

# City of Oxnard

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## 2022 Annual Action Plan

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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

The City of Oxnard is within Ventura County, California, located northwest of Los Angeles and southwest of Santa Barbara. Oxnard is the largest city in the county with the population of 202,063, according to the United States Census Bureau population estimates in 2020. The regulations of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) require that an Annual Action Plan (AAP) be submitted for each plan year within an agency's Consolidated Plan. The HUD funding amounts in the draft Annual Action Plan are estimates. The actual HUD allocations amounts will be incorporated when they are announced for FY 2022.

The City of Oxnard (City) joined the Ventura County Regional Consolidated Plan (Regional ConPlan) is a five year plan document covering five plan years from 2020-2024. The Ventura County Regional Consolidated Plan is a collaborative document between all incorporated cities and the unincorporated areas of Ventura County, California. Collaborating in the development of the Regional Consolidated Plan are the Cities of Camarillo, Fillmore, Moorpark, Ojai, Oxnard, Port Hueneme, Santa Paula, San Buenaventura (City of Ventura), Simi Valley, and Thousand Oaks. The Regional ConPlan document is to comply with the HUD requirement to submit the City of Oxnard's Annual Action Plan for plan year 2022.

In the Regional ConPlan, the priorities that need to be addressed for community development and housing needs of the City of Oxnard are identified. The AAP's annually identify the resources available to address those needs identified in the Regional ConPlan, describe the activities that will be undertaken designed to meet the annual goals and objectives that relate to the identified needs as determined in the Regional ConPlan, describe the geographic areas targeted for assistance, include the Citizen Participation Plan, and set the basis for performance monitoring whereby results are measured as goals accomplished and outcome indicators.

Goals and objectives of the community needs identified in the Regional ConPlan will be accomplished by activities specified by the City's AAPs. With the 2022 AAP, the City will implement activities that continue to strive to derive positive outcomes that were set forth as goals for the Regional ConPlan period, Plan Year 2022. The current AAP will cover the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 (plan year 2022). Herein are described the expected federal, state and local resources, the priorities and specific objectives the City desires to achieve, and the activities that will be undertaken throughout the 2022 plan year.

The Plan year 2022 Estimated HUD funding amounts are; Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

\$2,515,741, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), \$764,831 and Hearth Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG), \$219,551. Total HUD entitlement grant estimate of \$3,500,123.

The City's goals, as identified in the Regional ConPlan, can be found throughout this AAP, and are designed to principally serve extremely-low, low-, and moderate-income residents by addressing the following:

- Improve the Supply of Affordable Housing
- Enhance Economic Stability
- Increase Social Services
- Work to End Homelessness
- Create Quality Neighborhoods
- Effective Administration

The AAP describes the resources expected to be available in the coming program year from federal, state, local and private sources, and also includes a description of the activities that will be undertaken to meet the specific objectives.

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

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

The City is being guided by HUD's Office of Community Planning Development Outcome Performance Measurement System to address the high priority needs stated in its Regional ConPlan. When funding an activity, the City determines which of three HUD objectives best describes the purpose of the activity. The three objectives are:

- Suitable Living Environment (SL) - In general, this objective relates to activities that are designed to benefit communities, families, or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment.
- Decent Housing (DH) - The activities that typically would be found under this objective are designed to cover the wide range of housing programs possible under HOME, CDBG or HESG. This objective focuses on housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs and not programs where housing is an element of a larger effort, since such programs would be more appropriately reported under Suitable Living Environment.
- Creating Economic Opportunities (EO) - This objective applies to the types of activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization, or job creation.

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

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

The City combines the information reported to HUD in the FY 2020-21 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and the directives from HUD in the determination and recommendation of the FY 2022-23 AAP proposed projects.

The three major program areas underlining CDBG, HESG and HOME entitlement grants, such as (1) Decent and Affordable Housing, (2) Suitable Living Environment, and (3) Economic Opportunities, coupled with the Continuum of Care (CoC) of Homelessness have received a high priority in the 2020-24 Regional ConPlan. The goals and accomplishments for Plan year 2022 are summarized in the attached table.

Accomplishments achieved during the program year (PY) 2020 (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021) were evaluated in detail in the PY 2020 CAPER. The CAPER was completed and submitted to HUD on November 17, 2021. Due to the Public Health Order response to COVID-19, the annual goals were difficult to meet throughout the fiscal year 2020-21. Stay at Home order were issued and activities were reduced significantly or halted in order to meet the health and safety of recipients. Therefore, subrecipient were unable to meet their performance goals in FY 2020-21.

Public Services actual accomplishments total was 9,374 persons. Homeless program provided services to 207 homeless persons, senior programs provided services to 105 persons, youth services provided services to 368 persons, health services programs provided services to 100 persons, food pantry services provided services to 8,400 persons and fair housing activity provided services to 194 households for Oxnard residents during FY 2020-21.

Public Improvements and Infrastructure activities included park improvements located in low- and moderate-income areas at Community Center East Park, Wilson Park and Pleasant Valley Park; rehabilitation of wall mural at Multi-service Center; and homeless shelter building improvements for Oxnard residents city-wide.

Homelessness services funded by HESG provided 65 persons with emergency shelter services; 19 persons (a total of 15 households) were provided rapid rehousing services and 89 persons were provided street outreach services in Oxnard during FY 2020-21.

HOME funds provided 6 (six) down payment assistance loans to low- and moderate income household Oxnard residents in FY 20-21. HOME funding was identified in FY 2020-21 for the outcome of Homeowner Rehabilitated which was not met due to the program started late in the year. In addition, Rental units constructed were not met due to the fact that one of the projects was not able to secure sufficient funding for production of the units, therefore the Housing Department could not commit HOME funds to the project. However, the developer of this project will try to secure the required

funding to produce the units and the Housing Department will continue to review other HOME applications for the construction of new rental units.

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

As part of the AAP development, the City staff scheduled two public hearings: (1) December 15, 2021 and (2) May 17, 2022:

The Administrative Public Hearing-December 15, 2021 provided the opportunity for the public to comment on unmet community needs for FY 2022-23 AAP. As part of the development process of the AAP, City Staff developed a mailing list of more than 65 addresses consisting of organizations, the faith community, service providers; and cities within Ventura County were provided a copy of the public hearing in English and Spanish. The administrative public hearing notices in English and Spanish were included in the Neighborhood News packets which were distributed weekly for a month prior to the public meeting to approximately 230 Oxnard residents. The public hearing notice was published in the Vida newspaper in English and Spanish, posted on the City website. The public comment period started December 15, 2021 and ended on February 3, 2022. During the public comment period there were no written public comments submitted and one (1) verbal public comment was received during the public hearing.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, members of the legislative body, members of the public and City staff may participate via teleconference. Consistent with City policies imposed to promote social distancing, the facility where the City Council, 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California regularly meets was temporarily closed to the public. The Administrative Public hearing was held via video conference/teleconference.

Oxnard residents were encouraged to participate remotely by accessing a meeting link posted on the City's Housing Department website at [oxnard.org/city-department/housing/grants-management/](http://oxnard.org/city-department/housing/grants-management/). Oxnard residents were encouraged to submit comments via email before 3 p.m. to [grantsmanagement@oxnard.org](mailto:grantsmanagement@oxnard.org) and the comments will be provided during the meeting.

Second public hearing –May 17, 2022 is scheduled (1) to provide the opportunity to the public to comment on the projects recommended for funding for FY 2022-23 AAP; and (2) to receive recommendations and direction from the City Council regarding the FY 2022-23 AAP grant funding. As part of the development process of the AAP, City Staff developed a mailing list of more than 65 addresses consisting of organizations, the faith community, service providers; and cities within Ventura County will be provided a copy of the public hearing in English and Spanish. The public hearing notices in English and Spanish were included in the Neighborhood News packets which were distributed weekly for

a month prior to the public meeting to approximately 230 Oxnard residents. The public hearing notice was published in the Vida newspaper in English and Spanish, posted on the City website and broadcasted on the public viewing TV Channels 10/35. The public comment period started April 15, 2022 and is scheduled to end on May 17, 2022. The public comments will be updated after the public hearing.

## **5. Summary of public comments**

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

First Administrative Public Hearing: December 15, 2021

During the first Public Hearing, there was (1) one verbal comment submitted. In addition, no written comments were submitted during the public comment period. The comment was presentation was very informative.

