offered, information can be gained from the following contacts:

Chief Program Officer: Hebe Kudisch  
Director of Housing: Caroline Perez  
Supportive Housing Manager: Brian Sinclair  
HOPWA Case Manager: Joan Gervasio

Alliance for Living (AFL) is a community based organization which provides direct services to support the life needs of people affected by HIV/AIDS. Our mission is to improve the quality of life for people affected by HIV/AIDS in New London County. We are dedicated to empowering and advocating for people living with HIV/AIDS. We are currently the only HIV/AIDS service center in southeastern Connecticut. Alliance for Living is located in the City of New London and serve all of New London County and beyond. We serve all of New London County. The existing housing units are located in New London, Norwich, Groton, Ledyard, Mystic, Taftville, Lisbon and Jewett City. Alliance for Living has provided supported housing services beginning with a subsidy program 1998. The purpose of Alliance for Living, Inc. (AFL) is to provide services related to the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS and to provide support for those affected by HIV/AIDS. Alliance for Living was formed in 1998 as the result of a merger between Southeastern Connecticut AIDS Project (SECAP) and Help Our People Endure (HOPE) Foundation founded in 1986 and 1991 respectively. Initial services were limited to medical case management and quality-of-life programs. Over the past twenty years AFL has expanded services to include housing programs (we have both a scattered site program and a housing program for people who were formerly chronically homeless.) and utility assistance. More recent service expansions include the implementation of a Drug User Health program, an HIV testing and Early Intervention program and a 340B Pharmacy.

AFL's long history of service to the HIV/AIDS affected community is demonstrative of its knowledge of HIV and STDs, the community to be served and emerging trends. AFL has several current programs funded through DPH, DMHAS, and DOH.

Our agency not only provides housing assistance, but we provide comprehensive services for both individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. Our services include a complete array of non-medical,

quality of life services ranging from basic needs, housing and case management to support groups and social activities. Case management services are provided on a stand-alone basis and in conjunction with our housing and other programs. AFL is highly experienced in the provision of a wide variety of support services including medical and non-medical case management. We have provided these services consistently for over 23 years. Our program is fully aligned with the HIV continuum of care strategy.

Alliance for Living's Supportive Housing Program strive to achieve and maintain housing stability for all clients in the program. The Director of Housing/housing coordinator and case management staff work together as a team to ensure that housing program participants are maintaining sources of income, medical insurance and eligible benefits while in housing. The team uses an empowerment model to provide housing participants with the skills to contact their landlords if they are having problems, connect with providers if they need assistance and to pay their program rent on time. The staff has attended in-service trainings on motivational interviewing, immigration, fair housing, tenant's rights, and ongoing COVID-19 updates.

The Alliance for Living – Supportive Housing Program operates with the support from the funding provided by Department of Housing, the Housing Urban Development office and Department of Mental Health Services. The Supportive Housing Program cares for twenty one (21) Tenant Based Rental Assistance funded by DOH. In addition, we are close to the population defined chronically homeless and housed fourteen (12) individual and family households with HUD funding. Also, Alliance for Living provides case management support for chronically homeless individuals recently housed by HUD/DMHAS Alliance for Living is lined up with the Coordinated Access and meets compliance with the HUD homeless definitions, Housing First approach and a Harm Reduction model to reduce the impediments to enter into housing solutions and remained housed.

Alliance for Living and the Supportive Housing Program operates under the leadership of President/CEO, Kelly Thompson and programming is supervised by Housing Coordinator, Megan Davidson.

**b. Annual Performance under the Action Plan**

Provide a narrative addressing each of the following four items:

1. Outputs Reported. Describe significant accomplishments or challenges in achieving the number of housing units supported and the number households assisted with HOPWA funds during this operating year compared to plans for this assistance, as approved in the Consolidated Plan/Action Plan. Describe how HOPWA funds were distributed during your operating year among different categories of housing and geographic areas to address needs throughout the grant service area, consistent with approved plans. Alliance for Living's Supportive Housing Program successfully met beyond the agreed services outcomes. Our program serviced 8 clients. We provided Tenant Based Rental assistance to 4 households. We were able to provide rental and utility assistance to an overall total of 8 clients. Our program is able to serve clients with case management, access to food resources, transportation, access to medical care and referrals and ensuring access to state and/or insurance benefits.

Our program is aligned with the HIV continuum of care and provision of these services. All tenants have access to this through medical case management services.

Alliance's for Living mission statement is to improve the quality of life of those we serve. This is a goal in agreement with our contract activities. We are proud to announce that 90% of the clients we serve are

virally suppressed and are in antiretroviral medications. Clients have access to treatment adherence care and nutritional guidance.

Columbus House provided financial assistance for 11 households. We exceeded the requirement for the number of households that should have been served which was 10. The housing market has caused an increase in rents which may make it more difficult to serve any additional clients. Clients were housed in the Meriden/Middlesex/Wallingford area allowing clients to choose the town or city of their preference.

2. Outcomes Assessed. Assess your program's success in enabling HOPWA beneficiaries to establish and/or better maintain a stable living environment in housing that is safe, decent, and sanitary, and improve access to care. Compare current year results to baseline results for clients. Describe how program activities/projects contributed to meeting stated goals. If program did not achieve expected targets, please describe how your program plans to address challenges in program implementation and the steps currently being taken to achieve goals in next operating year. If your program exceeded program targets, please describe strategies the program utilized and how those contributed to program successes.

Columbus House has one dedicated Case Manager who had training specific to working with individuals with HIV/AIDS. The Case Manager provided referrals based on clients' needs such as mental health and substance use treatment, primary care services, benefit redetermination paperwork, employment search, education assistance, and budgeting. The Case Manager also provided transportation to appointments when possible. All clients received case management at a minimum of two times a month, frequently receiving services weekly. Columbus House exceeded all of the measures that were required in the program with all but one measure scoring 100%. The success of the program is attributed to a dedicated staff who is based in Middletown; this made it easy to deliver services because of the close proximity to the clients.

AFL has been able to assist its clients to gain housing stability in safe households. Clients completed inspections with their case manager and a safety checklist is reviewed to understand how to maintain household safety. During COVID-19, AFL adopted HUD policies on how to conduct remote safety inspections.

During the Covid 19 protocol, AFL and Columbus House adopted HUD policies on how to conduct remote safety inspections.

3. Coordination. Report on program coordination with other mainstream housing and supportive services resources, including the use of committed leveraging from other public and private sources that helped to address needs for eligible persons identified in the Consolidated Plan/Strategic Plan. Alliance for Living/Supportive Housing Program has a systematic system of meeting client's unmet needs that serves as another tool to address that all members have access to mainstream benefits. Unmet needs can be tracked by the following system: The Director of Housing/housing coordinator meets with all clients on Housing program caseload. The DH/ Housing Coordinator ensures and maintains contact with each housing member at least once a month. Medical Case Managers meet with all clients on caseload. All MCM's ensure and maintain a 2x monthly contact with each member. Medical Case Managers and Director of Housing maintain monthly contact with tenants completes service and medical assessments. Team members report unmet needs during supervision and follows this policy below.

#### Supervision Policy

SHP stands firmly in recognizing the importance to include case conferencing, case reviews, coordination of services, and supervision of housing case management staff in scheduled meetings. Coordination includes activities and communication that reduces barriers in obtaining services and secures the rights and



responsibilities in housing for tenants, landlords, staff and community at large. Case conferencing with case management staff and supervisors occurs every Tuesday at 9:00 am.

A standing Housing Case Management meeting occurs every other Tuesday at 10:30 am. This meeting serves the purpose of dissemination of information important to assist in housing, training opportunities to update staff rules and regulations, meet the required hours of training in the form of in-service trainings and the escalation of any housing cases that need imminent and detailed attention as a conjunctive group. Individual case manager's supervision meetings happens at least monthly with the supervisor and/or clinical supervisor. Housing case management staff have the opportunity to call special meetings with providers and landlords on a case by case basis. This ensures emergent issues may be promptly addressed.

Case Managers meet with Supervisors individually on a monthly basis. Caseload, Work and Assessments are reviewed. Pending tasks items are shared and used for follow-up. Case Managers may meet with Clinical Supervisor on a scheduled basis.

