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2023 Annual Action Plan

Substantial Amendment

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May 2024: Substantial Amendment to reallocate prior year funds, available program income, and current PY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds to new housing and public facility/infrastructure projects. A total of \$3,716,416 in CDBG funds and \$3,163,884 in HOME funds will be reallocated. Amended language in Bold and Underline format.

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Tampa is an entitlement city as designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As such, the City is a recipient of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) grants. The City's Housing and Community Development (HCD) administers the federal HUD entitlement grant funds and works to provide safe, decent and affordable housing, and a suitable living environment especially for low- to moderate-income (LMI) individuals and the special needs population in Tampa. Partnerships with other vital City departments, nonprofit stakeholder organizations and citizens from the public allows HCD to accomplish its goals to address the needs of the community.

This document represents the City of Tampa's 2023 Annual Action Plan (AAP), which is the second year of the 5-Year 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan. The 5-Year Consolidated Plan identified priority needs in housing, homelessness, and non-housing community development and is the City's strategic approach to address these needs over the five-year planning period. To identify these needs, the Consolidated Plan considered market conditions for a wide range of housing characteristics, including the number of available housing units, cost and condition of housing, homeless facilities and services, special needs facilities and services, and barriers to affordable housing. Further, citizens were involved in identifying the priority needs in the City. Citizens participated in a survey, a 30-day public comment period, and a series of public meetings and hearings. The Consolidated Plan presented a set of goals that the City will pursue over the five-year time period and will be used as a benchmark for performance evaluations.

The Consolidated Plan strategy was also guided by the Mayor's Administration. As part of the Mayoral transition, Mayor Jane Castor initiated five transition advisory teams to provide a roadmap for guiding the implementation of key priorities of the Castor Administration: Transportation, Development Services, Workforce Development, Affordable Housing, and Sustainability/Resiliency. Each team was charged with an objective tied to the challenges and opportunities of its subject area. The overarching goal is to connect each team's recommendations into a strategic roadmap that supports the Mayor's visions for transforming Tampa's tomorrow.

This PY 2023 AAP describes the eligible activities that will work towards accomplishing the goals established in the Consolidated Plan. By addressing the identified priority needs, the City will improve the quality of life of residents, in particular LMI residents in Tampa. PY 2023 starts on October 1, 2023, and ends on September 30, 2024.

Substantial Amendment to Reallocate CDBG and HOME Funds

The City of Tampa will reallocate available prior year funds, available program income, and current PY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds to support additional housing and public facility programs. Reallocated CDBG funds will support a multi-family housing rehab and public facility and infrastructure activities and will be funded with \$3,716,416. Reallocated HOME funds will support multi-family housing rehab and new rental housing construction programs and will be funded with \$3,163,884. Reallocating current program year funds resulted in a reduction of allocated funds for current projects for both CDBG and HOME. The 2023 AAP has been amended in the following areas:

ES-05: A summary has been added to the Introduction as well as Citizen Participation details for the substantial amendment.

AP-12: The Citizen Participation Outreach table has been updated to include the public comment period dates and how citizens could participate.

AP-20: A Housing Rehabilitation, and Public Facility/Infrastructure goal from the Strategic Plan has been added to the AAP. Rental housing rehab and new construction goal outcomes have been added to the AP-20 goal table.

AP-35/38: A summary has been added to the introduction, and new housing and public facility/infrastructure projects have been added to the AP-38 table. The CDBG Down Payment Assistance and the HOME Down Payment Assistance projects had their allocated funds reduced to zero.

AP-55: Affordable housing goals have been revised.

AP-90: CDBG program income has been adjusted to reflect the current estimate of \$238,247.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The City of Tampa has developed its strategic plan based on an analysis of the data and citizen input in the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan. The City has identified five (5) priority needs with associated goals to address those needs. In PY 2023, the City will address the following priorities and goals:

Priority Need: Affordable Housing

Goal 1A Homeowner Assistance: Support homeownership opportunities through housing counseling efforts and direct financial assistance to potential eligible homeowners.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: **No Goals for PY 2023**

Goal 1B New Construction: Provide affordable housing opportunities through the construction of new affordable units that will benefit low and moderate income households.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: **Rental units constructed: 10 Household Housing Units**

Goal 1C Acquisition: To acquire property for the purpose of affordable housing to benefit low and moderate income households.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: **Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit**

Goal 1D Housing Rehabilitation: Maintain the existing affordable housing stock through housing rehabilitation of owner-occupied and multi-family housing units. Rehabilitation of deteriorated housing will support access and availability to decent and affordable housing by alleviating or eliminating hazardous and costly living conditions. The City will also use CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation program delivery activity.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: **Rental units rehabilitated: 40 Household Housing Unit**

Goal 1E Rental Assistance: Support access to affordable housing by providing rental assistance to qualified low-income or limited clientele populations. Rental assistance activities include tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) and security deposit and utility assistance.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: Tenant-based rental assistance: 35 Households Assisted

Affordable Housing Goal 1F

Goal 1F Supportive Housing Operations: Provide operating funds for organizations serving the homeless; at-risk of being homeless; or persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. Funding will assist with the management and operations of organizations providing TBRA, facility-based supportive housing, permanent supportive housing, and short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance (STRMU).

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Affordability
- Outcome Indicator: Tenant-based rental assistance: 294 Households Assisted, Housing for People with HIV/AIDS added: 47 Household Housing Unit & HIV/AIDS Housing Operations: 443 Household Housing Unit

Priority Need: Public Facilities & Infrastructure

Goal 2A Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements to benefit residents in low/mod areas. These activities may include improvements to neighborhood facilities, parks and recreational centers and other public facilities. Public improvements may include expansion and improved access to streets, sidewalks and ADA improvements.

- Objective: Creating Suitable Living Environments
- Outcome: Availability/Accessibility
- Outcome Indicator: **LMI Clients/LMA - 1000 Persons Assisted**

Priority Need: Public Services

Goal 3A Public Services for LMI & Special Need: Promote the availability and accessibility to decent housing and a suitable living environment through funding public service activities including: housing placement services; supportive community-based outreach to support housing permanency; job counseling/training; childcare; independent living skills programs, youth programs, and senior programs.

- Objective: Creating Suitable Living Environments

- Outcome: Availability/Accessibility
- Outcome Indicator: Public service activities other than LMI Housing Benefit: 995 Persons Assisted

Priority Need: Homeless Services

Goal 4A Homeless Assistance: Support ending homelessness by funding organizations to providing homeless services including emergency shelter operations, rapid rehousing rental activities, homeless prevention and other emergency services.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Availability/Accessibility
- Outcome Indicator: Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 50 Households Assisted & Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 600 Persons Assisted

Goal 6A Rapid Response Programs for the Homeless: Operate the RUSH program, a rapid response program to address homelessness by filling in federal assistance gaps in communities hit by disasters. Similar to ESG, eligible activities under RUSH funding include emergency shelter operations, rapid rehousing rental assistance, homeless prevention activities, outreach and other assistance to people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. RUSH however targets homeless individuals and those who are most at-risk of homelessness located in a disaster affected area but cannot access all services provided by other federal programs, in particular FEMA.

- Objective: Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Outcome: Availability/Accessibility
- Outcome Indicator: Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 50 Households Assisted & Homeless Prevention: 400 Persons Assisted (These goals were developed in PY 2022 for the RUSH amendment)

Priority Need: Planning and Administration

Goal 5A Planning and Administration: Operate HUD programs and manage activities to carry out the CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA grants. Activities include staff salaries; financial responsibility; and preparation of HUD required documents such as the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, CAPER, and Assessment of Fair Housing.

- Objective: Creating Suitable Living Environments

- Outcome: Availability/Accessibility
- Outcome Indicator: Other 1 (Admin of the program)

3. Evaluation of past performance

The City of Tampa, with its partner nonprofit service agencies, community housing providers, other City departments and local units of government have made significant contributions to provide safe, decent and affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities especially for LMI households in the community. The City however continues to recognize that affordable housing, vital public services for LMI and special needs groups, homeless services and public improvements remain some of the highest priority needs in Tampa as documented by the current Consolidated Plan and the most recent program year 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

The CAPER provides an assessment of progress towards the five-year goals and the one-year goals of HUD entitlement grants CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA in Tampa. In the most recent reporting program year 2021, the City highlighted these accomplishments by priority:

Housing Programs: There were 935 LMI persons that received homebuyer education from local nonprofit partners. Households receiving housing counseling were eligible for the City's Mortgage Assistance (MAP), of which 57 LMI homebuyers received direct financial assistance. The City also funds a HOME TBRA program which provides rental assistance, and 42 LMI households were assisted with this program. HOME funds were also responsible for the construction of new rental units that benefitted 24 LMI households. Through the CDBG program there were 322 LMI households assisted with housing rehab activities, of which 261 were renter-occupied and 61 were owner-occupied.

Public Services: There were 777 LMI persons assisted through vital public services through City funded programs. Activities included services for persons with a disability, youth services, child care services, mental healthcare services, and housing information and referral services. This included 274 LMI persons impacted by the pandemic assisted through the subsistence payment assistance program to help pay for mortgage, rent and utility payments to avoid homelessness. This activity was through the CDBG-CV program.

Homeless Assistance: The ESG program assisted 558 persons experiencing homelessness with overnight shelter operations and 39 households with rapid rehousing activities (consisting of 128 persons). Services offered at the shelter help individuals and families exit homelessness and rapid rehousing activities help households avoid returning to homelessness with rental assistance.

HOPWA: The HOPWA program assisted individuals and their families living with HIV/AIDS in the region. Supportive housing operations included housing subsidy assistance through tenant-based rental TBRA, permanent/transitional housing placements, and short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance (STRMU). Through HOPWA there were 341 persons assisted with TBRA. There were 15 persons at risk of

homelessness placed in permanent housing and 25 persons placed transitional housing. Finally, there were 82 persons assisted with STRMU.

CARES Act Activities:

Tampa LMI residents continued to be impacted economically by the pandemic in PY 2021. The City assisted 274 LMI persons through the subsistence payment assistance program to help pay for mortgage, rent and utility payments to avoid homelessness. Further, the City assisted 238 small businesses with technical assistance grants to help keep the businesses open. Finally, CDBG-CV funds were directed to make improvements at the Catholic Charities facility in response to COVID-19.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

The City of Tampa adheres closely to its Citizen Participation Plan, which provides guidelines for the minimum requirements in reaching out to citizens, in particular LMI residents and those with special needs with regards to the development of City community planning and development programs. The City recognizes the critical importance of a robust, comprehensive, and effective citizen participation and stakeholder consultation process. Insights gained from this outreach is invaluable in developing a firm understanding of the City's needs, and setting appropriate goals to make a meaningful difference in the City.

To complete the 2023 AAP the City's citizen participation process included a 30-day public comment period which will allow the public an opportunity to review and make comments on the draft AAP. The City hosted two public hearings to discuss the funding and activities in this plan. There were also four public meetings and an online public survey to gather more information on the housing and community development needs in the City.

- **Public Comment Period:** A 30-day public comment period was held from **June 22, 2023 through July 23, 2023** to allow the public an opportunity to review and make comments on the draft AAP. The document may be viewed online at <http://www.tampa.gov/hcd>. The document can also be viewed in the City Clerk's Office on the Second Floor of Old City Hall, 315 East Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602 and at the Housing and Community Development office located at 4900 W. Lemon Street, Tampa, FL 33609.

- **Public Hearing (1):** A public hearing was held on **June 8, 2023 at 5:01 PM** to review and discuss the proposed AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing could be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at <https://www.tampagov.net/livestream>. Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.

