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ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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Annual Action Plan
2021

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's 2021 Annual Action Plan represents the jurisdiction's goals and objectives for addressing housing and community development needs for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This executive summary provides an overview of the plan including Lexington-Fayette County's proposed strategy for addressing these problems during the coming year. The goals in the Consolidated Plan include the provision of safe and affordable housing for low- and moderate-income persons, homeless persons, and for persons with special needs; public improvements and neighborhood revitalization in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods; renovation of buildings and sites in the community that are used for the provision of social services to low-income persons; and provision of services that will positively impact social and economic conditions for low-income persons. The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) uses Community Development Block Grant funds, HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds, and Emergency Solutions Grants Program funds primarily for housing rehabilitation, new housing development, first-time homeownership, public improvements, and public services for at-risk youth, homeless persons, and other persons with special needs.

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 jurisdiction recognizes a need for an expanded supply of affordable housing, specifically affordable housing for extremely low-income renter families. As identified in the Needs Assessment in the Consolidated Plan, approximately 18,000 households are severely cost-burdened, meaning that they pay greater than 50% of their income for housing, and most of these households are at or below 30% of area median income. Over the one-year period, the jurisdiction plans to add or rehabilitate 318 units of rental housing, 11 of which will be HOME units, through Consolidated Plan resources and other funding sources. Also identified as a need is rehabilitation of existing housing units occupied by low-income owners. In response, the jurisdiction will continue operation of a housing rehabilitation program and an emergency repair program. Over the one-year period, it is anticipated that 25 households will be assisted. In response to the area's high cost of homeownership, the jurisdiction will continue to support subsidies for first-time homebuyers. Over the one-year period, 2 households will be assisted with homeownership. The jurisdiction will allocate funding for operation of programs for the homeless and for at-risk youth. Emergency Solutions Grants funding will be used to offset costs of operating emergency shelters for single women and their children; children and youth ages 6 weeks to 18 years; and an emergency shelter for adults and children who are the victims of domestic violence. Annually,

approximately 1,600 persons will have access to emergency shelter and other services to help them move to permanent housing. Community Development Block Grant funds will be used to provide a housing navigator who will work with approximately 40 low-income persons with mental illnesses who are ready to transition from an institutional setting to permanent housing. With ESG funds, two rapid rehousing and prevention programs will assist 45 individuals. The jurisdiction will continue its replacement of storm water facilities, sidewalks, streets, and sanitary sewers in the Meadows-Northland-Arlington area. Over the one-year period, a public investment of \$900,000 will be made to improve the livability of this neighborhood. In addition, \$407,460 of CDBG funds will be allocated toward the purchase of a facility for programming to assist victims of child abuse and neglect. Funds will also be used to replace heating and cooling systems in an arts and educational facility serving a low-income community.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

During the reporting period (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020), the local government used federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to address housing needs, public improvements, and social services needs of the low-income population of Lexington-Fayette County. Construction was completed on 14 new rental units for low-income persons, rehabilitation was completed on 17 rental units for low-income persons and 16 owner-occupied existing housing units were rehabilitated. Ten ramps were constructed, one lift was installed, and handrails were installed on one unit to assist low-income owner-occupied households with occupants with disabilities. Eight low-income first-time homebuyers were assisted in purchasing existing housing units. Two nonprofit agencies provided 7 extremely low-income households with tenant based rental assistance. Five nonprofit agencies and the local government provided housing and supportive services to 2,273 homeless persons, and assisted 271 homeless persons into permanent housing during the program year. Additionally 5 persons received homeless prevention services for assistance with rent and utilities to remain in their current housing units. Four non-profit organizations and the local government provided evening and after-school services to 455 youth in an effort to help them succeed in school and become productive adults.

Construction continued for public improvements at Bryan Avenue from Park View Avenue to Meadow Park and at Park View Avenue from Bryan Avenue to Oak Hill Drive. Construction began on improvements for 8 parks. Improvements were completed at 2 parks and 1 recreational area. Accessibility improvements were completed to historic Cadentown School. Construction was started on improvements at the Family Care Center and Black and Williams Community Center. Construction was started on rehabilitation to a youth emergency shelter and safety improvements were started to a men's emergency shelter.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) followed an adopted Citizens Participation Plan in its development of the 2021 Annual Action Plan. The LFUCG conducted two public hearings (November 23, 2020, and March 25, 2021) in an attempt to solicit comment on the housing and community development needs of the community. In addition to advertising in the community's daily newspaper, The Lexington Herald-Leader, the government sends out emails and letters to neighborhood associations in low-income neighborhoods, churches in low-income neighborhoods, Urban County Council members and their staff, and to organizations and individuals who have indicated an interest in the housing and community development needs of the low-income, homeless, and special needs populations. The public hearings are advertised on the government's cable channel and on the government's internet webpage, with the public invited to e-mail ideas and suggestions. The government's Office of Public Information also distributes notices of the public hearings through social media.

Consultations were conducted between the months of March and June with agencies serving low-income and homeless persons (including the Continuum of Care) in an attempt to determine housing and service needs of the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness. Consultations were also conducted with a local community development corporation, neighborhood associations, and other organizations whose missions are to improve housing, services, and economic opportunities for low-income people.

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.

No comments received.

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

No comments received.

7. Summary

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government solicits applications from organizations requesting funds to carry out Consolidated Plan projects. Because funding is limited, the LFUCG is unable to fulfill all requests. A summary of all applications received is attached in appendices.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT	Division of Grants and Special Programs
HOME Administrator	LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT	Division of Grants and Special Programs
ESG Administrator	LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT	Division of Grants and Special Programs

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is a fully merged city-county government with the powers of both a city of the second class and a county created from the merger of the City of Lexington and the County of Fayette in 1974 and operates pursuant to Chapter 67A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. The Urban County Government operates under a Mayor-Council form of government where executive and administrative functions are vested with the Mayor and legislative authority rests with the Urban County Council. The Mayor is the chief executive officer and is elected to serve a four-year term. The Urban County Council has fifteen members, including twelve district members who serve two-year terms and three at-large members who serve four-year terms. The Mayor is assisted in the administration of the government by a Chief Administrative Officer and seven departmental commissioners.

The Division of Grants and Special Programs, the governmental unit that has responsibility for the planning and writing of grant applications for federal funds and responsibility for the financial management of federal funds and for compliance with federal regulations, is under the LFUCG's Chief Administrative Officer. The Division of Grants and Special Programs has responsibility as lead agency for the development of the consolidated plan and for contracting and management of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The Division of Grants and Special Programs operates a homeowner housing rehabilitation program and contracts with a loan servicing agency for servicing the first-time homebuyer programs operated by nonprofit organizations that use HOME funding.

In 2014, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government created an Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (OHPI) in response to recommendations made in the January 2013 report of the Mayor's Commission on Homelessness. The OHPI Director, also under the supervision of the Chief Administrative Officer, is responsible for planning and coordinating recommendations made by the

Commission. An LFUCG Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Board appointed by the Mayor was created to guide this mission. The OHPI assumed responsibility for the Continuum of Care in May 2015.

In 2014, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government also created its own Affordable Housing Trust Fund, providing for an Affordable Housing Board and an Affordable Housing Manager who reports to the Commissioner of Planning, Preservation, and Development. The mission of this program is to leverage public investment to preserve, produce, and provide safe, quality, affordable housing. The Affordable Housing Trust Fund has an independent board appointed by Mayor and approved by Council.

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

1. Introduction

In preparation of the 2021 Annual Action Plan, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) consulted with a variety of organizations who have an interest in homelessness, housing for low-income persons, social and mental health services, and community development activities. In addition to the organizations below, staff members consulted with the LFUCG Affordable Housing Manager, the LFUCG Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority, the Mayor's Commission on Citizens with Disabilities, and LFUCG's Director of Aging and Disability Services.

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 Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government relies upon the community's many nonprofit and government-based organizations to provide health and social services to low-income households. The LFUCG provides more than \$3 million annually from its general fund in addition to federal funds to subrecipient organizations including assisted housing and public housing providers. As part of that funding process, the LFUCG requires the development of partnerships among existing social service providers to ensure that low- and moderate-income households are provided with a seamless level of services to enhance their self-sufficiency. The LFUCG Department of Social Services has established four divisions (Youth Services, Family Services, Adult and Tenant Services, and Aging and Disability Services), a Domestic Violence Prevention Board, Office of Substance Abuse and Violence Intervention, and the Lexington Global Engagement Center (multi-cultural affairs). The staff of these divisions and offices have created collaborative relationships throughout the community with the mission of having all residents healthy and fully engaged.