Second Public Hearing: May 17, 2022. During the second Public Hearing, the narrative will be updated after the meeting.

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

During the first Public Hearing, all comments were accepted.

During the second Public Hearing, all comments were accepted.

## **7. Summary**

The City is committed to provide funds that serve the most disadvantaged residents while following HUD's directives. The City increased awareness of the Annual Action Plan's public review activities and process by providing the public notice in various ways.

The City sent notices of the public hearing to more than 65 addresses consisting of organizations, the faith community, service providers and cities within Ventura County. The public hearing notices in English and Spanish were included in the Neighborhood News packets which were distributed weekly prior to the Hearing to approximately 230 Oxnard residents and broadcasted on the public viewing TV channel 10/35. The Public Hearings are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If the public requires special assistance to participate in a meeting, the individual would contact the City Clerk's Office. Notice at least 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to reasonably arrange for persons accessibility to the meeting. This notation is included on all city Agenda's.

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

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

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

| Agency Role           | Name   | Department/Agency  |
|-----------------------|--------|--------------------|
| Lead Agency           | OXNARD |                    |
| CDBG Administrator    | OXNARD | Housing Department |
| HOPWA Administrator   |        |                    |
| HOME Administrator    | OXNARD | Housing Department |
| ESG Administrator     | OXNARD | Housing Department |
| HOPWA-C Administrator |        |                    |

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

**Narrative (optional)**

The City of Oxnard has designated the Housing Department’s Grants Management Division to develop the Annual Action Plan, the Comprehensive Annual Performance and Evaluation Report, and the Regional Consolidated Plan. The Housing Department’s Grant Management Division will also act as grants management of several public and private agencies that will implement and administer programs and activities under the Plan.

**Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information**

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

### **1. Introduction**

Federal regulations require that a participating jurisdiction consult extensively with community service providers, other jurisdictions and other entities with a potential interest in or knowledge of that jurisdiction's housing and non-housing community development issues. Staff have developed and followed a detailed schedule which provides for and encourages citizen participation emphasizing the participation of persons of low- and moderate-income.

The regional consolidated plan and the annual action plan represent a comprehensive planning effort mainly led by Housing Department-Grants Management Division staff, with involvement of (1) local government experts; (2) the social service community; (3) residents; and, (4) consultation with other local HUD entitlement communities. The following items are examples of the consultations efforts:

- Grants Management Division staff work closely with other City staff members such as: Affordable Housing and Rehabilitation; Homeless Assistance Program; Development Services; Utilities; Treasury; Oxnard Housing Authority; Community Development Services; Code Compliance; Geographical Information System; Recreation and Community Services; and Finance to ensure that careful consideration is given to the City's identified needs, and that programs and services are cost-effective and meet specific goals and objectives in order to develop and implement the Regional ConPlan and the AAP.
- City staff members in the Department and/or Divisions; Affordable Housing and Rehabilitation, Homeless Assistance Program, Development Services, Utilities, Treasury, Oxnard Housing Authority, Community Development Services, Code Compliance, Geographical Information System, Recreation and Community Services and Finance provide supportive services as needed to accomplish ConPlan development efforts.
- Housing staff during the fiscal year cycle continue to provide HUD program workshops to social service agencies and the opportunities for the residents to participate in the public hearings.
- The Housing staff finalized the City of Oxnard Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI), which is required by HUD to be submitted once every five years. In January of 2019, the City and the County of Ventura agreed to collaborate on the production of the AI, which was completed and adopted by the Oxnard City Council in May of 2020.



The City engaged Magellan Advisors in its development of a fiber master plan, and the City is also considering a broader discussion regarding broadband. The goal is to provide improved connectivity to underserved communities while also identifying opportunities for economic development. Oxnard is also collaborating with neighboring cities and the County of Ventura to improve connectivity within the region.

According to 2019 data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 80.3% of Oxnard households have a broadband Internet subscription, which highlights the fact that there is still work to be done to address the digital divide. The City is analyzing various data sources to more accurately assess broadband needs. These sources include residential fixed broadband deployment data collected on FCC Form 477, the NTIA's Indicators of Broadband Need (which uses several different data sources to show information on broadband availability in the United States), and carrier service information where available. This is the most recent Broad Band Information. We received no updated to date.

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

The City consulted with the agencies/organizations while preparing the AAP, through public hearings, workshops, forum meetings, and training sessions (individuals and group discussions):

- The City of Oxnard City Council conducted two (2) public hearings, on 12/15/2021 and 5/17/2022, as prescribed in the Citizen Participation Plan.
- A community Fair Housing workshop, free to the public, was conducted by the Housing Rights Center seminar were January 19, 2022 and January 26, 2022. Another workshop is scheduled for May 17, 2022.
- Consultations with four affordable housing developers (Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation, Habitat for Humanity, People Self-Help Housing, and Many Mansions) were held throughout the year;
- Attended the regional Continuum of Care (CoC) meetings to discuss the application, homeless needs and program directions and strategies;
- The City of Oxnard Commission on Homelessness conducts monthly meetings;
- Facilitated monthly meetings bringing together service providers and the Police Department's Homeless Liaison Unit to coordinate services and planning;
- Participated in Encampment Response Task Force meetings with Ventura County;
- Participate in monthly Veterans Case Conferencing meetings with the CoC, Veterans Affairs and service providers;
- City Lead for Ventura County annual Homeless Point In Time Count;
- Chair for a Regional Advisory Council for Mercy House (emergency shelter service provider);

- Participate in monthly Community Intervention Court meetings with the police department, service providers, and city attorney

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

The Ventura County Continuum of Care Alliance (CoC) is a regional consortium covering all communities in Ventura County. The CoC is a collaborative group dedicated to promoting a safe, desirable and thriving community by ending homelessness in Ventura County. The CoC is comprised of a Board of Directors and five sub committees (Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Steering Committee, Data Performance and Evaluation, Public Information and Outreach, Coordinated Intake, and Housing Service and Coordination). Within these standing committees and the CoC body, are representatives from local housing authorities, homeless service providers, homeless health care, mental health, veterans' services, law enforcement, education, local homeless task forces, business leaders and city/county government representatives.

The coordination of housing assistance and services for homeless persons continues to be implemented through a broad range of public and private funding and service providers that reach: chronically homeless individuals and families with children, veterans, unaccompanied youth, the recently homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. City staff participate as well on the City's Affordable Housing Team, OHA, the Homeless Committee, which is comprised of the Mayor Pro Tem and another City Council member. Other entities involved in the development of policy and implementation of the provision of services include the City Council-appointed Commission on Homelessness, regional bodies such as the Ventura County Housing and Homeless Coalition, the South Coast Collaborative Regional HMIS implementation committee, the Southern California Regional CoC Collaborative, and the Ventura County CoC Alliance.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS**

The CoC's Data Performance and Evaluation Sub Committee is tasked with establishing performance measures and new policies and procedures for all homeless grant funds and activities. The HMIS Steering Committee is tasked with developing the policies and procedures that govern HMIS, which is administered by the County of Ventura.

City staff continue to work with the CoC to develop performance standards for and evaluation of outcomes for ESG-funded projects and activities. Through participation on regional sub-committees staff also continue to inform HMIS policies, procedures, operations and administration.

