# City of Oxnard

## 2022 Annual Action Plan Amendment

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## **Executive Summary**

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

FIRST ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT UPDATE – City of Oxnard amendment to update projects to the (CDBG) and (HOME) to the 2022 Annual Action Plan - the third year in the 2020- 2024 Ventura County Regional Consolidated Plan, per City of Oxnard Council Action on May 17, 2022. This is a substantial amendment and requires the first amendment to this document. The amendment is exclusively for the CDBG & HOME funds as changes to a specific project have been identified in the AP-38 of this report. City of Oxnard City Council action scheduled on January 17, 2023.

#### 1. Introduction

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

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

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

Goals and objectives of the community needs identified in the Regional ConPlan will be accomplished by activities specified by the City's AAPs. With the 2022 AAP, the City will implement activities that continue to strive to derive positive outcomes that were set forth as goals for the Regional ConPlan

period, Plan Year 2022. The current AAP will cover the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 (plan year 2022). Herein are described the expected federal, state and local resources, the priorities and specific objectives the City desires to achieve, and the activities that will be undertaken throughout the 2022 plan year.

In recent years, the City's allocation of entitlement grant funds from HUD has either increased or remained relatively unchanged but this year's allocation slightly decreased. The Plan year 2022 allocations are; Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) \$2,365,280 a decrease of 2%, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), \$855,503 an increase of 11% and Hearth Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG), \$211,474 a decrease of 3%. Total HUD entitlement grant funds decreased by 1.9%, to \$3,432,257.

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

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

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

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

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

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

• Suitable Living Environment (SL) - In general, this objective relates to activities that are designed to benefit communities, families, or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment.

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

#### 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

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

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

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

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

SECOND ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT UPDATE- For purposes of the Action Plan Amendment, the public hearing is scheduled on December 27, 2022 during the Committee meeting and final approval by the City Council is scheduled on January 17, 2023. A 30-day public comment period was conducted between December 16, 2022 and January 17, 2023. Comments are pending during the comment period.

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

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

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

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

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

Second public hearing –May 17, 2022 (1) to provide the opportunity to the public to comment on the projects recommended for funding for FY 2022-23 AAP; and (2) to receive recommendations and direction from the City Council regarding the FY 2022-23 AAP grant funding. As part of the development process of the AAP, City Staff developed a mailing list of more than 65 addresses consisting of organizations, the faith community, service providers; and cities within Ventura County will be provided a copy of the public hearing in English and Spanish. The public hearing notices in English and Spanish were included in the Neighborhood News packets which were distributed weekly for a month prior to the public meeting to approximately 230 Oxnard residents. The public hearing notice was published in the Vida newspaper in English and Spanish, posted on the City website and broadcasted on the public viewing TV Channels 10/35. The public comment period started April 15, 2022 and end on May 17, 2022. During the public comment period there were no written public comments submitted and one(1) verbal public comment was received during the public hearing.

#### 5. Summary of public comments

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

FIRST ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT – All comments will be accepted, however, currently this information is pending throughout the 30-day public comment period.

First Administrative Public Hearing: December 15, 2021

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

Second Public Hearing: May 17, 2022During the second Public Hearing, (1) one verbal comment submitted. In addition, no written comments were submitted during the public comment period. The comment was thanked the City for the support of agency.

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

FIRST ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT – Comments pending during the 30-day public comment period. Final amendment will provide an update; however, all comments will be accepted for the record.

During the first Public Hearing, all comments were accepted.

During the second Public Hearing, all comments were accepted.

#### 7. Summary

FIRST ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT — Comments pending during the 30-day public comment period. Final amendment will provide an update.

