

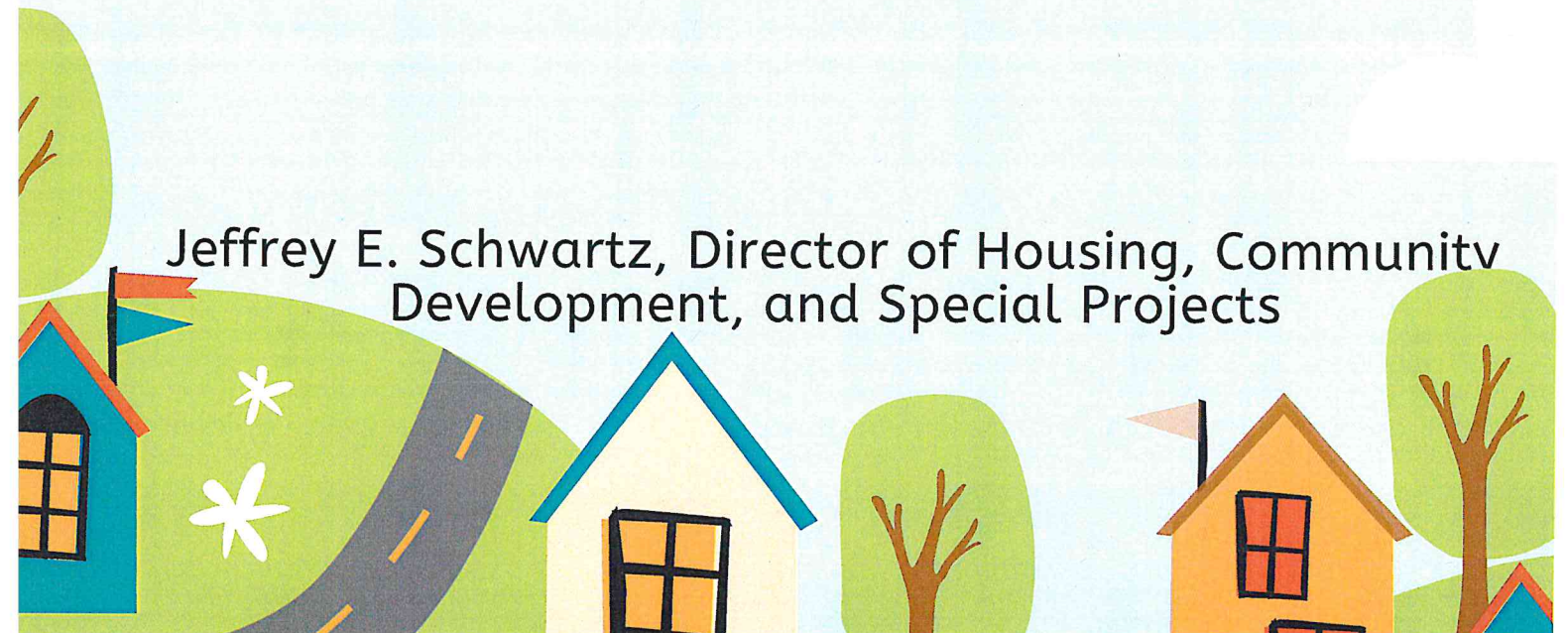
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2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction:

The Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan, enables the CNO-OCD to utilize federal funds to provide affordable housing, provide quality community development services, improve neighborhoods and create opportunities for its citizens. OCD's vision is where all New Orleans citizens live in vibrant neighborhoods with a range of safe, quality housing options, with access to jobs, services, and neighborhood amenities that support individuals and families' well-being and quality of life. Mayor Helena Moreno has said from day one of her administration that 'Working together as "1 Team All In for New Orleans, getting the Job Done, is the Top Priority".

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

The CNO-OCD will continue addressing its priorities and goals, supporting the development of quality affordable housing options and community development services to income-eligible persons in 2026. OCD has a strong partnership with housing partners that include HANO, Unity GNO, NORA, FNO, SLLS, GNOHA and Affordable Housing Developers and Non-Profit Organizations, developing quality housing options citywide.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The past performance evaluation of OCD in 2025 remained on track, administering the following housing programs and community development services: Development of Quality Rental Housing Options, Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation, Direct Homebuyer Assistance Program, Homeless Prevention and Public services to aid youth and elderly residents. In 2026, OCD will continue to review its past performance expanding a wider net to include additional organizations as Community Stakeholders.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) Process: The CNO-OCD has devised specific actions to encourage input and engagement in its quality housing options and community development services. Community Stakeholders and Citizens are encouraged to provide input into all aspects of the CNO's consolidated planning activities – including assessing and identifying community needs, setting priorities, establishing goals, and performance evaluations. Through two (2) public hearings the City encourages citizen input on housing and community development needs on how federal funds will be expended.