Our housing program accepts referrals of eligible persons on a first-come, first serve basis. We are aligned with our Coordinated Access Network. Most referrals come through the 211 referral system. We are present at each of the weekly meetings and receive referrals and we are an engaged member in case conferencing. However, a current client who has experienced an event de-stabilizing his/her housing may also be referred by their Case Manager. Additionally, individuals may simply "walk-in" requesting assistance. All clients are reported to the Coordinated Access network Coordinator and maintain properly documented and with proper releases of information.

Once a referral is made, potential participants meet with a Case Manager to initiate the intake process. Director Housing/ Housing Coordinator completes intake and offer housing assistance. During that process, information regarding health status and income are collected. Specific needs are determined and a service plan is created. In each instance, the same intake process is utilized, clients are informed of the eligibility process and when necessary, accessibility arrangements are made for persons with disabilities.

During the Covid 19 pandemic, AFL program adopted the policies in place for maintaining the Governor's Stay Safe-Stay Home orders. The case management team started working remotely and quickly engaged in providing services over the phone and other media systems. AFL continued to provide coordinated case management through client care calls and weekly meetings. Communication was maintained during the pandemic and scaled up the food distribution program. Curbside pick-up of food and cooked meals were delivered to client homes from January through June.

Clients were assisted with unemployment claims, housing search and entitlement applications through safety measures in office meetings during limited hours.

Columbus House coordinates with local providers, housing agencies, landlords, medical providers, and other social services agencies to provide wrap around services to the clients. The goal is to assist clients to becoming independent where they can graduate from the HOPWA program into other housing opportunities such as Section 8 or Housing Authority openings. Columbus House also participates in the Meriden/Middlesex/Wallingford Coordinated Access Network (MMW CAN).

4. Technical Assistance. Describe any program technical assistance needs and how they would benefit program beneficiaries.

AFL staff participated in the HRSA ESCALATE program for TA assistance for HIV anti-stigma. The staff will implement anti stigma policies and programs moving forward.

Barriers and Trends Overview

Provide a narrative addressing items 1 through 3. Explain how barriers and trends affected your program’s ability to achieve the objectives and outcomes discussed in the previous section.

1. Describe any barriers (including regulatory and non-regulatory) encountered in the administration or implementation of the HOPWA program, how they affected your program’s ability to achieve the objectives and outcomes discussed, and, actions taken in response to barriers, and recommendations for program improvement. Provide an explanation for each barrier selected.

**Finding available apartments within Fair Market Rent (FMR) and approving the inspection before the apartment is rented to another individual. One landlord reported that they received between 45-70 calls per day inquiring about renting their property**

**The shelters in New London and reportedly the entire State are at capacity. Clients who call 211 are placed on a waitlist but cannot expect a bed in months due to the lack of moveouts/diversion. Many individuals are living in places unfit for habitation, especially with the excessive heat indexes during**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HOPWA/HUD Regulations	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing Availability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rent Determination and Fair Market Rents
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discrimination/Confidentiality	<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Diagnoses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligibility	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Assistance or Training
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supportive Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit History	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rental History	<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice History
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing Affordability	<input type="checkbox"/> Geography/Rural Access	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain further	

**the month.**

**New rental scams have been identified on many popular rental websites. Some unscrupulous landlords are listing properties for months on end while accepting application fees, however, do not rent the apartment to qualified tenants to collect more application fees. Another scam is listing a property at a price too good to be true and asking for identifying information over the phone (including Social Security numbers) while no such property is for rent.**

**The State has increased the utility allowance for clients; however, the Federal government has not adjusted FMR. Because of this, our clients are having to look for apartments with all utilities included (which is a rarity) or find apartments with lower rents than before. For example, if the FMR for a 1 bedroom is \$1006.00 and the utilities are not included, a qualifying rent is between \$796-\$900 per month.**

**Clients who have completed intakes and are actively engaged in the housing search are reporting feeling increased stress, hopelessness, anxiety, substance use, and depression due to the difficulties they are facing in this process**

**Rent prices continue to skyrocket and property managers are not showing apartments until an application, credit, and background check are completed. This is often at a cost of \$50.00 per application**

COVID-19 significantly increased the cost of rent and created low housing stock making it difficult for clients to move. Columbus House utilized statewide waivers that were enacted during the pandemic to best serve our clients. The increase in rents made it more difficult for clients to graduate from the program because of affordability. The low housing stock was a challenge for clients who wanted to move from their current apartments to new ones. Clients remained in their units which, at times, affected their mental health or substance use. The Case Manager worked to connect clients to other resources to cope, but landlord engagement will be a recommendation for our agency to participate in. This would increase the available units for our clients.

2. Describe any trends in the community that may affect the way in which the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS are being addressed, and provide any other information important to the future provision of services to this population

Coordinated Access Network (CAN) has impacted how homeless individuals receive shelter and housing support services in Connecticut. HOPWA is slowly becoming part of the CAN and housing resources are shared within the CAN. Case Management staff continue to work with tenants who experience difficulties paying monthly occupancy charge and help in creating payment plans.

Affordable housing is another barrier because it is difficult to find apartments that meet FMR and that are affordable.

Landlords are continually educated on housing first model and assist in housing the more vulnerable clients in the state.

Landlords are HFF friendly.

Staff are educated themselves on the effects of COVID-19 on those with HIV/AIDS

Staff will continue to monitor guidelines and adjust as necessary.

3. Identify any evaluations, studies, or other assessments of the HOPWA program that are available to the public.

N/A

End of PART 1

**PART 2: Sources of Leveraging and Program Income**

**1. Sources of Leveraging**

Report the source(s) of cash or in-kind leveraged federal, state, local or private resources identified in the Consolidated or Annual Plan and used in the delivery of the HOPWA program and the amount of leveraged dollars. In Column [1], identify the type of leveraging. Some common sources of leveraged funds have been provided as a reference point. You may add Rows as necessary to report all sources of leveraged funds. Include Resident Rent payments paid by clients directly to private landlords. Do NOT include rents paid directly to a HOPWA program as this will be reported in the next section. In Column [2] report the amount of leveraged funds expended during the operating year. Use Column [3] to provide some detail about the type of leveraged contribution (e.g., case management services or clothing donations). In Column [4], check the appropriate box to indicate whether the leveraged contribution was a housing subsidy assistance or another form of support.

*Note: Be sure to report on the number of households supported with these leveraged funds in Part 3, Chart 1, Column d.*

**A. Source of Leveraging Chart**

[1] Source of Leveraging	[2] Amount of Leveraged Funds	[3] Type of Contribution	[4] Housing Subsidy Assistance or Other Support
Public Funding			
Ryan White-Housing Assistance			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Ryan White-Other			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Housing Choice Voucher Program			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Low Income Housing Tax Credit			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
HOME			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Continuum of Care			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Emergency Solutions Grant			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Public: DOH	33,083	Personnel/Cash match	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Public: DMHAS	23,117	Personnel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Public:			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Public:			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Public:			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Private Funding			
Grants			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
In-kind Resources			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Private:			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Private:			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Other Funding	0		
Grantee/Project Sponsor (Agency) Cash			<input type="checkbox"/> Housing Subsidy Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other Support
Resident Rent Payments by Client to Private Landlord			
<b>TOTAL (Sum of all Rows)</b>	<b>56,200</b>		

## 2. Program Income and Resident Rent Payments

In Section 2, Chart A, report the total amount of program income and resident rent payments directly generated from the use of HOPWA funds, including repayments. Include resident rent payments collected or paid directly to the HOPWA program. Do NOT include payments made directly from a client household to a private landlord.

*Note: Please see report directions section for definition of program income. (Additional information on program income is available in the HOPWA Grantee Oversight Resource Guide).*

### A. Total Amount Program Income and Resident Rent Payment Collected During the Operating Year

Program Income and Resident Rent Payments Collected		Total Amount of Program Income (for this operating year)
1.	Program income (e.g. repayments)	0
2.	Resident Rent Payments made directly to HOPWA Program	0
3.	<b>Total Program Income and Resident Rent Payments (Sum of Rows 1 and 2)</b>	0

### B. Program Income and Resident Rent Payments Expended To Assist HOPWA Households

In Chart B, report on the total program income and resident rent payments (as reported above in Chart A) expended during the operating year. Use Row 1 to report Program Income and Resident Rent Payments expended on Housing Subsidy Assistance Programs (i.e., TBRA, STRMU, PHP, Master Leased Units, and Facility-Based Housing). Use Row 2 to report on the Program Income and Resident Rent Payment expended on Supportive Services and other non-direct Housing Costs.