- **Public Hearing (2):** A second public hearing was held on **June 22, 2023 at 5:01 PM** to discuss the AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing can be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at

<https://www.tampagov.net/livestream>. Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.

- Public Meetings: Four Public Meetings were held at the Housing and Community Development office to obtain additional comments on the following dates and times:

Monday, July 17, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm

Tuesday, July 18, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm

Wednesday, July 19, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm

Thursday, July 20, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm

Details of the citizen participation process can be found in section AP-12 Citizen Participation.

- Public Survey

A public survey was held to gather information on the housing and community development needs in the City. The survey was made available at <https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/3bViHrl1/i/0> and was distributed to HCDs master partner/agency list, as well as available at the public meetings which were announced through the City's Website, and via email. <https://www.tampa.gov/document/fy2024-annual-action-plan-meeting-schedule-124246>

Substantial Amendment to Reallocate CDBG and HOME Funds

The City's planned substantial amendment reallocates \$3,716,416 in CDBG and \$3,163,884 in HOME funds to additional housing and public facility/infrastructure projects not previously identified in the plan. As a result, the City's Citizen Participation Plan requires the City to enter into a new citizen participation process to gather feedback from citizens on the proposed substantial amendment to the AAP. The following participation details are given.

Public Comment Period: Notice was given that the City of Tampa would make available the draft Substantial Amendment to the 2023 AAP for a thirty (30) day public comment and review period beginning April 25, 2024, through May 24, 2024. The draft substantial amendment could be viewed online at <http://www.tampa.gov/hcd>. The draft substantial amendment can also be viewed in the City Clerk's Office on the Second Floor of Old City Hall, 315 East Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602 and at the Housing and Community Development office located at 4900 W. Lemon Street, Tampa, FL 33609. Comments could be made in person, by mail, or email.

Public Hearing: A public hearing will be held on April 25, 2024, at 5:01 PM to review and discuss the proposed substantial amendment to the 2023 AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing could be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at <https://www.tampagov.net/livestream>. Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.

5. Summary of public comments

PUBLIC HEARING (1) June 8, 2023: There were no comments received from the public at the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING (2) June 22, 2023: There were no comments received from the public at the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: There were no comments received from the public.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: There were no comments made at the public meetings.

ONLINE SURVEY: The following comments were received from the online survey.

- The reason why I gave the ratings that I did is because even though the city of Tampa is providing all of the services that were included in the survey, much more of them are needed in order to meet the needs of residents who fall within these categories.
- There is an incredible and urgent need to mitigate barriers to homeownership for survivors of domestic violence. Despite HUD providing access to certain housing programs via VAWA, there are currently NO HUD HOMES IN TAMPA and the waitlist to access programs through Tampa Housing Authority is egregious. Survivors are at the mercy of landlords to allow them to rent even after working with local services to establish employment, credit improvement, and safety planning. If Tampa has any intention of truly closing the gap in services for survivors of domestic violence, it must address the systemic barriers to achieving home ownership.
- Just keep doing what you're doing.
- The community is in great need of assistance with mental health services and homelessness
- Have more accessibility resources for rental, utility assistance, and affordable housing. Knowing what the communities needs by having town hall meetings to address those needs.

Details of the citizen participation process can be found in section AP-12 Citizen Participation.

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

All comments were welcomed and accepted.

7. Summary

PY 2023 is the second year of the 5-Year 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan which identified the priority needs and goals used in this AAP. The priority needs of the City were identified through a comprehensive citizen participation outreach effort which included a community survey that was held online; a stakeholder survey for community nonprofit organizations; consultation by nonprofit partners and regional service partners; and finally, a review of the needs assessment and housing market analysis in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	TAMPA	City of Tampa/Housing and Community Development
HOPWA Administrator	TAMPA	City of Tampa/Housing and Community Development
HOME Administrator	TAMPA	City of Tampa/Housing and Community Development
ESG Administrator	TAMPA	City of Tampa/Housing and Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The Housing and Community Development (HCD) Division of the City of Tampa is responsible for the implementation of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan. For each year of the Consolidated Plan the City's HCD will submit an Annual Action Plan, which will serve as the City's application for the program year funds. At the end of each program year, HCD is responsible to submit the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD.

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

1. Introduction

In developing the AAP, the City of Tampa conducted a thorough outreach effort to engage with critical stakeholders in the area. The needs and goals in the AAP were informed by the 5-Year Consolidated Plan. The continuing outreach efforts for the AAP were designed to record stakeholder input and develop projects and activities that will address the goals in the overall 5-Year plan. This section explains the City's consultation efforts and coordination between the City and local agencies and service providers.

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 of Tampa actively coordinates with the Tampa Housing Authority (THA) to address a multitude of needs within the City. Chief among these needs is provision of affordable housing opportunities for the City's lowest income residents, ideally housing located in communities with access to job, transportation, and healthcare options. The City supports THA's large-scale redevelopment efforts, which includes mixed-use development, provision of social services, and other supports in health and housing.

The City is an active member of the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI) Continuum of Care (CoC) and works closely with counterparts at the County and THHI to address homelessness in our area. The City has also collaborated with the County to fund housing, public service and public facilities projects. Additionally, the City of Tampa makes every effort to coordinate with its neighboring local government partners, including Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco and Hernando Counties. This coordination results in a streamlined HOPWA EMSA administrative process, coordination on regional fair housing efforts, and fair lending education and outreach efforts.

Housing is a critical need in our area and staff have been working with non-profit, for-profit, businesses and advocates to increase the funding and the supply of affordable housing. Staff also conduct regular technical assistance workshops throughout the year to better coordinate with our non-profit partners.

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 City of Tampa consulted with the THHI, the lead CoC that is responsible for coordinating social service providers, homelessness outreach, and services targeted to persons experiencing homelessness in the City of Tampa and in Hillsborough County. Consultation with THHI was conducted through multiple interactions, including direct engagement with providers working in coordination with THHI, one-on-one interaction with THHI officials, and during a CoC coordinating session.

Officials from the City of Tampa serve on THHI's board of directors, facilitating constant communication with THHI and its efforts to address the needs of homeless persons in the City, and in surrounding regions. In addition to board leadership, the City of Tampa coordinates with THHI on a variety of programs and initiatives, including Operation Reveille, a program to support homeless veterans in the City. The City contracts with THHI to administer the ESG funds. This will allow for unified reporting and coordination of homeless services in Hillsborough County.

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

ESG funds for PY 2023 were allocated in consultation with THHI to ensure maximum effectiveness and targeting of resources in areas with the greatest need. The City and the County utilize THHI to disburse ESG funds. By having THHI disburse and manage the ESG contracts, a unified and seamless system of addressing homelessness can be achieved.

In terms of performance standards, the City is a member of the CoC, and thus has a voice in THHI's development of performance standards for the CoC. The CoC at large provides input and helps THHI develop, work toward, and meet performance standards for the region's social service providers and agencies. Additionally, the City assists in developing an effective Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) management system through its active role on THHI's UNITY Advisory Committee.

The UNITY Information Network (UNITY) is the Continuum of Care's HMIS. HMIS is a shared, secure data system used by community partner agencies that assists individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. It collects information about the people being served through the homeless system of care. A community dashboard and system performance measures are located on the THHI website at: <https://www.thhi.org/coc-data-dashboard>

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Tampa Housing and Community Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Tampa Housing and Community Development (HCD) is the lead agency responsible for the AAP.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Regional organization Continuum of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI) is the local Continuum of Care. THHI is responsible for coordinating social service providers, homelessness outreach, and services targeted to persons experiencing homelessness in the area.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Tampa Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy 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?	THA is the local housing authority (PHA). The City works with THA for the public housing needs of residents in the City.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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 HOPWA Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy Corrections Programs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City partners with Hillsborough County on initiatives such as homelessness with the CoC. The County will continue to be consulted with homeless, housing and HOPWA needs.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	CDC OF TAMPA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	CDC of Tampa is a nonprofit that helps to create opportunities to build prosperous and vibrant communities in Tampa. The organization works with the City with homeownership and employment resources. Agency will be consulted with during future planning processes and on economic development strategies.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Dawning Family Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless
	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 Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Dawning Family Services provides emergency homeless prevention and works with at-risk and homeless families and children in Tampa. The agency will continue to be consulted with homeless needs.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Hillsborough County School Readiness Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hillsborough County School Readiness Coalition, Inc. d/b/a Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County helps to prepare children in the community for success with its early learning programs. Agency will continue to be consulted with community development needs.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Metropolitan Ministries
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	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 Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Metropolitan Ministries assist the homeless in Tampa. The agency will continue to be consulted with the homeless needs in the City.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Real Estate Education and Community Housing, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	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?	Real Estate Education and Community Housing Inc. (REACH) provides housing counseling in Tampa. Agency will continue to be consulted with housing and community development needs.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Seniors in Service, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Seniors in Service provides vital public services for the elderly population in Tampa. Agency will continue to be consulted with community development needs.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Solita's House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	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?	Solita's House provides housing counseling in Tampa. The agency will be consulted during future planning processes, and this coordination is expected to improve outcomes related to understanding local conditions in lending and credit readiness.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Tampa Office of Emergency Management
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Management of Public Land or Water Resources Agency - Emergency Management Other government - Local Disaster Preparedness
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Hazard Mitigation and Disaster Preparedness
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Office of Emergency Management OEM leads the city in emergency planning, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery of major natural and human caused disasters. OEM provides coordination and leadership to city departments, stakeholders and citizens. The office also manages Alert Tampa, which is the official free emergency alert system in the City.

13	Agency/Group/Organization	HOUSING & EDUCATION ALLIANCE, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	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?	Housing & Education Alliance provides housing counseling in Tampa. The agency will be consulted during future planning processes.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	BROADBANDNOW
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	BroadbandNow is a research organization which publishes data on the digital divide and impact of highspeed internet in society. It believes broadband internet should be available to all Americans and its mission is to help find and compare internet options with a goal to bring attention to underserved areas and help raise awareness of the importance of broadband access. The city consulted with the BroadbandNow website for broadband access and identified highspeed internet providers in the city.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	PINELLAS COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City partners with Pinellas County on initiatives such as HOPWA services.

16	Agency/Group/Organization	HERNANDO COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City partners with Hernando County on initiatives such as HOPWA services.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	BayCare Behavioral Health, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Health Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	BayCare Behavioral Health is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA needs.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	Boley Centers, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Boley Centers, Inc. is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA needs.

19	Agency/Group/Organization	CATHOLIC CHARITIES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Catholic Charities. is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA and homeless needs.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	EPIC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Empath Partners in Care (EPIC) is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA needs.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Metro Inclusive Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Health Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Metro Inclusive Health is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA needs.

22	Agency/Group/Organization	Positively U
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Positively U is one of the City HOPWA Sponsors and works to provide housing and related services to persons with HIV/AIDS in the region. Agency will continue to be consulted with HOPWA needs.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	The Spring of Tampa Bay, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Spring of Tampa Bay, Inc provides safe haven, emergency shelter, and supportive services to victims of domestic violence. The City consults with the Spring on homeless needs.