5. Summary of public comments

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

OCD conducted its 2026 AAP 1st Public Hearing, April 16, 2026 at NORA 1409 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. from 5:30-6:30pm in the Central City neighborhood with 23 people attending the meeting. Engagement and input from those in attendance centered on the need for affordable rental and homeownership options & neighborhood revitalization in the lower 9th ward and New Orleans East, as well as, funding opportunities for small developers/contractors.

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

All comments are accepted.

7. Summary:

The CNO-OCD 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan's 'Citizen Participation Plan' (CPP) utilizes Outreach via e-mail to Community Stakeholders & Citizens announcing Public Hearing meetings' location and dates for citizen engagement and input. Citizens are provided the opportunity to participate and comment on the development of the following required plans: Consolidated Plan (Con Plan), Annual Action Plan (AAP) & Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) submitted by the CNO-OCD to the Federal - Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Department. (See 2022-2026 Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) Appendix A for public hearing Outreach Notices & comment forms)

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	NEW ORLEANS	
CDBG Administrator		Office of Community Development
HOPWA Administrator		Office of Community Development
HOME Administrator		Office of Community Development
ESG Administrator		Office of Community Development
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The CNO-OCD's consolidated planning process serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify housing & community development priorities. The Consolidated Plan (CP) is carried out through the Annual Action Plan (AAP). The AAP provide a concise summary of the actions, activities, and specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the CP.

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

1. Introduction

The mission of the Office of Community Development (OCD) is to facilitate the development and preservation of quality housing, and suitable living environments for income eligible individuals and families. The Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan enables the City of New Orleans to utilize federal funds to improve its neighborhoods, to provide housing options and community development services to citizens citywide. OCD collaborates and coordinates continuously with an expanding list of public partners, developers/non-profit organizations, public service agencies, governmental health, and mental health.

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(l)):

OCD & HANO continues its collaboration and coordination efforts in addressing public, assisted housing, and housing options services with one another. OCD’s Consultation process undertakes activities to broaden and encourage meaningful collaboration with our Community Stakeholders. The Consultation process provides the opportunity to cast a wide net in identifying numerous Community Stakeholders throughout the community as they work with OCD serving as messengers to Citizens, encouraging participation, engagement, input, and feedback in the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) process. Community Stakeholders are listed in the 2022-2026 Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) (see - Appendix-A) serving as receivers throughout OCD’s Outreach Methodology Process utilized to encourage engagement, input, and feedback on how funds for the four (4) formula grants: HOME, CDBG, ESG & HOPWA should be prioritized (based on identified community need) to provide housing options and community development services to income-eligible individuals and families in the City of New Orleans. In addition, OCD’s HOME NOFA Application process has priority scoring for ‘Project Amenities’ which includes providing Broadband Wi-Fi to individuals and families addressing the narrowing digital divide. OCD does not independently consult with broadband providers; however, OCD does participate with the provider selected by the “City” through their RFP process.

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 CNO-OCD continues its collaboration with Unity GNO and many of its sixty (60+) member agencies to determine the best means to allocate ESG funds. VIA Link continues to maintain data on the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). All providers use the same coordinated system. The homeless have access to the Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC) which is a one-stop shop resource and day shelter that provides resource linkage based upon the homeless needs. In 2025, based on Unity of Greater New Orleans (Unity GNO) the Point-in-Time Count (PIT) for the unhoused continued to impact 1,563 unhoused persons in the New Orleans area, marking a continued rise for the sixth year. According to Unity of Greater New Orleans, the 2025 count consisted of: 1,128 people in shelters and 435 unhoused people. Lack of housing remains a barrier to the health, safety, well-being, employment, and education individuals and families. The City's Office of Homeless Services & Strategies (OHSS) continues to create solutions to assist the unhoused population by expanding resources, outreach methods and partnerships with Unity GNO.