Program Income and Resident Rent Payment Expended on HOPWA programs		Total Amount of Program Income Expended (for this operating year)
1.	Program Income and Resident Rent Payment Expended on Housing Subsidy Assistance costs	0
2.	Program Income and Resident Rent Payment Expended on Supportive Services and other non-direct housing costs	0
3.	<b>Total Program Income Expended (Sum of Rows 1 and 2)</b>	0

End of PART 2



**PART 3: Accomplishment Data Planned Goal and Actual Outputs**

In Chart 1, enter performance information (goals and actual outputs) for all activities undertaken during the operating year supported with HOPWA funds. Performance is measured by the number of households and units of housing that were supported with HOPWA or other federal, state, local, or private funds for the purposes of providing housing assistance and support to persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

**1. HOPWA Performance Planned Goal and Actual Outputs**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HOPWA Performance Planned Goal and Actual</b></p>		[1] Output: Households				[2] Output: Funding	
		HOPWA Assistance		Leveraged Households		HOPWA Funds	
		a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.
		Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	HOPWA Budget	HOPWA Actual
<b>HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>		<b>[1] Output: Households</b>				<b>[2] Output: Funding</b>	
1.	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	16	15	3	4	136,780	114,417
2a.	<b>Permanent Housing Facilities:</b> Received Operating Subsidies/Leased units (Households Served)						
2b.	<b>Transitional/Short-term Facilities:</b> Received Operating Subsidies/Leased units (Households Served) (Households Served)						
3a.	<b>Permanent Housing Facilities:</b> Capital Development Projects placed in service during the operating year (Households Served)						
3b.	<b>Transitional/Short-term Facilities:</b> Capital Development Projects placed in service during the operating year (Households Served)						
4.	Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance	6	8	6	8	12,023	12,023
5.	Permanent Housing Placement Services						
6.	Adjustments for duplication (subtract)						
7.	<b>Total HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance</b> (Columns a – d equal the sum of Rows 1-5 minus Row 6; Columns e and f equal the sum of Rows 1-5)	22	23	9	12	148,803	126,440
<b>Housing Development (Construction and Stewardship of facility based housing)</b>		<b>[1] Output: Housing Units</b>				<b>[2] Output: Funding</b>	
8.	Facility-based units; Capital Development Projects not yet opened (Housing Units)						
9.	Stewardship Units subject to 3- or 10- year use agreements						
10.	<b>Total Housing Developed</b> (Sum of Rows 8 & 9)						
<b>Supportive Services</b>		<b>[1] Output: Households</b>				<b>[2] Output: Funding</b>	
11a.	Supportive Services provided by project sponsors that also delivered HOPWA housing subsidy assistance	9	23			96,782	99,415
11b.	Supportive Services provided by project sponsors that only provided supportive services.						
12.	Adjustment for duplication (subtract)						
13.	<b>Total Supportive Services</b> (Columns a – d equals the sum of Rows 11 a & b minus Row 12; Columns e and f equal the sum of Rows 11a & 11b)	9	23			96,782	99,415
<b>Housing Information Services</b>		<b>[1] Output: Households</b>				<b>[2] Output: Funding</b>	
14.	Housing Information Services						
15.	<b>Total Housing Information Services</b>					0	0

Grant Administration and Other Activities		[1] Output: Households				[2] Output: Funding	
16.	Resource Identification to establish, coordinate and develop housing assistance resources						
17.	Technical Assistance (if approved in grant agreement)						
18.	Grantee Administration (maximum 3% of total HOPWA grant)						
19.	Project Sponsor Administration (maximum 7% of portion of HOPWA grant awarded)					12,802	11,170
20.	<b>Total Grant Administration and Other Activities (Sum of Rows 16 – 19)</b>					12,802	11,170
<b>Total Expended</b>							
						[2] Outputs: HOPWA Funds Expended	
						Budget	Actual
21.	<b>Total Expenditures for operating year (Sum of Rows 7, 10, 13, 15, and 20)</b>					258,387	237,025

## 2. Listing of Supportive Services

Report on the households served and use of HOPWA funds for all supportive services. Do NOT report on supportive services leveraged with non-HOPWA funds.

**Data check:** Total unduplicated households and expenditures reported in Row 17 equal totals reported in Part 3, Chart 1, Row 13.

Supportive Services		[1] Output: Number of <u>Households</u>	[2] Output: Amount of HOPWA Funds Expended
1.	Adult day care and personal assistance		
2.	Alcohol and drug abuse services		
3.	Case management	23	97,741
4.	Child care and other child services		
5.	Education		
6.	Employment assistance and training		
7.	Health/medical/intensive care services, if approved Note: Client records must conform with 24 CFR §574.310		
8.	Legal services		
9.	Life skills management (outside of case management)		
10.	Meals/nutritional services	6	1024
11.	Mental health services		
12.	Outreach		
13.	Transportation	3	650
14.	Other Activity (if approved in grant agreement). Specify:		
15.	<b>Sub-Total Households receiving Supportive Services (Sum of Rows 1-14)</b>	32	
16.	<b>Adjustment for Duplication (subtract)</b>	9	
17.	<b>TOTAL Unduplicated Households receiving Supportive Services (Column [1] equals Row 15 minus Row 16; Column [2] equals sum of Rows 1-14)</b>	23	99415



### 3. Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance (STRMU) Summary

In Row a, enter the total number of households served and the amount of HOPWA funds expended on Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility (STRMU) Assistance. In Row b, enter the total number of STRMU-assisted households that received assistance with mortgage costs only (no utility costs) and the amount expended assisting these households. In Row c, enter the total number of STRMU-assisted households that received assistance with both mortgage and utility costs and the amount expended assisting these households. In Row d, enter the total number of STRMU-assisted households that received assistance with rental costs only (no utility costs) and the amount expended assisting these households. In Row e, enter the total number of STRMU-assisted households that received assistance with both rental and utility costs and the amount expended assisting these households. In Row f, enter the total number of STRMU-assisted households that received assistance with utility costs only (not including rent or mortgage costs) and the amount expended assisting these households. In row g, report the amount of STRMU funds expended to support direct program costs such as program operation staff.

**Data Check:** The total households reported as served with STRMU in Row a, column [1] and the total amount of HOPWA funds reported as expended in Row a, column [2] equals the household and expenditure total reported for STRMU in Part 3, Chart 1, Row 4, Columns b and f, respectively.

**Data Check:** The total number of households reported in Column [1], Rows b, c, d, e, and f equal the total number of STRMU households reported in Column [1], Row a. The total amount reported as expended in Column [2], Rows b, c, d, e, f, and g, equal the total amount of STRMU expenditures reported in Column [2], Row a.

Housing Subsidy Assistance Categories (STRMU)		[1] Output: Number of Households Served	[2] Output: Total HOPWA Funds Expended on STRMU during Operating Year
a.	Total Short-term mortgage, rent and/or utility (STRMU) assistance	8	12023
b.	Of the total STRMU reported on Row a, total who received assistance with mortgage costs ONLY.	0	0
c.	Of the total STRMU reported on Row a, total who received assistance with mortgage and utility costs.	0	0
d.	Of the total STRMU reported on Row a, total who received assistance with rental costs ONLY.	6	9984
e.	Of the total STRMU reported on Row a, total who received assistance with rental and utility costs.	0	0
f.	Of the total STRMU reported on Row a, total who received assistance with utility costs ONLY.	2	2039
g.	Direct program delivery costs (e.g., program operations staff time)		0

**End of PART 3**

**Part 4: Summary of Performance Outcomes**

In Column [1], report the total number of eligible households that received HOPWA housing subsidy assistance, by type. In Column [2], enter the number of households that continued to access each type of housing subsidy assistance into next operating year. In Column [3], report the housing status of all households that exited the program.

**Data Check:** The sum of Columns [2] (Number of Households Continuing) and [3] (Exited Households) equals the total reported in Column[1].

**Note:** Refer to the housing stability codes that appear in Part 5: Worksheet - Determining Housing Stability Outcomes.