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

There were no agency types intentionally not consulted. All comments were welcome and accepted.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI)	The plan is consistent with the goals and strategic plan of the Continuum of Care in addressing homelessness.
Tampa Regional Analysis of Impediments	West Tampa CRA	The West Tampa redevelopment plan includes specific goals related to community revitalization, neighborhood quality and necessary services. These goals align with goals identified in this Strategic Plan.
East Tampa Community Redevelopment Plan	East Tampa CRA	The East Tampa redevelopment plan includes specific goals related to community revitalization, neighborhood quality and necessary services. These goals align with goals identified in this Strategic Plan.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The City of Tampa will engage with adjacent local governments, and government agencies, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan. In particular, as the administrator for four counties in the HOPWA service area, the City of Tampa works directly with officials from Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas counties. Officials from each of these units of government offer insight into local needs to ensure HOPWA funds are allocated in a cost-effective and impactful manner.

The City of Tampa is engaged with the Tampa Housing Authority (THA) to identify high need areas where the City could provide affordable housing assistance. The City funds THA with HOPWA funds, and will assist individuals and their families living with HIV/AIDS in the City and in Hillsborough County.

The City also works with Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI) to address homeless initiatives in the City. Public organizations across the CoC area as well as public entities such as the Hillsborough County Homeless and Community Services are part of the Continuum of Care.

Finally, the City of Tampa also administers its State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funding, allocated by the state finance agency. These funds are used by the City of Tampa to meet the HOME match requirement, and is a critical source of housing subsidy.

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

To complete its Annual Action Plan and solicit meaningful input from the public, the City of Tampa conducted a robust citizen participation process in accordance with its citizen participation plan. A 30-day public comment period was held to allow the public an opportunity to review and make comments on the proposed 2023 Annual Action Plan. The City also hosted public hearings to discuss the funding and activities in this Annual Action Plan.

For details of citizen participation outreach efforts taken by the City, see the following table.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
1	Public Comment Period	Non-targeted/broad community	<p>A 30-day public comment period was held from June 22, 2023 through July 23, 2023 to allow the public an opportunity to review and make comments on the draft AAP. The document could be viewed online at http://www.tampa.gov/hcd. The document can also be viewed in the City Clerks Office on the Second Floor of Old City Hall, 315 East Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602 and at the Housing and Community Development office located at 4900 W. Lemon Street, Tampa, FL 33609.</p>	<p>There were no comments received from the public.</p>	<p>All comments were accepted.</p>	<p>http://www.tampa.gov.net/PublicComment</p>

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	A public hearing was held on June 8, 2023 at 5:01 PM to review and discuss the proposed AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing could be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at https://www.tampagov.net/livestream . Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.	There were no comments received from the public at the public hearing.	All comments were accepted.	https://www.tampagov.net/livestream

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
3	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	A second public hearing was held on June 22, 2023 at 5:01 PM to discuss the AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing could be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at https://www.tampagov.net/livestream . Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.	There were no comments received from the public at the public hearing.	All comments were accepted.	https://www.tampagov.net/livestream

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
4	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	<p>Four Public Meetings were held at the HCD office building to obtain additional comments: 4900 W. Lemon Street Tampa FL 33609</p> <p>Monday, July 17, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm</p> <p>Tuesday, July 18, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm</p> <p>Wednesday, July 19, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm</p> <p>Thursday, July 20, 2023, 5pm-6:30pm</p>	There were no comments received from the public meetings.	All comments were accepted.	https://www.tampa.gov/document/fy2024-annual-action-plan-meeting-schedule-124246

5	Public Survey	Non-targeted/broad community	A public survey was held to gather information on the housing and community development needs in the City.	The following comments were received from the online survey: The reason why I gave the ratings that I did is because even though the city of Tampa is providing all of the services that were included in the survey, much more of them are needed in order to meet the needs of residents who fall within these categories. There is an incredible and urgent need to mitigate barriers to homeownership for survivors of domestic violence. Despite HUD providing access to certain housing programs via VAWA, there are currently NO HUD HOMES IN TAMPA and the waitlist to access programs through Tampa Housing Authority is egregious. Survivors are at the mercy of landlords to allow them to rent even after working with local services to establish employment, credit improvement, and safety planning. If Tampa has any intention of truly closing the gap in services for survivors of domestic violence, it must address the systemic barriers to achieving home ownership. Just keep doing what you're doing. The community is in great need of assistance with mental health services and homelessness. Have more accessibility resources for rental, utility assistance, and affordable housing. Knowing what the communities needs by having town hall meetings to address those needs.	All comments were accepted.	https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/3bViHrl1/i/0
6	Public Comment Period	Non-targeted/broad community	Substantial Amendment: Notice was given that the City of Tampa would make	A summary of comments will be provided after the comment period.	All comments	http://www.tampagov/hcd

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
			<p>available the draft Substantial Amendment to the 2023 AAP for a thirty (30) day public comment and review period beginning April 25, 2024, through May 24, 2024. The draft substantial amendment could be viewed online at http://www.tampa.gov/hcd. The draft substantial amendment can also be viewed in the City Clerk's Office on the Second Floor of Old City Hall, 315 East Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602 and at the Housing and Community Development office located at 2555 E. Hanna Ave., Tampa, FL 33610. Comments could be made in person, by mail, or email.</p>		<p>are accepted.</p>	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL
7	<u>Public Hearing</u>	<u>Non-targeted/broad community</u>	<u>Substantial Amendment: A public hearing will be held on April 25, 2024, at 5:01 PM to review and discuss the proposed substantial amendment to the 2023 AAP at the Tampa City Council Chambers, Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing could be viewed on Spectrum Channel 640, Frontier Channel 15 on cable TV, and online at https://www.tampagov.net/livestream. Comments could be made in person or remotely at the hearing, via internet, voicemail, and by mail.</u>	<u>A summary of comments will be provided after the public hearing.</u>	<u>All comments are accepted.</u>	<u>https://www.tampagov.net/livestream</u>

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

This Annual Action Plan presents the City of Tampa’s strategic approach to housing and community development for PY 2023. The City will pursue strategies focused on assistance for housing development and rental assistance for LMI households, services for persons experiencing homelessness, housing and supportive services for individuals and their families living with HIV/AIDS and support for vital public services that improve the quality of life for LMI residents and special need communities in Tampa. The City anticipates it will receive federal CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA grant funds to address these needs. PY 2023 grant allocations are outlined in the following table below.

Substantial Amendment to Reallocate CDBG and HOME Funds

The City of Tampa will reallocate available prior year funds, available program income, and current PY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds to additional housing and public facility/infrastructure projects. Reallocated CDBG funds will support multi-family housing rehab and public facility activities and the projects will be funded for \$3,716,416. Reallocated HOME funds will support multi-family housing rehab and new rental housing construction programs and the projects will be funded for \$3,163,884. Program income funds have been updated to reflect actual estimates. The following list details reallocated funds by amount and program year for each grant.

CDBG:

PY 2017: \$121,309.07

PY 2019: \$691,614.70

PY 2020: \$50,158.54

PY 2021: \$274,604.30

PY 2022: \$1,096,842.28

PY 2023: \$1,243,640.00

PI: \$238,247.94

Total CDBG to be reallocated: \$3,716,416.83

HOME:

PY 2020: \$234,786.14

PY 2021: \$755,174.92

PY 2022: \$966,442.11

PY 2023: \$1,127,343.00

PI: \$80,137.72

Total HOME to be reallocated: \$3,163,883.89

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	3,192,769	238,248	2,234,529	5,665,546	10,293,051	PY 2023 is the second year of the ConPlan. The expected amount available for the remainder of the ConPlan is 3x more years of the annual allocation and program income.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	1,919,269	80,138	1,956,403	3,955,810	5,998,221	PY 2023 is the second year of the ConPlan. The expected amount available for the remainder of the ConPlan is 3x more years of the annual allocation and program income.
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities STRMU Supportive services TBRA	5,268,843	0	0	5,268,843	15,806,529	PY 2023 is the second year of the ConPlan. The expected amount available for the remainder of the ConPlan is 3x more years of the annual allocation.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	279,563	0	0	279,563	838,689	PY 2023 is the second year of the ConPlan. The expected amount available for the remainder of the ConPlan is 3x more years of the annual allocation.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

The City will use the federal funds to support projects and program activities implemented by City staff as well as non-profit organizations, developers, and other partners. For these projects to be successful, other funding sources including in-kind resources are often added to the federal funding in order to have sufficient resources to benefit the population to be served as well as to cover expenditures that may not be allowable under the HUD CPD programs or to cover indirect costs. The source of these additional funds will depend on the nature of the activity. For example, funds provided for public service activities will be matched by the agencies receiving funding from other sources, including public and private sources as well as foundations and fundraising.

The City is required to provide a specific percentage of funds from non-federal sources to be eligible to receive the HOME and ESG grant funds. The HOME program requires a 25% match which may be reduced by HUD if the City is distressed or suffered a Presidentially declared disaster. The City will satisfy the HOME match through the State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP). The ESG program requires the City provide a 1:1 match. The ESG match will be provided by the subrecipients selected through the annual application process and are ranked and awarded, in part by match funds. The HOPWA program does not require match funds.

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

Florida Statutes Section 166.0451, Disposition of municipal property for affordable housing, requires that cities create an inventory list of real property with fee simple title appropriate for affordable housing. Tampa maintains the inventory of City-owned surplus land through its Real Estate Division.

The City implemented a single-family infill project with an income limit up to 140% AMI (SHIP funds used for families above 80% AMI) to encourage families with higher incomes to move into this area of concentrated poverty. The program includes 100 City owned properties with a tax value of approximately \$571,000 to create housing, deconcentrate poverty, increase wealth and stabilize the East Tampa Neighborhood. These properties are now worth over \$7 million dollars and are generating tax revenue for the CRA. To date more than 60 homes have been completed or are under construction. The partnership which includes Domain Homes, a for profit builder, CDC of Tampa a non-profit builder and Habitat for Humanity has yielded multiple successes. As property values increase, the project has also encouraged local residents with higher incomes to remain and invest in the area. It has also spurred additional development of other for-profit and nonprofit builders.

Discussion

N/A

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	1A Homeowner Assistance	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$275,000 HOME: \$0	Housing service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 250 persons assisted.
2	1B New Construction	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$787,890	Rental units constructed: 10 Household Housing Unit
3	1C Acquisition	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$556,661	Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit
4	1D Housing Rehabilitation	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$3,216,417 HOME: \$2,663,884	Rental units Rehabilitated: 40 Household Housing Unit
5	1E Rental Assistance	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$312,110	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 35 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
6	1F Supportive Housing Operations	2022	2026	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	HOPWA EMSA Citywide Eligible Areas	Affordable Housing	HOPWA: \$5,110,778	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 294 Households Assisted Housing for People with HIV/AIDS added: 47 Household Housing Unit HIV/AIDS Housing Operations: 443 Household Housing Unit
7	2A Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements	2022	2026	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide Eligible Areas East Tampa CRA West Tampa CRA	Public Facilities & Infrastructure	CDBG: \$500,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted
8	3A Public Services for LMI & Special Need	2022	2026	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	East Tampa West Tampa Citywide Eligible Areas	Public Services	CDBG: \$478,915	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 995 Persons Assisted
9	4A Homeless Assistance	2022	2026	Homeless	Citywide Eligible Areas	Homeless Services	ESG: \$265,585	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 50 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 600 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	5A Planning and Administration	2022	2026	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	East Tampa West Tampa HOPWA EMSA Citywide Eligible Areas	Planning and Administration	CDBG: \$638,553 HOPWA: \$158,065 HOME: \$191,926 ESG: \$13,978	Other: 4 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	1A Homeowner Assistance
	Goal Description	Support homeownership opportunities through housing counseling efforts and direct financial assistance to potential eligible homeowners.
2	Goal Name	1B New Construction
	Goal Description	Provide affordable housing opportunities through the construction of new affordable units that will benefit low- and moderate-income households. Through a substantial amendment, the City will also reallocate HOME funds to construct new affordable rental housing for low- and moderate-income households.
3	Goal Name	1C Acquisition
	Goal Description	To acquire property for the purpose of affordable housing development to benefit low- and moderate-income households.
4	Goal Name	1D Housing Rehabilitation

	Goal Description	Provide affordable housing preservation through multi-family housing rehab that will benefit low- and moderate-income households.
5	Goal Name	1E Rental Assistance
	Goal Description	Support access to affordable housing by providing rental assistance to qualified low-income or limited clientele populations. Rental assistance activities include tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) and security deposit and utility assistance.
6	Goal Name	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Goal Description	Provide operating funds for organizations serving the homeless; at-risk of being homeless; or persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. Funding will assist with the management and operations of organizations providing TBRA, facility-based supportive housing, permanent supportive housing, and short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance (STRMU).
7	Goal Name	2A Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements
	Goal Description	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements to benefit residents in low/mod areas. These activities may include improvements to neighborhood facilities, parks and recreational centers and other public facilities. Public improvements may include expansion and improved access to streets, sidewalks and ADA improvements.
8	Goal Name	3A Public Services for LMI & Special Need
	Goal Description	Promote the availability and accessibility to decent housing and a suitable living environment through funding public service activities including: housing placement services; supportive community-based outreach to support housing permanency; job counseling/training; independent living skills programs, youth programs, and senior programs.
9	Goal Name	4A Homeless Assistance
	Goal Description	Support ending homelessness by funding organizations to providing homeless services including emergency shelter operations, rapid rehousing rental activities, homeless prevention and other emergency services.