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:

OCD's Consultation process involves collaboration with Unity of Greater New Orleans (Unity GNO) and several of its sixty (60+) members providing unhoused individuals and families and the chronically unhoused population through a Coordinated Entry System (CES). CES is a multi-step process that identifies appropriate housing and services outcome for unhoused persons in need. The goal of CES is to increase the efficiency of local response, improving fairness and ease of access to resources. This multi-faceted effort utilizing ESG funding is part of Unity's Strategic Plan. In addition, OCD continues to collaborate with Unity of Greater New Orleans as the organization reports data from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), designated by the Continuum of Care to comply with HUD's data collection, management, and reporting standards. The CNO-OCD releases a request for proposals through the competitive NOFA process to distribute the ESG allocation. It is publicized via advertisement in the Advocate/Times Picayune Newspaper, on City website, announced at New Orleans Interagency council meetings and emailed to all prior year sub-recipients, as well as any other agencies that express an interest.

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: (See Table 2 Below)**

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p> <p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p> <p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p> <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>Housing Authority of New Orleans</p> <p>Housing PHA</p> <p>Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs</p> <p>The CNO & HANO collaborate to address the goals identified in the jointly produced in the 2026 Assessment of Fair Housing Plan. OCD & HANO collaborates on a continuous basis through e-mails, meetings, and public hearings to work together to produce affordable housing for income-eligible individuals and families citywide.</p>
2	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p> <p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p> <p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Unity of Greater New Orleans</p> <p>Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless</p> <p>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 HOPWA Strategy Market Analysis</p>

	<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The CNO-OCD and Unity GNO is consulted through e-mails, public hearings, and meetings to address ending homelessness, as well as, provide homeless preventive services with wrap-around supportive services, including education, addressing unemployment health, and social service needs for special needs populations and services for Housing Opportunities for People Living with HIV/AIDS.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p> <p>Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center</p>	
	<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p> <p>Service-Fair Housing Other government - State Planning organization</p>	
	<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p> <p>Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis</p>	
	<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The CNO-OCD and La FHAC consultation is through e-mails, public hearings and meetings to address the need for affordable housing citywide and in High Opportunity Zones (HOZ)/Target Areas to provide quality housing to income-eligible individuals and families in New Orleans. The CNO-OCD continues to work together addressing the goals stated in the CNO-OCD - HANO's 2016 Assessment of Fair Housing Plan, addressing affirmatively furthering fair housing to increase quality equitable affordable housing for income-eligible individuals & families citywide.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p> <p>Southeast Louisiana Legal Services</p>	
	<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p> <p>Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Other government - State</p>	

<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis</p>
<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The CNO-OCD and SLLS consultation is through e-mails, public hearings and meetings to address the need for affordable housing to prevent eviction and provide legal services to income-eligible individuals and families in New Orleans, facing eviction, as well as, providing assistance to income-eligible homeowners not able to pay their mortgage. OCD and SLLS continues to work together addressing the goals stated in the CNO-OCD - HANO's 2016 Assessment of Fair Housing Plan. In addition, SLLS addresses fair housing complaints, as well as, affirmatively furthering fair housing to increase quality equitable affordable housing for income-eligible individuals & families citywide.</p>
<p>5 Agency/Group/Organization</p>	<p>NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY</p>
<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p>	<p>Housing Services - Housing Other government - Local</p>
<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis</p>
<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The CNO-OCD consults with NORA through public hearings, e-mails, and meetings. NORA is a neighborhood revitalization catalyst creating opportunities to improve the lives of citizens through blight reduction, housing, and property investment which is consistent with OCD's goals addressing neighborhood stabilization.</p>
<p>6 Agency/Group/Organization</p>	<p>Greater New Orleans Housing Alliance</p>
<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p>	<p>Housing Planning organization</p>

<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis</p>
<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The CNO-OCD consults with GNOHA through e-mails and public hearings to address the need for affordable housing for the residents of New Orleans.</p>

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

The CNO-OCD consults primarily with housing & homeless prevention agencies driven by the priorities identified in the City's Consolidated Plan (CP): The CNO-OCD mission facilitates the development & preservation of quality housing and suitable living environments for eligible income persons, as well as, homeless prevention services. Other publicly funded institutions/agencies, private sector businesses are not consulted.