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

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

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| 1 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | CITY OF OXNARD  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Services - Housing<br>Services-homeless<br>Service-Fair Housing<br>Grantee Department  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Market Analysis<br>Economic Development<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy  |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The City of Oxnard Public Housing Authority and the Affordable Housing Division are under the direction of the Housing Director of the City of Oxnard, as is the Grants Management Division. A bi-monthly management meeting was held for all Housing staff, including OHA staff. The topics were comprehensive and specific with detailed instructions on handling the issues which can be related to housing, homelessness and/or community partnership. Because the OHA is a component unit of the City and a Division of the City Housing Department, coordination occurs on a daily basis. |

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| 2 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | MERCY HOUSE   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-homeless   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless   |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Discussed outreach, case management and homeless services provided by Mercy House to support overnight shelter for the homeless.  |
| 3 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | PEOPLES SELF HELP   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Non-Profit  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment   |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | During the current fiscal year People Self-Help Housing submitted a funding application requesting HOME program funding for the development of a 100% affordable housing development, known as Cypress Place at Garden City. The project will consist of two phases. HOME funding is being requested for the first phase, which will include a total of 90 rental units (inclusive of one unrestricted manager's unit). |
| 4 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Habitat for Humanity of Ventura County  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Non-Profit CHDO   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment   |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | During the current fiscal year Habitat for Humanity requested a HOME program funding application for development of a new project. However, Habitat for Humanity has not submitted an application yet.  |

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| 5 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Many Mansions   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Non-Profit CHDO   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Market Analysis  |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Many Mansions submitted a funding application for development of an 87 unit development in downtown, known as Central Terrace Apartments in 2020. While the City initially considered HOME funds as the funding source, the City instead provided City in-lieu funds. In 2022 Many Mansions secured all funding necessary to move forward with this project and is estimated to begin construction in June 2022. The development will be 100% affordable and will provide 8 City in-lieu units and will also be receiving 35 Project Based Vouchers from the Oxnard Housing Authority to provide 35 permanent supportive housing units to homeless households and will also provide on-site supportive services. Many Mansions is in the process of obtaining land use approvals for Phase II of their downtown development, Phase II of their development is known as Aspire Apartments. Many Mansions has expressed interest in submitting an application for HOME-ARP funding for this project or the use of other funds, for a gap-financing loan, but given that the City is still required to complete a community engagement process and submit a plan to HUD to determine the use of HOME-ARP funds, the City is not able to consider any applications for use of these funds at this time. |
| 6 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | CABRILLO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Non-Profit CHDO   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment   |

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|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Cabrillo applied for HOME CHDO development assistance funds to construct 57- rental units which will include housing for farmworker families, located at the corner of Pleasant Valley Road and Etting Road, Oxnard, CA 93033. The Housing Department previously issued a conditional letter of approval to Cabrillo for this development, however, given that the conditional approval was for a 42 unit development which has now been increased to 57 units, the Housing Department is currently in the process of reviewing their updated application for consideration of HOME funds. |
| 7 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | THE KINGDOM CENTER   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services - Housing<br>Services-Children<br>Services-Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Services-homeless  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | ADA compliance and resource development  |
|   | <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Kingdom Center was toured by staff and determined areas of the facility that could be upgraded, enhanced and modified to promote greater access for persons with disabilities. In 2020-2021, architectural plans were completed for the project, and it is anticipated that the construction phase of the project will commence in 2022. The project includes not only ADA improvements and increased accessibility in the exterior of the complex, but also an expansion of bathroom capacity to meet the needs of the client population.   |
| 8 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | County of Ventura Human Services Agency  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-homeless<br>Services-Health<br>Other government - County  |

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| <p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>   | <p>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br/> Homeless Needs - Families with children<br/> Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br/> Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth<br/> Lead-based Paint Strategy</p>  |
| <p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p> | <p>Created and implemented a coordinated plan conducting encampment response at a large homeless encampment. The City conferred with the Ventura county Public Health Department regarding addresses of housing units wherein children have been identified as lead-poisoned in the City of Oxnard. Prior to implementation of the 2022 Annual Action Plan, the City will receive a list of addresses if such a list exists. Any rehabilitation activities on housing units constructed prior to 1978 will have lead hazards identified and actions taken to remove the hazard. The City's Affordable Housing Division does not own or manage any housing units. All units for which HOME and CDBG assistance is provided for homebuyer assistance or homeowner rehabilitation are administered in compliance with HUD's HOME or CDBG regulations for lead-based paint, as applicable inspections requirements. With respect to units owned or assisted by the Oxnard Housing Authority, there have been no cases of Public Housing tenants and/or Section 8 participant households reporting or having been discovered to have poisoned children or any child with "Environmental Intervention Blood Lead Level"(EBLL). OHA staff provides a brochure related to lead based paint hazards to all new program participants and tenants. Maintenance staff attends training and seminars to stay current with the State of California Lead Awareness Training requirements.</p> |
| <p>9 <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>   | <p>Housing Rights Center</p>   |
| <p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>  | <p>Service-Fair Housing</p>  |



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| <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Fair Housing, Discrimination   |
| <b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The City contracts with a professional fair housing service provider, the Housing Rights Center (HRC), through a regional agreement with the County of Ventura. The HRC provides fair housing counseling, discrimination complaint investigation, complaint processing, and dispute resolutions services for Oxnard tenants, home seekers, and housing providers. In addition, twice every year the HRC staff provides free fair housing training seminars for the public, along with a bi-annual training presented to the staff of the Oxnard Housing Authority and city housing staff on their fair housing obligations and responsibilities. |

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

Not Applicable

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

| <b>Name of Plan</b>                  | <b>Lead Organization</b>    | <b>How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?</b>   |
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| Continuum of Care                    | Ventura County CEO's Office | The goals of the Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan by ensuring homeless persons have access to adequate services to help reduce the incidence of homelessness.   |
| Oxnard Housing Authority Agency Plan | Oxnard Housing Authority    | The OHA Plan presents the program policies and procedures related to Public Housing units and the Section 8 housing program, which overlaps with the AAP for delivering and providing affordable housing units to Oxnard residents. OHA is currently administering 15 set aside homeless preference vouchers per fiscal year, 77 VASH vouchers, 46 Emergency Housing vouchers, 10 Family Unification vouchers and 40 Mainstream vouchers. |

| Name of Plan                             | Lead Organization   | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?  |
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| City of Oxnard Housing Element           | State of California Housing and Community Development (HCD) | The City's updated 6th Cycle 2021-2022 Housing Element, which the City adopted in October 2021, identifies and analyzes the current and future housing needs of residents within the City of Oxnard (City) and establishes housing goals, policies, and programs to meet the needs of certain special populations and provide adequate development opportunities for the private and non-profit sectors. The housing requirements of lower income households and special needs groups are given particular attention.                             |
| Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) | Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)       | The City is in the region covered by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). For each Housing Element planning cycle, SCAG is required to determine the Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA) allocation for each city and unincorporated county areas within the SCAG region. For the 2021-2029 6th Cycle Housing Element period, SCAG has allocated to the City 8,549 dwelling units, of which 2,911 units are required to be affordable to lower income households and 1,538 are affordable to moderate income households |

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

**Narrative (optional)**

Implementation of the 2022 Action Plan requires coordination and compliance with the local and regional needs established by the City of Oxnard, County of Ventura, Southern California Association of Governments and the State of California. California state law requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to determine the existing and projected housing need for their regions. The County of Ventura and City of Oxnard are part of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) MPO, which also includes Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Imperial counties. For each Housing Element planning cycle, SCAG determines the share of existing and projected housing need by affordability level using the Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA) process for its 192 member jurisdictions.

City of Oxnard’s General Plan contains a Housing Element that makes “adequate provision for the existing and projected housing needs of all economic segments of the community.” The Housing Element must be revised and updated every eight years after 2010 due to SB 375. A community is not obligated to actually provide housing to all in need but the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) is a “distribution of housing development capacity” that each city and county must zone for in a planning period for all economic levels, though the housing requirements of lower income households and special needs groups are given particular attention. RHNA is integral to the development of a

Sustainable Community Strategy. The Housing Element is a planning document, requiring the City to plan for meeting its “fair share” of the regional housing market need. The RHNA sets local housing and land use capacity goals to support future growth, including transit oriented, mixed use and infill development.

The time frame during which housing accomplishments towards the RHNA can be counted (RHNA cycle) is June 30, 2021 through October 31, 2029. The City seeks to conserve and rehabilitate existing housing as well as provide opportunities for new development. The 2021-2029 SCAG RHNA determined that 2,911 units are required to be affordable to lower income households and 1,538 are affordable to moderate income households.

The City Housing Department’s mission is to promote the general welfare of the City by remedying unsafe and substandard housing, and by relieving the shortage of affordable housing for City residents. This mission is consistent with the City’s General Plan and laws governing our housing funds and resources. The purpose of the Housing Department is to provide decent, safe, attractive, sanitary, and well maintained housing for eligible low and very low income families in a manner that promotes commitment, exemplary customer service, economy, efficiency, and the social well-being of the residents.

All City housing projects undertaken with federal funds from HUD or other state or federal funding source must comply with the requirements of the City’s Housing Element, General Plan, SCAG, State of California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) and HUD.