In addition, the LFUCG operates separately an Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention and Office of Affordable Housing. Each of those offices is advised by a board that includes key stakeholders who inform funding and policy decisions. The LFUCG Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Board brings together homeless shelters, domestic violence providers, recovery programs, law enforcement, hospitals, landlords, housing developers, veterans services providers, and many more organizations who review community needs and develop and implement solutions, some of which are ultimately supported with federal funding to subrecipients as reflected in the Annual Action Plan. This same process applies for affordable housing. The LFUCG operates an Affordable Housing Trust Fund supported with \$2 million annually from the city's general fund. This board collaborates with the city's Division of Grants and Special Programs to build financing packages for affordable housing development that include federal, state, local and private funding. This fund's governing board brings together bankers, housing

developers, social service providers, elected officials, Realtors, and citizens to set funding priorities and review progress.

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 LFUCG, through its Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention, serves as the Collaborative Applicant and lead agency for the one-county Lexington-Fayette Continuum of Care. The 13-member LFUCG Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board serves as the local COC Board and, along with a two-person staff, conducts all planning, prioritization and funding recommendations for the federal CoC funding in the Continuum but also for an annual allocation of \$750,000 from the city's general fund which is used to make grants for CoC priorities. The LFUCG Division of Grants and Special Programs coordinates efforts with the CoC through participation in all CoC meetings and communication about funding priorities and decisions. This ensures that the jurisdiction's federal funds are directed to best serve the CoC's plans and priorities for serving people experiencing homelessness, especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth as well as people at risk of homelessness. LFUCG allocation of ESG funds, for example, to Rapid Rehousing serves to address a critical need for Rapid Rehousing that was identified by the CoC, especially for youth. In addition, this project's participation in Coordinated Entry serves to further support the CoC in its efforts to prevent and reduce homelessness.

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

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government staff meets annually with the Continuum of Care for the purpose of reviewing allocation of Emergency Solutions Grants funds and discussing how these funds may be better used to address the needs of the homeless population. A summary of applications for these funds is presented to the CoC group for review and comment. The Continuum of Care has voiced concerns about how Rapid Rehousing/Homelessness Prevention program is being operated. These concerns have been helpful in creating a more effective program. LFUCG staff members have become licensed users of the Kentucky HMIS in order to provide support to the community's homeless providers for the purpose of improving participation and helping to implement a community-wide coordinated entry system. Grants & Special Programs staff members meet often with the Office of Homelessness and Division of Social Services to review outcomes and spending and adjust programming as needed to reflect CoC needs and priorities.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	HOPE CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Individual meetings and participation in Continuum of Care. The Hope Center serves on the CoC Board and participates in coordinated entry. This relationship is strong and will continue as Hope Center is the primary men shelter in Lexington. This is also a HUD-designated envision center.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Lexington Fair Housing Council
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Impediments to Fair Housing
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Reviewed evictions data and housing instability information and participated in a series of Landlord-Tenant Forums to collect information on community needs and problems faced by people in need of affordable housing. Supporting an ongoing effort to coordinate response to anticipated evictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	LEXINGTON HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Executive Director was consulted on amendments to the First Time Homebuyers guidelines and how HOME funds could be better used for housing for Habitat clients. Discussion also included ideas on how new homebuyers could be more successful in retaining homeownership and efforts being made to further housing location choice.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	REACH, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Executive Director of the organization was consulted on the CHDO program and on how federal financial assistance to first-time homebuyers could be improved. This is an ongoing relationship with regular conversations for continuous improvement.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON,HARRISON
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Community Action Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Through individual meetings and participation in CoC, supported this organization taking on the lead role for administration of the Coordinated Entry System. Also developed emergency family shelter and street outreach programs supported by LFUCG funding.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Commerce Lexington
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Chamber of Commerce
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Ongoing consultation on economic development needs for low-income areas and areas of high unemployment including specific opportunities. LFUCG continues to support locally funded workforce development projects and a jobs incentive fund. Will continue to evaluate those projects and consider opportunities for leveraging federal funding.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Veteran Services Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	VOA leads a CoC sponsored Veterans Committee to review housing and employment needs specific to veterans. The Office of Homelessness is deeply involved with this group including coordinated entry for homeless veterans. The Jurisdiction has ended veteran homelessness per HUD and USICH standards.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Kentucky Interagency Council on Homelessness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Intergovernmental Planning Body
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	LFUCG Director of Grants & Special Programs serves on this statewide intergovernmental coordinating agency. Group meets quarterly to review housing data and evaluate programming. Also seeks opportunities to improve collaboration across state and local government in Kentucky using a statewide and regional approach.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Arbor Youth Services, formerly MASH Services of the Bluegrass
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Runaway and Homeless Youth Provider

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization serves as the local lead for serving youth 18-24 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Working to improve Rapid Rehousing for youth and opening of a transitional housing facility funded by the LFUCG Affordable Housing Fund. Coordination continues at least a monthly basis.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	AIDS VOLUNTEERS, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Reviewed activities including the HOPWA program. Coordinate every other month through Homelessness Prevention & Intervention (COC) Board meetings. Working with Affordable Housing Fund to support organization development of additional Permanent Supportive Housing.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Urban League of Lexington-Fayette County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The LFUCG collaborates closely with this organization to identify and develop interventions that address affordable housing needs, especially those affecting African-American and other underserved populations. This organization also serves as a CHDO.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Lexington Community Land Trust
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	LFUCG Director of Grants & Special Programs meets regularly with Land Trust staff to review housing needs for low- and moderate-income persons and neighborhoods and participated in the strategic planning process. LCLT is considering a CHDO application for 2020. LCLT also may branch into new neighborhoods as a result.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Jubilee Jobs of Lexington Kentucky
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Employment Assistance
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted on employment and training needs for low- and moderate-income persons. Resulted in expansion of employment preparation services to be funded in the year one action plan.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	BLUEGRASS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness; Housing
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Regular consultation with GreenHouse17 ensures the plan reflects the needs of survivors of domestic violence. The GreenHouse17 shelter continues to be supported in the annual action plan. The shelter expanded its capacity in 2019 with support from CDBG.

15	Agency/Group/Organization	CASA OF LEXINGTON, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Advocacy
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Supported facility acquisition for CASA in prior year action plan. Continue to consult with this organization on youth needs in the community especially with regard to abused and neglected children.

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

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	LFUCG Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention	Goals are consistent
2018 Comprehensive Plan for LFUCG	LFUCG Division of Planning	Goals are consistent
Moving to Work Annual Plan	Lexington Housing Authority	Goals are consistent
Newtown Pike Extension Corridor Plan	LFUCG Divisions of Planning and Engineering	Goals are consistent. Plan is a result of collaboration among LFUCG, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, and Federal Highway Administration in an effort to preserve a neighborhood while extending a major roadway.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

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**

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) followed an adopted Citizens Participation Plan in its development of the 2019 Annual Action Plan. The LFUCG conducted two public hearings (November 5, 2018, and March 18, 2019) in an attempt to solicit citizen comment on the housing and community development needs of the community. A draft annual action plan was published on April 9, 2021 providing for a 30-day review and comment period through May 10, 2021. The draft plan was submitted to the Urban County Council for work session review and final approval on May 6, 2021.

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 Non-targeted/broad community	5 persons attended first public hearing. 1 persons attended second public hearing.	No comments were received		

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	Letters and emails to LFUCG staff, organizations, churches, and neighborhood association	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Neighborhood Associations	Applications from several organizations were received. A summary of these applications has been attached in the Appendices.	See summary	Some projects were not approved for funding due to past performance, but primarily due to limited funding and/or concerns about applicant capacity.	
3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Public hearings and plan publication were advertised on the government's Web site.	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	www.lexingtonky.gov

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

In addition to HOME, CDBG, and ESG funds allocated from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the jurisdiction allocates general fund dollars in the amount of \$300,000 as grant match for HOME to be used for rental housing development, and grant match in the amount of \$63,065 for rapid rehousing (ESG) and \$7,731 for administration (ESG).