**Section 1. Housing Stability: Assessment of Client Outcomes on Maintaining Housing Stability (Permanent Housing and Related Facilities)**

**A. Permanent Housing Subsidy Assistance**

	[1] Output: Total Number of Households Served	[2] Assessment: Number of Households that Continued Receiving HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance into the Next Operating Year	[3] Assessment: Number of Households that exited this HOPWA Program; their Housing Status after Exiting		[4] HOPWA Client Outcomes
<b>Tenant-Based Rental Assistance</b>	15	14	1 Emergency Shelter/Streets	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			2 Temporary Housing	0	<i>Temporarily Stable, with Reduced Risk of Homelessness</i>
			3 Private Housing		<i>Stable/Permanent Housing (PH)</i>
			4 Other HOPWA	1	
			5 Other Subsidy	0	
			6 Institution	0	
			7 Jail/Prison	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			8 Disconnected/Unknown	0	
			9 Death	0	
<b>Permanent Supportive Housing Facilities/ Units</b>	0	0	1 Emergency Shelter/Streets	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			2 Temporary Housing	0	<i>Temporarily Stable, with Reduced Risk of Homelessness</i>
			3 Private Housing	0	<i>Stable/Permanent Housing (PH)</i>
			4 Other HOPWA	0	
			5 Other Subsidy	0	
			6 Institution	0	
			7 Jail/Prison	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			8 Disconnected/Unknown	0	
			9 Death	0	

**B. Transitional Housing Assistance**

	[1] Output: Total Number of Households Served	[2] Assessment: Number of Households that Continued Receiving HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance into the Next Operating Year	[3] Assessment: Number of Households that exited this HOPWA Program; their Housing Status after Exiting		[4] HOPWA Client Outcomes
<b>Transitional/ Short-Term Housing Facilities/ Units</b>			1 Emergency Shelter/Streets	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			2 Temporary Housing	0	<i>Temporarily Stable with Reduced Risk of Homelessness</i>
			3 Private Housing	0	<i>Stable/Permanent Housing (PH)</i>
			4 Other HOPWA	0	
			5 Other Subsidy	0	
			6 Institution	0	
			7 Jail/Prison	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
			8 Disconnected/unknown	0	
			9 Death	0	

B1: Total number of households receiving transitional/short-term housing assistance whose tenure exceeded 24 months	8
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**Section 2. Prevention of Homelessness: Assessment of Client Outcomes on Reduced Risks of Homelessness (Short-Term Housing Subsidy Assistance)**

Report the total number of households that received STRMU assistance in Column [1].  
 In Column [2], identify the outcomes of the households reported in Column [1] either at the time that they were known to have left the STRMU program or through the project sponsor’s best assessment for stability at the end of the operating year.  
 Information in Column [3] provides a description of housing outcomes; therefore, data is not required.  
 At the bottom of the chart:

- In Row 1a, report those households that received STRMU assistance during the operating year of this report, and the prior operating year.
- In Row 1b, report those households that received STRMU assistance during the operating year of this report, and the two prior operating years.

**Data Check:** The total households reported as served with STRMU in Column [1] equals the total reported in Part 3, Chart 1, Row 4, Column b.

**Data Check:** The sum of Column [2] should equal the number of households reported in Column [1].

**Assessment of Households that Received STRMU Assistance**

[1] Output: Total number of households	[2] Assessment of Housing Status		[3] HOPWA Client Outcomes
8	<b>Maintain Private Housing without subsidy</b> <i>(e.g. Assistance provided/completed and client is stable, not likely to seek additional support)</i>	8	<i>Stable/Permanent Housing (PH)</i>
	<b>Other Private Housing without subsidy</b> <i>(e.g. client switched housing units and is now stable, not likely to seek additional support)</i>	0	
	Other HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance	0	
	Other Housing Subsidy (PH)	0	
	<b>Institution</b> <i>(e.g. residential and long-term care)</i>	0	
	Likely that additional STRMU is needed to maintain current housing arrangements	0	<i>Temporarily Stable, with Reduced Risk of Homelessness</i>
	<b>Transitional Facilities/Short-term</b> <i>(e.g. temporary or transitional arrangement)</i>	0	
	<b>Temporary/Non-Permanent Housing arrangement</b> <i>(e.g. gave up lease, and moved in with family or friends but expects to live there less than 90 days)</i>	0	
	Emergency Shelter/street	0	<i>Unstable Arrangements</i>
	Jail/Prison	0	
	Disconnected	0	
	Death	0	<i>Life Event</i>
	1a. Total number of those households that received STRMU Assistance in the operating year of this report that also received STRMU assistance in the prior operating year (e.g. households that received STRMU assistance in two consecutive operating years).		
1b. Total number of those households that received STRMU Assistance in the operating year of this report that also received STRMU assistance in the two prior operating years (e.g. households that received STRMU assistance in three consecutive operating years).			1

### Section 3. HOPWA Outcomes on Access to Care and Support

#### 1a. Total Number of Households

Line [1]: For project sponsors that provided HOPWA housing subsidy assistance during the operating year identify in the appropriate row the number of households that received HOPWA housing subsidy assistance (TBRA, STRMU, Facility-Based, PHP and Master Leasing) and HOPWA funded case management services. Use Row c to adjust for duplication among the service categories and Row d to provide an unduplicated household total.

Line [2]: For project sponsors that did NOT provide HOPWA housing subsidy assistance identify in the appropriate row the number of households that received HOPWA funded case management services.

**Note:** These numbers will help you to determine which clients to report Access to Care and Support Outcomes for and will be used by HUD as a basis for analyzing the percentage of households who demonstrated or maintained connections to care and support as identified in Chart 1b below.

Total Number of Households	
<b>1. For Project Sponsors that provided HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance:</b> Identify the total number of households that received the following HOPWA-funded services:	
a. Housing Subsidy Assistance (duplicated)-TBRA, STRMU, PHP, Facility-Based Housing, and Master Leasing	23
b. Case Management	23
c. Adjustment for duplication (subtraction)	23
<b>d. Total Households Served by Project Sponsors with Housing Subsidy Assistance (Sum of Rows a and b minus Row c)</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>2. For Project Sponsors did NOT provide HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance:</b> Identify the total number of households that received the following HOPWA-funded service:	
a. HOPWA Case Management	0
<b>b. Total Households Served by Project Sponsors without Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>	<b>0</b>

#### 1b. Status of Households Accessing Care and Support

Column [1]: Of the households identified as receiving services from project sponsors that provided HOPWA housing subsidy assistance as identified in Chart 1a, Row 1d above, report the number of households that demonstrated access or maintained connections to care and support within the operating year.

Column [2]: Of the households identified as receiving services from project sponsors that did NOT provide HOPWA housing subsidy assistance as reported in Chart 1a, Row 2b, report the number of households that demonstrated improved access or maintained connections to care and support within the operating year.

**Note:** For information on types and sources of income and medical insurance/assistance, refer to Charts below.

Categories of Services Accessed	[1] For project sponsors that provided HOPWA housing subsidy assistance, identify the households who demonstrated the following:	[2] For project sponsors that did NOT provide HOPWA housing subsidy assistance, identify the households who demonstrated the following:	Outcome Indicator
1. Has a housing plan for maintaining or establishing stable on-going housing	23	0	Support for Stable Housing
2. Had contact with case manager/benefits counselor consistent with the schedule specified in client's individual service plan (may include leveraged services such as Ryan White Medical Case Management)	23	0	Access to Support
3. Had contact with a primary health care provider consistent with the schedule specified in client's individual service plan	23	0	Access to Health Care
4. Accessed and maintained medical insurance/assistance	23	0	Access to Health Care
5. Successfully accessed or maintained qualification for sources of income	22	0	Sources of Income

#### Chart 1b, Line 4: Sources of Medical Insurance and Assistance include, but are not limited to the following (Reference only)

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|--|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MEDICAID Health Insurance Program, or use local program name</li> <li>MEDICARE Health Insurance Program, or use local program name</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veterans Affairs Medical Services</li> <li>AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)</li> <li>State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), or use local program name</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ryan White-funded Medical or Dental Assistance</li> </ul> |
|--|--|--|

**Chart 1b, Row 5: Sources of Income include, but are not limited to the following (Reference only)**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earned Income</li> <li>• Veteran’s Pension</li> <li>• Unemployment Insurance</li> <li>• Pension from Former Job</li> <li>• Supplemental Security Income (SSI)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Support</li> <li>• Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)</li> <li>• Alimony or other Spousal Support</li> <li>• Veteran’s Disability Payment</li> <li>• Retirement Income from Social Security</li> <li>• Worker’s Compensation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Assistance (GA), or use local program name</li> <li>• Private Disability Insurance</li> <li>• Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)</li> <li>• Other Income Sources</li> </ul>
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**1c. Households that Obtained Employment**

Column [1]: Of the households identified as receiving services from project sponsors that provided HOPWA housing subsidy assistance as identified in Chart 1a, Row 1d above, report on the number of households that include persons who obtained an income-producing job during the operating year that resulted from HOPWA-funded Job training, employment assistance, education or related case management/counseling services.