10	Goal Name	5A Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	Operate HUD programs and manage activities to carry out the CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA grants. Activities include staff salaries; financial responsibility; and preparation of HUD required documents such as the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, CAPER, and Assessment of Fair Housing.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

This AAP presents the City of Tampa’s strategic approach to housing and community development for the PY 2023. The City will pursue strategies focused on assistance for housing development and rental assistance for LMI households, services for persons experiencing homelessness, housing and supportive services for individuals and their families living with HIV/AIDS and support for vital public services that improve the quality of life for LMI residents and special need communities in Tampa. CDBG has a total grant cap of 20% allowable for admin costs, and a 15% grant cap allowed for all combined public services. HOME has a 10% grant admin cap, and 15% of HOME funds must be allocated to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) for affordable housing development activities. The ESG and HOPWA programs have an admin grant cap of 7.5% and 3.0% respectively.

Substantial Amendment to Reallocate CDBG and HOME Funds

The City of Tampa will reallocate unspent prior year funds, available program income, and current PY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds to additional housing and public facility/infrastructure projects. Reallocated CDBG funds will support multi-family housing rehab and public facility/infrastructure activities and will be funded with \$3,716,416. Reallocated HOME funds will support multi-family housing rehab and new rental housing construction programs and the project will be funded for \$3,163,884. Reallocating current program year funds resulted in a reduction of funds for current projects, including the Down Payment Assistance projects for both CDBG and HOME.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	CDBG Administration
2	CDBG Public Services
3	CDBG Property Acquisition
4	CDBG Housing Counseling
5	<u>CDBG Housing Rehab</u>
6	<u>Public Facilities and Infrastructure</u>
7	HOME Administration
8	HOME CHDO Set Aside 15%
9	HOME TBRA
10	<u>HOME Non-CHDO Housing Development</u>
11	ESG23
12	HOPWA Administration

#	Project Name
13	HOPWA Baycare Behavioral
14	HOPWA Boley Centers, Inc.
15	HOPWA Catholic Charities
16	HOPWA Empath Partners in Care
17	HOPWA Metro Inclusive Health
18	HOPWA Positively U
19	HOPWA Tampa Housing Authority

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Tampa, like many communities around the country, is suffering from an affordable housing shortage. This AAP prioritizes affordable housing development activities, rental assistance and affordable housing opportunities.

The City will also support availability/accessibility to decent housing and a suitable living environment by funding organizations providing essential services for LMI and special needs populations. The City will assist non-profit organizations in carrying out public service activities assisting LMI persons and families, youth, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

HOPWA funds will go towards assisting persons and their families living with HIV/AIDS. These activities will be in the form of rental assistance, permanent housing placements and supporting housing services.

The City has identified a high need to support ending homelessness by providing funds to organizations carrying out and administering homeless activities including: homeless prevention, emergency shelters, and HMIS.

Adequate funds to address all identified needs is an obstacle in meeting underserved needs.

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Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	CDBG Administration
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1A Homeowner Assistance 1C Acquisition 3A Public Services for LMI & Special Need 5A Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Public Services Planning and Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$638,553
	Description	Citywide administration of the PY 2023 CDBG program.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	Citywide, eligible
	Planned Activities	Citywide administration of the CDBG program.
2	Project Name	CDBG Public Services
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	3A Public Services for LMI & Special Need
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$478,915
	Description	Public services for low- to moderate-income individuals and families, who meet eligibility criteria.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 995 to be assisted with Public service activities.
	Location Description	Citywide, eligible

	Planned Activities	<p>Planned activities include:</p> <p><u>CDC of Tampa’s Tampa Vocational Institute:</u> Funding will provide free pre-apprenticeship training to low-income individuals, age 18 and older, living in the City of Tampa, that desire to enter an apprenticeship program for the masonry, carpentry, and electrical trades: \$125,000</p> <p><u>Catholic Charities Pathways to Mental Health:</u> Funding will support the integration of behavioral health treatment and services, permanent housing, financial assistance programs and critical services for individuals, youth, and families with a serious mental illness (SMI), serious emotional disturbance (SED) or co-occurring disorder (COD). The program will target individuals/families who are homeless, or at-risk of homelessness: \$100,402</p> <p><u>Hillsborough County School Readiness Coalition, Inc. D/B/A Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County:</u> Funding will support the SR150+ Initiative to increase access to affordable high-quality early education and care for children living in the City of Tampa that earn more than the qualifying income level of School Readiness but still cannot afford childcare. Families with LMI incomes in the City who are trying to work or get training to work may be eligible for School Readiness which offers financial assistance for early child education and care so families can become financially self-sufficient and their young children can be successful in school in the future: \$124,756</p> <p><u>Metropolitan Ministries, Inc. Promiseland Early Childhood Education:</u> Funding for Promiseland provides educational and therapeutic services to children ages 0-6 who are residing in MM’s emergency shelter. Promiseland’s therapeutic interventions improve school readiness, early literacy, and social emotional skills that lead to academic success. The program will also provide individual therapeutic sessions for children with developmental delays: \$128,757</p>
3	Project Name	CDBG Property Acquisition
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1C Acquisition
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$556,661
	Description	To acquire land for the purpose of development of affordable housing for eligible low- to moderate-income households.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit
	Location Description	Citywide, eligible.
	Planned Activities	Planned activities include: Property acquisition: \$556,661
4	Project Name	CDBG Housing Counseling
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1A Homeowner Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$275,000
	Description	Housing counseling services to help low-moderate income families to achieve the dream of homeownership.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Housing service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 250 persons assisted.
	Location Description	Citywide, eligible.
	Planned Activities	Planned activities for housing counseling include: Housing counseling services to help low-moderate income families to achieve the dream of homeownership. This award will be for Housing Counseling and the application processing for the City's Mortgage Assistance Program. Housing & Education Alliance: \$100,000 Clearwater Neighborhood Housing Services: \$75,000 National Faith Homebuyer: \$50,000 Remaining funds to be allocated for housing counseling: \$50,000
5	Project Name	CDBG Housing Rehab
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas

	Goals Supported	1D Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,216,417
	Description	The City has reallocated program income, prior year funds and PY 2023 funds towards a multi-family rental housing rehab activity. This rehab will target LMI renters at 80% AMI or below.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rental units Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Planned activities include: Multi-family housing rehab (14B): \$3,216,417
6	Project Name	CDBG Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	2A Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Improved Access to Public Facilities and LMI Area improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$500,000
	Description	The City has reallocated program income, prior year funds and PY 2023 funds towards a public facilities/infrastructure activity. This activity will target LMI areas and persons at 80% AMI or below.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Planned activities include: Public facility and Infrastructure Improvements (03): \$500,000

7	Project Name	HOME Administration
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1A Homeowner Assistance 1B New Construction 1E Rental Assistance 5A Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Planning and Administration
	Funding	HOME: \$191,926
	Description	Citywide administration of the PY 2023 HOME program.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Citywide administration of the HOME program.
8	Project Name	HOME CHDO Set Aside 15%
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1A Homeowner Assistance 1B New Construction
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$287,890
	Description	The City has set aside at least 15% of the HOME allocation for CHDO housing development activities.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Homeowner Housing Added: 5 Household Housing Unit
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	CHDO housing development activities.

9	Project Name	HOME TBRA
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1E Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$312,110
	Description	Tenant Based Rental Assistance to families emerging from homelessness. Rental assistance will be paid for a year and case management will be provided.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Tenant-based rental assistance: 35 Households Assisted (housed and provided with case management services).
	Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activities	Planned activities will include: Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program - EPIC will utilize HOME funds to provide a TBRA for persons who are extremely low- and low-income that are at-risk of homelessness or unstably housed. The program will assist 35 households in the City of Tampa limits. TBRA program: \$312,110	
10	Project Name	HOME Non-CHDO Housing Development
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1B New Construction 1D Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$3,163,884
	Description	The City has reallocated program income, prior year funds and PY 2023 funds towards a multi-family rental housing rehab activity and new rental housing construction. These activities will target LMI renters at 80% AMI or below.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rental units Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit Rental units constructed: 5 Household Housing Unit
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Planned activities will include new multi-family rental development construction and multi-family rental rehab.
11	Project Name	ESG23
	Target Area	Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	4A Homeless Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Services
	Funding	ESG: \$279,563
	Description	
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rapid Rehousing: 50 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 600 Persons Assisted
Location Description	Citywide	

	Planned Activities	<p>Planned activities will include:</p> <p>ESG Admin: \$13,978</p> <p><u>The Spring of Tampa Bay, Inc</u> provides safe haven, emergency shelter, and supportive services to victims of domestic violence. (600 persons assisted). The location of this shelter is confidential. \$65,585</p> <p><u>Dawning Family Services</u> provides rapid re-housing assistance for the homeless. RRH services are provided by an onsite case manager/family care worker to provide short-term assistance. Services include relocation and stabilization, rental and utility deposits and arrear payments as well as up to three months of rental assistance (25 households assisted). \$100,000</p> <p><u>Catholic Charities</u> provides rapid re-housing assistance for the homeless. RRH services are provided by an onsite case manager/family care worker to provide short-term assistance. Services include relocation and stabilization, rental and utility deposits and arrear payments as well as up to three months of rental assistance (25 households assisted). \$100,000</p>
12	Project Name	HOPWA Administration
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations 5A Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services Planning and Administration
	Funding	HOPWA: \$158,065
	Description	Administration of the HOPWA program. City staff will complete the reporting, accounting and other administrative duties for the grants. Total amount planned for admin is no more than 3% for the City. Please note that the admin cap is no more than 7% for each project sponsors under HOPWA.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Administration of the HOPWA program.
13	Project Name	HOPWA Baycare Behavioral
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$337,338
	Description	Baycare Behavioral Health Care, Inc. uses HOPWA funds to provide permanent, supportive housing assistance households infected and affected by HIV/AIDS residing in Spring Hill, and New Port Richey, FL. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Housing for People with HIV/AIDS added: 13 Household Housing Unit (PSH)
	Location Description	HOPWA EMSA, Hernando and Pasco Counties.
	Planned Activities	Baycare Behavioral Health Care, Inc. uses HOPWA funds to provide permanent, supportive housing assistance for households infected and affected by HIV/AIDS residing in Spring Hill, and New Port Richey, FL. Specifically, HOPWA funds will be used to provide preventative maintenance and repairs, operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 13 households with scattered permanent supportive housing in Hernando and Pasco Counties. \$337,338
14	Project Name	HOPWA Boley Centers, Inc.
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations

