

# 2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN & 2021 HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

City of Baton Rouge—Parish of East Baton Rouge, Office of Community Development



**CITY OF BATON ROUGE**  
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

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# WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

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# 2020 – 2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

▶ 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

CDBG	\$3,218,185
HOME	\$1,551,378
ESG	\$273,951
HOPWA	\$2,010,806
HOME-ARP	\$5,104,454

# 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

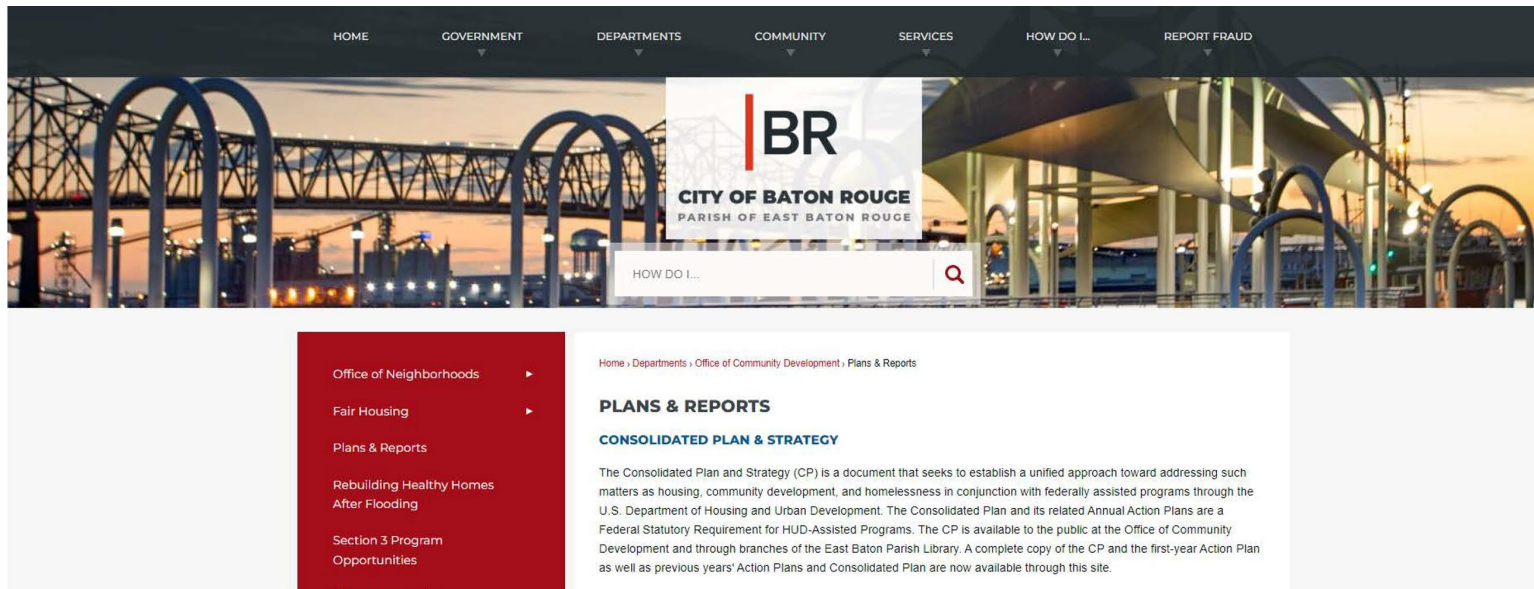
▶ **Public Comment Period:**

July 14, 2022 – August 12, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.



# SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS

- ▶ Electronically at [hudfunding@ebr.la](mailto:hudfunding@ebr.la)
- ▶ Con Plan and Action Plan are posted online at: <https://www.brla.gov/863/Plans-Reports>



# QUESTIONS & COMMENTS