Column [2]: Of the households identified as receiving services from project sponsors that did NOT provide HOPWA housing subsidy assistance as reported in Chart 1a, Row 2b, report on the number of households that include persons who obtained an income-producing job during the operating year that resulted from HOPWA-funded Job training, employment assistance, education or case management/counseling services.

*Note: This includes jobs created by this project sponsor or obtained outside this agency.*

*Note: Do not include jobs that resulted from leveraged job training, employment assistance, education or case management/counseling services.*

Categories of Services Accessed	[1 For project sponsors that provided HOPWA housing subsidy assistance, identify the households who demonstrated the following:	[2] For project sponsors that did NOT provide HOPWA housing subsidy assistance, identify the households who demonstrated the following:
Total number of households that obtained an income-producing job	4	0

**End of PART 4**

**PART 5: Worksheet - Determining Housing Stability Outcomes (optional)**

1. This chart is designed to assess program results based on the information reported in Part 4 and to help Grantees determine overall program performance. Completion of this worksheet is optional.

<b>Permanent Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>	<b>Stable Housing</b> (# of households remaining in program plus 3+4+5+6)	<b>Temporary Housing</b> (2)	<b>Unstable Arrangements</b> (1+7+8)	<b>Life Event</b> (9)
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	0	0	0	0
Permanent Facility-based Housing Assistance/Units	0	0	0	0
Transitional/Short-Term Facility-based Housing Assistance/Units	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Permanent HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Reduced Risk of Homelessness: Short-Term Assistance</b>	<b>Stable/Permanent Housing</b>	<b>Temporarily Stable, with Reduced Risk of Homelessness</b>	<b>Unstable Arrangements</b>	<b>Life Events</b>
Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMU)	0	0	0	0
<b>Total HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>	0	0	0	0

**Background on HOPWA Housing Stability Codes**  
**Stable Permanent Housing/Ongoing Participation**

- 3 = Private Housing in the private rental or home ownership market (without known subsidy, including permanent placement with families or other self-sufficient arrangements) with reasonable expectation that additional support is not needed.
- 4 = Other HOPWA-funded housing subsidy assistance (not STRMU), e.g. TBRA or Facility-Based Assistance.
- 5 = Other subsidized house or apartment (non-HOPWA sources, e.g., Section 8, HOME, public housing).
- 6 = Institutional setting with greater support and continued residence expected (e.g., residential or long-term care facility).

**Temporary Housing**

2 = Temporary housing - moved in with family/friends or other short-term arrangement, such as Ryan White subsidy, transitional housing for homeless, or temporary placement in institution (e.g., hospital, psychiatric hospital or other psychiatric facility, substance abuse treatment facility or detox center).

**Unstable Arrangements**

- 1 = Emergency shelter or no housing destination such as places not meant for habitation (e.g., a vehicle, an abandoned building, bus/train/subway station, or anywhere outside).
- 7 = Jail /prison.
- 8 = Disconnected or disappeared from project support, unknown destination or no assessments of housing needs were undertaken.

**Life Event**

9 = Death, i.e., remained in housing until death. This characteristic is not factored into the housing stability equation.

**Tenant-based Rental Assistance:** Stable Housing is the sum of the number of households that (i) remain in the housing and (ii) those that left the assistance as reported under: 3, 4, 5, and 6. Temporary Housing is the number of households that accessed assistance, and left their current housing for a non-permanent housing arrangement, as reported under item: 2. Unstable Situations is the sum of numbers reported under items: 1, 7, and 8.

**Permanent Facility-Based Housing Assistance:** Stable Housing is the sum of the number of households that (i) remain in the housing and (ii) those that left the assistance as shown as items: 3, 4, 5, and 6. Temporary Housing is the number of households that accessed assistance, and left their current housing for a non-permanent housing arrangement, as reported under item 2. Unstable Situations is the sum of numbers reported under items: 1, 7, and 8.

**Transitional/Short-Term Facility-Based Housing Assistance:** Stable Housing is the sum of the number of households that (i) continue in the residences (ii) those that left the assistance as shown as items: 3, 4, 5, and 6. Other Temporary Housing is the number of households that accessed assistance, and left their current housing for a non-permanent housing arrangement, as reported under item 2. Unstable Situations is the sum of numbers reported under items: 1, 7, and 8.

**Tenure Assessment.** A baseline of households in transitional/short-term facilities for assessment purposes, indicate the number of households whose tenure exceeded 24 months.

**STRMU Assistance:** Stable Housing is the sum of the number of households that accessed assistance for some portion of the permitted 21-week period and there is reasonable expectation that additional support is not needed in order to maintain permanent housing living situation (as this is a time-limited form of housing support) as reported under housing status: Maintain Private Housing with subsidy; Other Private with Subsidy; Other HOPWA support; Other Housing Subsidy; and Institution. Temporarily Stable, with Reduced Risk of Homelessness is the sum of the number of households that accessed assistance for some portion of the permitted 21-week period or left their current housing arrangement for a transitional facility or other temporary/non-permanent housing arrangement and there is reasonable expectation additional support will be needed to maintain housing arrangements in the next year, as reported under housing status: Likely to maintain current housing arrangements, with additional STRMU assistance; Transitional Facilities/Short-term; and Temporary/Non-Permanent Housing arrangements. Unstable Situation is the sum of number of households reported under housing status: Emergency Shelter; Jail/Prison; and Disconnected.

**End of PART 5**

**PART 6: Annual Report of Continued Usage for HOPWA Facility-Based Stewardship Units (ONLY)**

The Annual Report of Continued Usage for HOPWA Facility-Based Stewardship Units is to be used in place of Part 7B of the CAPER if the facility was originally acquired, rehabilitated or constructed/developed in part with HOPWA funds but no HOPWA funds were expended during the operating year. Scattered site units may be grouped together on one page.

Grantees that used HOPWA funding for new construction, acquisition, or substantial rehabilitation are required to operate their facilities for HOPWA eligible individuals for at least ten (10) years. If non-substantial rehabilitation funds were used, they are required to operate for at least three (3) years. Stewardship begins once the facility is put into operation.

*Note: See definition of Stewardship Units.*

**1. General information**

HUD Grant Number(s)	<b>Operating Year for this report</b> From (mm/dd/yy) To (mm/dd/yy) <input type="checkbox"/> Final Yr  <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 1; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 2; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 3; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 4; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 5; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 6;  <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 7; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 8; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 9; <input type="checkbox"/> Yr 10
Grantee Name	Date Facility Began Operations (mm/dd/yy)

**2. Number of Units and Non-HOPWA Expenditures**

Facility Name:	Number of Stewardship Units Developed with HOPWA funds	Amount of Non-HOPWA Funds Expended in Support of the Stewardship Units during the Operating Year
Total Stewardship Units (subject to 3- or 10- year use periods)		

**3. Details of Project Site**

Project Sites: Name of HOPWA-funded project	
Site Information: Project Zip Code(s)	
Site Information: Congressional District(s)	
Is the address of the project site confidential?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, protect information; do not list  <input type="checkbox"/> Not confidential; information can be made available to the public
<b>If the site is not confidential:</b> Please provide the contact information, phone, email address/location, if business address is different from facility address	

**End of PART 6**



**Part 7: Summary Overview of Grant Activities****A. Information on Individuals, Beneficiaries, and Households Receiving HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance (TBRA, STRMU, Facility-Based Units, Permanent Housing Placement and Master Leased Units ONLY)**

*Note: Reporting for this section should include ONLY those individuals, beneficiaries, or households that received and/or resided in a household that received HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance as reported in Part 3, Chart 1, Row 7, Column b. (e.g., do not include households that received HOPWA supportive services ONLY).*

**Section 1. HOPWA-Eligible Individuals Who Received HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance****a. Total HOPWA Eligible Individuals Living with HIV/AIDS**

In Chart a., provide the total number of eligible (and unduplicated) low-income individuals living with HIV/AIDS who qualified their household to receive HOPWA housing subsidy assistance during the operating year. This total should include only the individual who qualified the household for HOPWA assistance, NOT all HIV positive individuals in the household.