	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$1,172,705
	Description	Boley Centers, Inc. uses HOPWA funds to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members in Pinellas County. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	TBRA: 88 households in Pinellas County.
	Location Description	HOPWA EMSA, Pinellas County
	Planned Activities	Boley Centers, Inc., uses HOPWA funds to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members. HOPWA funds will also help support operating and administrative costs associated with these services. HOPWA funds will assist 88 households in Pinellas County. \$1,172,705
15	Project Name	HOPWA Catholic Charities
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$1,403,700
	Description	Tenant-Based Rental Housing to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough County and Hernando County. Mercy Apartments provides facility-based supportive housing operations of Mercy Apartments. Mercy House provide facility-based transitional supportive housing operations of Mercy House. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	TBRA: 80 households in Hillsborough and Hernando County. Housing for People with HIV/AIDS added: 34 households with permanent supportive housing in Hillsborough County
	Location Description	HOPWA EMSA, Hillsborough and Hernando County
	Planned Activities	<p><u>Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)</u> uses HOPWA funds to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough County. HOPWA funds will assist 80 households in Hillsborough and Hernando County. \$984,967</p> <p><u>Mercy House</u> utilizes HOPWA funds to provide facility-based transitional supportive housing operations of Mercy House. HOPWA funds will pay for direct services, operations and administrative costs to income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS. HOPWA funds will assist 30 households with permanent supportive housing in Hillsborough County. \$336,601</p> <p><u>Mercy Apartments</u> utilizes HOPWA funds to provide facility-based supportive housing operations of Mercy Apartments. HOPWA funds will pay for direct services, operations and administrative costs to income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS. HOPWA funds will assist 4 households with permanent supportive housing in Hillsborough County. \$82,132</p>
16	Project Name	HOPWA Empath Partners in Care
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$1,078,635
	Description	Empath Partners in Care provides tenant-based rental assistance, STRMU and supportive services programs for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>TBRA: 31 households in Pinellas County.</p> <p>TBRA: 20 households in Pasco County</p> <p>HIV/AIDS Housing Operations: 43 households in Hillsborough County (STRMU)</p> <p>Supportive Services: 280 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County.</p> <p>Supportive Services: 150 unduplicated households in Pinellas County.</p>
<p>Location Description</p>	<p>HOPWA EMSA, Hillsborough County, Pinellas County</p>

	Planned Activities	<p><u>Tenant Based Rental Assistance Pinellas County</u>, EPIC uses HOPWA funds to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Pinellas County. HOPWA funds will also cover operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 31 households in Pinellas County. \$357,115</p> <p><u>Tenant Based Rental Assistance Pasco County</u>, EPIC will provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Pasco County. HOPWA funds will be utilized to provide rental assistance vouchers, program operations, and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 20 unduplicated households in Pasco County. \$230,469</p> <p><u>Short Term Rent Mortgage and Utility Assistance - Hillsborough County</u>, EPIC provides short term rent/mortgage/utility (STRMU) services that includes adult mental health and substance abuse counseling, adult recreational therapy, children’s support services, nutritional services, and transportation. HOPWA funds will provide income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS will be assisted with short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance. HOPWA funds will assist 43 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County. \$128,163</p> <p><u>Supportive Services Hillsborough</u>, EPIC provides supportive services that include adult mental health and substance abuse counseling, adult recreational therapy, children’s support services, nutritional services, and transportation. HOPWA funds will provide income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS will be assisted with supportive services and assist with operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 280 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County. \$260,000</p> <p><u>Supportive Services Pinellas</u>, EPIC provides supportive services that include adult mental health and substance abuse counseling, adult recreational therapy, children’s support services, nutritional services, and transportation. HOPWA funds will provide income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS will be assisted with supportive services and assist with operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 150 unduplicated households in Pinellas County. \$102,888</p>
17	Project Name	HOPWA Metro Inclusive Health
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations

	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$295,000
	Description	Metro Inclusive Health uses HOPWA funds to provide supportive services infected and affected by HIV/AIDS residing in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	HIV/AIDS Housing Operations: 400 households in Hillsborough County (STRMU)
	Location Description	HOPWA EMSA, Hillsborough County, Pinellas County
	Planned Activities	Metro Inclusive Health provides short term rent/mortgage/utility assistance (STRMU) and supportive services that include adult mental health and substance abuse counseling, adult recreational therapy, children’s support services, nutritional services, and transportation. HOPWA funds will provide income-eligible persons with HIV/AIDS will be assisted with supportive services and assist with operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 250 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County and 150 unduplicated households in Pinellas County. STRMU Hillsborough County: \$165,000 STRMU Pinellas County: \$130,000
18	Project Name	HOPWA Positively U
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$80,000
	Description	Positively U provides a supportive service program for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough County. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Supportive Services: 120 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County.
	Location Description	HOPWA EMSA, Hillsborough County.
	Planned Activities	Positively U provides supportive services that include case management, behavioral health and mental health referrals, housing information, meals/nutrition, transportation, employment/vocational training services and benefits assistance/navigation. HOPWA funds will assist with supportive services, operating and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 120 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County. \$80,000
19	Project Name	HOPWA Tampa Housing Authority
	Target Area	HOPWA EMSA Citywide Eligible Areas
	Goals Supported	1F Supportive Housing Operations
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homeless Services
	Funding	HOPWA: \$743,400
	Description	Tampa Housing Authority provides tenant-based rental assistance for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough County. The admin is capped at 7% for project sponsors.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	TBRA: 75 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County.
	Location Description	Citywide, HOPWA EMSA, Hillsborough County
Planned Activities	Tampa Housing Authority provides tenant-based rental assistance for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members throughout Hillsborough County. HOPWA funds will be utilized to provide rental assistance vouchers and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 75 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County. \$743,400	

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The City has four target areas. East Tampa, West Tampa, Citywide Eligible Areas and HOPWA EMSA. Please see below for a summary of each. This information is also located in the SP-10 of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.

East Tampa: The East Tampa target area is defined by 10 specific census tracts. These census tracts are: 12057001800; 12057003000; 12057003100; 12057003200; 12057003300; 12057003400; 12057003700; 12057003800; 12057003900; 12057004100. These are referred to as "census tract 18", "30", "31", "32", "33", "34", "37", "38", "39," and "41," respectively. The East Tampa target area is characterized by high levels of poverty, high housing cost burden and poor economic prospects. The percentage of low and moderate income households in each of the census tracts are as follows: census tract 18 - 76%; 30 - 78%; 31 - 77%; 32 - 69%; 33 - 81%; 34 - 79%; 37 - 86%; 38 - 79%; 39 - 64%; 41 - 70% (2021 LMISD).

West Tampa: The West Tampa target area is defined by one specific census tract. This census tract is: 12057004300. This census tract is referred to as "census tract 43." The West Tampa target area is characterized by high levels of poverty, high housing cost burden and poor economic prospects. The percentage of low and moderate income households in the census tract is 95% (2021 LMISD).

Citywide Eligible Areas: The City of Tampa does not allocate funding based solely on geographic requirements towards the East Tampa or West Tampa target areas. Tampa also provides services to low/mod areas and LMI households on a city-wide basis as long as they qualify under the grant program. Per HUD requirements, these areas must be within an eligible Census Block Group Tract, as defined by HUD-CDBG regulations, whereby the majority of the residents are low to moderate-income (or 51%). Individuals or households must meet income qualifications in order to directly benefit from housing assistance, homeless assistance and services for LMI or special needs assistance. With public facilities & infrastructure improvements the City will be targeting low/mod income areas. Activities that benefit low/mod areas or LMI households that are not located in East Tampa or West Tampa target areas will be designated as Citywide Eligible Areas.

HOPWA EMSA: The HOPWA Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA) boundaries includes Hillsborough, Hernando, Pasco, and Pinellas counties. The City of Tampa is the lead agency administering HOPWA funds for the EMSA.

Please see further below in the Discussion a summary of the City of Tampa's minority concentration area

and low-income area “where” the City will direct its funding assistance.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
East Tampa	25
West Tampa	10
HOPWA EMSA	100
Citywide Eligible Areas	65

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

When planned activities are intended to serve individuals or households directly, such as housing rehab or a recipient of City funded public services, beneficiaries must meet income qualifications in order to receive assistance from the program. For these benefits, the City staff or subrecipient agencies carrying out the program will record the eligibility status of the applicant.

Public facility and infrastructure improvement activities are intended to serve a low income area, or low income neighborhood. Per HUD requirements, these areas must be within an eligible census block group tract, as defined by HUD-CDBG regulations, whereby the majority of the residents are low to moderate-income (or 51%).

To determine these Tracts the City will be utilizing HUD CDBG Low Mod Income Summary Data (LMISD) from the HUD Exchange website, which has defined the eligible tracts within the jurisdiction. The identified census block group tracts within the jurisdiction that are considered low-moderate income can be found on the HUD Exchange website at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/acs-low-mod-summary-data/>

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Geographic Areas with Low Income Families & Minority Concentration

Low-Income Families

Low-Income Families are defined as those that earn less than 80% of the area median income (AMI). A tract has a concentration of low-income families if the tract median household income is less than 80% of the City median household income. The City of Tampa median family income is \$69,097 and low-income is \$55,278. Using this definition, the tracts on the east and west side of the City have a concentration of low income families. These tracts match up with the areas with a concentration of Black, non-Hispanic

households (east side) and a concentration of Hispanic households (west side).

Race/Ethnicity

For the purposes of this analysis, a concentration is any census tract where the racial or ethnic minority group makes up 10% more than the Citywide average. The following is the percent of the population in the City, and what the concentration rate.

Citywide Rate

- Asian, non-Hispanic: 5.4%
- Black or African American, non-Hispanic: 20.9%
- Multiracial, non-Hispanic: 3.8%
- Hispanic, all races: 26.4%

Concentration Rate

- Asian, non-Hispanic: 15.4%
- Black, non-Hispanic: 30.9%
- Multiracial, non-Hispanic: 13.8%
- Hispanic, all races: 36.4%

Asian, non-Hispanic households: There are a handful of tracts that have a concentration of Asian, non-Hispanic residents. These tracts are the northernmost areas of the City and one tract on the western side near Tampa International Airport.

Black, non-Hispanic households: Tampa has multiple census tracts that have a concentration of Black, non-Hispanic residents. The central eastern part of the City in particular has a large Black population, and there is one tract on the west side bordering the south of Tampa International Airport.

Multiracial, non-Hispanic: There were no other or multiracial minority groups (racial and ethnic) in Tampa with a concentration of the group living in a census tract.

Hispanic Households: There are two areas with a concentration of this Hispanic households. One area encompasses multiple tracts on the west side of the City and one area just southeast of downtown.

A map of these tracts is located in the MA-50 of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City will make efforts to address affordable housing needs and provide the largest impact to beneficiaries by funding various activities including: direct financial assistance to homeowners; tenant-based rental assistance; and new affordable housing construction. **Per HUD guidance this section only includes affordable housing goals under the CDBG and HOME programs**

The City will dedicate CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds towards addressing affordable housing needs during PY 2023.