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	Unity of Greater New Orleans	Unity GNO is a non-profit organization coordinating community partnerships to end homelessness, leading a collaborative of over 60 Continuum of Care (CoC) agencies whose goal is to reduce and end homelessness. OCD's goal is consistent with Unity, providing CoC agencies with competitive funding to end homelessness for individuals & families citywide.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative:

The CNO-OCD collaborates with the listed Organizations throughout the year, working together to provide quality affordable housing and community development services to eligible individuals and families citywide. OCD's HOME Affordable Housing NOFA Application process has priority scoring for 'Project Amenities' which includes providing Broadband Wi-Fi to Individuals and Families addressing the narrowing digital divide. Through OCD's NOFA process Outreach is provided to Non-Profit and For-Profit Organizations via e-mail announcing the availability of federal funding to provide housing options to Individual and Families. OCD does not independently consult with broadband providers; however, OCD does participate with the provider selected by the "City" through their RFP process. In addition, NOLA does Consultation and Outreach via e-mail and on the website to Resilience specific agencies announcing RFP's and Public Hearings.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The Citizen Participation Planning process is ongoing communication between the CNO, Citizens, Community Stakeholders, and interested groups are encouraged to provide input into all aspects of the CNO’s consolidated planning activities – including assessing and identifying people/community needs, setting priorities & establishing goals, as well as, performance evaluation. The CNO provides a continuous platform for citizens to contribute information, ideas, opinions, feedback and comments (verbal and or written) on how residents can benefit from the four (4) formula HUD grants programs and provide input on how the funds can be utilized, to provide quality housing and community development services.

Citizen Participation Outreach: (See Table Below)

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Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
1	Public Meeting	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>OCD conducted its 2026 AAP 1st Public Hearing, April 16, 2026 at the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA) 1409 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. from 5:30-6:30pm in the Central City neighborhood.</p> <p>Attendance at the public hearing included twenty (20) Community Stakeholders/Citizens and three (3) OCD staff members totaling twenty-three (23). Discussion revolved around the need for affordable rental & homeownership city wide.</p>	<p>No written comments were received from the 1st Public Hearing. Comments from Stakeholders & Citizens at the meeting focused on the need for more affordable rentals & homeownership. A detailed summary is in the Citizen Participation Plan - Appendix A.</p>	<p>All Comments 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 (if applicable)
2	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>The 1st & 2nd Public Hearing Notices for the 2026 (AAP) are advertised in the local Advocate/Times Picayune Newspaper, a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the meeting to perform outreach notifying the public, encourage attendance to provide input on the 2026 AAP.</p>	<p>No comments were received from the advertisement of the two (2) Public Hearings for the 2026 AAP. A detailed summary of the discussion at both public hearings is included in the CPP Appendix-A.</p>	<p>All comments 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 (if applicable)
3	Internet Outreach	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>The Draft 2026 Annual Action Plan was released XXXX for a 30 day review & comment period: June 1st thru June 30th, The public notice is advertised in the newspaper, CNO-OCD website, emailed to Community Stakeholders who act as messengers to citizens, the Main Library & Branch locations, and placed on the CNO-OCD webpage Community Development - Home - City of New Orleans</p>	<p>Detailed Comments for the Draft 2026 Annual Action Plan can be found in the Citizen Participation Plan Appendix A</p>		<p>Community Development - Home - City of New Orleans</p>

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The CNO-OCD will use prior year funding to support the 2026 HUD allocation amount of \$19,824,340.02 to address the projects described in the AP-35 section of the Plan. The City understands the important role in providing housing options to promote stronger communities and the overall importance of creating a greater quality of life for individuals and families in Orleans parish. Through this plan, federal funding provides the City of New Orleans to build or preserve housing options that include: rental units, homeownership opportunities, owner-occupied rehabilitation, rental rehabilitation, special needs population services, unsheltered prevention services, emergency shelter services, public improvements, and job training.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	12,521,807.00	0.00	0.00	12,521,807.00	The City of New Orleans obligates no more than the statutory limit of 15% of its CDBG funds each year to public service activities & 20% to office operations and administration. The focus of CDBG funding is on youth employment, recreation, senior services, street and housing repair and homeownership assistance.
							Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ 0.00

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				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	2,255,948.02	0.00	0.00	2,255,948.02	The City is in partnership with non-profit organizations & developers funding new construction and rehabilitation projects for affordable rental units, homeownership and direct rental assistance to low-income residents.
							Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ 0.00

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: \$		
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities STRMU Supportive services TBRA	3,941,950.00	0.00	0.00	3,941,950.00	0.00	The City utilizes these funds to assist persons affected with HIV/AIDS. These services include facility-based housing, housing information services, permanent supportive housing, short term rental mortgage & utility assistance and tenant based rental assistance. The funding serves individuals/families in the eligible Metropolitan areas that include Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Tammany, Plaquemines, & St. John Parishes.