The Jurisdiction also is providing general fund dollars annually to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund in the amount of \$2,000,000 and to the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention in the amount of \$750,000. An additional allocation of general fund dollars in the amount of \$850,000 will be used for emergency shelter operations. LFUCG sewer user funds in the amount of \$250,000 will be allocated to the replacement of sanitary sewers along with CDBG-funded public improvements.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,404,696	175,000	0	2579,696	0	CDBG funds will leverage City dollars through public infrastructure, housing activities, public facilities improvements and support services to the community

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership	1,324,387	150,000	0	1,474,387	0	Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will use HOME dollars to leverage to rental housing developments for multifamily and senior citizens rental, homeownership, CHDO Rental Housing Development and homeowner rehab as well as tenant based rental assistance.
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	207,017	0	0	207,017	0	Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government leverage ESG funds for rapid rehousing and emergency shelter operations.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - local	Acquisition Admin and Planning Financial Assistance Housing Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab Services Other	2,000,000	0	0	2,000,000	6,000,000	The LFUCG has allocated \$2,000,000 to a local Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing units. The LFUCG has also allocated \$750,000 for an Innovative and Sustainable Solutions to Homelessness Fund to support priorities of the Continuum of Care.
Other	public - local	Admin and Planning Financial Assistance Housing Multifamily rental new construction Overnight shelter Public Services Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)	363,065	0	0	363,065		Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government uses general fund dollars to match the HOME program and to provide match for administration and rapid rehousing in the ESG program. ESG Match is \$63,065 and HOME Match is \$300,000. Additionally, other agencies will provide the ESG match in the amount of \$151,683.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - local	Overnight shelter	850,000	0	0	850,000	850,000	The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government allocates General Fund to support the operations of overnight shelters in the community.
Other	public - local	Public Improvements	250,000	0	0	250,000	250,000	Sewer User Funds collected for the purpose of operating sanitary sewer system and for rehabilitating deteriorating sanitary sewers. These funds will be used to support the Meadows Northland Arlington project.

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

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will provide from its 2022 General Fund grant match in the amount of \$300,000 for the required HOME Investment Partnership Match.

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will provide from its 2020 General Fund grant match in the amount of \$63,065 as partial match for the Emergency Solutions Grants Program. Other match for the Emergency Solutions Grants Program in the amount of \$151,683 will be provided as in-kind match from the Community Partners who are providing services using these federal funds.

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, by Ordinance No. 103-2014 on September 11, 2014, has designated annual funding in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the “Affordable Housing Fund,” and annual funding in the amount of at least \$750,000 for the “Innovative and Sustainable Solutions to Homelessness Fund” continuing on into the Fiscal Year 2022.

LFUCG annually allocates operating funds (General Fund) to community partner agencies with general fund dollars. To this end, an estimated annual allocation in the amount of \$750,000 will be expended for emergency shelters in the community in Fiscal Year 2022.

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 only publicly owned property that is anticipated to be used to address the needs identified in the plan are community centers and park land for use as public facilities.

Discussion

Expected anticipated resources for the remaining four years of the planning period are based upon allocations provided in Year 1.

Lexington and its affordable housing developers and partner agencies will continue to pursue funding from the Kentucky Affordable Housing Trust Fund, National Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, HUD's SHOP program, HUD's 811 and 202 programs, VASH program, and other state and federal resources as are available to fulfill identified needs of the community.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Development of Rental Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 HOME: \$731,606 Grant Match: \$300,000 Homeless and Affordable Housing Funds: \$2,000,000	Rental units constructed: 15 Household Housing Unit
2	Homeownership	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	HOME: \$351,536	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 1 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 8 Households Assisted
3	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$684,948 HOME: \$190,285	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 28 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Emergency Repair for Homeowners	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$50,932	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit
5	Public Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Improvements and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$914,920 LFUCG Sewer User Funds: \$300,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2000 Persons Assisted
6	Other Public Facilities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facilities	CDBG: \$457,190	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 5610 Persons Assisted
7	Public Services - Non-Homeless Special Populations	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Public Services	CDBG: \$50,933	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3469 Persons Assisted
8	Public Services-Youth Programs	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$77,405	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 362 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
9	Public Services-- Homeless Populations	2020	2024	Homeless		Public Services	ESG: \$83,456 Grant Match: \$83,456 Homeless and Affordable Housing Funds: \$750,000 Local Emergency Shelter: \$750,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1700 Persons Assisted
10	Rapid Rehousing	2020	2024	Homeless		Rapid Rehousing	ESG: \$104,320 Grant Match: \$104,320	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 20 Households Assisted
11	Fair Housing	2020	2024	Administration		Public Services	CDBG: \$40,746	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Development of Rental Housing
	Goal Description	<p>HOME funds in the amount of \$246,591 and match funds in the amount of \$100,000 will be used to support the construction of 222 rental units (7 of which are HOME units) at Kearney Creek Apartments located at 2559 Kearney Ridge Boulevard, Lexington, KY 40511 for low-income families earning 60% or less of the area median income.</p> <p>HOME funds in the amount of \$275,705 and match funds in the amount of \$200,000 will be used to support the construction of 96 rental units (4 of which are HOME units) at The Oasis at Kearney Creek located at 2750 Meadowsweet Lane, Lexington, KY 40511 for low-income families earning 80% or less of the area median income.</p> <p>The Fayette County Local Development Corporation, recognized as a Community Housing Development Organization, will use \$190,282 in HOME funds for the new construction of two duplexes on Florence Avenue in Lexington, KY, creating 4 new units for rental to low income households. Fayette County Local Development Corporation will also receive \$19,028 for operation of their CHDO rental program.</p> <p>The Jurisdiction provides general fund dollars annually to its Affordable Housing Trust Fund in the amount of \$2,000,000.</p>
2	Goal Name	Homeownership
	Goal Description	<p>HOME funds in the amount of \$114,169 will be used to support first-time homebuyer program that is operated by REACH. Approximately 4 low-income households will become homeowners with assistance from this program. Additionally, REACH, recognized as a Community Housing Development Organization, will purchase and rehabilitate 1 existing unit for sale to a low-income first time homebuyer with HOME funds in the amount of \$142,712. REACH will also receive \$19,028 for operation of their CHDO program.</p> <p>HOME funds in the amount of \$85,627 will be used to support a first-time homebuyer program that is operated by Lexington Habitat for Humanity. Approximately 4 low-income households will become homeowners with assistance from this program.</p>

4	Goal Name	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	<p>HOME and CDBG funds will be used to continue the Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Program that provides either deferred loans or low-interest loans to low-income owner occupants for purposes of bringing their houses up to code. It is expected that approximately 20 units will be rehabilitated during the 2019 program year and that 15 of these units will be occupied by households whose incomes are below 50% of median income and 5 units will be occupied by households whose incomes are from 50% to 80% of median income.</p> <p>\$310,085 in CDBG and \$190,285 in HOME will be used for direct assistance to homeowners.</p> <p>\$334,117 in CDBG will be used for the operating costs of the Homeowner Rehabilitation Program.</p> <p>In addition, the LFUCG will provide \$40,746 to the Realtor Community Housing Foundation for its RAMP program that improves accessibility through the design and construction of ramps for people with low incomes who have mobility needs.</p>
7	Goal Name	Emergency Repair for Homeowners
	Goal Description	CDBG funds in the amount of \$50,932 will be used to implement an emergency repair program for low income homeowners. It is anticipated that at least 5 homeowners will benefit from this program
8	Goal Name	Public Improvements
	Goal Description	<p>With CDBG funding in the amount of \$814,920 and \$300,000 in Sewer User Funds, LFUCG will continue its public improvements in the Meadows/Northland/Arlington neighborhood in Phase 6A-2 with the replacement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks, street reconstruction, storm sewer improvements, and sanitary sewer improvements on Bluegrass Avenue, from Bryan Avenue to just past Highlawn Avenue and McCloy Alley from Locust Avenue to Bluegrass Avenue.</p> <p>With CDBG funding in the amount of \$100,000, LFUCG will install sidewalks along a section of Liberty Road improving access for low-income residents of the area.</p>

11	Goal Name	Other Public Facilities
	Goal Description	<p>LFUCG will provide CDBG funds in the amount of \$407,460 to CASA of Lexington for acquisition of a facility to expand services to abused, neglected, and dependent children.</p> <p>LFUCG will use CDBG funds in the amount of \$49,730 to replace heating and cooling systems in The Living Arts & Science Center, 362 N. Martin Luther King Boulevard, Lexington, KY. The LASC serves one of Lexington-Fayette County's most low-income neighborhoods and is located in the heart of that area.</p> <p>LFUCG will use CDBG funds in the amount of \$27,479 to resurface the existing 1/4 mile track at the Russell School Community Services Center. The recreational area is accessible for area-wide community use. The focus of the proposed revitalization project will target area youth ages 8-18 and senior residents but will remain fully accessible to the public.</p>
12	Goal Name	Public Services - Non-Homeless Special Populations
	Goal Description	<p>LFUCG will use approximately 5.5% of its CDBG allocation for the support of public services in the community. Of the \$128,338 allocated for services, \$40,746 in Community Development Block Grant funds will be used to provide a housing navigator who will work with approximately 40 low-income persons with mental illnesses who are ready to transition from an institutional setting to permanent housing.</p> <p>Radio Eye will be funded in the amount of \$10,187 to broadcast the readings of newspapers, magazines, and other printed material to individuals with print-impairments. An estimated 3,429 individuals will benefit from this service. The average listener age is 77, and approximately 71.9% are economically disadvantaged.</p>
13	Goal Name	Public Services-Youth Programs
	Goal Description	<p>The LFUCG will use approximately 5.5% of its CDBG revenue for the support of public services in the community. Of the \$128,338 allocated for services, \$77,405 (60%) will be used to support services for low-income youth. These services will be provided by Police Activities League (100 youth), Arbor Youth Services (75), The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club (67) and Repairers Lexington (120).</p>