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

The City sent notices of the public hearing to more than 65 addresses consisting of organizations, the faith community, service providers and cities within Ventura County. The public hearing notices in English and Spanish were included in the Neighborhood News packets which were distributed weekly

prior to the Hearing to approximately 230 Oxnard residents and broadcasted on the public viewing TV channel 10/35. The Public Hearings are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If the public requires special assistance to participate in a meeting, the individual would contact the City Clerk's Office. Notice at least 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to reasonably arrange for persons accessibility to the meeting. This notation is included on all city Agenda's.



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

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

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

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

Table 1 - Responsible Agencies

### Narrative (optional)

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

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

#### 1. Introduction

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Ventura County Continuum of Care Alliance (CoC) is a regional consortium covering all communities in Ventura County. The CoC is a collaborative group dedicated to promoting a safe, desirable and thriving community by ending homelessness in Ventura County. The CoC is comprised of a Board of Directors and five sub committees (Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Steering

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Committee, Data Performance and Evaluation, Public Information and Outreach, Coordinated Intake, and Housing Service and Coordination). Within these standing committees and the CoC body, are representatives from local housing authorities, homeless service providers, homeless health care, mental health, veterans' services, law enforcement, education, local homeless task forces, business leaders and city/county government representatives.

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

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

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

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

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

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Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Not Applicable

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

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

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

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

#### Narrative (optional)

OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 09/30/2021)

Implementation of the 2022 Action Plan requires coordination and compliance with the local and regional needs established by the City of Oxnard, County of Ventura, Southern California Association of Governments and the State of California.

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

City of Oxnard's General Plan contains a Housing Element that makes "adequate provision for the existing and projected housing needs of all economic segments of the community." The Housing Element must be revised and updated every eight years after 2010 due to SB 375. A community is not obligated to actually provide housing to all in need but the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) is a "distribution of

housing development capacity" that each city and county must zone for in a planning period for all economic levels, though the housing requirements of lower income households and special needs groups are given particular attention. RHNA is integral to the development of a Sustainable Community Strategy. The Housing Element is a planning document, requiring the City to plan for meeting its "fair share" of the regional housing market need. The RHNA sets local housing and land use capacity goals to support future growth, including transit oriented, mixed use and infill development.

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

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

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

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

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

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## **Citizen Participation Outreach**

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

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

Sort Ord er	Mode of Outrea ch	Target of Outrea ch	Summary of response/attenda nce	Summary of comments received	Summary of comme nts not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
3	Entitlement Grant Workshops	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/broad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing  Interested parties/applicati on for grant funds	9 people attended the Workshop for CDBG and HESG	Comments were application timeline, low/moderate area map, SAMs number, homeless person income verification, additional documents for application	All comments accepted	NA

4	Resident Survey	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/broad community	5 people submitted Resident survey to provide need in the community. Survey provided in English & Spanish.	Comments are kitchen at senior center for hot meals; ADA compliance on sidewalk corners, new restrooms in parks, air filter units in public buildings such as colonia library, rec, multi service center and senior apts. Community safety, actively address homeless issues that affect community safety; OPAC rehabilitation; Fix most transit streets such as Gonzalez Road; City needs to complete the mitigations of specific plans before the city	All comments accepted	NA
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er	ch	ch	response/attenda	comments receiv	nts not accepted	
			nce	ed	and reasons	
				approves new		
				specific plans		
		Minorities				
5	Public Hearing	Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/broad community  Residents of Public and	Second public hearing will be held on May 17, 2022	2nd Public Hearing comments - (1) one verbal comment was: thanked the City for the support of their agency.	All comments accepted	NA
		Assisted Housing				
		Low/mod income Oxnard residents				

Sort Ord	Mode of Outrea	Target of Outrea	Summary of	Summary of	Summary of comme	URL (If applicable)
er	ch	ch	response/attenda	comments receiv	nts not accepted	
			nce	ed	and reasons	
			Advertisement for			
			2nd public hearing			
			notice and the 30-			
			day public			
			comment period			
			was published in			
			the Vida			
			newspaper in			
			English and		*	
			Spanish on April			
	New		14, 2022; English			
		Non-	and Spanish			
6	Newspaper Ad	targeted/broad	versions of Notices	No Comments	No Comments were	NA
U	Newspaper Au	community	were broadcasted	were received	received	IVA
		Community	on Public Channel			
			10/35, Public			
			Notices regarding			
			Public Hearings			
			sent out to Oxnard			
			Residents, 65			
			notices mailed out,			
			and Notices were			
			posted on the City			
			of Oxnard website			
			both in Spanish			
			and English.			