<b>Individuals Served with Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>	<b>Totl</b>
Number of individuals with HIV/AIDS who qualified their household to receive HOPWA housing subsidy assistance.	23

**Chart b. Prior Living Situation**

In Chart b, report the prior living situations for all Eligible Individuals reported in Chart a. In Row 1, report the total number of individuals who continued to receive HOPWA housing subsidy assistance from the prior operating year into this operating year. In Rows 2 through 17, indicate the prior living arrangements for all new HOPWA housing subsidy assistance recipients during the operating year.

**Data Check:** *The total number of eligible individuals served in Row 18 equals the total number of individuals served through housing subsidy assistance reported in Chart a above.*

<b>Category</b>		<b>Total HOPWA Eligible Individuals Receiving Housing Subsidy Assistance</b>
1.	<u>Continuing</u> to receive HOPWA support from the prior operating year	13
<b>New Individuals who received HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance support during Operating Year</b>		
2.	Place not meant for human habitation (such as a vehicle, abandoned building, bus/train/subway station/airport, or outside)	0
3.	Emergency shelter (including hotel, motel, or campground paid for with emergency shelter voucher)	2
4.	Transitional housing for homeless persons	
5.	<b>Total number of new Eligible Individuals who received HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance with a Prior Living Situation that meets HUD definition of homelessness (Sum of Rows 2 – 4)</b>	2
6.	Permanent housing for formerly homeless persons (such as Shelter Plus Care, SHP, or SRO Mod Rehab)	
7.	Psychiatric hospital or other psychiatric facility	
8.	Substance abuse treatment facility or detox center	
9.	Hospital (non-psychiatric facility)	
10.	Foster care home or foster care group home	
11.	Jail, prison or juvenile detention facility	
12.	Rented room, apartment, or house	8
13.	House you own	0
14.	Staying or living in someone else's (family and friends) room, apartment, or house	0
15.	Hotel or motel paid for without emergency shelter voucher	
16.	Other	0
17.	Don't Know or Refused	
18.	<b>TOTAL Number of HOPWA Eligible Individuals (sum of Rows 1 and 5-17)</b>	23

**c. Homeless Individual Summary**

In Chart c, indicate the number of eligible individuals reported in Chart b, Row 5 as homeless who also are homeless Veterans and/or meet the definition for Chronically Homeless (See Definition section of CAPER). The totals in Chart c do not need to equal the total in Chart b, Row 5.

Category	Number of Homeless Veteran(s)	Number of Chronically Homeless
HOPWA eligible individuals served with HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance	2	0

**Section 2. Beneficiaries**

In Chart a, report the total number of HOPWA eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS who received HOPWA housing subsidy assistance (as reported in Part 7A, Section 1, Chart a), and all associated members of their household who benefitted from receiving HOPWA housing subsidy assistance (resided with HOPWA eligible individuals).

*Note: See definition of HOPWA Eligible Individual*

*Note: See definition of Transgender.*

*Note: See definition of Beneficiaries.*

**Data Check:** The sum of each of the Charts b & c on the following two pages equals the total number of beneficiaries served with HOPWA housing subsidy assistance as determined in Chart a, Row 4 below.

**a. Total Number of Beneficiaries Served with HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance**

Individuals and Families Served with HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance	Total Number
1. Number of individuals with HIV/AIDS who qualified the household to receive HOPWA housing subsidy assistance (equals the number of HOPWA Eligible Individuals reported in Part 7A, Section 1, Chart a)	23
2. Number of ALL other persons <b>diagnosed</b> as HIV positive who reside with the HOPWA eligible individuals identified in Row 1 and who benefitted from the HOPWA housing subsidy assistance	0
3. Number of ALL other persons <b>NOT diagnosed</b> as HIV positive who reside with the HOPWA eligible individual identified in Row 1 and who benefitted from the HOPWA housing subsidy	2
<b>4. TOTAL number of ALL <u>beneficiaries</u> served with Housing Subsidy Assistance (Sum of Rows 1, 2, &amp; 3)</b>	25

**b. Age and Gender**

In Chart b, indicate the Age and Gender of all beneficiaries as reported in Chart a directly above. Report the Age and Gender of all HOPWA Eligible Individuals (those reported in Chart a, Row 1) using Rows 1-5 below and the Age and Gender of all other beneficiaries (those reported in Chart a, Rows 2 and 3) using Rows 6-10 below. The number of individuals reported in Row 11, Column E, equals the total number of beneficiaries reported in Part 7, Section 2, Chart a, Row 4.

<b>HOPWA Eligible Individuals (Chart a, Row 1)</b>						
		<b>A.</b>	<b>B.</b>	<b>C.</b>	<b>D.</b>	<b>E.</b>
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Transgender M to F</b>	<b>Transgender F to M</b>	<b>TOTAL (Sum of Columns A-D)</b>
1.	Under 18	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>			<input type="text" value="0"/>
2.	18 to 30 years	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>			0
3.	31 to 50 years	6	3			9
4.	51 years and Older	10	4			14
5.	<b>Subtotal (Sum of Rows 1-4)</b>	16	7			23
<b>All Other Beneficiaries (Chart a, Rows 2 and 3)</b>						
		<b>A.</b>	<b>B.</b>	<b>C.</b>	<b>D.</b>	<b>E.</b>
		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Transgender M to F</b>	<b>Transgender F to M</b>	<b>TOTAL (Sum of Columns A-D)</b>
6.	Under 18	1	<input type="text" value="0"/>			1
7.	18 to 30 years	0	0			0
8.	31 to 50 years	<input type="text" value="0"/>	1			1
9.	51 years and Older	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>			<input type="text" value="0"/>
10.	<b>Subtotal (Sum of Rows 6-9)</b>	1	1			2
<b>Total Beneficiaries (Chart a, Row 4)</b>						
11.	<b>TOTAL (Sum of Rows 5 &amp; 10)</b>	17	8	0	<input type="text" value="0"/>	25

**c. Race and Ethnicity\***

In Chart c, indicate the Race and Ethnicity of all beneficiaries receiving HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance as reported in Section 2, Chart a, Row 4. Report the race of all HOPWA eligible individuals in Column [A]. Report the ethnicity of all HOPWA eligible individuals in column [B]. Report the race of all other individuals who benefitted from the HOPWA housing subsidy assistance in column [C]. Report the ethnicity of all other individuals who benefitted from the HOPWA housing subsidy assistance in column [D]. The summed total of columns [A] and [C] equals the total number of beneficiaries reported above in Section 2, Chart a, Row 4.

Category		HOPWA Eligible Individuals		All Other Beneficiaries	
		[A] Race [all individuals reported in Section 2, Chart a, Row 1]	[B] Ethnicity [Also identified as Hispanic or Latino]	[C] Race [total of individuals reported in Section 2, Chart a, Rows 2 & 3]	[D] Ethnicity [Also identified as Hispanic or Latino]
1.	American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0	0	0
2.	Asian	0	0	1	0
3.	Black/African American	10	0	0	0
4.	Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
5.	White	13	3	0	0
6.	American Indian/Alaskan Native & White	0	0	0	0
7.	Asian & White	0	0	1	0
8.	Black/African American & White	0	0	0	0
9.	American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American	0	0	0	0
10.	Other Multi-Racial	0	0	0	0
11.	Column Totals (Sum of Rows 1-10)	23	3	2	0

*Data Check: Sum of Row 11 Column A and Row 11 Column C equals the total number HOPWA Beneficiaries reported in Part 3A, Section 2, Chart a, Row 4.*

\*Reference (data requested consistent with Form HUD-27061 Race and Ethnic Data Reporting Form)

**Section 3. Households**

**Household Area Median Income**

Report the income(s) for all households served with HOPWA housing subsidy assistance.

**Data Check:** The total number of households served with HOPWA housing subsidy assistance should equal Part 3C, Row 7, Column b and Part 7A, Section 1, Chart a. (Total HOPWA Eligible Individuals Served with HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance).

**Note:** Refer to <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html> for information on area median income in your community.