15	Goal Name	Public Services--Homeless Populations
	Goal Description	<p>ESG funds in the amount of \$83,456 will be used to support emergency shelter operations at Arbor Youth Services (150 individuals), The Salvation Army (1,300 individuals) and GreenHouse17 (250 individuals). Agencies will provide match in the amount of \$83,456. Local General Fund dollars in the amount of \$750,000 will be used to support emergency shelter operations at GreenHouse17, The Salvation Army, Arbor Youth Services, and the Hope Center.</p> <p>The Jurisdiction also provides an additional \$750,000 annually from local funds through its Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention to support homelessness projects identified by the Continuum of Care.</p>
16	Goal Name	Rapid Rehousing
	Goal Description	<p>Community Action Council will be funded in the amount of \$52,160 in ESG funds for the purpose of operating a rapid rehousing program assisting an estimated 10 families to become permanently housed. LFUCG and Community Action Council will each provide portions of the required match of \$52,160.</p> <p>Arbor Youth Services, Inc. will be funded in the amount of \$52,160 in ESG funds to support the costs of a youth advocate to provide case management services to 10 young households (aged 18-24) who are homeless and to provide them rapid rehousing assistance. LFUCG and Arbor Youth Services will each provide portions of the required match of \$52,160.</p>
19	Goal Name	Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Lexington currently funds the Human Rights Commission from the Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$50,000. The Commission will continue fair housing education and outreach efforts to analyze and eliminate housing discrimination in the jurisdiction and to promote fair housing choice for all persons in the community.

Projects

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Introduction

During the 2021 Program year, the jurisdiction will allocate Consolidated Plan funds to projects that improve existing housing for low-income residents through rehabilitation, energy efficiency improvements, lead-based paint hazard reduction, and handicap accessibility improvements; increase the supply of homeownership units through new construction and down payment assistance; and increase the supply of rental units for low-income households with new construction. Funds will be allocated for services to households who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness and to activities that serve at-risk youth. Case management services will be provided to a low-income special needs population. The jurisdiction will continue its public improvements in the Meadows-Northland-Arlington area, improving the living environment of a low-income residential neighborhood as well as providing sidewalk access in a low-income neighborhood. The jurisdiction will also continue to support the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Human Rights Commission in an effort to affirmatively further fair housing.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Grantee Administration
2	Fair Housing Education and Outreach
3	Meadows/Northland/Arlington
4	Homeowner Sidewalk Replacement
5	Housing Rehabilitation Operations
6	Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Program
7	Housing Rehabilitation, Emergency Repair
8	Realtor Community Housing Foundation Repair Program
9	LFUCG Park Improvements
10	Youth Services
11	Jubilee Jobs Outreach Program
12	New Beginnings Transitional Housing
13	Radio Eye Public Service
14	First-Time Homebuyers Program--R.E.A.C.H.
15	Lexington Habitat for Humanity First-Time Homebuyer Program
16	HOME Administration--CHDO
17	CHDO-Fayette County Local Development Corporation
18	CHDO-REACH, Inc.
19	AIDS VOLUNTEERS, INC./TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE
20	Development of Rental Housing Units for Low Income Households

#	Project Name
21	ESG20 Lexington-Fayette County

Table 7 - Project Information

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

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Grantee Administration
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$250,000 HOME: \$110,000
	Description	Project will support the administrative costs of operating the CDBG program. These costs include administrative personnel, professional services, equipment, supplies, and other operating costs of the program.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	200 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
	Planned Activities	Funds will be used to support the administrative costs of the CDBG and HOME programs. Funds will be used to support personnel costs, training, supplies, and professional services.
2	Project Name	Fair Housing Education and Outreach
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000

	Description	The project will assist the government in meeting its obligation as an entitlement community to affirmatively further housing. Project consists of retention of a full-time investigator for fair housing complaints. An agreement will be entered into with the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Human Rights Commission for operation of this project.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Lexington Human Rights Commission will serve an estimated 1,500 individuals.
	Location Description	342 Waller Avenue, Suite 1a, Lexington, KY 40504
	Planned Activities	Fair housing activities to include technical assistance to public, nonprofit, and faith-based agencies and the private sector in regards to affirmatively furthering fair housing, conducting workshops, collaborations with other agencies to promote fair housing, conducting fact-finding discussions, maintaining fair housing marketing program, investigating and mediating fair housing complaints.
3	Project Name	Meadows/Northland/Arlington
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$900,000 LFUCG Sewer User Funds: \$250,000
	Description	Construction of Public Improvements in Meadows/Northland/Arlington: 6B1 Blue Grass Ave. from Bryan Ave. to Highlawn Ave. 6B2 Highlawn Ave. from Bluegrass Ave. to end of Gracelawn Ave. Activities include replacement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks, street reconstruction, storm sewer improvements and replacement of the sanitary sewer within public right of way.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 2,000 residents will benefit from the project.

	Location Description	Construction of Public Improvements in Meadows/Northland/Arlington: 6B1 Blue Grass Ave. from Bryan Ave. to Highlawn Ave. 6B2 Highlawn Ave. from Bluegrass Ave. to end of Gracelawn Ave.
	Planned Activities	Public improvements include replacement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks, street reconstruction, storm sewer improvements and replacement of the sanitary sewer within public right of way.
4	Project Name	Homeowner Sidewalk Replacement
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	Project proposes to replace sidewalks for low-income homeowners.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximate 10 low-income homeowners will benefit.
	Location Description	Scattered sites
	Planned Activities	Project proposes to replace sidewalks for low-income homeowners.
5	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation Operations
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$340,000
	Description	Operation of the single family housing rehabilitation program. Support the personnel costs of the loan and relocation specialists and the rehabilitation specialists, legal fees, appraisal fees, and other operation supplies. The project is directly operated by the LFUCG's Division of Grants and Special Programs.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	200 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
	Planned Activities	Salaries and benefits for staff of the Division of Grants and Special Programs to include Code Enforcement Officers and Financial Officers, appraisals, legal services, loan servicing, training, and necessary supplies and equipment.
6	Project Name	Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Program
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$452,420 HOME: \$199,678
	Description	Federal funds will be used to provide low-interest loans to low-income homeowners and deferred loans to very low-income homeowners for purposes of bringing their homes into compliance with the housing code and to improve energy efficiency. LFUCG Division of Grants and Special Programs is responsible for operation of this program.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Federal funds will be used to provide 25 low-interest loans to low-income homeowners and deferred loans to very low-income homeowners for purposes of bringing their homes into compliance with the housing code and to improve energy efficiency. LFUCG Division of Grants and Special Programs is responsible for operation of this program.
	Location Description	Scattered sites
	Planned Activities	25 low-income owner occupants will be assisted with bringing their homes up to code, including energy efficiency improvements, lead-based paint abatement or hazard reduction, and accessibility enhancements.
7	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation, Emergency Repair
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Emergency Repair for Homeowners

	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000
	Description	The Division of Grants and Special Programs will operate an emergency housing repair program for low-income homeowners to include electrical, plumbing, and HVAC repairs
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 7 households will be served.
	Location Description	Scattered Sites
	Planned Activities	Emergency repairs to include electrical, plumbing, and HVAC for low-income owner-occupants.
8	Project Name	Realtor Community Housing Foundation Repair Program
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Handicap Accessibility for Homeowners
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000
	Description	Organization will provide exterior repairs and new roofing to housing units that are owned and occupied by LMI elderly persons; provide ramps and other accessibility renovations to houses of LMI persons with mobility impairments; provide emergency repairs for very low-income elderly homeowners. A sub-recipient agreement will be entered into with Realtor Community Housing Foundation for operation of the program.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	15 households will benefit
	Location Description	Scattered sites
	Planned Activities	Low-income households with mobility disabilities will be assisted with installation of ramps or lifts.