Sort Ord er	Mode of Outrea ch	Target of Outrea ch	Summary of response/attenda nce	Summary of comments received	Summary of comme nts not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
7	Internet Outreach	Non- targeted/broad community	Not Measured	No comments received	No Comments Received	https://www.oxnard.org/ city- department/housing/gra nts-management/
8	Public Hearing	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/broad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing  Low/mod income Oxnard residents	Public hearing will be held on December 27, 2022 or soon thereafter	Public Hearing comments - pending	Summary pending	NA

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

## **Expected Resources**

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

#### Introduction

In Plan year 2022, the formula grant calculations of HUD allocations to City of Oxnard are CDBG \$2,365,280, HOME \$855,503 and HESG \$211,474, a total of \$3,432,257 in entitlement grants from HUD. In addition, estimated program income of \$100,000 for CDBG programs and \$100,000 for HOME programs. This will increase total available resources from the 2022 Plan year to \$3,632,257. The source of program income comes principally from repayment of loans and recaptures from defaults. Those funds will be used towards meeting the goals and objectives of

the 2022 AAP.

## **Anticipated Resources**

Table on next page.



Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amou	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						Block grant from HUD to address
	federal	Admin and						housing, community development, and
		Planning						economic development needs.2022
		Economic						CDBG Allocation and Program income is
		Development						\$2,465,280 available resources from
		Housing						CDBG Plan year 2022. Uses of the
		Public						available resources will be according to
		Improvements						the funding priorities set forth in the
		Public Services						ConPlan. The specific Activities will be
								set up in IDIS. The uses of funds will be
								capped according to the HUD
								regulations for: (1) Admin and Planning -
								no more than 20%, or \$493,056 and (2)
								Public Services up to 15%, or \$369,792.
								The 2022 balance will be distributed as
						<del>2,465,280</del>		Public Improvements & Other Programs
								as detailed by the City during the AAP
			2,365,280	100,000	3,155,447	5,620,757	5,325,046	process.

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amoui	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan	
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily						Grant from HUD to address affordable housing needs. In plan year 2022, HOME Allocation is \$855,503 and expected program income is \$100,000; total of \$955,503. Uses of funds are; (1) Administration - no more than 10% or \$95,550 and (2) CHDO Set Asides - at 15% or \$128,325. In addition, \$731,628 is available for housing development. In
		rental rehab  New construction for ownership TBRA	855,503	100,000	3,179,639	955,503 4,135,142	1,436,168	addition to the CHDO set-aside.

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amour	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
ESG	public -	Conversion and						Grant from HUD to address needs and
	federal	rehab for						services for homeless persons or
		transitional						persons at risk of becoming homeless.
		housing						Plan year 2022 Available resources for
		Financial						HESG is \$211,474. The limited
		Assistance						availability of HESG resources is spread
		Overnight						across the uses identified in this table.
		shelter						1) HESG Administration and Planning
		Rapid re-housing						costs are no more than 7.5% or \$15,861
		(rental						and (2) Emergency Shelter and Street
		assistance)						Outreach cost is no more than 60%, or
		Rental						\$126,883. The 2022 balance will be
		Assistance						distributed as Homeless Prevention,
		Services						HMIS, & Rapid Re-Housing eligible
		Transitional						activities as detailed by the City during
		housing	211,474	0	0	211,474	409,697	the AAP process.
Other	public -	Other						Allocated in PY 2020, \$5,255,055 in ESG-
	federal							CV funding to prevent, prepare for, and
								respond to the coronavirus pandemic
								among individuals and families who are
								homeless or receiving homeless
								prevention activities to mitigate impacts
			0	0	0	0	0	of COVID-19