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

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

Citizen Participation Outreach Table- next page

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**Citizen Participation Outreach**

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach  | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received   | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|---|---|--|--|---------------------|
| 1          | Public Hearing   | Minorities<br>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish<br>Persons with disabilities<br>Non-targeted/broad community<br>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing | Administrative Public Hearing occurred on December 15, 2021; Multiple persons attended the public hearing | 1st Public Hearing- (1) verbal comment was presentation was very informative. Poll results were street improvement, increase affordable housing, homebuyer assistance and youth program are most needed. | All comments accepted                        | NA                  |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| 2          | Newspaper Ad     | Non-targeted/broad community | <p>Advertisement for the public hearing notice and the 30-day public comment period was published in the Vida newspaper in English and Spanish on November 11, 2021; English and Spanish versions of Notices were broadcasted on Public Channel 10/35, Public Notices regarding Public Hearings sent out to Oxnard Residents, 65 notices mailed out, and Notices were posted on the City of Oxnard website both in Spanish and English.</p> | No comments were received    | No comments were received                    | NA                  |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach            | Target of Outreach   | Summary of response/attendance                   | Summary of comments received  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|-----------------------------|--|--|---|--|---------------------|
| 3          | Entitlement Grant Workshops | <p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Interested parties/application for grant funds</p> | 9 people attended the Workshop for CDBG and HESG | Comments were application timeline, low/moderate area map, SAMs number, homeless person income, budget information for previous year not funded by grant, timeline for public facility & improvement projects, additional documents for application | All comments accepted                        | NA                  |

|   |                 |  |   |   |                       |    |
|---|-----------------|--|---|---|-----------------------|----|
| 4 | Resident Survey | <p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> | <p>6 people submitted Resident survey to provide need in the community. Survey provided in English &amp; Spanish.</p> | <p>Comments are kitchen at senior center for hot meals; ADA compliance on sidewalk corners, new restrooms in parks, air filter units in public buildings such as colonia library, rec, multi service center and senior apts. Community safety, actively address homeless issues that affect community safety; OPAC rehabilitation; Fix most transit streets such as Gonzalez Road; City needs to complete the mitigations of specific plans before the city</p> | All comments accepted | NA |
|---|-----------------|--|---|---|-----------------------|----|



| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach  | Summary of response/attendance                     | Summary of comments received                                    | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|---|--|---|--|---------------------|
|            |                  |   |  | approves new specific plans                                     |  |                     |
| 5          | Public Hearing   | <p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Low/mod income Oxnard residents</p> | Second public hearing will be held on May 17, 2022 | 2nd Public Hearing comments - will be updated after the meeting | All comments accepted                        | NA                  |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received                | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 6          | Newspaper Ad     | Non-targeted/broad community | Advertisement for 2nd public hearing notice and the 30-day public comment period was published in the Vida newspaper in English and Spanish on April 14, 2022; English and Spanish versions of Notices were broadcasted on Public Channel 10/35, Public Notices regarding Public Hearings sent out to Oxnard Residents, 65 notices mailed out, and Notices were posted on the City of Oxnard website both in Spanish and English. | Comments will be updated after meeting held | Comments will be updated after meeting held  | NA                  |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach  | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable)   |
|------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| 7          | Internet Outreach | Non-targeted/broad community | Not Measured                   | No comments received         | No Comments Received                         | <a href="https://www.oxnard.org/city-department/housing/grants-management/">https://www.oxnard.org/city-department/housing/grants-management/</a> |

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

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## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

In Plan year 2022, the Estimated HUD funding amounts to City of Oxnard are CDBG \$2,515,741, HOME \$764,831 and HESG \$219,551, a total of \$3,500,123 in entitlement grants from HUD. In addition, estimated program income of \$100,000 for CDBG programs and \$100,000 for HOME programs. The source of program income comes principally from repayment of loans and recaptures from defaults. Those funds will be used

towards meeting the goals and objectives of the 2022 AAP.

**Anticipated Resources**

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description   |
|---------|------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$          | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |   |
| CDBG    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Public Improvements<br>Public Services | 2,515,741                      | 100,000            | 0                        | 2,615,741 | 5,174,585   | Block grant from HUD to address housing, community development, and economic development needs. 2022 CDBG ESTIMATE Allocation and Program income is \$2,615,741; the total is \$2,615,741 available resources from CDBG Plan year 2022. Uses of the available resources will be according to the funding priorities set forth in the ConPlan. The specific Activities will be set up in IDIS. The uses of funds will be capped according to the HUD regulations for: (1) Admin and Planning - no more than 20%, or \$523,148 and (2) Public Services up to 15%, or \$392,361. The 2022 balance will be distributed as Public Improvements & Other City Programs as detailed by the City during the AAP process. |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds   | Expected Amount Available Year |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description   |
|---------|------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
|         |                  |   | Annual Allocation: \$          | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |   |
| HOME    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Homebuyer assistance<br>Homeowner rehab<br>Multifamily rental new construction<br>Multifamily rental rehab<br>New construction for ownership<br>TBRA | 764,831                        | 100,000            | 0                        | 864,831   | 1,526,840   | Grant from HUD to address affordable housing needs. In plan year 2022, HOME ESTIMATE allocation is \$764,831 and expected program income is \$100,000; total of \$864,831. Uses of funds are; (1) Administration - no more than 10% or \$86,483 and (2) CHDO Set Asides - at 15% or \$114,724. In addition, \$663,624 is available for housing development. In addition to the CHDO set aside of \$114,724. |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description   |
|---------|------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$          | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |   |
| ESG     | public - federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing<br>Financial Assistance<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing | 219,551                        | 0                  | 0                        | 219,551   | 401,620   | Grant from HUD to address needs and services for homeless persons or persons at risk of becoming homeless. Plan year 2022 Available resources for HESG is \$219,551. The limited availability of HESG resources is spread across the uses identified in this table. 1) HESG Administration and Planning costs are no more than 7.5% or \$16,466 and (2) Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach cost is no more than 60%, or \$131,730. The 2022 balance will be distributed as Homeless Prevention, HMIS, & Rapid Re-Housing eligible activities as detailed by the City during the AAP process. |
| Other   | public - federal | Other  | 0                              | 0                  | 0                        | 0         | 0   | Allocated in PY 2020, \$5,255,055 in ESG-CV funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless prevention activities to mitigate impacts of COVID-19  |

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

CDBG funds are leveraged by city and subrecipients providers with government agency, in-kind, private foundations and contributions monies who provide services to low/moderate income persons. Affordable housing developments utilizing HOME funds typically use HOME monies to leverage millions of dollars in state, federal, and private financing. HESG funds are leveraged by non-profit agencies providers with government agency, in-kind, private foundations, Ventura County Continuum of Care monies who provide critical services such as assisted housing, services and shelter to vulnerable populations who are at-risk of becoming homelessness or homeless persons and families. HOME funds are matched at a greater than 25% level by recipients of HOME funds, city, and other participants. HESG funds are matched dollar for dollar by subrecipients' providers. The city matched for Administration portion only.

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

The city property leased for homeless shelter at 1450 S. Rose Ave, Oxnard, CA  
Temporary Emergency Shelter at 351 South K Street, Oxnard, CA  
Oxnard Housing Authority Public Housing Sites

**Discussion**

The resources for 2022 AAP will accomplish more activities but will not meet all the needs prevalent throughout the city.

Allocated in PY 2020, CARES Act funding is included in "Other" section in table above, \$3,088,367 in CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus and \$5,255,055 in ESG-CV funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. CDBG-CV and ESG-CV allocation in 2020-21.