9	Project Name	LFUCG Park Improvements
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Other Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$340,000
	Description	LFUCG will use CDBG funds in the amount of \$340,000 for various recreational improvements to the Lexington parks in qualified census tracts. The number of beneficiaries is estimated to be 2000 individuals.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The number of beneficiaries is estimated to be 2000 individuals located in Census Tract 3.
	Location Description	215 Midland Avenue, Lexington, KY 40508 1625 McCullough Drive, Lexington, KY 40511
Planned Activities	LFUCG Parks and Recreation demolish existing playground and construction of new playground equipment, safety surface and landscaping with seating and shade. New playground to be located in same area of park as existing playground. New playground will meet or exceed all Federal requirements for accessibility per the American's with Disability Act. Design of new futsal courts to utilize as much of the existing tennis courts as possible, selective demolition of unneeded pavement or fencing, repair of existing fencing and pavement to create the new futsal courts and provide a paved route to the courts, fabricate and install Rules a sign and add seating and trash cans.	
10	Project Name	Youth Services
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Services-Youth Programs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$90,000

	Description	Youth services activities for the 2020 program year include the Police Activities League, Arbor Youth Services, Boys and Girls Club of the Bluegrass, and E7 Kids Cafe. All programs provide educational activities for low-income children and adolescents.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	These services will be provided by Police Activities League (200 youth), Arbor Youth Services (75), The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club (200) and Repairers Lexington (75).
	Location Description	Police Activities League: 1625 Russell Cave Road, Lexington, KY 40511 Arbor Youth Services: 540 W. Third Street, Lexington, KY 40508 Salvation Army: 736 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40508 Repairers Lexington: 401 North Upper Street, Lexington, KY 40508
	Planned Activities	Arbor Youth Services will conduct structured programs that targets homeless, runaway, at-risk youth and young families with youth ages 18-24. Activities include outreach, education and homeless services. The Salvation Army will be use funds for programs that supports more than 200 K-12 youth. Each year education supplies, food, and staff necessary to provide after school and summer youth programming at the Boys and Girls Club. Repairer Lexington will use funds for salaries to operate the E7 Kids Café program that provides free meals to youth, educational enrichment activities, computer access, tutoring and field trips. Police Activities League will provide sports and educational opportunities to low-income youth to include cheerleading, football, volleyball, tee-ball, basketball, boxing, and soccer, tutoring, computer classes, summer camping, field trips, community service projects, and neighborhood clean-ups.
11	Project Name	Jubilee Jobs Outreach Program
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Services--Homeless Populations
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	Project is to expand services of in-house program to specific clients who have recently released from incarceration and those with history of addiction to find employment.

	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Project proposes to serve 696 beneficiaries.
	Location Description	1450 North Broadway, Lexington, KY 40508
	Planned Activities	Jubilee Jobs Outreach Program plans to expand services of in-house program to specific clients who have recently released from incarceration and those with history of addiction to find employment.
12	Project Name	New Beginnings Transitional Housing
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Services--Homeless Populations
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000
	Description	Funds will be used for the operation of a transitional housing program for persons with severe and persistent mental illness who are extremely low-income and are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 30 individuals will be served.
	Location Description	225 Walton Avenue, Suite 120, Lexington, KY 40502
	Planned Activities	An outreach worker will develop individualized housing plans with each program participant who is homeless or at-risk of homelessness. Support will be made through multiple contacts per week. Temporary emergency housing will be provided to individuals living in unsafe, unstable situations to transition them into permanent housing.
13	Project Name	Radio Eye Public Service
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Handicap Accessibility for Homeowners

	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	Radio Eye will be funded in the amount of \$10,000 to broadcast the readings of newspapers, magazines, and other printed material to individuals with print impairments.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Radio Eye serves approximately 300 individuals annually.
	Location Description	1733 Russell Cave Road, Lexington, KY 40505
	Planned Activities	Funding will be used for salaries for the operation of the program which will result in an expansion of services to increase the number of listeners.
14	Project Name	First-Time Homebuyers Program--R.E.A.C.H.
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeownership
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$100,000
	Description	R.E.A.C.H. Inc., will provide subsidies for eligible first-time homebuyers purchasing new or existing single-family units. Subsidies will be in the form of downpayment assistance and/or assistance with closing costs. An agreement will be entered into with R.E.A.C.H. Inc., for program operation.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	9 households will benefit from this project.
	Location Description	Scattered sites
	Planned Activities	Assistance in the form of mortgage subsidies and assistance with closing costs will be provided to households so that they can become first-time homebuyers.

15	Project Name	Lexington Habitat for Humanity First-Time Homebuyer Program
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeownership
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$100,000
	Description	Lexington Habitat for Humanity will provide subsidies for eligible first-time homebuyers purchasing new or existing single-family unit. Subsidies will be in the form of down payment assistance and/or assistance with closing costs. An agreement will be entered into with Lexington Habitat for Humanity for program operation.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 households will benefit.
	Location Description	Scattered sites
	Planned Activities	Assistance in the form of mortgage subsidies and assistance with closing costs will be provided to households so that they can become first-time homebuyers.
16	Project Name	HOME Administration--CHDO
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Development of Rental Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$40,000
	Description	Administrative costs of the jurisdiction's CHDO--Lexington-Fayette County Local Development Corporation and R.E.A.C.H.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable

	Location Description	FCDLC: 148 DeWeese Street, Lexington, KY REACH: 733 Red Mile Road, Lexington, KY 40504
	Planned Activities	Funds will be used to support the operating costs of the two CHDOs.
17	Project Name	CHDO-Fayette County Local Development Corporation
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Development of Rental Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$130,000
	Description	As the designated CHDO, the Lexington-Fayette County Local Development Corporation will acquire properties, rehabilitate units or conduct new construction for use as rental properties for low-income households.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Propose new construction of two 3-bedroom, 2.5 bath single family rental units.
	Location Description	To be determined.
	Planned Activities	Funds will be used to support the construction costs of a total of 2 rental housing units. The units will be new construction and energy efficient.
18	Project Name	CHDO-REACH, Inc.
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Homeownership
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$96,487
	Description	REACH, Inc. as a CHDO, will purchase and rehabilitate 2 existing units for sale to low-income first time homebuyers.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Two housing unit will be developed.

	Location Description	To be determined.
	Planned Activities	Funds will be used to support the redevelopment costs of 2 housing unit.
19	Project Name	AIDS VOLUNTEERS, INC./TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$36,850
	Description	PROJECT WILL PROVIDE 5 VERY LOW-INCOME PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS WITH TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING DISABLED PERSONS (MAY BE HOMELESS) WITH AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN STANDARD CONDITION.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 households will benefit.
	Location Description	365 Waller Avenue, Suite 100, Lexington, KY 40504
	Planned Activities	Very low-income persons who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness with HIV/AIDS will be provided with tenant-based rental assistance.
20	Project Name	Development of Rental Housing Units for Low Income Households
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Development of Rental Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$953,409 Grant Match: \$300,000
	Description	HOME funds will be used as gap financing for the development of rental housing for low-income households.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Christian Towers: 3 HOME Units Kearney Ridge Apartments: 7 HOME Units

	Location Description	Christian Towers: 1511 Versailles Road, Lexington, KY 40504 Kearney Ridge Apartments: 2559 Kearney Ridge Boulevard, Lexington, KY 40511
	Planned Activities	HOME funds will be used to support acquisition and substantial rehabilitation of 92 existing units and new construction of 80 new one-bedroom units for elderly persons 55+. (3 of which are HOME units) HOME funds will be used to support new construction of 252 rental units (7 of which are HOME units) at Kearney Ridge Apartments for low-income families earning 60% or less of the area median income.
21	Project Name	ESG20 Lexington-Fayette County
	Target Area	Lexington-Fayette County
	Goals Supported	Public Services--Homeless Populations Rapid Rehousing Homelessness Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Rapid Rehousing Homelessness Prevention Emergency Shelter Operations
	Funding	ESG: \$206,186
	Description	2020 ESG ALLOCATION FUNDS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FOR OPERATION OF EMERGENCY SHELTERS. FUNDS HAVE ALSO BEEN ALLOCATED FOR OPERATION OF A RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAM AND A HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAM. ADMINISTRATION FUNDS HAVE ALSO BEEN ALLOCATED.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Emergency Shelter 1,701 will benefit and Rapid Rehousing 34 individuals will benefit from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	Arbor Youth Services: 536 W. Third Street, Lexington, KY 40508 Salvation Army: 736 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40508 GreenHouse17: 4400 Briar Hill Road, Lexington, KY 40516 Community Action Council: 710 West High Street, Lexington, KY 40508

	Planned Activities	Operation of emergency shelters for single men, and for victims of domestic violence. Operation of homelessness prevention for households at risk of homelessness. Operation of rapid rehousing program for homeless households.
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AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG), during the next year, will continue to direct funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program into Census Tract 14 for public improvements. This phase of the Meadows-Northland Arlington project includes the replacement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks, street reconstruction, storm sewer improvements, and sanitary sewer improvements on Bluegrass Avenue, from Bryan Avenue to just past Highlawn Avenue and McCloy Alley from Locust Avenue to Bluegrass Avenue. 80.95% of the households are low- and moderate-income, and African-Americans make up 18% of the population and persons of Hispanic Origin make up 9.6% of the population.