Affordable housing specified in this section meets definition: §92.252 for rental housing and §92.254 for homeownership. The affordable housing estimates do not include emergency shelter, transitional shelter, or social service activities.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	90
Special-Needs	0
Total	90

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	35
The Production of New Units	10
Rehab of Existing Units	40
Acquisition of Existing Units	5
Total	90

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

Discussion

Substantial Amendment:

Rental units Rehabilitated (Substantial Amendment): 40 Household Housing Unit

Rental units constructed (Substantial Amendment): 10 Household Housing Unit (Non-CHDO)

Acquisition (CDBG):

Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit

TBRA (HOME):

Tenant-based rental assistance: 35 Households Assisted

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Tampa Housing Authority provides decent, affordable housing for eligible low-income families, people with disabilities, and the elderly through 23 apartment communities with 2,256 project based units, 17 mixed-Financed, mixed Income communities with 3,118 units, and an assisted Living Facility with 76 beds. Public Housing also provides subsidized housing with more than 11,800 Housing Choice Vouchers/Section 8 for area Landlords.

The City of Tampa has been a strategic partner to the Tampa Housing Authority (THA), which is the largest provider of affordable housing in the area. The City in partnership with THA redeveloped the Encore Project on the east side the of the Hillsborough River and are now partnering to bring the same success to the west side of the river by implementing the West River Development Plan. Currently, more than 800 units are already occupied, with more under construction.

The housing inventory managed by THA and made available through Section 8 and other rental assistance programs are critical to meeting the demand for housing. In the City of Tampa, THA offers subsidized rent for some of the most at-risk populations in the region, including the elderly, persons living with a disability, persons diagnosed with HIV/AIDS, and extremely low-income families. In addition to working with THA, the City of Tampa also works with other housing authorities in the region through its role as the administrator for HOPWA funds across a four-county Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA).

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

The City is providing PY 23 HOPWA funds to support the needs of THA. HOPWA funds will be utilized to provide rental assistance vouchers for persons with HIV/AIDS and their affected family members and administrative costs. HOPWA funds will assist 75 unduplicated households in Hillsborough County. The City also provides assistance to THA that allows them to compete for State Low Income Tax Credits.

The Rental Assistance Demonstration program (RAD) is a federal program designed to address the demanding capital improvement and renovation cost funding requirements for public housing across the United States. RAD seeks to preserve public housing by providing Public Housing Agencies (PHAs,) such as the Housing Authority of the City of Tampa (THA), with access to a more stable funding mechanism necessary to make needed improvements and ongoing maintenance requirements at all qualifying public housing properties. This program allows the conversion of Public Housing units to Project Based Vouchers. THA has been successful with this program over the last several years. To date, THA has converted over 2,000 public housing units to RAD and has additional planned for conversion.

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

participate in homeownership

The THA's Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS) is available for participants under the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV). Participating families through FSS are able to work towards increasing earned income, improve financial literacy, work towards eliminating the need for welfare assistance, and make progress towards the goal of achieving economic independence and self-sufficiency. THA continues to expand the program and has set a standard of 400 families as the new baseline for the FSS program, which is the largest in the state of Florida.

The Economic Self-Sufficiency program monitors families who are not part of the THA's FSS program and are low income. The purpose of the program is to change the mind set of families participating in the HCV program to set and achieve goals that will gain substantial income that can lead to independence and self-sufficiency.

The Homeownership program is a voluntary program where THA pays mortgage payments on behalf of HCV participants who have been qualified for a mortgage. Participants finance their purchase with a 20-year mortgage or longer, and the maximum term of the homeownership assistance is 15 years. For participating households with shorter mortgage terms, the maximum is 10 years. These term limits do not apply to elderly or disabled households.

The THA's Youth Success program provides enhances out-of-school time (OST) opportunities for youth (childcare, recreation, and education) residing at low-income properties served by THA. This program provides youth enrichment that compliments and extends the learning from the classroom. Additionally, THA has the privilege of teaming up with the Scouts of America to run an at-risk youth empowerment program at Oaks at Riverview Center and scattered sites in Tampa Bay. The program has identified and met specific youth needs including fostering leadership skills and growing their strengths.

THA also offers numerous scholarships for students residing thin THA assisted housing. Students that are awarded scholarships may receive financial assistance between \$3,000 and \$12,000 to help pay for their college education.

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

N/A. The THA is not designated as a "troubled" housing authority. The THA is identified as a "High Performer".

Discussion

N/A

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

Introduction

The City of Tampa is an active participant in the Tampa Hillsborough Continuum of Care (CoC) and coordinates directly with the lead agency of the CoC, the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI). The City funds THHI through general funds. In accord with CoC efforts, the City assists in outreach to homeless persons using dedicated City of Tampa Police Officers. The officers assist in coordination and participate in outreach efforts alongside THHI, Hillsborough County and members of the CoC as well as various local nonprofit homeless service providers. CoC outreach efforts target those who are least likely to request housing or services in the absence of special outreach. As an active member of the CoC, the City attends over eighty percent of CoC meetings and committee meetings. This ensures that the City remains “at the table” and demonstrates a commitment to the overall efforts of the CoC and meets the duties required of the CoC.

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

In order to provide a holistic approach to the affordable housing crisis, Mayor Jane Castor asked the Housing and Community Development (HCD) division to create a team dedicated to the homeless community. Working jointly with the Tampa Police Department, the team canvasses the city to connect homeless individuals with the appropriate services and resources. From its inception to the present date, the team's accomplishments have proven its value. Since the team's inception in mid-May 2022, it has made contact with more than 1,000 individuals and provided nearly 4,000 services. The City also provides ESG funding to Metropolitan Ministries to support its street outreach efforts.

One of the responsibilities of the CoC in reaching out to and assessing the homeless is the Point-in-Time (PIT) count survey of the homeless population. The City participates annually and is joined by CoC members and volunteers in the PIT count which is conducted at the end of January. The efforts to make an accurate homeless count includes counts at emergency shelters and transitional housing for homeless persons; “unsheltered” places not meant for human habitation such as cars, parks, streets and abandoned buildings; and any dwelling that lacks the ability to provide basic needs such as drinking water, heat, kitchens etc. The PIT count data is collected through a short survey and observation which provides a ‘snapshot’ as to what the homeless population in the community looks like during a single, 24-hour period to help community planners better understand through demographic information who is homelessness, why and for how long.

The CoC also has a Hotspot Mobile Outreach program, which is a proven best practice that helps to eliminate this duplication of effort and provides a coordinated system that will facilitate the process of

prioritizing and placing the most vulnerable people living on the street into available shelter or housing. Before this effort, there were often times duplication of services and people experiencing homelessness were actually repeatedly engaged by several outreach workers from various agencies. This duplication was the cause of delays in services and was not a good use of resources.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Emergency shelter and transitional housing needs for homeless persons was noted as a high need priority in the consolidated planning process as well as a shelter for victims of domestic violence.

Catholic Charities, in partnership with the City of Tampa, recently opened a new homeless resource program called Tampa Hope that provides safe and secure shelter for hundreds of men and women as well as food, clothing, transportation, education, employment, and benefits assistance, substance abuse and mental health counseling, basic medical care, and case management services. Tampa Hope has 100 cottages to provide transitional housing for homeless persons, and the program is designed for a stay of up to four months. During that time, case workers help residents find jobs and more permanent living arrangements.

The Spring of Tampa Bay provides safe haven, emergency shelter, and supportive services to victims of domestic violence. The shelter provides a continuum of services that include emergency shelter; children's services including shelter case management; transitional housing; and outreach services.

Dawning Family Services (formerly Alpha House of Tampa) provides emergency homeless services for the purpose of creating a suitable living environment for homeless persons. Dawning Family Services provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

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

ESG funds are provided to Dawning Family Services and Catholic Charities to provide Rapid Rehousing services to homeless persons. RRH services are provided by an onsite case manager/family care worker to provide short-term assistance. Services include relocation and stabilization, rental and utility deposits and arrear payments as well as up to three months of rental assistance.

As an active partner of the Tampa Hillsborough CoC, the City works with the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless

Initiative (THHI) and Hillsborough County in the planning process to provide additional housing units and support services for homeless programs. The City along with other non-profit and governmental entities work strategically to address the needs of the chronically homeless population. Monthly the list of chronic homeless is assessed and agencies work together to shorten their homeless status. The City provides operating support to the THHI annually using general funds, as well as assistance to other nonprofit organizations to provide direct assistance to help individuals and families avoid homelessness and make the transition to permanent housing or independent living.

Once of the CoC's targeted efforts include ending Veteran and chronic homelessness. With a goal to end homelessness among Veterans, the CoC and members utilize a "Housing First" model to rapidly re-house every Veteran experiencing homelessness through the ongoing Operation: REVEILLE with a goal to move every chronically homeless persons into permanent housing or permanent supportive housing. Stable housing is achieved and then paired with case management and wrap around services.

Shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness

Several of the programs and initiatives mentioned in this section help shorten the period of time that households experience homelessness. These programs are primarily run by THHI and CoC members.

THHI and CoC members, through a coordinated effort called the Hot Spot Mobile Outreach, work to eliminate duplication of efforts and provides a coordinated system that facilitates the process of prioritizing and placing the most vulnerable people living on the street into available shelter or housing. Mobile outreach teams target "hot spots" with high rates of homelessness and provide on-site service as well as referrals to shelters and housing.

Rapid Rehousing activities conducted by the City and THHI help individuals and families who were recently homeless avoid becoming homeless again with emergency rental assistance. THHI's Rapid Exit program expedites individuals and families leaving emergency shelters to stable housing situations if these households have minimal assistance needs. The veteran program REVEILLE houses Veterans quickly with rapid rehousing activities and moves them into permanent supportive housing.

The section is continued in the Discussion below. See Facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units.

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.

One of the strategies the City uses to help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless is housing counseling and services that improve their economic status. This involves focusing on stabilizing housing cost for LMI families, stabilizing neighborhoods, improving schools and expanding wealth through homeownership. Homeownership Counseling along with the affordable housing development projects help the City to reach this goal. The City funds housing counseling agencies who help clients to budget, repair credit, improve employment status and save for unexpected expenses. All of these services help families to stabilize their housing. These services work hand in hand with our homeless programs to help families emerging from homelessness to be more successful in making the transition.

Empath Partners in Care (EPIC) utilizes HOME funding to provide TBRA and HOPWA funding to provide TBRA, STMU, and supportive services to prevent homelessness. In PY 2023, these programs are expected to provide 430 households with supportive services, 43 households with STMU, and 86 households with TBRA.

The City refers to and partners with THHI in the care of homeless persons or at-risk of homelessness discharged from publicly supported institutions and systems of care in the City and the CoC. The City, THHI and the CoC members follow the Tampa/Hillsborough County CoC ESG Policy and Procedures of the CoC, which is approved by the CoC Executive Planning Committee. CoC policy describes that individuals and families are at risk of homelessness when exiting publicly funded institutions or systems of care. A requirement for obtaining this criteria is documentation of discharge from healthcare facilities, mental health facilities, foster care, other youth facilities or correction programs. Hospital records can also be used in the documentation of discharge. THHI and the CoC members can refer homeless persons to any of the various programs helping this group.