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: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	1,104,635.00	0.00	0.00	1,104,635.00	The City serves close to 3,000 individuals who are imminently homeless or living on the street, by providing shelter operations, rapid rehousing services, emergency shelters, homeless prevention and permanent to low-income individuals/families to remain housed and prevent them from living on the street.
Other	public - federal	Public Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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

In implementing match requirements, the HOME Program stresses the importance of leveraging Federal money with external sources, which may be private, foundation, nonprofit, and/or local dollars. OCD's Match obligation for HOME amounts to 12.5%. For HOME, the City's NHIF & Go-

Bonds funds are used as a match requirement. In addition, the following can be used as a HOME Match: Cash or cash equivalents from non-Federal sources, Value of waived taxes, fees, or charges associated with HOME projects; Value of donated land or real property; Cost of infrastructure improvements associated with HOME projects; A percentage of the proceeds of single- or multifamily housing bonds issued by state, state instrumentality or local government; Value of donated materials, equipment, labor, and professional services; Sweat equity; Direct costs of supportive services to residents of HOME projects, and Direct costs of homebuyer counseling to families purchasing homes with HOME assistance. ESG Matching funds: Sub-Recipients are required to secure matching funds in an amount equal to its ESG funding amount unless exempted on grounds of severe incapacity to provide matching funds based on information submitted in grant application. Additional points are provided to agencies contributing matching funds in excess of the required dollar for dollar match. Matching contributions may be obtained from any source, including any federal source other than the ESG program, such as CDBG, as well as State, local, and private sources. The release of the competitive HOME & ESG Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) application includes a Match requirement. Part of the scoring criteria for NOFA applicants include: Match/Leveraging of non-federal funds, capacity & financial accountability is measured, by OCD's NOFA Technical Review Team.

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

N/A

Discussion

OCD will continue to move forward providing affordable housing and community development services to low-to-moderate-income individuals and families Citywide.

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	Public Facility	2022	2026	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Homeless Prevention Non-Housing Community Development		Non-Housing Community Development services Citywide
2	Development of New Rental Housing	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing		Quality Rental Housing for income-eligible individuals & families.
3	Rehabilitate Existing Rental Housing Stock	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing		Rental Rehabilitation for individuals & families remain in their homes.
4	Stabilize Owner & Rental Occupied Housing Stock	2022	2026	Affordable Housing Homeless	Citywide	Affordable Housing		Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation for individuals & families remain in their home.
5	Provide New Homebuyer Assistance	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing		Homeowner Housing

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
6	Provide Homeless Prevention Assistance	2022	2026	Homeless	Citywide	Homeless Prevention	ESG: \$1,104,635.00	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1300 Persons Assisted
7	Prevent Homelessness HIV/AIDS	2022	2026	Affordable Housing Homeless	Citywide			Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1300 Persons Assisted
8	Code Enforcement Demolition	2022	2026	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Neighborhood Stabilization		Blight Elimination
9	Job Training	2022	2026	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Job Training		Jobs created/retained: 43 Jobs
10	Public Service	2022	2026	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Public Service		Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4635 Persons Assisted
11	Acquisition Rehabilitation of Blighted Properties	2022	2026	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing Neighborhood Stabilization		Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 750 Household Housing Unit
12	Economic Development	2022	2026		Citywide			

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Facility
	Goal Description	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: over 1,300 served. Homeless Prevention services over 1,000 persons served.
2	Goal Name	Development of New Rental Housing
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Rehabilitate Existing Rental Housing Stock
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Stabilize Owner & Rental Occupied Housing Stock
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Provide New Homebuyer Assistance
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Provide Homeless Prevention Assistance
	Goal Description	
7	Goal Name	Prevent Homelessness HIV/AIDS
	Goal Description	
8	Goal Name	Code Enforcement Demolition
	Goal Description	
9	Goal Name	Job Training
	Goal Description	

10	Goal Name	Public Service
	Goal Description	
11	Goal Name	Acquisition Rehabilitation of Blighted Properties
	Goal Description	
12	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Projects

#	Project Name

Table 7 - Project Information

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

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

Project Name	Target Area	Goals Supported	Needs Addressed	Funding	Description	Target Date
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AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The CNO-OCD provides quality housing options and community development services citywide to income-eligible individuals and families citywide.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Pontchartrain Park	
CENTRAL CITY	
Citywide	100
Gerttown	
Seventh Ward	
Hollygrove	
Mid City	
BW Cooper	
St. Roch	
Lower Ninth Ward	
Riverview/Landry	
N.O. East	
Orleans Parish	
Bywater	
Treme	
New Marigny	

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The CNO-OCD continues to provide quality rental housing options Citywide, including the above Place-Based Areas (PBA), creating neighborhood stabilization & access to amenities. Many of the Place-Based Areas (PBA) are considered High Opportunity Zones (HOZ). OCD Affordable Housing NOFA has priority scoring for proposed quality rental housing options located in Place-Based Areas (PPA) & the High Opportunity Zones listed above.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