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

CDBG funds are leveraged by city and subrecipients providers with government agency, in-kind, private foundations and contributions monies who provide services to low/moderate income persons. Affordable housing developments utilizing HOME funds typically use HOME monies to leverage millions of dollars in state, federal, and private financing. HESG funds are leveraged by non-profit agencies providers with government agency, in-kind, private foundations, Ventura County Continuum of Care monies who provide critical services such as assisted housing, services and shelter to vulnerable populations who are at-risk of becoming homelessness or homeless persons and families. HOME funds are matched at a greater than 25% level by recipients of HOME funds, city, and other participants. HOME has an excess match of \$11,509,957 as indicated in the HOME Match Report. HESG funds are matched dollar for dollar by subrecipients' providers. The city matched for Administration portion only.



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

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

#### Discussion

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

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

## **Annual Goals and Objectives**

## **AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives**

## **Goals Summary Information**

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Improve Supply of	2020	2024	Affordable		New Rental Housing	CDBG:	Rental units constructed: 5-16
	Affordable			Housing		Housing Support and	\$518,362	Household Housing Unit
	Housing					Stability	HOME:	Homeowner Housing
						Homeownership	<del>\$859,953</del>	Rehabilitated: 7 0 Household
						Opportunities		Housing Unit
						Rehabilitation &	\$4,039,592	Direct Financial Assistance to
						Preservation of		Homebuyers: 10 Households
						Existing Housing		Assisted
2	Enhance Economic	2020	2024	Non-Housing		Increase Job Skills	CDBG:	Businesses assisted: 4 6
	Stability			Community		Facade Improvements	<del>\$184,726</del>	Businesses Assisted
				Development		Local		
						Entrepreneurship	\$544,726	Jobs Retained /Created: 5
3	Increase Social	2020	2024	Non-Homeless		Assistance for Senior	CDBG:	Public service activities other
	Services			Special Needs		Residents	\$ <del>369,792</del>	than Low/Moderate Income
						Social Services		Housing Benefit: <del>1500</del> 1400
						Youth Activities and	\$358,012	Persons Assisted
						Services		

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
4	Work to End	2020	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	ESG:	Tenant-based rental assistance
	Homelessness						\$195,613	/ Rapid Rehousing: 8
								Households Assisted
								Homeless Person Overnight
								Shelter: 145 Persons Assisted
								Other: 80 Other
5	Create Quality	2020	2024	Non-Housing		Parks and Community	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Neighborhoods			Community		Space	\$899,344	Activities other than
				Development				Low/Moderate Income
								Housing Benefit: 15000
								Persons Assisted

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
6	Effective	2020	2024	Planning and		New Rental Housing	CDBG:	Other: 0 Other
	Administration			Administration		Housing Support and	\$493,056	
						Stability	номе:	
						Homeownership	\$95,550	
						Opportunities	ESG: \$15,861	
						Rehabilitation &		
						Preservation of		
						Existing Housing		
						Assistance for Senior		
						Residents		
						Increase Job Skills		
						Facade Improvements		
				`		Local		
						Entrepreneurship		
						Social Services		
						Youth Activities and		
						Services		
						Homelessness		
						Streets and		
						Streetscapes		
						Parks and Community		
						Space		
						Disaster Planning and		
						Recovery		
						Utilities and Public		
						Infrastructure		

Table 6 – Goals Summary

### **Goal Descriptions**

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



### **Projects**

### **AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)**

#### Introduction

FIRST ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT UPDATE – Through the mid-year reallocation four projects are being proposed for CBDG and two projects are being proposed for HOME. The proposed CDBG projects are: 1450 South Rose Ave - additional funding to complete the rehabilitation project; Cypress Place Acquisition for site and surrounding improvements; Economic Development- Commercial Rehabilitation for small business site improvements; Transitional Age Youth- Housing/Acquisition/Development for special population housing for youth timing out of foster care. Two projects previously awarded are being defunded due to projects cancelled are Residential Rehabilitation Loan Program and Caregivers senior program. The proposed HOME projects are Etting Road – new construction project and and Cypress Place new construction project.