Some THHI programs for persons who have been discharged from systems of care or publicly funded institutions are programs such as the County Expungement Clinic and the Second Chance / Re-Entry Job Fair, which is held three times a year. The County Expungement Clinic offers county residents that have been charged with a crime the opportunity to have one criminal record sealed or expunged. The improvement to their record will help residents' opportunities for housing, employment and education. The clinic is facilitated bi-monthly in partnership with the State Attorney's Office 13th Judicial Circuit and the Hillsborough County Commission on the Status of Women. The Second Chance / Re-Entry Job Fair gives adults that have been charged with a felony and have recently emerged from homelessness with employment opportunities. The Job Fair features employers with openings and willing to hire those with criminal records.

Veterans exiting systems of care can be referred to the REVEILLE program which is a housing-first initiative partnered by THHI and several CoC member agencies and aimed to rapidly rehouse veterans and help them avoid homelessness. Supportive wrap-around services and case management is also provided to

help ensure a successful transition to permanent housing.

Discussion

Using the HMIS estimates in the NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment, provided by Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (CoC), the City of Tampa estimates that there are approximately 4,700 persons experiencing homelessness each year. It is noted that the CoC's jurisdiction is the entirety of Hillsborough County so the HMIS data is reflective of the County, with the majority of persons experiencing homelessness within the City. Due to the impacts of Hurricane Ian renters and homeowners of all income levels across the City were displaced. Cost burdened (paying over 30% of their income toward housing) and severely cost burdened (paying over 50% of their income toward housing) renters with extremely low income (30% or below AMI) are at the greatest risk of becoming homeless and have the greatest need. According to 2014 – 2018 CHAS data there are approximately 2,130 cost burdened renter households and 10,065 severely cost burdened renter households that have income below 30% of the AMI. The City estimates that there are approximately 12,195 households that are imminently at-risk of becoming homeless or have become homeless since the disaster. RUSH funds will be utilized to provide rapid rehousing, homeless prevention, and outreach services across the City. The additional outreach will be utilized to assist the homeless and newly homeless with navigating the homeless system and address urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, toiletries, etc.

Continued - Facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units.

The City and THHI are working continually to facilitate access for homeless households to attain affordable housing. Eligible homeless households working to gain self-sustainability are welcome to apply for any of the City's affordable housing programs including TBRA and the Mortgage Assistance Program. THHI offers a Speed Leasing program which provided financial incentives to landlords who rent to residents that experiencing homelessness or housing barriers. The program holds meetings and events quarterly and brings together households experiencing homelessness with landlords. Landlords are able exhibit available units and screen potential tenants, while potential tenants have an opportunity to meet several landlords and view opportunities for housing. The Speed Leasing program provides short-to-midterm rental and utility assistance needed for securing housing.

AP-70 HOPWA Goals– 91.220 (I)(3)

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:	
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family	443
Tenant-based rental assistance	294
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	47
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Total	784

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

Introduction:

The City of Tampa will continue to address the barriers to affordable housing as they relate to public policy barriers, financial barriers, and discriminatory barriers. The City of Tampa provides a monthly opportunity through the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee and the Human Rights Board meetings. At both meetings, the public and community partners can attend and provide feedback regarding program design and community needs. It is through these forums that the City is able to receive additional comments throughout the year, providing the opportunity for needed program updates to address barriers.

The City in partnership with Hillsborough County and the Tampa Housing Authority developed and approved the 2018-2022 Regional Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice. The AI utilized HUD's Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFH) format, which helped to identify contributing factors to fair housing issues. Through the assessment made in the AI, seven goals were created to address these contributing factors. They were:

GOAL 1: Increase the production and preservation of affordable housing units in a range of sizes within high opportunity areas and R/ECAPs

GOAL 2: Increase the supply of affordable, accessible housing in integrated settings for persons with disabilities including individuals who need supportive services

GOAL 3: Increase access to opportunity for persons residing in R/ECAPs or low opportunity areas

GOAL 4: Increase homeownership opportunities and improve equal access to credit and financial services for minorities and low-and moderate-income persons

GOAL 5: Increase awareness of Federal, state, and local fair housing laws and practices

GOAL 6: Increase potential for minorities, persons with disabilities, and other protected groups to move to areas of high opportunity

GOAL 7: Increase public investment and encourage private investment to address disparities in housing, proficient schools, employment opportunities, and services

The full regional AI with the description of goals can be downloaded at:

<https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/library/hillsborough/media-center/documents/affordable-housing/projects-plans-and-report-notices/10-21-20-analysis-impediments-to-fair-housing.pdf>

The City has not updated the current AI to match the 2022-2026 ConPlan cycle, however the City is planning to wait for guidance for the upcoming AFH Equity Plan that was noticed by HUD on February 9,

2023. This Equity Plan will provide a fair housing analysis, goals and strategy as well as community engagement. The Equity Plan will answer questions on demographics, segregation and integration, racially/ethnically concentrated areas of poverty (R/ECAP), access to community assets, access to affordable housing opportunities, access to homeownership and economic opportunity, and local/state policies and practices that impact fair housing in Tampa.

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

The City will continue to implement the following strategies to eliminate barriers to affordable housing:

- Implement the goals and objectives of the City’s Comprehensive Plan as it pertains to increasing the supply of affordable housing.
- Expedite permitting for affordable housing projects providing for efficient review and minimal delays.
- Provide incentives to assist in the provision of affordable housing such as the allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing, the reduction of parking and setback requirements, and reduction of impact fees.
- Allowance of affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.
- Prepare a printed inventory of publicly owned land suitable for affordable housing and develop a strategy for disposition of this land.
- Support affordable housing developments near transportation and major employment centers.
- Review policies, procedures, and regulations to determine the impact on the cost of housing. The following are some of the changes we hope to implement this year:
 - Subsidizing impact fees
 - Provide a subsidy to cover cost of the tree regulations
 - Assign two inspectors to affordable housing projects to provide consistency and reduce the permitting time.

Discussion:

N/A

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The City of Tampa recognizes that the needs of Tampa residents extend beyond housing and infrastructure. These needs include reducing lead-based paint hazards, reducing poverty through job creation and skill building, developing institutional structures, and enhancing coordination between public and private social service agencies.

The Housing and Community Development Division (HCD) plays a lead role in the development of housing and citizen support programs to serve the city's low- and moderate-income households, homeless, and disabled populations. HCD maintains and expands housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons and families in the city by:

- Preserving the city's housing stock through rehabilitation and repair assistance programs.
- Expanding the supply of affordable housing for lower income renters and owners, including first-time home buyers.
- Serving the needs of the homeless community and partnering with homeless service providers.
- Providing impartial, unbiased investigation services for discrimination complaints in the areas of employment, housing and public accommodation to any person who believes they have been discriminated against.
- Providing outreach activities by offering employment, housing and public accommodations seminars / workshops to keep the public informed about their civil rights.

The following is a list of actions that the City of Tampa intends to implement over the next program year to achieve success in addressing the housing and community development needs of LMI residents.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

One of the main strategies the City will take to address the obstacles of underserved needs is to partner and work with local agencies that are specialized in the areas of need in Tampa. For homeless needs, the City meets regularly with the local Counties, Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI), CoC members and a variety of nonprofit agencies to address the homeless issue in the Tampa Bay MSA. This coordinated effort will help the City to address homeless needs within the area.

The City will continue to outreach and provide bilingual services to address the growing affordable housing needs in the Hispanic community. The Housing and Community Development Division (HCD) consist of four sections and each section has a bilingual staff member. HCD translated the HCD webpage to offer a Spanish version. This includes translating all documents into Spanish.

While funding is limited and is an obstacle to meeting the needs of affordable housing in the City, the City works with partners to address this issue. The City funds new construction, owner-occupied rehab

programs; as well as a Water Utility Assistance program and storm water improvement tax waiver program to address the affordable housing needs of these underserved communities.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City of Tampa has selected a number of projects designed to increase the supply of affordable housing and increase access to sustainable housing options for low-income residents across the City. In particular, the City will fund programs through its CDBG allocation for housing counseling services and acquisition of land to develop affordable housing. Additionally, funded organizations will assist in processing applications for the City's Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP).

The City will work to acquire more land for affordable housing, starting with current city owned land that is suitable for affordable housing, aggressively pursue code enforcement liens on vacant property that can be used for affordable housing and the purchase of strategic properties along transit corridors and near to employment centers. The City will continue to work with Tampa Housing Authority to build multi-family housing and solicit other multifamily projects to help meet the growing need for affordable rentals. The City will continue to work with its Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) partners to develop affordable housing.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

In compliance with federal regulations, the City requires any housing unit built prior to January 1, 1978 to be tested for lead based paint prior to issuance of home improvement permits. The City of Tampa's housing programs have integrated the components of 24 CFR Part 35 into all of its policies and procedures governing federally assisted housing programs directly administered under the City and those contracted with subrecipient organizations. Programs affected include housing rehabilitation, acquisition, and TBRA as specified within 24 CFR Part 35.

The City disseminates printed information concerning lead-based paint hazards to all residents in the City's housing rehabilitation program. Lead hazard reduction or abatement actions are determined on a project-by-project basis. Compliance requirements with lead-based paint regulations are written into all subrecipient contract documents.

The City's housing rehabilitation contractors are certified and/or have received training in the identification of lead hazards, proper methods of paint stabilization, interim control, abatement procedures and rehabilitation activities.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The activities and accomplishments identified in this PY 2023 directly work towards reducing poverty in the City. The City requires meaningful output and outcome measures as a part of every subrecipient contract to ensure every effort is being made to address the poverty levels in our community. Funding is

provided for job training programs, vocational training and case management services, to help poverty-level families rise out of poverty.

The City partners with nonprofit agencies to ensure they have the tools and know how to secure funds that allow them to expand their services to poverty-level families.

CDBG funds are provided to the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County to support the SR150+ Initiative to increase access to affordable high-quality early education and care for children living in the City of Tampa that earn more than the qualifying income level of School Readiness but still cannot afford childcare. Families with low to moderate incomes in City of Tampa who are trying to work or get training to work may be eligible for School Readiness, which offers financial assistance for early child education and care so families can become financially self-sufficient, and their young children can be successful in school in the future.

CDBG funds are also awarded to CDC of Tampa's Tampa Vocational Institute to provide free pre-apprenticeship training to low-income individuals, age 18 and older, living in the City of Tampa, that desire to enter an apprenticeship program for the masonry, carpentry, and electrical trades. To quickly and effectively address both challenges, it is essential to provide job opportunities that extend beyond the \$20 per hour. CDC of Tampa recognizes that apprenticeship programs are a way to address the labor shortage for employers as well as provide an opportunity for individuals to obtain a high-wage job in industries that do not require college degrees and especially for those that face barriers such as those with little to no previous job experience, lower income workers, and those with backgrounds.

The City offers the HOME TBRA program to assist homeless families to access housing and case management services. Homebuyer programs help LMI households with homebuyer education and direct financial assistance to purchase homes and help stabilize families. Stable housing is one of the basic needs for LMI residents to become successful at meeting goals that further self-sufficiency and improve their quality of life. Additionally the HOPWA program provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) and Short Term Rent Mortgage and Utility Assistance (STMU) to persons with HIV/AIDs.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City's Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) continues to coordinate with Hillsborough County, THHI and other governmental agencies to address the homeless problem as well as affordable housing. The City has also been working more closely with the state legislator to address the needs of the community.

Each year the City's HCD, through its application process for HUD entitlement funds, provides Technical Assistance Webinars to cover CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA grant basics, national objectives, and eligible activities and uses of funds for each program. Technical assistance is provided for applicants and grantees

and technical assistance webinars are posted on the City website. Through the application process, the City is able to develop and increase the capacity of local service providers and as a result improve the delivery of program services in Tampa.