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## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name                            | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed   | Funding Estimate                   | Goal Outcome Indicator   |
|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| 1          | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing | 2020       | 2024     | Affordable Housing                |                 | New Rental Housing<br>Housing Support and Stability<br>Homeownership Opportunities<br>Rehabilitation & Preservation of Existing Housing<br>Disaster Planning and Recovery | CDBG: \$550,000<br>HOME: \$778,348 | Rental units constructed: 5<br>Household Housing Unit<br>Homeowner Housing<br>Rehabilitated: 7 Household Housing Unit<br>Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 10 Households Assisted |
| 2          | Enhance Economic Stability           | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Increase Job Skills<br>Facade Improvements<br>Local Entrepreneurship  | CDBG: \$196,000                    | Businesses assisted: 5<br>Businesses Assisted  |

| Sort Order | Goal Name                    | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed  | Funding Estimate   | Goal Outcome Indicator  |
|------------|------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------------|---|
| 3          | Increase Social Services     | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Homeless Special Needs        |                 | Housing Support and Stability<br>Assistance for Senior Residents<br>Social Services<br>Youth Activities and Services<br>Disaster Planning and Recovery | CDBG:<br>\$392,361 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1200 Persons Assisted   |
| 4          | Work to End Homelessness     | 2020       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness   | ESG:<br>\$203,085  | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 10 Households Assisted<br>Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 155 Persons Assisted<br>Other: 250 Other |
| 5          | Create Quality Neighborhoods | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Streets and Streetscapes<br>Parks and Community Space<br>Disaster Planning and Recovery<br>Utilities and Public Infrastructure                         | CDBG:<br>\$954,232 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20,000 Persons Assisted                                    |

| Sort Order | Goal Name                | Start Year | End Year | Category                    | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed  | Funding Estimate                                   | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|--------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|--|------------------------|
| 6          | Effective Administration | 2020       | 2024     | Planning and Administration |                 | New Rental Housing<br>Housing Support and Stability<br>Homeownership Opportunities<br>Rehabilitation & Preservation of Existing Housing<br>Assistance for Senior Residents<br>Increase Job Skills<br>Facade Improvements<br>Local Entrepreneurship<br>Social Services<br>Youth Activities and Services<br>Homelessness<br>Streets and Streetscapes<br>Parks and Community Space<br>Disaster Planning and Recovery<br>Utilities and Public Infrastructure | CDBG: \$523,148<br>HOME: \$86,483<br>ESG: \$16,466 | Other: 0 Other         |

**Table 6 – Goals Summary**

## Goal Descriptions

|   |                         |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Create and preserve stable, safe, and resilient affordable housing opportunities for homeowners and renters including special needs groups such as farmworkers, persons with disabilities, and the elderly throughout Ventura County.  |
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Enhance Economic Stability   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Enhance economic stability and prosperity by increasing economic opportunities for residents through job skills training and promotion of local entrepreneurship.  |
| 3 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Increase Social Services   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Increase access to health and wellness services, youth activities, senior activities, and social service activities for residents.   |
| 4 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Work to End Homelessness   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Work alongside the Ventura County Continuum of Care to end homelessness within Ventura County by providing housing, emergency shelter, and social services to homeless persons or those at risk of homelessness.   |
| 5 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Create Quality Neighborhoods   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Enhance access to quality, resilient, and livable neighborhoods by improving publicly owned facilities and infrastructure such as parks, streets, sidewalks, and community buildings, including improving accessibility to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.                       |
| 6 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Effective Administration   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Create and maintain effective housing and community development programs that address the priority needs listed within the Consolidated Plan, comply with all U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements, and achieve the goals and objectives set out by each Ventura County jurisdiction. |

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# Projects

## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

### Introduction

These are 2022 Plan year Projects designed to accomplish the goals and objectives of the 2022 AAP. The 2022 Projects will organize Activities in IDIS under the Projects setup in this section of AAP. The Projects are New Rental Housing, Housing Support and Stability, Economic Opportunity, Rehabilitation and Preservation, Assistance for Senior Residents, Other Public Services, Youth Activities and Services, Homelessness, Parks and Community Space, and Administration and Planning.

### Projects

| #  | Project Name  |
|----|---|
| 1  | NEW RENTAL HOUSING  |
| 2  | COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (CHDO) RESERVE |
| 3  | HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES                               |
| 4  | ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITES                                     |
| 5  | REHABILITATION AND PRESERVATION                           |
| 6  | ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR RESIDENTS                           |
| 7  | OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES                                     |
| 8  | YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES                             |
| 9  | HOMELESS ASSISTANCE                                       |
| 10 | PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE                                 |
| 11 | ADMINISTRATION  |

Table 7 - Project Information

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

The allocation priorities are based on the annual needs identified in coordination with other city departments. Public service allocations are determined by the participation from other providers to meet the goals of the ConPlan. HOME funds are balanced between development projects and single family housing needs. HESG allocation are targeted exclusively for the needs of the homeless population.

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**Project Summary Information**

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|----------|--|--|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | NEW RENTAL HOUSING   |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|          | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing   |
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | New Rental Housing   |
|          | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | HOME: \$663,624  |
|          | <b>Description</b>   | PARTICIPATION IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUNDING ASSISTANCE  |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 5 LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS  |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>  | CITY OF OXNARD, CALIFORNIA   |
|          | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO A COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AT LEAST 5 HOUSING UNITS FOR LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN OXNARD. THIS PROJECT INCLUDES 15% OF HOME ESTIMATED ALLOCATION SET ASIDE FOR CHDO'S, OR \$114,724. |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (CHDO) RESERVE  |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|          | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing   |
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | New Rental Housing   |
|          | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | HOME: \$ 114,724   |
|          | <b>Description</b>   | PARTICIPATION IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUNDING ASSISTANCE  |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | NA   |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>  | CITY OF OXNARD, CALIFORNIA   |

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|---|--|--|
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | THIS PROJECT IS THE 15% OF HOME ESTIMATED ALLOCATION SET ASIDE FOR CHDO'S, OR \$114,724.   |
| 3 | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Homeownership Opportunities  |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$250,000  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 10 HOUSEHOLD HOUSING UNIT  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WILL PROVIDE FINANCIAL DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING HOUSEHOLDS IN OXNARD. |
| 4 | <b>Project Name</b>  | ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITES  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Enhance Economic Stability   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Local Entrepreneurship   |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$196,000  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | BUSINESS ASSISTANCE  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 5 BUSINESS ASSISTED  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD AND LOW- AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS   |

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATIVE WILL PROVIDE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE FOR BUSINESS IN LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME AREAS                                   |
| 5 | <b>Project Name</b>  | REHABILITATION AND PRESERVATION  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Improve Supply of Affordable Housing   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Rehabilitation & Preservation of Existing Housing  |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$300,000  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | REHABILITATION OF HOUSING UNITS  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 7 HOUSEHOLDS HOUSING UNITS   |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | REHABILITATION OF HOMEOWNER UNITS FOR LOW-MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS   |
| 6 | <b>Project Name</b>  | ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR RESIDENTS  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Increase Social Services   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Assistance for Senior Residents  |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$72,500   |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ESTIMATED ALLOCATION AND PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES TO INCREASE THE QUALITY OF LIFE |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 300 PERSONS WILL BE ASSISTED WITH SENIOR SERVICES  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | CITY-WIDE; VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD   |

|   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | 1) ASSISTING WITH DAILY NEEDS FOR SENIORS BY CAREGIVERS VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING THE ELDERLY AND CITY OF OXNARD RECREATION AT 2) PALM VISTA SENIOR CENTER   |
| 7 | <b>Project Name</b>  | OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES   |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA  |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Increase Social Services  |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Social Services   |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$45,000  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ESTIMATED ALLOCATION AND PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES.  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 75 LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS WILL BE ASSISTED WITH SUBSIDIZED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND 410 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS WILL BE ASSISTED WITH EMERGENCY SHELTER AND SERVICES.  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD   |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | 1) EMERGENCY SHELTER FOR HOMELESS BY COUNTY OF VENTURA HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY RAIN PROGRAM, 2) HOMELESS SERVICES BY SHELTER CARE RESOURCES AND 3) SUBSIDIZED HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY LIVINGSTON MEMORIAL VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION |
| 8 | <b>Project Name</b>  | YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES   |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA  |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Increase Social Services  |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Youth Activities and Services   |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$274,861   |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ESTIMATED ALLOCATION AND PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR YOUTH RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS; YOUTH FROM LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME HOUSEHOLDS.                                  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023   |

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|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 750 YOUTH WILL BE ASSISTED WITH YOUTH SERVICES/RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN LOW-MODERATE NEIGHBORHOODS  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD   |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | CITY OF OXNARD RECREATION AT 1) COLONIA MEMORIAL PARK GYM, 2) SOUTHWINDS YOUTH CENTER AND 3) POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE AND 4) CREATIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT BY OXNARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER CORPORATION  |
| 9 | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOMELESS ASSISTANCE   |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA  |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Work to End Homelessness  |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Homelessness  |
|   | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | ESG: \$219,551  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | HEARTH Emergency Solutions Grant funds to provide financial assistance to various service providers for Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach subject to 60% Cap; Homeless Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, and HMIS activities to serve homeless individuals and families, and those at-risk of becoming homeless. Street Outreach and Emergency Shelter activities will be limited to 60% of HESG estimated allocation, or \$131,730. Administration and planning cost subject to caps (7.5% of allocation estimated), estimated \$16,466. All HESG subrecipients are required by the City of Oxnard to provide matching funds of a dollar for every dollar HESG grant dollars received. |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | KINGDOM CENTER WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER TO 140 INDIVIDUALS; TURNING POINT FOUNDATION WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER TO 15 INDIVIDUALS; MERCY HOUSE WILL PROVIDE RAPID REHOUSING TO 10 HOUSEHOLDS; THE SALVATION ARMY WILL PROVIDE STREET OUTREACH TO 250 INDIVIDUALS  |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD   |