In addition, sidewalks will be installed in Census Tract 16 along Liberty Road between Block Groups 1 and 2. This combined geography has a low-moderate income percentage of 61.4% and the sidewalks will provide access for low- and moderate-income residents to one of Lexington’s busiest commercial corridors, including access to public transportation.

Assistance for housing rehabilitation is based upon household eligibility and may be located anywhere in the urban county area. The first-time homebuyer program supports development of single family housing by REACH and Lexington Habitat for Humanity. The production of new rental housing is encouraged in non low-income census tracts. Funds for services are not based upon geographic locations, but based upon income eligibility of population being served.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Public improvements in the Meadows-Northland-Arlington area are part of a planned twenty-year strategy to improve the infrastructure and drainage problems in this large low-income neighborhood. The lead agency in recommending allocations for investments in public improvements is the LFUCG Division of Engineering. This same division has identified the Liberty Road sidewalks project as a priority for low- and moderate-income residents in the city’s east side, which is often overlooked when such projects are planned.

Public investment in housing rehabilitation, housing production, and homeownership are encouraged throughout the jurisdiction in an effort to provide low-income households with maximum choice in housing location. The Lexington Habitat for Humanity and REACH, Inc. provide down payment assistance to first-time homebuyers of existing housing throughout the community. LFUCG’s Division of Grants and Special Programs operates a single family housing rehabilitation program and an emergency repair program for eligible households throughout the community.

Discussion

Other geographic areas that need improved public infrastructure and public facilities will be considered for funding in the future.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

During the project year, the following affordable housing units will be assisted:

- Lexington’s single family housing rehabilitation program for low-income owners — 20 units.
- Lexington’s emergency repair program — 5 units.
- Kearney Creek Apartments – new construction of 222 units (7 HOME units).
- Oasis at Kearney Creek – new construction of 96 units (4 HOME units).
- Fayette County Local Development Corporation will construct four new rental units.
- REACH (CHDO) will rehabilitate one unit of affordable housing.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	41
Special-Needs	0
Total	41

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	15
Rehab of Existing Units	25
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	41

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

Discussion

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

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

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

The Lexington Housing Authority (LHA) encourages self-sufficiency, community awareness and involvement to our clients through a variety of programs, one of the most visible is the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. FSS offers case management and supportive services to help a family gain financial self-sufficiency. Each participant's needs are customized and may include job training, career planning and financial literacy education, such as budgeting, saving and establishing good credit. As a participation incentive, LHA will establish an escrow account for FSS Program families. Over the course of the program, as FSS participants achieve their self-sufficiency goals, their earned income will likely increase. When this occurs, LHA will escrow any increases the family pays in rent due to an increase in earned income. Families can then use funds to help achieve their established self-sufficiency goals while they are in the FSS Program or at their discretion once they have successfully met program goals.

Currently the LHA has 31 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Homeownership participants. The HCV Homeownership program is available to current HCV participants and public housing residents. Homeownership participants must be first-time homebuyers and they are required to participate in homeownership counseling.

HOME funds allocated to REACH, Inc., and Lexington Habitat for Humanity will assist LHA's Housing Choice Voucher holders with the opportunity to become homeowners. The HCV Homeownership Program requires potential homebuyers to be both income and mortgage eligible by a mortgage lender. HOME funds are used to subsidize the principal, making the unit affordable.

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

The Lexington Fayette Urban County Housing Authority is not designated as "troubled" by HUD. In fact, the LHA was designated by HUD as a High Performer in 2011 prior to entering the MTW Demonstration. The LHA maintains that designation during the Demonstration. The LHA's MTW agreement has been extended through 2028.

HUD's MTW program gives a select group of public housing authorities (PHAs) funding and policy flexibility not available to traditional PHAs. As of 2019, a total of 39 agencies have signed MTW agreements with HUD.

Discussion: The LHA provides Housing Choice Voucher funding to ten (10) special partner programs that serve specific populations in Lexington. During 2018, more than 600 families were housed through special partner programs that offer assistance to vulnerable populations that include individuals who may be homeless or at risk of homelessness, victims of domestic violence, individuals in recovery, elderly and disabled.

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

Introduction

LFUCG's Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (OHPI) has worked with the Lexington CoC to establish a Coordinated Entry process to ensure that assistance for the homeless population in Lexington is prioritized for homeless individual(s) and families with the greatest need creating an effective and efficient homeless assistance delivery system for moving people from homelessness to permanent housing. In 2014, with the establishment of the OHPI office, LFUCG Staff undertook the effort of coordinating and executing the Lexington CoC's annual Point In Time (PIT) Count. The PIT Methodology has improved every year since, including working with the Lexington Street Outreach team, police, code enforcement, and parks and recreation to ensure that all known locations were incorporated and more volunteers recruited to participate in the count. The January 30, 2019, point in time count found 787 persons living on the streets, in shelters, and in transitional housing, reflecting a decrease of 48% since the count in 2014. An improved, sounder methodology has guaranteed a more accurate count since 2014 and the Lexington CoC's PIT numbers have continued to decline. LFUCG via the OHPI continues to invest in innovative and sustainable housing first models to end homelessness. In 2018, LFUCG via the OHPI funded the first Medical Respite Program for the homeless, a second chance employment program, housing navigation program, and a high utilizer permanent supportive housing program, landlord recruitment program while maintaining all previously funded initiatives. In fall 2019, the OHPI will be working with community stakeholders on the development of the strategic plan solely focused on ending chronic and youth homelessness by 2020.

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

Hope Center, Inc. operates an aggressive street outreach program in an effort to engage homeless persons who do not present to a shelter. This team is an active participant with Coordinated Entry and has had much success identifying those unsheltered individuals that meet the Lexington CoC established requirements that include prioritizing those with significant health, functional impairments, and/or behavioral health challenges and/or are vulnerable to illness or death. This street outreach program was expanded in 2018 to include an additional 7 staff working on SOAR applications and housing for those unsheltered. Staff have engaged more than 300 people since 2015 with 13% increasing their income while on the street as well as permanently housing 24 households in less than 90 days.

The Lexington CoC continues to deploy a "no wrong door" approach with Coordinated Entry and has all homeless service providers actively assessing homeless individuals and families for participation in the Coordinated Entry process. In 2018, a marketing strategy was implemented to include materials to reach all at-risk or currently homeless individuals with language and other communication barriers. This includes United Way of the Bluegrass 2-1-1 which conducts assessments for the homeless for inclusion in the Coordinated Entry process in 194 languages, texting, and video chat.

Hope Center also operates the HopeMobile which includes food, clothing, healthcare, and referrals for shelter, counseling and job training. This program is partially funded through LFUCG's Department of Social Services Extended Social Resources Grant Program. The Catholic Action Center operates a severe

weather Compassionate Caravan in both winter and summer months, reaching those who would most likely not present or are unable to present at a shelter or other community provider seeking assistance.

During fiscal year 2018, Lexington's Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention awarded a one-year grant, \$82,591.00, to Bluegrass Care Navigators for start-up and implementation of Fayette County's first Medical Respite program designed for those homeless individuals and families that are too medically frail to return to the streets or shelter. Local dollars through the OHPI also funded a new initiative for housing navigation and intensive case management allowing for those experiencing homeless with prioritization to those chronically homeless to have intensive case management to locate and secure safe and stable housing rapidly. This program is also responsible for recruitment of new landlords for participation in CoC, ESG, and locally funded housing programs. This one-year grant was funded at \$176,159.00. The program has added 23 new landlords to the network and assisted 18 chronically homeless individuals with 75% of those moving to permanent housing in less than 90 days.

A new program will be implemented in 2019 – a payee program will provide financial services free of charge for up to 120 individuals experiencing homelessness and those selected for housing programs. This program is paid for with local funding for the next 3 years at, \$483,557. Also implemented in 2019 will be a private shower facility in the downtown area serving up to 14 individuals per day, a security deposit program in partnership with the local housing authority to provide move-in costs for homeless households with income under 50% AMI, and a new permanent supportive housing partnership with a managed care organization.

OHPI continues to provide a grant to cover all costs associated with obtaining a state issued I.D. card. In partnership with the Fayette County Circuit Court Clerk implementing a rarely used Kentucky Revised Statute, costs are covered for a "homeless I.D." at just \$4 a person.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Hope Center, Inc., will be supported from local general funds for the purpose of supporting basic operations of the emergency program for homeless men. This is the community's primary shelter for homeless men. This shelter provides three meals per day, overnight lodging, and shower and laundry facilities. As clients sign in, they are assessed in the intake office and referred to programs designed to address client needs and assist clients in regaining independence. Hope Center programs include long-term recovery, mental health care, employment, transitional housing, social services, detox unit, and a Hispanic program. Approximately 1,800 homeless men are served each year. The performance standard is to provide basic emergency shelter services and transitional housing for persons who are homeless, and through case management and referral, assist them with advancing to permanent housing.