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

#### **Projects**

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

**Table 7 - Project Information** 

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

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

family housing needs. HESG allocation are targeted exclusively for the needs of the homeless population.



## **AP-38 Project Summary**

### **Project Summary Information**

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1	Project Name	NEW RENTAL HOUSING
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve Supply of Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	New Rental Housing
	Funding	UPDATE HOME: \$859,953 \$3,560,000 & Unallocated Amount of \$479,592 = 4,039,592
	Description	UPDATE- PARTICIPATION IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUNDING ASSISTANCE
		ETTING ROAD - NEW CONSTRUCTION AND ACTIVITY DELIVERY COST
		CYPRESS PLACE – NEW CONSTRUCTION AND ACTIVITY DELIVERY COST
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the	UPDATE-
	number and type	5 LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS
	of families that will benefit from the	ETTING ROAD – 11 HOUSING UNITS
	proposed activities	CYPRESS PLACE – 15 HOUSING UNITS
	Location Description	CITY OF OXNARD, CALIFORNIA
	Planned Activities	UPDATE: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO A COMMUNITY HOUSING
		DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETTING
		ROAD AT LEAST 11 HOUSING UNITS AND 15 HOUSING UNITS OF CYPRESS
		PLACE FOR LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN OXNARD. THIS PROJECT INCLUDES 15% OF HOME ALLOCATION SET ASIDE FOR CHDO'S.
2	Project Name	HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve Supply of Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Homeownership Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$235,619
	Description	DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE
	Target Date	6/30/2023
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	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	10 HOUSEHOLD HOUSING UNIT
	Location Description	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD
	Planned Activities	VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WILL PROVIDE FINANCIAL DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING HOUSEHOLDS IN OXNARD.
3	Project Name	ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITES
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Enhance Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Local Entrepreneurship  Rehabilitation
	Funding	UPDATE: CDBG: <del>\$184,726</del> \$544,726
	Description	BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND REHABILITATION
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 JOBS REATERINED/CREATED (CORRECTION) BUSINESS ASSISTED UPDATE- 6 BUSINESS ASSISTED
	Location Description	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD AND LOW- AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS
	Planned Activities	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATIVE WILL PROVIDE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE FOR BUSINESS IN LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME AREAS  UPDATE- COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION OF DOWNTOWN AND SOUTH
		OXNARD SMALL BUSINESSES IN LOW- AND MODEARTE-INCOME AREA OXNARD
4	Project Name	UPDATE: CANCELLED REHABILITATION AND PRESERVATION
	Target Area	

	Goals Supported	Improve Supply of Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Rehabilitation & Preservation of Existing Housing
	Funding	UPDATE: ACTIVITY CANCELLED CDBG: \$282,743 \$0
	Description	REHABILITATION OF HOUSING UNITS
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type	UPDATE: 0 7 HOUSEHOLDS HOUSING UNITS
	of families that will	
	benefit from the	
	proposed activities	
	Location	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD
	Description	
	Planned Activities	CITY OF OXNARD AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND REHABILITATION DIVISOIN WILL PROVIDE LOANS FOR REHABILITATION OF HOMEOWNER UNITS FOR
		LOW MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS
5	Project Name	ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR RESIDENTS
	Target Area	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Increase Social Services
	Needs Addressed	Assistance for Senior Residents
	Funding	UPDATE: CDBG: \$68,329 \$56,549
	Description	PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ALLOCATION AND
		PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES TO INCREASE THE QUALITY OF LIFE
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the	UPDATE: -100 85 PERSONS WILL BE ASSISTED WITH SENIOR SERVICES
	number and type	
	of families that will benefit from the	
	proposed activities	
	Location	CITY-WIDE; VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD
	Description	