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|    | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | 1) THE KINGDOM CENTER WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER AND ,<br>2)TURNING POINT FOUNDATION WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER,<br>3) MERCY HOUSE WILL PROVIDE RAPID REHOUSING, 4) STREET<br>OUTREACH WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SALVATION ARMY AND 5) CITY<br>OF OXNARD WILL PROVIDE ADMINISTRTRAIION AND PLANNING |
| 10 | <b>Project Name</b>  | PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE   |
|    | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA  |
|    | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Create Quality Neighborhoods  |
|    | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Parks and Community Space   |
|    | <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | CDBG: \$954,232   |
|    | <b>Description</b>   | PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS OF PUBLIC PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE<br>WITHIN LOW- AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS  |
|    | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023   |
|    | <b>Estimate the number<br/>and type of families<br/>that will benefit from<br/>the proposed<br/>activities</b> | THIS PROJECT WILL ACCOUNT FOR TANGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS TO<br>PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN LOW-MOD CENSUS TRACT<br>NEIGHBORHOODS, ESTIMATED AT 20,000 PERSONS   |
|    | <b>Location Description</b>  | LOW AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS   |
|    | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | COURT RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING AT OXNARD PARKS: 1)<br>SOUTHWINDS PARK, 2) COMMUNITY CENTER EAST PARK, 3) BECK PARK,<br>4) LEMONWOOD PARK, 5) WILSON PARK, 6) ORCHARD PARK, 7)<br>COLONIA PARK, AND 8) SEA AIR PARK  |
| 11 | <b>Project Name</b>  | ADMINISTRATION  |
|    | <b>Target Area</b>   | NA  |
|    | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Effective Administration  |

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| <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | <p>New Rental Housing<br/> Housing Support and Stability<br/> Homeownership Opportunities<br/> Rehabilitation &amp; Preservation of Existing Housing<br/> Assistance for Senior Residents<br/> Increase Job Skills<br/> Facade Improvements<br/> Local Entrepreneurship<br/> Social Services<br/> Youth Activities and Services<br/> Homelessness<br/> Streets and Streetscapes<br/> Parks and Community Space<br/> Disaster Planning and Recovery<br/> Utilities and Public Infrastructure</p> |
| <b>Funding Estimate</b>  | <p>CDBG: \$523,148<br/> HOME: \$86,483</p>  |
| <b>Description</b>   | <p>ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING COSTS SUBJECT TO CAPS FOR EACH FUNDING SOURCE; CDBG (20% of Estimated Allocation &amp; PI) AND HOME (10% of Estimated Allocation &amp; PI)</p>   |
| <b>Target Date</b>   | <p>6/30/2023</p>  |
| <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | <p>ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING ACTIVITIES WILL BENEFIT FAMILIES CITYWIDE. AN ESTIMATED 202,000 PERSONS WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS ACTIVITY OF WHICH OVER 60% ARE LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME RESIDENTS.</p>   |
| <b>Location Description</b>  | <p>CITYWIDE</p>   |
| <b>Planned Activities</b>  | <p>COORDINATION OF ALL CDBG AND HOME ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING ACTIVITIES</p>   |

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

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

### **Geographic Distribution**

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

The need for affordable housing (funded from CDBG and HOME) is present throughout the City. CDBG funds for public improvements are based on LMI persons within LMA Neighborhoods. Economic development is allocated based on the percentage of LMI persons jobs created on a citywide basis. Regarding the Public Services category of the CDBG funds, the proposed projects will focus on the basic needs of the residents such as health care, essential and supportive services, as well as housing services. The special population such as seniors, homeless and youth will continue to receive their funding for the healthcare needs, education needs, shelter support and recreational needs.

HESG allocations are based on the limited clientele are distributed citywide.

HOME funds are distributed based on the income eligibility of the clients and citywide basis. The Homeownership program as well as the Housing Rehabilitation program: homeowners will improve the beautiful appearance of the home and the safety of the neighborhood.

#### **Discussion**

As always, the City of Oxnard will continue to look for available public and private resources and creative ways to fund the needy programs.



# Affordable Housing

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

### Introduction

Lower-income households continue to pay a high percentage of their income for housing, compared to other income groups. A large percentage of lower-income renters tend to experience overcrowding and inadequate housing conditions as housing problems. In order to help provide decent and affordable housing, and improve the social and economic status for LMI households in Oxnard, the following programs will be available during the next program year:

1. Homeownership Assistance Programs
2. Rehabilitation of Single-Family and Mobile home Housing Units
3. Construction of new affordable dwelling units

| <b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b> |    |
|--|----|
| Homeless   | 0  |
| Non-Homeless   | 22 |
| Special-Needs  | 0  |
| Total  | 22 |

**Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

| <b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b> |    |
|--|----|
| Rental Assistance  | 0  |
| The Production of New Units  | 5  |
| Rehab of Existing Units  | 7  |
| Acquisition of Existing Units  | 10 |
| Total  | 22 |

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

### Discussion

City of Oxnard's Affordable Housing Division (AHRD) offers CDBG grants funds for rehabilitation of owner-occupied single family housing and mobile homes for local residents. Ventura County Development Corporation (VCCDC) will utilize CDBG grant funds for Oxnard residents to provide a down-payment assistance program. AHRD will also continue to provide financial assistance to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) and affordable housing developers to develop affordable housing units throughout the City subject to available funding and as permitted by the funding

source. Loan information is provided to interested residents at homeownership fairs, workshops, and on the City of Oxnard's Housing Department website.

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

### **Introduction**

Oxnard Housing Authority (OHA) currently administers 520 public housing units, 1,890 Section 8 rental assistance vouchers, which includes 77 VASH vouchers, 40 Mainstream vouchers, 10 Family Unification vouchers, 46 Emergency Housing vouchers, and provides support services through its Resident Services program and Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. The needs of public housing residents are supported with a Resident Services program which offers a variety of services to families and youth on-site. The FSS program supports and promotes public housing and Section 8 families with homeownership opportunities and economic self-sufficiency. The FSS Program provides one-on-one counseling and individual assistance to families that participate in this program. Marketing flyers for the residential rehabilitation program and the home buyer program are also available in the City's Housing Department lobby.

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

Modernization projects for the public housing units, where most needed, are funded through its Capital Fund program. Each year, in its Annual Plan and Statement, the Capital Fund Program re-prioritizes those projects identified in the 5 year plan.

For Fiscal year 2022/23, the following capital improvement projects for public housing units are planned:

- OHA Wide Improvements related to Pre-HUD REAC Inspections \$190,000
- OHA Wide Electrical improvements \$450,000
- Cal 31-3 Colonia Village Landscaping improvements \$100,000

Total Planned projects for 2023 \$ 740,000

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

Homeownership opportunities are promoted by offering public housing families homeownership counseling services by Ventura County Community Development Corporation (VCCDC). In addition, families are informed of these services through its Family Self-Sufficiency Program and distribution of flyers to all households.

Public housing residents are encouraged to participate in public housing tenant associations that

advocate on behalf of tenants to support efforts to improve public housing stock and living conditions.

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

Not Applicable

**Discussion**

In order to respond to the increasing need for affordable housing units within the community, OHA and the Housing Department will continue to seek new resources of financing new housing development projects and partnering with developers, owners, and CHDO's.

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

### **Introduction**

Jurisdictions that receive federal funds for homeless assistance are typically required to conduct a Point In Time Count (PIT) of homeless persons each year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and a surge during the month of January, Ventura County requested and was granted an extension to complete the count in February. The PIT count was completed on February 23 2022, the City of Oxnard participated as a city lead in participation with the Police Department's Homeless Liaison Unit. At the time of writing, the data has not yet been compiled. We are anticipating results over the coming weeks.

The "Ventura County 2020 Homeless Count and Subpopulation Survey: Final Report", published in April 2020. The report is at the following website: <https://s33020.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/2020-VC-Homeless-Count-Report-Final.pdf>

In summary, the PIT count is a snapshot of homeless people who could be enumerated on one specific day. The 2020 PIT counted a total of 379 unsheltered homeless persons in Oxnard. This the most current information.