According to the City’s Housing Trust Fund (HTC) Committee most renter households earning less than \$35,000 per year are severely cost burdened, paying more than 50% of their income on housing costs.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	1,300
Non-Homeless	390
Special-Needs	398
Total	2,088

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	398
The Production of New Units	390
Rehab of Existing Units	362
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	1,150

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

Discussion:

The resources available through HUD entitlement grants helps the city to address the rising rents, however there is still work to be done. In addition, the City’s Housing Trust Fund (HTF) is dedicated funding to bring relief to individuals' and families not able to pay the high cost of housing. The CNO-OCD will continue in 2026 to ensure access to and increase the production of quality rental housing options for income-eligible individuals and families in Orleans parish.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) implements a variety of strategies addressing the shortage of affordable housing in the City of New Orleans (CNO) and is consistent with the CNO-OCD 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan (CP). HANO links many of the broader community affordable housing development strategies currently underway through ongoing collaboration with the CNO-OCD and Community Stakeholders. HANO's core strategies focus on maximizing housing opportunities for income-eligible individuals & families through continuous program improvements, facility management, and maintaining economic sustainability.

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

In 2026, HANO is making upgrades to one of its housing developments. HANO's residential community 'The Estates', provides 425 mixed income units & 127 public housing units. The maintenance team is actively working to enhance the units to meet industry standards. Upgrades include new flooring, appliances, smoke detectors, doors, kitchen and bathroom finishes, plumbing and A/C repair, and a fresh coat of paint. In addition, regarding all of HANO's housing developments citywide, HANO envisions better connectivity to downtown and the Business District, as well as, additional amenities such as banks, restaurants, grocery stores, training centers, and green infrastructure, along with increased affordable housing and jobs.

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

HANO's Resident Advisory Board (RAB) takes an active role in representing fellow tenants at established agency meetings. RAB is involved with the review and consultation of any changes or revisions to the Agency Plan prior to HUD's approval, and implementation. The Client Services Department has a mission to promote, establish and implement programs to empower residents to become self-sufficient and to support them through opportunities for social services, education, job training, and employment. Client Services has established successful collaborations with partnering entities as well as community agencies, with the goal of assisting residents in entering the workforce, obtaining GED and college degrees, saving towards homeownership, developing entrepreneurship opportunities, as well as developing programs for prevention and awareness medical, and mental health issues that impact the community.

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

HANO is not designated as troubled PHA

Discussion:

HANO's Homeownership Program continues to help hundreds of families achieve the dream of first-time homeownership. The program allows eligible Housing Choice Voucher participants to apply their voucher subsidy toward a mortgage rather than rental assistance, creating opportunities for long-term housing stability and generational wealth.

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

Introduction:

The CNO-OCD continues to work with Unity-GNO providing services to prevent homelessness to individuals & families citywide. In addition, CNO-OCD collaborates with the City's Office of Homeless Strategies & Services (OHSS) in response to homelessness. In 2025 included following activities were conducted: 1. Targeted Encampment Decommissioning of 300 individuals unhoused (living on the street), 2. Coordinated Housing Navigation unsheltered individuals 3. Amplified & Accelerated Exits from Shelter to Housing for 496 individuals. Through the City's Office of Homeless Services & Strategies over 1,300 individuals are housed, meeting its goal of 1,500 by 92%.

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

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

The City uses the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) to fund Rapid Re-housing activities, which are activities to help homeless individuals and families move into permanent housing. These funds minimize an individual's time on the street and a voucher to move into housing. They also help individuals develop the resources to maintain permanent affordable housing. In conjunction with these efforts, the City increased the availability of permanent supportive housing, affordable housing, and explored opportunities to reorganize existing housing stock to better serve the needs of homeless constituents.

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

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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:

The CNO-OCD continues work with subrecipient ESG service providers utilizing the Coordinated Entry System (CES) through the Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT). VI-SPDAT is a pre-screening tool or triage, designed to be useful for the Continuum of Care's (CoC) Coordinated Entry System's and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to refer to housing options based on the individuals and families need. Moving forward with the goal of economic security, the goal links homeless individuals and families with resources across local, state, and federal systems, with particular focus on locating housing and income-related benefits by developing capacity for job training among provider agencies via collaboration with the CNO's Office of Workforce Development Job-1, as well as, the private-business sector.