	Discount Aut 201	LIDDATE ACTIVITY CANCELLED
	Planned Activities	UPDATE: ACTIVITY CANCELLED  1) ASSISTING WITH DAILY NEEDS FOR SENIORS BY CAREGIVERS
		VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING THE ELDERLY AND CITY OF OXNARD
		RECREATION AT 2) PALM VISTA SENIOR CENTER
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0	Project Name	OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES
_	Target Area	
_	Goals Supported	Increase Social Services
	Needs Addressed	Social Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$42,412
	Description	PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ALLOCATION AND PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES.
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the	55 LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS WILL BE ASSISTED WITH SUBSIDIZED
	number and type	HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND 445 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS WILL BE
	of families that will	ASSISTED WITH EMERGENCY SHELTER AND SERVICES.
	benefit from the	
	proposed activities	
	Location	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD
	Description	
	Planned Activities	1) EMERGENCY SHELTER FOR HOMELESS BY COUNTY OF VENTURA
		HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY RAIN PROGRAM, 2) HOMELESS SERVICES BY
		SHELTER CARE RESOURCES AND 3) SUBSIDIZED HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY
		LIVINGSTON MEMORIAL VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION
7	Project Name	YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase Social Services
	Needs Addressed	Youth Activities and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$259,051
	Description	PUBLIC SERVICES SUBJECT TO 15% CAP OF 2022 CDBG ALLOCATION AND PROGRAM INCOME. FUNDING FOR YOUTH RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS; YOUTH FROM LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS.
	Target Date	6/30/2023

	Estimate the	
	number and type of families that will	900 YOUTH WILL BE ASSISTED WITH YOUTH SERVICES/RECREATIONAL
	benefit from the	AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN LOW-MODERATE NEIGHBORHOODS
	proposed activities	
	Location Description	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD
	Planned Activities	CITY OF OXNARD RECREATION AT 1) COLONIA MEMORIAL PARK GYM, 2) SOUTHWINDS YOUTH CENTER AND 3) POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE AND 4) CREATIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT BY OXNARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER CORPORATION
8	Project Name	HOMELESS ASSISTANCE
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Work to End Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness
	Funding	ESG: \$211,474
	Description	HEARTH Emergency Solutions Grant funds to provide financial assistance to various service providers for Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach subject to 60% Cap; Homeless Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, and HMIS activities to serve homeless individuals and families, and those at-risk of becoming homeless. Street Outreach and Emergency Shelter activities will be limited to 60% of HESG allocation estimated, or \$26,883.  Administration and planning cost subject to caps (7.5% of allocation), estimated \$15,861. All HESG subrecipients are required by the City of Oxnard to provide matching funds of a dollar for every dollar HESG grant dollars received.
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type	KINGDOM CENTER WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER TO 135 INDIVIDUALS; TURNING POINT FOUNDATION WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY
	of families that will	SHELTER TO 10 INDIVIDUALS; MERCY HOUSE WILL PROVIDE RAPID
benefit from the REHOUSING TO 8 HOUSEHOLDS; THE SALVATION ARM		REHOUSING TO 8 HOUSEHOLDS; THE SALVATION ARMY WILL PROVIDE
	proposed activities	STREET OUTREACH TO 80 INDIVIDUALS
	Location Description	VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT CITY OF OXNARD