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

The City of Tampa’s HCD plans to continue working with for-profit and nonprofit partner agencies, including the Tampa Housing Authority, Hillsborough County, The Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI), CoC homeless service providers, HOPWA sponsors, builders and developers, lenders and individual agencies to foster and maintain affordable housing and provide support services that address the needs of the community.

The City continues to work to strengthen these relationships by providing technical assistance and helping our partners to secure additional funding to promote affordable housing. The City provides trainings as needed to assist nonprofit agencies to hone their administrative and service delivery skills. The trainings include: Income Calculation, NeighborWorks Housing Counseling training, trainings for Human Rights advocates and Fair Housing Training. As mentioned earlier, the City also provides technical assistance for potential housing service providers through the application process. Affordable housing developers are also offered developer support for the development of multi-family housing development by way of HOME funds and support for tax credit applications. Detailed information on this process can be found on the City website at: <https://www.tampa.gov/housing-and-community-development/funding-resources>

The City facilitates coordination with public and private housing and social service agencies, including partnering with the Tampa Housing Authority to develop the West River Development project that includes funding from CDBG and HOME program funds. This includes the West River Development project which encompasses the Renaissance (160 RAD units with 4% tax credits) and Bethune High Rise (150 RAD units with 4% tax credits), which were recently completed. There are several other projects that the City and THA are coordinating on and are anticipated to be completed in future program years.

Discussion:

N/A

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

This section describes the program specific requirements for CDBG, HOME HOPWA and ESG.

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

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	238,248
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	238,248

Other CDBG Requirements

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

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

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

N/A

- 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:**

The City of Tampa uses the recapture option in 24 CFR 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(1) to ensure long-term affordability of the assisted property. The entire amount of the direct HOME subsidy becomes due and payable upon transfer of ownership interest during any point of the affordability period. The affordability periods are determined by the subsidy dollar levels and programs. The recapture requirement is subject to the limitations of the mortgage documents in place when the recapture requirement is triggered by a sale (voluntary or involuntary) of the housing unit. The amount recaptured cannot exceed the net proceeds, if any (or the amount of the HOME subsidy). The net proceeds are the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and any closing costs. To secure the city's investment throughout the affordability period, the City uses a mortgage note attached to each property in the amount of the assistance. HOME funding language is included in all contract documents. The City's HOME program policy and procedures as well as the mortgage and contract documents are available for public review at the City's HCD Office.

See the City's HOME Resale and Recapture Policy attached in the AP-26.

- 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:**

The City of Tampa uses the recapture provision in 24 CFR 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(1) to ensure long-term affordability of the assisted property. The full amount of the direct HOME subsidy becomes due and payable upon transfer of ownership interest during any point of the affordability period. To impose and ensure the affordability and recapture provision, the City uses a mortgage note attached to each property in the amount of assistance. The City's HOME program policy and procedures, as well as the mortgage and contract documents, are available for public review at the City's HCD Office.

Resale: This option ensures that the HOME-assisted units remain affordable over the entire affordability period. The Resale method is used in cases where HOME funding is provided directly to a developer (or CHDO) to reduce development costs, thereby, making the price of the home affordable to the buyer. Referred to as a "Development Subsidy," these funds are not repaid by the developer to the PJ, but remain with the property for the length of the affordability period for units sold to eligible buyers. Specific examples where the City of Tampa would use the resale method

include:

1. providing funds for the developer to acquire property to be developed or to acquire affordable ownership units,
2. providing funds for site preparation or improvement,
3. providing funds for construction materials and labor,
4. conveying land purchased with HOME funds for development of housing units.

Recapture: The City of Tampa uses the recapture option in 24 CFR 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(1) to ensure long-term affordability of the assisted property once sold to an eligible buyer. The entire amount of the direct HOME subsidy becomes due and payable upon transfer of ownership interest during any point of the affordability period. The affordability periods are determined by the subsidy dollar levels and programs. The recapture requirement is subject to the limitations of the mortgage documents in place when the recapture requirement is triggered by a sale (voluntary or involuntary) of the housing unit. The full Recapture policy has been uploaded to the AD-25.

Below is the affordability periods by HOME program amount and number of years.

HOME Program Assistance Amount / Affordability Period

\$1,000-\$14,99.99 = 5 years

\$15,000-\$40,000 = 10 years

More than \$40,000 = 15 years

Reconstruction or New Construction = 20 years (as per the City of Tampa Policy)

See the City's HOME Resale and Recapture Policy attached in the AP-26

- 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 does not anticipate using any HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing units that are being rehabilitated. In the event that it becomes necessary to refinance such existing debt, the City will seek HUD's prior approval as needed on a case-by-case basis.

- 5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with**

special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

The City of Tampa's TBRA program does not have a preference for persons with a disability, however TBRA activities are targeted to homeless individuals and families at or below 80% AMI. This housing subsidy assistance is based on household income and the number of persons in the household.

- 6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).**

The City of Tampa does not have a preference for persons with a disability with HOME program funds. The City has identified a need to provide housing subsidy programs such as TBRA for persons living with HIV/AIDS in its Consolidated Plan, however these individuals are funded through the City's HOPWA program. The City prioritizes homeless individuals and families with HOME program funds, and will utilize HOME funds to provide a tenant-based rental assistance program for persons who are extremely low- and low-income households that are experiencing homelessness or unstably housed. This preference is needed to narrow the gap in services for this group as it will prevent the return to homelessness and allow for a housing first strategy, which is to house the individual and household stably to allow for successful case management and that referred services are received.

- 7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).**

No preference is given to any particular segment of the population with rental housing projects funded by the City's HOME program funds. Pursuant to 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3), an owner of a rental housing project assisted with HOME funds must comply with the affirmative marketing requirements established by the City of Tampa in accordance with 24 CFR 92.351(a). The owner of the rental housing project must adopt and follow the written tenant selection policies and criteria, which include that it may give a preference to a particular segment of the population if permitted in its written agreement with the PJ such as persons with a disability or other special needs. Currently, there is no preference for persons with a disability or special needs groups, however HOME funds must however target low- to moderate-income households. The City does not discriminate and provides equal access to all eligible households in the HOME program.

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

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

The City of Tampa issues an RFA for funding consideration under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) grant program. ESG funding was available for emergency shelter and housing services for homeless persons throughout the City of Tampa.

- No more than 7.5% of Emergency Solutions Grant funds may be utilized for administrative costs.
- ESG Project Sponsors must ensure the consistent participation in UNITY the local Homeless Management and Information (HMIS) system administered by the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative.
- Successful Applicants must utilize the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative's Coordinated Intake and Assessment System (CI&A). Further, the successful Applicant will establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the community organizations participating in the Coordinated Intake & Assessment (CI&A) process established by the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative.
- The awarded agencies must also agree to abide by the policies and procedures written and provided by the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative any subsequent amendments. ESG grant funds must be matched, dollar for dollar, with locally generated amounts.

The 24 CFR 578 requires the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative (THHI) CoC to consult with ESG grantees in its area in developing written standards. The City adheres to the CoC's written standards and subrecipients have the responsibility of developing policies and procedures specific to the Federal program with the CoC. The City's Policies and Procedures states that ESG subrecipients must follow the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative's Coordinated Intake and Assessment Process.

The City's ESG Policies and Procedures with written standards has been uploaded to the AD-25.

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

The Tampa Hillsborough CoC has adopted the Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) as the method to assess individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness. The VI-SPDAT is an evidence-informed approach to assessing an individual's or family's acuity. The tool, across multiple components, prioritizes who to serve next and why, while concurrently identifying the areas in the person/family's life where support is most likely necessary in order to avoid housing instability.

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).

ESG funds are only awarded through the RFA process. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, applicants were unable to attend a mandatory workshop where they are given the opportunity to ask questions about the application, process and requirements. A taped webinar was available at www.tampagov.net/hcdf for three weeks explaining the application process and requirements. They are given approximately two weeks to ask additional questions before submitting their application. Applications are reviewed by a review committee made up of subject matter experts and are scored during a public meeting, which applicants are encouraged to attend. Following the review meeting, City staff verify that all requirements have been met and awards are announced.

- 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 Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative is the lead entity for the Continuum of Care (COC) planning process in Tampa and Hillsborough County. The Initiative is responsible for establishing and maintaining strategic efforts to develop long-term constructive solutions that address the underlying causes of homelessness as well as meet the immediate needs of currently homeless people. The City of Tampa is an active partner in working with the Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative to develop the Continuum of Care needs assessments and strategically plan the use of community resources.

The City is unable to meet the requirement of 576.405 (a) as the Board is made up of elected officials. Due to this the City has developed a plan to consult with homeless or formerly homeless individuals. The City will develop a program participant survey that garners feedback from persons previously or currently experiencing homelessness served in the ESG program. The City will include the procedure for administering the survey in the ESG policies and procedures manual and require all subrecipients to administer the survey to participants as they exit the program. The City will review the homeless participant surveys on a quarterly basis and will consider the feedback provided from the surveys when reviewing policies and procedures, performance standards, and when making program decisions.

- 5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.**

The City of Tampa adheres to using IDIS as the main reporting tool for the ESG program. ESG providers are also required to submit their HMIS data in the SAGE HMIS reporting system. In addition, the City requires that all providers awarded with City ESG funds use and maintain an active participant role in using the local HMIS known as UNITY. Both IDIS and UNITY capture the federally required reporting fields to assist in evaluating the program goals and objectives.

City of Tampa ESG providers are also asked to submit quarterly reports which mirror the reporting

forms in IDIS. As a result, the City is able to review program goals and objectives quarterly to ensure that goals are being met. The City also conducts onsite monitoring to ensure that program compliance is being met.

The written performance standards.

Rapid Rehousing and Homeless Prevention Performance Standards:

Performance Metric 1: The length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

Goal: The length of time participants spend from project entry to residential move in should be on average between 15 – 25 days.

Performance Metric 2: The extent to which individuals and families who leave homelessness experience additional spells of homelessness. (If data is available)

Goal: Participants that return to homelessness within 12 months of exit into a permanent housing destination should be less than 20%.

Performance Metric 3: The extent to which participants exit the program to a positive housing destination.

Goal: Minimum of 85% of participants exit the program to a positive housing destination.

Performance Metric 4: Jobs and income growth for homeless individuals and families.

Goal: Adult participants increase their employment or non-employment income by a minimum of 35% by project exit.

Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach Performance Standards:

Performance Metric 1: The thoroughness of grantees in the geographic area in reaching unsheltered homeless individuals and families.

Goal: 80% or more of participants entering the program have a prior living situation of “place not meant for human habitation”

Performance Metric 2: Jobs and income growth for homeless individuals and families.

Goal: Adult participants increase their employment or non-employment income by a minimum of 25% by project exit.

HOPWA Method for selecting project sponsors:

The Housing and Community Development Division (HCD) released Request for Proposals for HOPWA projects in PY 2023. Information on the application and eligible programs was located on HCD's website while the application was open. Potential sponsors are welcome to view the funding available and eligible and ineligible uses.

Each year, staff review every application. The applications were provided to the reviewers and the Reviews/Scoring was completed during the development of the plan. Reviewers were selected who had knowledge of the programs to be funded through the various grants to help reduce subjectivity. The Reviewers attended a workshop to review the rating form and guidelines for reviewing the applications. All Reviewers were required to sign a conflict of interest form, which was reviewed prior to final selection. Based on the scores from the Reviewers and the staff threshold evaluations, the HOPWA agencies were awarded.