GreenHouse17 (formerly Bluegrass Domestic Violence Program) will be funded in the amount of \$41,728 from the ESG Program for the purpose of operating an emergency shelter for the victims of domestic violence. This program's emergency shelter services are especially designed to reduce the duration and damage of homelessness by helping individuals and families victimized by domestic violence transition from the acute trauma of abuse to stability and eventual self-sufficiency. Approximately 185 adults and children are served annually. The performance standard is to provide

basic emergency shelter services and transitional housing for persons who are homeless, and through case management and referral assist them with advancing to permanent housing.

The Salvation Army will be funded in the amount of \$20,864 from the ESG Program for the purpose of supporting basic operations of the emergency program for single women and women with children. This is the community's only shelter for women with children and the primary shelter for single adult women. This shelter provides three meals per day, overnight lodging, case management, and shower and laundry facilities. As clients sign in, they are assigned a case manager and referred to programs designed to address client needs and assist clients in regaining independence. Approximately 1,500 persons and 1,200 households are served each year. The performance standard is to provide basic emergency shelter services for persons who are homeless, and through case management and referral, assist them with advancing to permanent housing.

Arbor Youth Services will be funded in the amount of \$20,864 from the ESG Program for the purpose of supporting basic operations of an emergency shelter for children and youth experiencing homelessness. This is the community's only shelter for unaccompanied youth experiencing homelessness and children work with a team to address immediate needs such as hunger before moving toward a more comprehensive approach to seeking long-term housing solutions using a trauma-informed approach. The LFUCG's fiscal year 2020 proposed budget also includes local funding in the amount of \$750,000 for emergency shelters in Lexington-Fayette Urban County. These funds will support Arbor Youth Services, Community Action Council, The Salvation Army and GreenHouse17.

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

Community Action Council and Arbor Youth Services will each be awarded \$52,160 in ESG funds for the purpose of operating rapid rehousing programs. The Community Action program will target individuals and families while the Arbor Youth Services program will specifically target youth ages 18-24. Approximately 20 families will be assisted. The performance standard is to increase the number of homeless households moving into permanent housing.

The Lexington-Fayette Continuum of Care was recognized in 2019 by the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness as a community that has effectively ended veteran homelessness. The CoC has built a system that ensures homelessness among veterans is rare, brief and non-recurring. The CoC is now working to expand that same system to get the same outcome for youth and chronic homeless populations.

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 LFUCG's proposed 2020 budget includes a \$200,000 allocation to the Division of Adult Services for financial assistance to prevent homelessness when there is a temporary income loss and evictions or utility shut-offs are threatened.

The proposed budget also includes \$3,250,000 in local funds from for the Extended Social Resources Grant Program to address for basic human needs, mental health and substance abuse services, positive youth development, public health, services for senior citizens, and violence prevention. These funds will provide support of programs to various community nonprofits to address community needs, most of which address housing, health, social services, employment education and youth needs.

Discussion

Lighthouse Ministries, a faith-based organization in downtown Lexington, operates a daytime free lunch and dinner program for people who are homeless and/or low-income. The organization provides lunch and dinner every day of the week. The organization has expanded its facility to create a dining facility that seats 190 people and includes a full commercial kitchen. In exchange for funding in the amount of \$67,657 from the city's in general funds dollars from the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention, Lighthouse Ministries agreed to operate the Dining with Dignity program in this space for a minimum of three years. Lighthouse makes the space available 365 nights each year to groups/organizations wishing to serve meals to people who are homeless and low-income. The goal of this project was to consolidate as many scattered nightly meal service programs as possible, including meals served in parts and other public spaces, into this one facility. The result has been a more pleasant and consistent dining experience for those in need.

As a result of a recent surge in panhandling, LFUCG launched a program to encourage citizens to donate to the LexGive program online instead of donating directly to panhandlers. The LexGive program, operated by a community partner, provides panhandlers with day jobs beautifying the city and also acts as a way to communicate with the population about job training and housing opportunities and any other identified support services.

Due to community interest in the housing first model, OHPI set up a fund with the Blue Grass Community Foundation in order for individual citizens, foundations, companies, and others to donate directly to a fund dedicated to ending chronic homelessness in Lexington. Within the first week, with no marketing, the fund raised more than \$5,000. A full marketing campaign will be released in the summer of 2019.

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

Introduction:

The greatest identified barrier to development of affordable housing in the community is the escalating cost of land and associated lack of supply. Lexington follows an Urban Service Area approach which restricts growth to specific areas. There are no immediate plans to expand the urban service area, which will continue to drive up the cost of land. During the coming program year the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will continue to support construction of the Southend Park Urban Village, an area

traditionally low-and very low-income. This community land trust development was created as part of a major transportation project that extended Newtown Pike from Main Street to South Limestone Street. The housing phase of the project will result in the eventual new construction of 155 residential units. In order to provide affordable units and to ensure that these units remain affordable, a Community Land Trust for perpetual ownership of land was organized as a means of protecting the land from a speculative market. This represents Lexington's first attempt to organize a Community Land Trust. Successful implementation may pave the way for other applications of this model.

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

Other perceived barriers to the development of affordable housing are the regulations imposed upon new construction in infill areas. The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government zoning ordinance has been amended to facilitate infill and redevelopment in existing neighborhoods, protecting these neighborhoods from inappropriate development, improving the quality of infill, and eliminating unnecessary regulations. In a continuing effort to monitor the effects of these modifications, the Division of Planning conducts periodic meetings with the stakeholders, primarily affordable housing providers and neighborhood residents, to evaluate the effects, both good and bad, of the infill and redevelopment regulations. Based upon these meetings additional text amendments to the ordinance may be proposed. The Division of Planning also continues to work with the Division of Water Quality to assess sanitary and storm sewer infrastructure in infill and redevelopment areas to determine the appropriateness of expanded development.

During Fiscal Year 2015, Lexington launched its own Affordable Housing Trust Fund, allocating an initial \$3,000,000 from general fund for the purpose of producing and preserving safe, quality, affordable housing through coordination with public and private partners, investment in strategic opportunities, and policy development. Legislation was also enacted assuring a minimum of \$2 million allocated annually. This included the creation of an Affordable Housing Manager and an Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board. Since its inception, the Lexington Affordable Housing Trust Fund has supported the creation or preservation of 1,431 units of affordable housing, leveraging millions of dollars in public and private investment.

Lexington has also reactivated its Vacant Property Review Commission, and under city ordinance, may now classify property as abandoned which has been vacant or unimproved for a period of at least one year and which is unfit for occupancy, or has become a place for the accumulation of trash and debris, or has been infested with rodents or other vermin, or has been tax delinquent for a period at least three years. Once declared as abandoned, the property is taxed additionally at the rate of \$1.00 per each \$100.00 of assessed value.

Discussion:

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The jurisdiction has recognized a need for public services and public improvements in its Cardinal Valley neighborhood. A small area plan has been completed for this area. An early identified underserved need is for adequate public services for this low-income, largely Hispanic neighborhood. In Program Year 2015, CDBG funds were allocated for a feasibility study for an eight acre commercial site for the purpose of creating a public service area that would uniquely serve the residents of this area. The feasibility study has now been completed. It includes the cost of acquiring land, clearing existing buildings, and environmental remediation and the relationship to the adjacent floodplain, and addresses possible methods of financing the construction, maintenance, and operations, as well as ownership options of the land to ensure the long-term viability of the project as a community asset for both the partner agencies and LFUCG. The LFUCG continues to work alongside community partners to incentivize activity in this area utilizing other means as CDBG funding is inadequate for implementation of the study's findings.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will use its federal, state, and local allocations to develop and maintain affordable housing through development of new rental housing, rehabilitation of existing housing (owner and renter), fostering homeownership for low-income first-time buyers, and support of tenant-based rental assistance for very low-income households who have disabilities. To the greatest extent possible, the jurisdiction will seek other funds to help fill the identified gap for affordable housing.

During the coming year, the LFUCG will continue its support of public housing by working with the Lexington Fayette Urban County Housing Authority in its attempts to rehabilitate or reconstruct public housing units that have exhibited structural failure and been deemed unsafe for habitation.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government uses some of its HUD entitlement funds for low-income owner-occupied rehab and first-time homebuyer activities. The staff has been trained and certified on lead-based paint regulations. Staff determines the level of lead-based paint compliance for the projects. Risk assessment, lead testing, evaluation of testing results, lead-based paint control, and abatement procedures are completed as necessary. The work write-ups for rehab projects incorporate lead-based paint hazard reduction work and protective measures. When indicated, clients with small children are referred to the Fayette County Health Department for blood lead screening.