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

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

The City of Oxnard continued the operation of a year round homeless shelter and navigation center located on K Street in Oxnard. The City of Oxnard contracted Mercy House to operate the navigation center. The navigation center will continue its operation for the next twelve-month period and beyond. The City responded to the COVID-19 pandemic by expanding shelter space to a second location across the street from the main site on K street. Following a COVID-19 outbreak, the shelter reduced capacity to 80 following guidance from Public Health. Oxnard has launched an effort to develop a new construction mixed-use development that will include a new and replacement navigation center and 110-bed homeless shelter plus other support services and fifty-six units of permanent supportive housing. We expect that this new project will be in operation within 1.5 to 2 years and will continue operating the shelter at the K street location until that time.

The City continued working with the Salvation Army to provide street outreach services that includes practical assistance, housing navigation, employment assistance, health navigation and crisis intervention with the ultimate goal of transitioning chronically-homeless individuals towards stable housing. The Street Outreach Team coordinates with Mercy House and the Oxnard Navigation Center as well as the Homeless Liaison Officers with the Oxnard Police Department.

This year, we partnered with Ventura County Health Care Agency to enact an encampment response program. The program consists of a street outreach team along with non-congregate emergency shelter by using motel rooms. This project involves proactive engagement with people living in encampments throughout the city, and relocation assistance to emergency shelter where clients are connected with a case manager to work towards a housing plan.

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

The emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons are currently being addressed by several service providers throughout Ventura County. The emergency shelter needs in the area are met by the following providers: Mercy Housing in operation of the Oxnard Navigation Center, Ventura County Rescue Mission - single men over the age of 18 with rotating stay schedule, 10 nights in/5 nights out; Kingdom Center - emergency shelter for single women and women with children; Lighthouse Mission for Women and Children - single women and women with children; and Turning Point Foundation - mentally ill individuals.

Transitional housing needs are currently being met by the following providers: Kingdom Center - single women and women with children; Khepera House - single men; Many Mansions - transition aged youth, single women and women with children; Turning Point Foundation - single mentally ill persons; Salvation Army - families, single parents and single persons; VC-HSA - families, single parents and children, and single persons; Project Understanding - families and single parent households.

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

There are many providers that are working diligently to assist homeless persons from not only finding housing, but also to prevent further incidents of homelessness. The Oxnard Housing Authority has the use of Homeless Set Aside vouchers in issuance of Housing Choice Vouchers and is actively offering permanent housing opportunities. Specific vouchers that the Oxnard Housing Authority uses to address homelessness are Homeless Set Aside Vouchers, Mainstream housing vouchers that are prioritized for non-elderly adults with disabilities who are currently homeless or leaving an institution, and Emergency Housing Vouchers through the American Rescue Plan Act.

The Ventura County Human Services Agency utilizes both County General Funds and the City's Emergency Solutions Grant to provide eviction prevention and rapid re-housing services to all of these populations; they will continue to do this in the forthcoming operating year. Additionally, Ventura County Veterans Services, Homeless Health Care and Ventura County Behavioral Health all work closely

with the service providers to provide other supportive services to assist in reducing the incidence of homelessness as they have also done in the recent past.

OHA works in conjunction with the Veteran Administration to administer 77 housing vouchers for homeless veterans under the VASH program. This program targets chronically homeless veterans.

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

The CoC has documented discharge policies of all of the above mentioned services that spell out various directions to ensure persons are not discharged into homelessness. Additionally, as stated earlier, HSA works with qualifying low-income persons and families to avoid homelessness. This is done with the utilization of HESG and Ventura County allocated general fund dollars. Under the CoC discharge policy, in fulfilling the State Mandated Policy (state law related to the discharge protocol), the following are found:

1. Health Care Facilities: the County health care system describes the discharge policy as interdisciplinary responsibility. For the persons who require ongoing medical and nursing care and who have no identifiable address they may be discharged to a respite program at the RAIN project, a County operated transitional housing project. Others, upon discharge routinely go to group homes, board and care facilities, or reunite with families and friends.
2. Mental Health Facilities: the Ventura County Medical Center Psychiatric Inpatient Unit with the collaboration of Ventura County Behavioral Health and various community agencies provide discharge planning and placement assistance to patients, when leaving the mental health facilities.
3. Foster care and other youth facilities: the goal is to provide assisted services to eligible youth and young adults between the ages of 16 and 21 in making a successful transition from foster care to independent living and achieve self-sufficiency. In addition to the County Children and Family Services, a Transitional Age Youth (TAY) center, operated by Pacific Clinic is also available.
4. Corrections programs and institutions: upon release, inmates are able to obtain housing in transitional and permanent housing programs, group homes, and sober living homes as well as with family and friends.

## **Discussion**

The CoC has incorporated each of the following goals of Opening Doors into its 20-year plan to end

homelessness:

1. Ending chronic homelessness through targeted street outreach (CDBG-Community Action-One Stop Shelter, CoC-Oxnard Homeless Outreach Program, VCHSA-Rapid Re-housing, HESG-Winter Warming Shelter), discharge planning and implementation of a housing first approach.
2. Preventing and ending homelessness among veterans by providing permanent supportive housing beds, in addition to Section 8 HUD VASH vouchers.
3. Preventing and ending homelessness for families, youth, and children by 2020 through rapid rehousing program and homeless prevention activities. The CoC set a path to ending all types of homelessness in its 10-year plan by implementing a coordinated assessment system-Pathways to Home. As a result, the number of chronic homeless, veterans, families, and youth continue to demonstrate positive results.

All of the above objectives are still in progress and will be folded into a regional plan and strategy lead by the County of Ventura.



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

### **Introduction:**

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

Environmental review, general planning, zoning, and related local land use regulations and development standards are all extensions of local government police powers to protect life and property, minimize nuisances, and achieve a desired quality of life as expressed through a participatory democratic process. Certain barriers to affordability are imposed by the mandates created by State Law (such as preparing and adopting a General Plan and conducting environmental reviews), are adopted for safety or civil rights reasons (such as the imposition of seismic construction standards in quake-prone areas, or requiring compliance with accessibility or visibility design standards), or enacted to remedy or prevent a specific local issue (such as requiring landscaping to deter graffiti). The term “barrier” should not be interpreted in the context that local development standards and development review procedures are inhibiting the provision of quality affordable housing that would otherwise be developed, but are the cumulative effect of the development requirements imposed by the layers of government regulations and laws that impact residential development.

### **Discussion:**

The City strives to consistently implement all policies and procedures, to review local development standards and development review procedures in such a way as to avoid and ensure that such do not have unintended negative consequences, and to improve policies and procedures so as to increase the opportunities and feasibility of developing affordable housing, especially for special needs and very low- and low-income units). The City will continue to engage in these efforts to identify and minimize any barriers over which the City has legal authority, in accordance with applicable law.

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

### **Introduction:**

The City will implement the goals and strategies of the Consolidated Plan to achieve the other actions listed in the next section.

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

The City will continue to utilize available resources to fund administrative support activities to meet the underserved needs in the community. The City will continue to work with the appropriate state agencies to administer the assets of the former redevelopment agency in the appropriate manner, and to the benefit of the LMI community whenever possible and feasible. Limited availability of funding from federal, state and other sources;

High cost of housing and provisions in the area which increases the difficulty of meeting affordable housing needs;

Reduced or frozen funding from state and other sources due to inadequate state revenue; the housing and credit crisis causing a negative effect;

A tight job market has produced an increased demand for production of new housing which is not being met, increasing home prices. Salaries are not commensurate with the high cost of housing in this market. These two factors combine to exacerbate the affordability crisis; and,

Credit crisis has limited the availability of capital to develop housing for low-and moderate-income households and special needs groups. City staff will address the challenges of existing and new obstacles in PY 2022 by focusing on the following programmatic and administrative areas: Staff will continue to research the availability of future funding resources that leverage the development of affordable housing units, inclusive of grants, bond financing, Section 108 funding and partnering with other affordable housing developers. CDBG and other funds will be used to fund administrative support for programs that serve the needs of LMI citizens citywide. This is especially critical now that no redevelopment agency funding is available, given that redevelopment agencies no longer exist in California. Staff will continue to collaborate with private-sector partners when appropriate in the development and construction of affordable housing. Staff will continue to collaboratively work with the service provider community, non-profit organizations, and neighboring cities and local governmental agencies within the County of Ventura to identify projects that also meet federal community development program eligibility and which can comply with timely draw-down requirements.

