2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN &
2021 HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

City of Baton Rouge—Parish of East Baton Rouge, Office of Community Development
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WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

- Tasha S. Saunders, Director of Community and Urban Development
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  City of Baton Rouge, Parish of East Baton Rouge
The City of Baton Rouge - East Baton Rouge Parish (City-Parish) annually receives the following formula block grant program funds directly from HUD:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)

The Consolidated (Con) Plan is essentially the City-Parish’s formula block grant application to HUD.

The Con Plan is designed to help grantees do the following:

- Assess their affordable housing needs
- Assess their community development needs
- Make data-driven, place-based investment decisions
2020 – 2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

“The Con Plan process serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify housing and community development priorities that align and focus funding from the CPD formula block grant programs.”

“The Con Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a concise summary of the actions, activities and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Con Plan.”
2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

- Is the annual update to the Consolidated Plan.
- 2022 is “Year 3” of the Plan.
- Serves as City-Parish’s annual application to HUD for CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA, and HOME-American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds.
- Provides allocations and project budgets.
- Covers Fiscal Year October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023.
2021 HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

- Is an amendment to the 2021 Annual Action Plan.
- Describes how the City-Parish intends to distribute HOME-ARP funds.
- Describes how the City-Parish will use HOME-ARP funds to address the needs of the following HOME-ARP qualifying populations:
  - Homeless
  - At Risk of Homelessness
  - Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking
  - Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness
  - At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability
  - Veterans and Families that include a Veteran Family Member
CPD BLOCK GRANT OVERVIEW

CDBG
- Revitalize Low- to Middle-Income (LMI) neighborhoods, expand affordable housing and economic opportunities, improve community facilities and services.
- Objectives include assisting LMI residents, preventing slums and blight and “urgent need.”
- Eligible activities include housing rehabilitation, public services, infrastructure improvements, and economic development/job creation.

HOME
- Provide local funding to build, buy, and/or rehabilitate affordable housing for rent or homeownership.
- Provide rental assistance to LMI residents.

HOME-ARP
- Assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country.
CPD BLOCK GRANT OVERVIEW

ESG
- Assist persons and families who are homeless and at risk.
- Prevent homelessness.
- Rapid re-housing.
- Eligible activities include rehabilitation of a shelter, operation and maintenance of a shelter, supportive services, homelessness prevention.

HOPWA
- Provides housing assistance and related supportive services for low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.
- Eligible activities include housing, social services, program planning and development.
## 2022 ALLOCATIONS & 2021 HOME-ARP

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PROPOSED GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Enhance the sustainability and affordability of single-family housing units through rehabilitation and handicap accessibility improvements.

- Increase availability and accessibility of affordable housing by construction of new affordable housing units.

- Increase access to affordable housing by providing housing counseling services for future homebuyers.

- Increase sustainability of affordable housing for existing homeowners through foreclosure prevention services.

- Revitalize and improve the safety of neighborhoods by demolishing unoccupied blighted structures.

- Improve and increase access to healthcare services for low-income persons and prepare for/respond to the global pandemic.
PROPOSED GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Improve and increase access to food and other basic needs for homeless and LMI persons and households.

- Increase access to services, emergency housing, transitional housing, and supportive housing for the homeless and near-homeless.

- Provide housing and supportive services for persons with HIV/AIDS.

- Provide rent, mortgage and utility assistance to low-income households and persons with HIV/AIDS.
2022 PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS

- A Notice of Funding Availability for CDBG, HOME, HOME ARP, HOPWA and ESG funding will be issued in October 2022.
- Project proposals will be submitted to the City-Parish in November 2022.
- Project award letters will be sent out in December 2022.
- Project start dates will be in January 2023.
- The goals, objectives, and target areas in this Action Plan and HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be used to guide the project selection process.
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- Public Comment Period:
  July 14, 2022 – August 12, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.
SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS

Electronically at hudfunding@ebr.la

Con Plan and Action Plan are posted online at: https://www.brla.gov/863/Plans-Reports
QUESTIONS & COMMENTS