For the coming year it is anticipated that 20 housing rehabilitation jobs will be completed for low-income owner-occupied units. It is estimated that 75% of these units will be found to have lead hazards requiring either interim controls or abatement. Depending on the level of potential lead hazards, some households are temporarily relocated during rehabilitation. All homeowners whose houses require interim controls or lead abatement are given the Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet and Disclosure and, if paint testing or a risk assessment was conducted, they are given a Notice of Lead Hazard Evaluation and Reduction. The LFUCG staff also conducts lead hazard evaluations of all pre-1978 units that are being purchased by low-income households under the HOME assisted first-time homebuyer programs

for the purpose of ensuring that the units are lead-safe. These homebuyers are also provided with a Lead Hazard Information Pamphlet and Disclosure and if paint testing or a risk assessment was conducted a Notice of Lead Hazard Evaluation and Reduction. The Grant Compliance staff of the Division of Grants and Special Programs also conducts lead screening on all pre-1978 housing units that are assisted under the Emergency Solutions Grants Homelessness Prevention/Rapid Rehousing activity. For other federally funded housing activities, the LFUCG staff provides lead hazard evaluations and resident notification as required by 24 CFR Part 35.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The Antipoverty Strategy for the Annual Action Plan is the same as that described in the 2015 Five-Year Strategic Plan.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

LFUCG's Division of Grants and Special Programs is an administrative division that reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. This division is responsible for the financial management of all federal and state grants to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government. The division has lead responsibility for development of the Consolidated Plan and for implementation and monitoring of CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. In addition the division is responsible for operating a housing rehabilitation program and an emergency housing repair program for low-income households. LFUCG's Division of Engineering is responsible for planning, bidding, and constructing public improvements. This division reports to the Commissioner of the Department of Planning, Preservation, and Development. The LFUCG has employed an Affordable Housing Manager to conduct activities under the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. In 2019, this position and the local Affordable Housing Trust Fund administration will be moved to the Division of Grants and Special Programs to improve coordination with federal HOME funding and other resources. The Director of the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention is housed in the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer but collaborates regularly with the Division of Grants & Special Programs, which participates in all CoC meetings.

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

During Fiscal Year 2015, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government created an Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention and an Office of Affordable Housing. The Director of the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention serves in a leadership role to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies to end homelessness in Lexington. This includes providing leadership to the Continuum of Care process and implementing a coordinated entry system for services for homeless persons. Also in 2015, the LFUCG created an Affordable Housing Trust Fund with the mission of facilitating the preservation, production, and provision of safe, quality, affordable housing through coordination with public and private partners, investment in strategic opportunities, and policy development. The trust fund is guided by a board that includes council members, housing developers, homebuilders, financial institutions, housing providers, and providers of social services and supportive services.

The LFUCG will continue to rely upon private nonprofit social service agencies, including faith-based entities, for the provision of services to the homeless and to special needs populations such as persons

with severe mental illnesses, persons with developmental disabilities/mental retardation, persons with substance abuse problems, and persons with HIV/AIDS. Over the years, the LFUCG has established strong collaborative relationships with these organizations.

Discussion:

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.

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

Other CDBG Requirements

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| 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:

No other forms of investment will be used.

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:

3.

The jurisdiction proposes recapture of HOME funds when homebuyers sell units before the expiration of the period of affordability.

- 4. 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:**

See recapture guidelines in the unique appendices.

- 5. 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:**

Use of HOME funds to refinance existing debt is not planned.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

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

See grantee's unique appendices.

- 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 Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (HMIS Lead Agency) has produced policies and procedures for the OneDoor Lexington Coordinated Entry (coordinated assessment system). This system provides that any homeless person may enter the system through any organization and be referred for the appropriate level of services. Organizations' staff have been trained on use of the Vulnerability Index - Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT). Recipients receiving funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's homeless assistance grants participate in the Kentucky Homeless Management Information System operated by the Kentucky Housing Corporation. Lexington has also begun requiring that all agencies receiving local and other public funds (CDBG) for services to the homeless population be compliant with entering data into the HMIS, and agree to participate in a coordinated entry system. The HMIS in Lexington is an "open" system, which means that client data is shared for those individuals who have signed a Release of Information (ROI) form. Lexington currently does not have agencies electing to keep data closed. A truly integrated centralized intake system functions best in an "open" environment that allows users to view important information about other housing and services that a client household may have received. The Central Kentucky Homeless and Housing Initiative (CKHHI) has served as the Fayette County user group for the KYHMIS; however as of May 2015 this role was assumed by the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention. The Director of the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention requires that all subrecipients of general fund emergency shelter dollars participate in the coordinated entry system.

At this time, the lead HMIS agency is working to improve the structure of the system. The following goals have been completed:

- Integrating the By-Name-List into HMIS to be live and accessible to all licensed users.
- Confirming all agencies and all funding components within CoC structure.
- Restructuring all agency funding components for the ability to make multiple referrals to multiple agencies by email and share client/household data for that referral.
- Restructuring all agency funding components to comply with HUD's APR and CAPER reporting requirements.
- Conducting joint planning meeting with Kentucky Housing Corporation to establish goals in relation to Lexington-Fayette County's homeless system needs.
- Conducting HMIS user training on new system structures and how to utilize the system for a community solution.
- Conducting Coordinated Entry training for all CoC members.

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).

For the 2019 Program Year, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) used a public process to solicit applications for funding from the Emergency Solutions Grants program.

Information about regulations and eligible activities along with forms to use and applications were made available at the first public hearing on November 5, 2018. Also included were the criteria that would be used to evaluate projects. Emails and letters were sent to nonprofit agencies serving homeless persons, low-income persons, and minority populations; low-income neighborhood associations; churches in low-income neighborhoods; and Urban County Council members and their staff to inform them of the process and how to request information about funding. Hard copy and electronic documents were mailed, e-mailed, and posted online. The LFUCG website was used to inform the public of the process and timeline. The website included the calendar of events in the process and the phone number to call to request further information and/or assistance. All applications were due on or before December 14, 2018. The criteria used to review and rank applications included applicant capacity, project quality, need for project, and operational feasibility. ESG applications were reviewed and ranked by the staff of the LFUCG Division of Grants and Special Programs. These recommendations were then reviewed and approved by the Chief Administrative Officer and Mayor.

In January 2019, the Director of the Division of Grants and Special Programs consulted with the Office of Homeless Prevention and Intervention, the organizational entity that maintains responsibility for the Lexington/Fayette County Continuum of Care to discuss distribution of funds for the 2019 Emergency Solutions Grants Program. The distribution plan included the use of federal funds for rapid re-housing for homeless persons, for operation of the area's homeless shelters that made applications for funds for operations, and for administration. The Division of Grants and Special Programs will maintain ongoing coordination with the CoC in 2019. Additionally, staff from the Division of Grants and Special Programs participate in CoC meetings.

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 LFUCG is governed by a Mayor and Council members elected by popular vote, and therefore cannot be directly compliant with this requirement. The Lexington Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (OHPI) was created in June 2014 with the appointment of a full-time director and the organization of a 13-member Homeless Prevention and Intervention (HPI) Board comprised of elected officials, business leaders, service providers, community advocates, faith-based organizations, and people experiencing homelessness.

The functions of the HPI Board include the following:

- Consider and recommend solutions to specific issues as they arise.
- Consider and advise Director of OHPI on broad matters that impact people experiencing homelessness.
- Review and consider progress on implementation of recommendations made by Mayor's Commission on Homelessness.
- Monitor key indicators and other data to track and understand trends.
- Support OHPI by disseminating activities and reports to respective constituencies and other key stakeholders.
- Establish guidelines for LFUCG funding to support activities that reduce and prevent homelessness.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The performance standard is to move homeless individuals and families into safe and affordable permanent housing. The Office of Homelessness tracks these measures through HMIS and other reports and shares with the Division of Grants for evaluation of ESG performance.

Rapid Re-housing

The performance standard is to ensure that individuals and families experiencing homelessness move into and maintain safe and affordable permanent housing. The jurisdiction utilizes reports from HMIS and the Office of Homelessness/Continuum of Care to evaluate ESG recipients.

Emergency Shelter

The performance standard is to provide safe emergency shelter services for persons who are homeless, and through case management and referral, assist them with advancing to permanent housing. In addition, shelters are evaluated on average length of stay and returns to homelessness. Documentation of the number of homeless persons moving to permanent housing will be maintained and the Continuum of Care utilizes reports from HMIS to evaluate ESG recipients.