	Planned Activities	1) THE KINGDOM CENTER WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER AND, 2)TURNING POINT FOUNDATION WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY SHELTER, 3) MERCY HOUSE WILL PROVIDE RAPID REHOUSING, 4) STREET OUTREACH WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SALVATION ARMY AND 5) CITY OF OXNARD WILL PROVIDE ADMINISTRYAION AND PLANNING
9	Project Name	PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Create Quality Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Parks and Community Space
	Funding	CDBG: \$899,344
	Description	PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS OF PUBLIC PARKS AND COMMUNITY SPACE WITHIN LOW- AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	THIS PROJECT WILL ACCOUNT FOR TANGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN LOW-MOD CENSUS TRACT NEIGHBORHOODS, ESTIMATED AT 15,000 PERSONS
	Location Description	LOW AND MODERATE INCOME AREAS
	Planned Activities	CITY OF OXNARD, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - COURT RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING AT OXNARD PARKS: 1) SOUTHWINDS PARK, 2) COMMUNITY CENTER EAST PARK, 3) BECK PARK, 4) LEMONWOOD PARK, 5) WILSON PARK, 6) ORCHARD PARK, 7) COLONIA PARK, AND 8) SEA AIR PARK
10	Project Name	ADMINISTRATION
	Target Area	NA
	Goals Supported	Effective Administration

	Needs Addressed	New Rental Housing Housing Support and Stability Homeownership Opportunities Rehabilitation & Preservation of Existing Housing Assistance for Senior Residents Increase Job Skills Facade Improvements Local Entrepreneurship Social Services Youth Activities and Services Homelessness Streets and Streetscapes Parks and Community Space Disaster Planning and Recovery Utilities and Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$493,056 HOME: \$95,550
	Description	ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING COSTS SUBJECT TO CAPS FOR EACH FUNDING SOURCE; CDBG (20% of Allocation & PI) AND HOME (10% of Allocation & PI)
Target Date		6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING ACTIVITIES WILL BENEFIT FAMILIES CITYWIDE. AN ESTIMATED 202,000 PERSONS WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS ACTIVITY OF WHICH OVER 60% ARE LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME RESIDENTS.
	Location Description	CITYWIDE
	Planned Activities	COORDINATION OF ALL CDBG AND HOME ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING ACTIVITIES
11	Project Name	AQUISITION & DEVELOPMENT
	Target Area	NA
	Goals Supported	Improve Supply of Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	New Rental Housing

	Funding	CDBG: \$2,472,000
	Description	CYPRESS PLACE ACQUISITION – SITE AND SURROUNDING IMPROVEMENTS AND ACTVITY DELIVERY COSTS
		TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH- HOUSING/ACQUISITON/DEVELOPMENT- SPECIAL POPULATION HOUSING FOR YOUTH TIMING OUT OF FOSTER CARE AND ACTIVITY DELIVERY COST
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the	1) 90 HOUSEHOLDS
	number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2) 20 HOUISNG UNITS
	Location Description	CITYWIDE
	Planned Activities	1) CYPRESS PLACE ACQUISITION AND 2) TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH-HOUSING/ACQUISITON/DEVELOPMENT FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME
12	Project Name	INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES
	Target Area	NA .
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Infrastructure & Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Utilities and Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$ 618,000
	Description	ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR REHABILITATION OF HOMLESS SHELTER
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	24 LOW- INCOME PERSONS
	Location Description	HOMELESS SHELTER REHABILITATION AT 1450 SOUTH ROSE AVE



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

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

#### **Geographic Distribution**

<b>Target Area</b>	Percentage of Funds

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution** 

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

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

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

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

#### Discussion

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

### **Affordable Housing**

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

#### Introduction

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

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

One Year Goals for the Nur	mber of Households to	be Supported
Homeless		0
Non-Homeless		15
Special-Needs		0
Total		15

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	5
Rehab of Existing Units	0 <del>.7</del>
Acquisition of Existing Units	10
Total	15

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

#### Discussion

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

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



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

#### Introduction

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

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

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

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

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

Total Planned projects for 2023 \$ 740,000

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

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

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

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

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

Not Applicable

#### Discussion

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

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

Jurisdictions that receive federal funds for homeless assistance are typically required to conduct a Point In Time Count (PIT) of homeless persons each year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and a surge during the month of January, Ventura County requested and was granted an extension to complete the count in February. The PIT count was completed on February 23 2022, the City of Oxnard participated as a city lead in participation with the Police Department's Homeless Liaison Unit.