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

The City works with UNITY of Greater New Orleans (Unity GNO) and the agencies of Unity's Continuum of Care (CoC) agencies to expand centralized intake through the Coordinated Entry System (CES) to increase access to services, to identify the unhoused living on the streets or in abandoned and unsafe dwellings, address need and services specific to identified sub-populations of homeless constituents, and ensure unsheltered clients establish immediate linkages to low barrier transitional shelters, safe havens, and emergency shelters, while also connecting them with permanent housing resources. Goals addressed are the targeted to address housing, health, social services and employment through wrap around services.

Discussion

The CNO-OCD continues to provide a holistic approach for ESG services to individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis or access to the CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES) for all those seeking homeless services. Included in the CES: entry points, level of services, priority match, assessment, referral, the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and system evaluation. Due to scarce resources, it is not guaranteed that an individual or family will be referred into a CoC program.

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	77
Tenant-based rental assistance	144
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	84
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	147
Total	452

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

Introduction:

According to the City’s Housing Trust Fund (HTC) Committee addressing community needs, the following data analysis is provided. Nearly 70% of rental & homeowner households earning \$35,000-\$50,000 per year are cost-burdened or severely cost burdened.

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 Climate & Community Institute worked with Housing NOLA to analyze increased housing insurance premiums in New Orleans and across Louisiana. Cost have increased by 43% causing cost burden for residents. The CNO-OCD will continue its efforts to produce and preserve quality housing options through its Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) competitive process, funding Non-Profits and Developers as subrecipients, as we work together to provide housing options to income-eligible individuals and families.

Discussion:

The CNO-OCD collaborates with HANO, NORA, FNO and the City’s Housing Trust Fund (HTF) to provide affordable quality housing options for income-eligible individuals & families citywide.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The CNO-OCD addresses barriers to Affordable Housing, collaborating with HANO, FNO, NORA and the City's Housing Trust Fund to provide quality affordable housing options to income-eligible individuals and families citywide.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

In 2026, the CNO-OCD provides affordable quality housing option & community development services to income-eligible individuals and families through the competitive NOFA process. The CNO-OCD will continue to invest and support developments that promote a healthy and sustainable community to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The CNO-OCD promotes and preserves homeownership through its homebuyer development and owner-occupied housing rehabilitation program. The affordable rental program is geared toward those who are extremely low-income thus ensuring that they have a quality place to live that is affordable. OCD has plans to launch a Rental Rehabilitation Program (RRP) consistent with the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation program. OCD's actions planned to foster & maintain affordable housing include: Lowering barriers to expanding affordable housing in high-opportunity areas through inclusive strategies, Reducing housing segregation and discrimination through education and enforcement, Advancing access and mobility for vulnerable populations, Place-Based Areas (PBA): Prioritizing public investments in transit, jobs, schools, affordable housing, parks; services and other neighborhood amenities to promote a holistic approach to quality neighborhoods for individuals & families to live, Housing that recognizes direct connections between healthy housing and quality of life, Stabilizing neighborhoods vulnerable to gentrification by preserving existing and developing; and providing reliable access to multiple transportation options for those without cars.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

OCD ensures that all housing rehabilitation and repair work it administers meets the requirements of the City's Lead-Based Paint Ordinance, which is enforced by the Department of Safety and Permits and the Department of Health, and HUD's Lead-Safe Housing Regulation. OCD will continue its dialogue with the State Department of Environmental Quality which has been a resource in refining our various strategies to Lead Hazard reduction. In addition, the implementation of the Healthy Homes ordinance is one of many tools in the tool box that will assist in tracking the standards of rental properties. OCD housing inspectors have been trained on the New National Standards for Public Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) inspections and best practice to ensure best results.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

OCD continues to address the number of poverty-level families in need of affordable housing options & community development services. Material positive change of poverty-level families experiencing housing disparities and access to opportunity is addressed by providing affordable housing units in neighborhoods with access to services and amenities, transforming areas of poverty into neighborhoods of opportunity. In addition, empowering the youth, unemployed, and under-employed through the Job initiatives will provide valuable learning opportunities for people to gain valuable skills which aid in reducing the number of poverty-level families in our communities.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

OCD will continue striving to ensure that all entities that receive funding utilize best practices and make cost-effective development decisions in its institutional structure, which will be monitored by OCD Staff throughout the contract period. OCD will stress in all its communications the goals that the Fundamentals, Leveraging, and Outcomes measures of each project will be weighed not only during the application and selection process but after funds are awarded. Any organization that cannot fulfill its contractual duties will lose its funding. It is also incumbent upon OCD to ensure that organizations completely comprehend what is expected of them and must make agencies aware of any training opportunities that may arise in addition to providing training on either a one-on-one basis or in periodic group sessions.