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

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

Any rehabilitation activities on housing units constructed prior to 1978 will have lead hazards identified

and actions taken to remove the hazard. The City's Affordable Housing Division does not own or manage any housing units. All units for which HOME and CDBG assistance is provided for homebuyer assistance or homeowner rehabilitation are administered in compliance with HUD's HOME or CDBG regulations for lead-based paint, as applicable. With respect to units owned or assisted by the Oxnard Housing Authority, there have been no cases of Public Housing tenants and/or Section 8 participant households reporting or having been discovered to have poisoned children or any child with "Elevated Blood Lead Level". OHA staff provides a brochure related to lead based paint hazards to all new tenants and program participants. Maintenance staff attends training and seminars to stay current with the State of California Lead Awareness Training requirements.

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

Eliminating poverty is a clear concern in Oxnard and Ventura County in general. Efforts are constantly underway to improve the quality of life and economic well-being of the residents through collaborative efforts of the following agencies and their programs to provide needed skills for individuals seeking jobs and thereby getting them out of poverty:

- City Corp
- Oxnard Housing Authority
- County of Ventura-Human Services Agency
- City's youth programs such Police Activities League programs, Colonia Gymnasium and Southwinds Youth Center programs

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

Extensive public and private partnerships have been established and organized to address the City's housing, homeless, and community development needs: Entitlement Grants workshops and training, Affordable Housing workshops for homeowners, Relocation meetings for residents, Fair Housing training and other scheduled meetings (such as Pre-construction meetings, Commission on Homelessness meetings, and meetings with County Continuum of Care Council, Housing Committee meetings).

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

The City will continue to collaborate with public and private housing and social service agencies to meet the goals and objectives of the Consolidated Plan. This could be from ongoing meetings, special meetings and task force.

### **Discussion:**

The City anticipates new inclusionary affordable housing to be developed within several proposed specific plans and other new projects, including the Central Terrace Apartments, which will include 9

City inclusionary units as well as 77 other 100% affordable units. The 2nd and B project (Homeless Solutions Center) will provide 6 City inclusionary units as well as 49 other 100% affordable units. Based on a thorough review, the City does not believe that the current inclusionary housing program is a constraint to the development of housing in addition to the incentives and concessions currently being offered and conversations with local developers who have been able to work within the requirement of the inclusionary housing program and produce housing. To further ensure the program does not pose a constraint, the City has included a monitoring process.

Other actions that the City of Oxnard will continue to improve compliance assessment for all its HUD funded programs and projects by 1) monitoring program and financial performance; 2) compliance with Environmental review: each project is reviewed for compliance with the National Environmental Protection Act. The City will utilize a consulting agreement to assist and perform the environmental reviews for housing developments and facility improvement projects, more complicated, and time consuming projects; 3) Labor Compliance Act: the City reviews and perform the contract administration of all CDBG-funded construction projects; 4) Section 3 Compliance: this function is also performed by the City; 5) Procurement and Purchasing: The City has its own procurement and purchasing policies managed by staff in the Finance Department; 6) Partnerships with Citizen Advisory Groups: Inter-Neighborhood Council Forum, Commission on Homelessness, Parks and Recreation and Community Services Commission, Mobilehome Park Rent Review Board, and Senior Services Commission.

Continued Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing:

The affordable housing additive zones, adopted on October 19, 2021 via Ordinance 2999, are zoning designations that provide opportunities for the development of affordable residential housing to help the City reach its regional housing needs allocation (RHNA).

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction:

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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

#### Other CDBG Requirements

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities   | 0       |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 100.00% |

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

Other forms of local investments for housing that may be available to projects include financing

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from the City's in-lieu fees, CDBG, and Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funding. Additionally, the City also provides homebuyer assistance through the use of program income received from BEGIN and CALHOME State funded grant programs.

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

Refer to Questions # 3 for Resale Provisions & procedures.

Recapture:

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

Refer to Question #2 for Recapture provisions and procedures.

Resale  
Provisions

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

The City currently does not have any plans to invest HOME funds in this type of activity.

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

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

The City does not provide any direct assistance under the HESG program. All written standards vary by service providers and assistance type. However, all providers must ensure recipients meet the minimum qualifications established by HUD for each eligible funded activity. HESG Policies and Handbook is in the process of updating and will be provided to all HESG subrecipients when finalized.

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

The Regional Ventura County Continuum of Care Alliance has established centralized or coordinated assessment system, Pathways to Home, that provides coordination intake as well as systems to avoid duplication of effort and redundancies.

Pathways to Home is centralized to provide identical information and system-wide tracking through HMIS, of all homeless individuals who seek and /or receive assistance at any one of the various service providers, or through the County directly.

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

The process for making all sub-awards for HESG recipients are as follows:

- a. The City formally posts the Notice of Available Funds (NOFA) in the regional newspaper, on the City's website, and emails and paper mail are sent to all existing and potential service providers from Ventura to Los Angeles.
  - b. All interested agencies attend information workshop/application training on the process, which includes all deadline dates and times.
  - c. Interested agencies then submit their application, project overview and qualifications
  - d. The funding recommendations are adjusted to meet the available resources and cap requirements; reviewed by management and then submitted to the City Council for approval.
  - e. All applicants are contacted and urged to attend the City Council meeting in which the items fall on the agenda. All supporting comments and grievances are done at this time.
  - f. The Mayor and City Council directs the City Manager and staff to move forward with final processing.
  - g. Staff prepare all contracts for execution. Additionally, all internal processes are completed in order to encumber funds to each individual agency.
  - h. Contracts are completed and services can begin on July 1.
  - i. All HESG contracts are awarded for two years
4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City meets the homeless participation requirement by having a homeless and formerly homeless person serve on the City's Commission on Homelessness. In addition, each entity receiving city HESG funding is also asked to provide information as to how they involve the homeless.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Performance measures are in place to ensure the efficient administration of all HESG funded activities. Additionally, along with the utilization of the HMIS, these measures will hopefully help to reduce the length of time of family and individuals remain homelessness, reduce the overall incidence of homelessness, and monitor the overall use of emergency shelters. Some of the activity

measures are as follows:

- **Emergency Shelters:** Excluding winter shelters, must be able to document placement of a minimum of 10 percent of the homeless persons or households served in the Program Year into transitional or permanent housing.
- **Transitional Housing:** must be able to document placement of a minimum of 50 percent of the households who completed the transitional housing program in the Program Year into permanent housing. "Household" is defined as all clients including single individuals and families.
- **Rapid Re-housing:** must show continued housing of clients receiving assistance for at least three months after receiving assistance. This should be done via case management of clients, documentation and HMIS entry and exit dates.
- **Eviction Prevention:** must show continued housing of clients receiving assistance for at least three months. This should be done via case management of clients, documentation and HMIS entry and exit dates.
- **All clients,** with the exception of victims of domestic violence, must be entered into the Regional HMIS within 15 days of receiving service(s), and must be exited from the system within 30 day of program completion or termination.
- **MINIMUM STANDARDS:** Sub-grantees are expected to have taken steps to meet the Minimum Standards for Homeless Programs within thirty days of executing the Program Year contract.
- **BUILDING AND HABITABILITY STANDARDS:** Any building for which HESG funding is used for renovation, major rehabilitation or conversion must meet local government safety and sanitation standards. In addition, the Sub-Grantee must meet a number of basic standards to ensure that shelter and housing facilities funded through the HESG program are safe, sanitary and adequately maintained.
- **MONITORING:** City staff will monitor the use of grant funds through a combination of a thorough review of submitted reports, review of audit or financial statements, and monitoring and site visits. The City will continue to develop and implement eligible activities using the grant funds and through the monitoring and review processes and techniques in order to comply with the federal specific requirements.

Homeless Assistance Division continues to fund all the activities prescribed in the HEARTH act. With the sub-recipients cooperation, the City's HESG will continue to provide substantial additional leverage funds to invest in the various programs in order to assist the homeless population toward the goal of reduction and ending homelessness. Also, HESG limits the cost categories for administration and planning to 7.5% or \$16,466 and 60% for street outreach and emergency shelter \$131,730; total \$148,196 for those cost categories. The remaining balance, a total of \$71,355 or 32.5% towards rapid re-housing support.