The "Ventura County 2022 Homeless Count and Subpopulation Survey: Final Report", published in April 2022. The report is at the following website: https://s33020.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/VC-2022-Homeless-Count-Report-FINAL.pdf

In summary, the PIT count is a snapshot of homeless people who could be enumerated on one specific day. The 2022 PIT counted 463 unsheltered homeless persons and 330 sheltered homeless persons; a total of 793 homeless persons in Oxnard.

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

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

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

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

This year, we partnered with Ventura County Health Care Agency to enact an encampment response

program. The program consists of a street outreach team along with non-congregate emergency shelter by using motel rooms. This project involves proactive engagement with people living in encampments throughout the city, and relocation assistance to emergency shelter where clients are connected with a case manager to work towards a housing plan.

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

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

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

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

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

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

homelessness as they have also done in the recent past.

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

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

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

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

#### Discussion

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

#### homelessness:

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

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

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

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

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

#### **Discussion:**

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

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

#### Introduction:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Any rehabilitation activities on housing units constructed prior to 1978 will have lead hazards identified and actions taken to remove the hazard. The City's Affordable Housing Division does not own or manage any housing units. All units for which HOME and CDBG assistance is provided for homebuyer assistance or homeowner rehabilitation are administered in compliance with HUD's HOME or CDBG regulations for lead-based paint, as applicable. With respect to units owned or assisted by the Oxnard Housing Authority, there have been no cases of Public Housing tenants and/or Section 8 participant households reporting or having been discovered to have poisoned children or any child with "Elevated Blood Lead Level". OHA staff provides a brochure related to lead based paint hazards to all new tenants and program participants. Maintenance staff attends training and seminars to stay current with the State of California Lead Awareness Training requirements.

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

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

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

#### Actions planned to develop institutional structure

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

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

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

meetings and task force.

#### **Discussion:**

The City anticipates new inclusionary affordable housing to be developed within several proposed specific plans and other new projects, including the Central Terrace Apartments, which will include 9 City inclusionary units as well as 77 other 100% affordable units. The 2nd and B project (Homeless Solutions Center) will provide 6 City inclusionary units as well as 49 other 100% affordable units. Based on a thorough review, the City does not believe that the current inclusionary housing program is a constraint to the development of housing in addition to the incentives and concessions currently being offered and conversations with local developers who have been able to work within the requirement of the inclusionary housing program and produce housing. To further ensure the program does not pose a constraint, the City has included a monitoring process.

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

Continued Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing:

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

### **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction:

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

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

program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed  2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to	0
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	
other esse negationents	
1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
<ol> <li>The amount of urgent need activities</li> <li>The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that</li> </ol>	0
<ol> <li>The amount of urgent need activities</li> <li>The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive</li> </ol>	0
<ol> <li>The amount of urgent need activities</li> <li>The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that</li> </ol>	0

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

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

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

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

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

Refer to Questions # 3 for Resale Provisions & procedures. Recapture:

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

Refer to Question #2 for Recapture provisions and procedures.

Resale

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

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

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

Homeless Assistance Division continues to fund all the activities prescribed in the HEARTH act. With the sub-recipients cooperation, the City's HESG will continue to provide substantial additional leverage

funds to invest in the various programs in order to assist the homeless population toward the goal of reduction and ending homelessness. Also, HESG limits the cost categories for administration and planning to 7.5% or \$15,861 and 60% for street outreach and emergency shelter \$126,883; total \$142,744 for those cost categories. The remaining balance, a total of \$68,730 or 32.5% towards rapid re-housing support.