Percentage of Area Median Income		Households Served with HOPWA Housing Subsidy Assistance
1.	0-30% of area median income (extremely low)	23
2.	31-50% of area median income (very low)	0
3.	51-80% of area median income (low)	0
4.	<b>Total (Sum of Rows 1-3)</b>	<b>23</b>

**Part 7: Summary Overview of Grant Activities**

**B. Facility-Based Housing Assistance**

Complete one Part 7B for each facility developed or supported through HOPWA funds.

**Do not complete this Section for programs originally developed with HOPWA funds but no longer supported with HOPWA funds.** If a facility was developed with HOPWA funds (subject to ten years of operation for acquisition, new construction and substantial rehabilitation costs of stewardship units, or three years for non-substantial rehabilitation costs), but HOPWA funds are no longer used to support the facility, the project sponsor should complete Part 6: Continued Usage for HOPWA Facility-Based Stewardship Units (ONLY).

Complete Charts 2a, Project Site Information, and 2b, Type of HOPWA Capital Development Project Units, for all Development Projects, including facilities that were past development projects, but continued to receive HOPWA operating dollars this reporting year.

**1. Project Sponsor Agency Name (Required)**

N/A
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**2. Capital Development**

**2a. Project Site Information for HOPWA Capital Development of Projects (For Current or Past Capital Development Projects that receive HOPWA Operating Costs this reporting year)**

*Note: If units are scattered-sites, report on them as a group and under type of Facility write "Scattered Sites."*

	Type of Development this operating year	HOPWA Funds Expended this operating year (if applicable)	Non-HOPWA funds Expended (if applicable)	Name of Facility:
	<input type="checkbox"/> New construction	\$	\$	<b>Type of Facility [Check <u>only one</u> box.]</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent housing <input type="checkbox"/> Short-term Shelter or Transitional housing <input type="checkbox"/> Supportive services only facility
	<input type="checkbox"/> Rehabilitation	\$	\$	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition	\$	\$	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Operating	\$	\$	
a.	Purchase/lease of property:			Date (mm/dd/yy):
b.	Rehabilitation/Construction Dates:			Date started: <span style="float: right;">Date Completed:</span>
c.	Operation dates:			Date residents began to occupy: <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet occupied
d.	Date supportive services began:			Date started: <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet providing services
e.	Number of units in the facility:			HOPWA-funded units = <span style="float: right;">Total Units =</span>
f.	Is a waiting list maintained for the facility?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, number of participants on the list at the end of operating year</i>
g.	What is the address of the facility (if different from business address)?			
h.	Is the address of the project site confidential?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, protect information; do not publish list <input type="checkbox"/> No, can be made available to the public

**2b. Number and Type of HOPWA Capital Development Project Units (For Current or Past Capital Development Projects that receive HOPWA Operating Costs this Reporting Year)**

For units entered above in 2a, please list the number of HOPWA units that fulfill the following criteria:

	Number Designated for the Chronically Homeless	Number Designated to Assist the Homeless	Number Energy-Star Compliant	Number 504 Accessible
Rental units constructed (new) and/or acquired with or without rehab				
Rental units rehabbed				
Homeownership units constructed (if approved)				

**3. Units Assisted in Types of Housing Facility/Units Leased by Project Sponsor**

Charts 3a, 3b, and 4 are required for each facility. In Charts 3a and 3b, indicate the type and number of housing units in the facility, including master leased units, project-based or other scattered site units leased by the organization, categorized by the number of bedrooms per unit.

*Note: The number units may not equal the total number of households served.*

**Please complete separate charts for each housing facility assisted. Scattered site units may be grouped together.**

**3a. Check one only**

- Permanent Supportive Housing Facility/Units
- Short-term Shelter or Transitional Supportive Housing Facility/Units

**3b. Type of Facility**

Complete the following Chart for all facilities leased, master leased, project-based, or operated with HOPWA funds during the reporting year.

**Name of Project Sponsor/Agency Operating the Facility/Leased Units:**

Type of housing facility operated by the project sponsor		Total Number of Units in use during the Operating Year Categorized by the Number of Bedrooms per Units				
		SRO/Studio/0 bdrm	1 bdrm	2 bdrm	3 bdrm	4 bdrm
a.	Single room occupancy dwelling					
b.	Community residence					
c.	Project-based rental assistance units or leased units					
d.	Other housing facility <u>Specify:</u>					

**4. Households and Housing Expenditures**

Enter the total number of households served and the amount of HOPWA funds expended by the project sponsor on subsidies for housing involving the use of facilities, master leased units, project based or other scattered site units leased by the organization.

Housing Assistance Category: Facility Based Housing		Output: Number of Households	Output: Total HOPWA Funds Expended during Operating Year by Project Sponsor
a.	Leasing Costs		
b.	Operating Costs		
c.	Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA) or other leased units		
d.	Other Activity (if approved in grant agreement) <u>Specify:</u>		
e.	Adjustment to eliminate duplication (subtract)		
f.	<b>TOTAL Facility-Based Housing Assistance (Sum Rows a through d minus Row e)</b>		

## ATTACHMENT A (G 1) 2021/2022

### Grantee and Community Overview.

During the 2021/2022 federal fiscal year, the Department of Housing provided funding to communities in the Balance of State - Middlesex, and New London counties.

The department allocated HOPWA funding to the following non-profit community service sponsor agencies:

**Columbus House, Inc.** is a non-profit social service organization that provides housing and services for homeless adults and families. The mission of Columbus House, Inc. is “to provide shelter and housing to people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and to foster their personal growth and independence.” The CHI’s administrative offices are located on 586 Ella Grasso Boulevard, New Haven, CT. CHI is a participating agency in both the Greater New Haven Coordinated Access Network (CAN) and the Middlesex/Meriden/Wallingford Coordinated Access Network (CAN).

This specific HOPWA grant provides Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) and case management services in the following categories; financial budgeting, education, employment/vocational, legal advocacy, substance use/relapse prevention using the harm reduction model, referrals to behavioral health, activities of daily living and housing counseling. Households are matched to this program through the Middlesex/Meriden/Wallingford Coordinated Access Network’s Housing Placement Team. Persons referred and matched to HOPWA TBRA services are able to locate housing in Middlesex County, and the towns of Meriden and Wallingford.

**Alliance for Living, Inc.** - Alliance for Living is the only HIV/AIDS service organization and resource center in southeastern Connecticut. They are a group of dedicated professionals who are passionate about helping people living with HIV/AIDS in our community. The existing housing units are located in New London, Norwich, Groton, Ledyard, Mystic, Taftville, Lisbon and Jewett City. Alliance for Living has provided supportive housing services beginning with a subsidy program in 1998.

The Supportive Housing Program cares for twenty-one (21) Tenant Based Rental Assistance, four (4) that are now recently funded by DOH. In addition, they are close to the population defined chronically homeless and housed fourteen (12) individual and family households with HUD funding. Also, Alliance for Living provides case management support for chronically homeless individuals recently housed by HUD/DMHAS. Alliance for Living is lined up with the Coordinated Access and meets compliance with the HUD homeless definitions, Housing First approach and a Harm Reduction model to reduce the impediments to enter into housing solutions and remain housed.

The services they provide include the following:

- **Case Management:** Case Managers assist clients in coordinating services to address their individual needs. This includes medical, dental, and legal referrals; financial

(entitlement program) help; transportation; prescription assistance; nutritional supplements, education seminars and assistance with employment.

- Housing: Specifically, Alliance for Living provides permanent housing through tenant based rental assistance portion and short term assistance through STRMU. The goal of this program is to stabilize the client's housing and empower them to secure permanent, affordable housing.
- Medication Adherence Programs: This program is designed to assist members in maintaining their medication regimens. A registered nurse works with clients to address any issue they are having with their medication or overall health.
- Medical Nutrition Therapy: Designed to assess, evaluate and treat nutritional issues clients are experiencing, a Registered Dietician conducts a nutritional assessment and designs a nutritional intervention. This program works in collaboration with the Medical Case Management team and the Medication Adherence Nurse.



## **Attachment B (Appendix G 2)**

### Annual Performance under the Action Plan

#### **1. Outputs Reported:**

Alliance for Living's Supportive Housing program serviced 8 clients. Tenant Based Rental Assistance was provided to 4 households. Rental and utility assistance was provided to 8 clients. The program serviced people with case management, access to food resources, transportation, access to medical care and referrals and ensuring access to state and/or insurance benefits. The program is aligned with the HIV continuum of care and provision of these services. All tenants have access to this through medical case management services. Alliance for Living's mission statement is to improve the quality of life of those they serve. The goal is in agreement with their contract activities, and 90% of the clients being served are virally suppressed and are in antiretroviral medications. Clients have access to treatment adherence care.

Columbus House provided financial assistance for 11 households. We exceeded the requirement for the number of households that should have been served which was 10. The housing market has caused an increase in rents which may make it more difficult to serve any additional clients. Clients were housed in the Meriden/Middlesex/Wallingford area allowing clients to choose the town or city of their preference.

#### **2. Outcomes Assessed:**

Both programs met all goals to provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance and Short Term Rent Mortgage and Utility Assistance. Program participants were housed and were provided support services through individual case management. Short Term Rental and Utility Assistance were also provided to individuals. Outcomes assessed included the following:

Columbus House has one dedicated Case Manager who had training specific to working with individuals with HIV/AIDS. The Case Manager provided referrals based on clients' needs such as mental health and substance use treatment, primary care services, benefit redetermination paperwork, employment search, education assistance, and budgeting. The Case Manager also provided transportation to appointments when possible. All clients received case management at a minimum of two times a month, frequently receiving services weekly. Columbus House exceeded all of the measures that were required in the program with all but one measure scoring 100%. The success of the program is attributed to a dedicated staff who is based in Middletown; this made it easy to deliver services because of the close proximity to the clients.

AFL has been able to assist its clients to gain housing stability in safe households. Clients completed inspections with their case manager and a safety checklist is reviewed to understand how to maintain household safety. During COVID-19, AFL adopted HUD policies on how to conduct remote safety inspections.

During the Covid 19 protocol, AFL and Columbus House adopted HUD policies on how to conduct remote safety inspections.

### **3. Coordination:**

Program coordination and/or leveraging of funding sources were provided by the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Housing, Middlesex and New London County Housing Authorities, Community Health Centers and various other local community resources.

Alliance for Living/Supportive Housing stands firmly in recognizing the importance to include case conferencing, case reviews, coordination of services, and supervision of housing case management staff in scheduled meetings. Coordination includes activities and communication that reduces barriers in obtaining services and secures the rights and responsibilities in housing for tenants, landlords, staff and community at large. Case conferencing with case management staff and supervisors occurs every Tuesday at 9:00 am.

#### **Supervision Policy**

SHP stands firmly in recognizing the importance to include case conferencing, case reviews, coordination of services, and supervision of housing case management staff in scheduled meetings. Coordination includes activities and communication that reduces barriers in obtaining services and secures the rights and responsibilities in housing for tenants, landlords, staff and community at large. Case conferencing with case management staff and supervisors occurs every Tuesday at 9:00 am.

A standing Housing Case Management meeting occurs every other Tuesday at 10:30 am. This meeting serves the purpose of dissemination of information important to assist in housing, training opportunities to update staff rules and regulations, meet the required hours of training in the form of in-service trainings and the escalation of any housing cases that need imminent and detailed attention as a conjunctive group. Individual case manager's supervision meetings happen at least monthly with the supervisor and/or clinical supervisor. Housing case management staff have the opportunity to call special meetings with providers and landlords on a case by case basis. This ensures emergent issues may be promptly addressed.

Case Managers meet with Supervisors individually on a monthly basis. Caseload, Work and Assessments are reviewed. Pending tasks items are shared and used for follow-up. Case Managers may meet with Clinical Supervisor on a scheduled basis.

The housing program accepts referrals of eligible persons on a first-come, first serve basis. They are aligned with the Coordinated Access Network. Most referrals come through the 211 referral system. They are present at each of the weekly meetings and receive referrals and are engaged in case conferencing. However, a current client who has experienced an event de-stabilizing his/her housing may also be referred by their Case Manager. Additionally, individuals may simply "walk-in" requesting assistance. All clients are reported to the Coordinated Access network

Coordinator and maintain properly documented and with proper releases of information.

Once a referral is made, potential participants meet with a Case Manager to initiate the intake process. Director Housing/ Housing Coordinator completes intake and offer housing assistance. During that process, information regarding health status and income are collected. Specific needs are determined and a service plan is created. In each instance, the same intake process is utilized, clients are informed of the eligibility process and when necessary, accessibility arrangements are made for persons with disabilities.

During the Covid 19 pandemic, AFL program adopted the policies in place for maintaining the Governor's Stay Safe-Stay Home orders. The case management team started working remotely and quickly engaged in providing services over the phone and other media systems. AFL continued to provide coordinated case management through client care calls and weekly meetings. Communication was maintained during the pandemic and scaled up the food distribution program. Curbside pick-up of food and cooked meals were delivered to client homes from April through June.

Clients were assisted with unemployment claims, housing search and entitlement applications through safety measures in office meetings during limited hours.

Columbus House coordinates with local providers, housing agencies, landlords, medical providers, and other social services agencies to provide wrap around services to the clients. The goal is to assist clients to becoming independent where they can graduate from the HOPWA program into other housing opportunities such as Section 8 or Housing Authority openings. Columbus House also participates in the Meriden/Middlesex/Wallingford Coordinated Access Network (MMW CAN).

#### **4. Technical Assistance:**

AFL staff participated in the HRSA ESCALATE program for TA assistance for HIV anti-stigma. The staff will implement anti stigma policies and programs moving forward.

## **Attachment C (Appendix G 3)**

### Barriers and Trends Overview

#### **1. Barriers:**

In regard to housing individuals, there is a continued challenge of finding housing units that both meet fair rent market and housing standards. This creates several challenges in transitioning individuals who need to move to a new unit. Also, there is always a present struggle to encounter landlords who understand the purpose of offering housing to a supportive housing program. This along with finding apartments that are under Fair Rental Markets and that meet the HOPWA Sustainability measures present as a challenge.

The shelters in New London and reportedly the entire State are at capacity. Clients who call 211 are placed on a waitlist but cannot expect a bed in months due to the lack of moveouts/diversion. Many individuals are living in places unfit for habitation, especially with the excessive heat indexes during the warmer months.

New rental scams have been identified on many popular rental websites. Some unscrupulous landlords are listing properties for months on end while accepting application fees. However, these landlords do not rent the apartments to qualified tenants so that they may collect more application fees. Another scam is listing a property at a price too good to be true and asking for identifying information over the phone (including Social Security numbers) while no such property is for rent.

The State has increased the utility allowance for clients. However, the Federal government has not adjusted FMR. Because of this, clients are having to look for apartments with all utilities included (which is a rarity) or find apartments with lower rents than before. For example, if the FMR for a 1 bedroom is \$1006.00 and the utilities are not included, a qualifying rent is between \$796-\$900 per month.

Clients who have completed intakes and are actively engaged in the housing search are reporting feeling increased stress, hopelessness, anxiety, substance use, and depression due to the difficulties they are facing in this process. Rent prices continue to skyrocket and property managers are not showing apartments until an application, credit, and background check are completed. This is often at a cost of \$50.00 per application.

COVID-19 significantly increased the cost of rent and created low housing stock making it difficult for clients to move. Columbus House utilized statewide waivers that were enacted during the pandemic to best serve clients. The increase in rents made it more difficult for clients to graduate from the program because of affordability. The low housing stock was a challenge for clients who wanted to move from their current apartments to new ones. Clients remained in their units which, at times, affected their mental health or substance use. Case managers worked to connect clients to other resources to cope, but landlord engagement will be a recommendation for the future as an effort to find more apartments.

## **2. Trends:**

Coordinated Access Network (CAN) has impacted how homeless individuals receive shelter and housing support services in Connecticut. HOPWA is slowly becoming part of the CAN and housing resources are shared within the CAN.

Case Management staff continue to work with tenants who experience difficulties paying monthly occupancy charges and help in creating payment plans.

Affordable housing is another barrier because two housing authorities closed in Southeastern CT and the availability of affordable units is much lower than the high demand for them.

Landlords are continually educated on housing first model and assist in housing the more vulnerable clients in the state.

Landlords are HFF friendly.

Staff are educating themselves on the effects of COVID-19 on those with HIV/AIDS

Staff will continue to monitor guidelines and adjust as necessary.

## **3. Identify HOPWA evaluations/studies**

There are currently no evaluations or studies available.