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

The CNO-OCD Citizen Participation Process (CPP) continues an open dialogue between OCD, its non-profit partners, financial institutions, for-profit organizations, other governmental entities, community stakeholders/leaders and residents by allowing everyone to understand the rationale behind the formation of priority needs, goals, and objectives to provide quality affordable housing and community development services to eligible individuals and families citywide. The limitations of city government, both financial and legal are discussed on a continuous basis. The obstacles faced by agencies charged with addressing the problems of residents will be considered when developing NOFAs and Plans. Organizations will receive training to expand their capacity and specific initiatives such as the Housing First Approach to ensure eligible individuals and families will have access to: quality affordable housing and community development services in neighborhoods with access to services, transportation, cultural activities, jobs, recreation, grocery stores, churches, schools and other amenities.

Discussion:

The CNO-OCD will continue to address the needs of our income-eligible individuals and families, with quality housing options and community development services investing in and supporting developments that meet people where they are, building strong communities.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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

Other CDBG Requirements

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

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

as follows:

OCD releases the HOME NOFA documents through the following process: Publishes a Public Notice in the local newspaper, providing competitive funding activities, involving affordable services to low-to-moderate income persons with applicable deadlines for NOFA submission.

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:

Under HOME funding, the CNO ensures and provides Affordable Housing for low-income households for an appropriate "period of affordability". Through HUD required options, "Resale": HOME-Assisted household sold prior to the period of affordability, property must be re-sold to low-income household or "Recapture": the property can be sold without income eligibility, with a portion or all the funds used to subsidize the purchase of another HOME-Assisted eligible household. The amount of funds subject to recapture is the direct subsidy received by the homebuyer. This includes down payment assistance, closing costs or other HOME assistance provided directly to the homebuyer and/or the difference between the fair market value of the property and a reduced sales price attributable to HOME development assistance. Development subsidies cannot be subject to recapture since the homebuyer did not realize a direct benefit from the funds. Additionally, "direct subsidy" needs to be defined within the policy. Upon review, CNO determined that the "Recapture" provision meets the needs of the community, fostering a greater degree of economic integration within neighborhoods and providing the greatest choice of assisted housing for low-income households. By comparison, the "Resale" option requires that an assisted property always remain available to low-income households, limiting neighborhood diversity.

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:

Not Applicable.

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:

Not Applicable

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)).

Not Applicable

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)).

Not Applicable

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).

Not Applicable

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

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

Standard policies and procedures for evaluating individuals' and families' eligibility for assistance under ESG. The City of New Orleans will contract for re-housing services aimed at households which fit the Ca definition of homelessness under the HEARTH Act. Providers will be expected to first target families with dependents and youth (ages 18-24) who are living on the streets of Orleans Parish. Providers are be asked to obtain required documentation, by first attempting to get third-party verification of homelessness status; the second option for verification would be a case manager verification of homelessness status; and the third option would be a self-report verification of homelessness along with a justification of the efforts made and the reasons for a lack of success in obtaining third-party or case manager verification of homelessness status, Verification of resources will also be required to determine the level of need of service applications. Households with income that are at or below 30 percent of area median income will be the primary targets for these re-housing services. Eligibility determination will take place during the intake process of the homeless service providers awarded funds to administer this program on prescribed forms developed by OCD.

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 Coordinated Entry System (Coordinated Entry) is a multi-step process that identifies an

appropriate housing and services outcome for unhoused persons in need. The goal of Coordinated Entry is to increase the efficiency of local response, improving fairness and ease of access to resources. This multi-faceted effort utilizing ESG funding is part of Unity's Strategic Plan. In addition, OCD continues to collaborate with Unity of Greater New Orleans as the organization reports data from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), designated by the Continuum of Care to comply with HUD's data, management and reporting standards.

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).

CNO-OCD releases a request for proposals through the competitive NOFA process for the ESG allocation. It is publicized in the Advocate/Times Picayune Newspaper, on City website, announced at New Orleans Interagency council meetings and emailed to all prior year sub-recipients, as well as any other agencies that express an interest. Prospective sub-recipients will have approximately 1 month after notification to apply. The General Packet for the NOFA will include all the pertinent information contained in the new ESG guidelines and regulations, the definition, type of services and target population to be served with the funds. Copies of the proposal will be provided to the ESG review committee, who will review and score all applications. The ESG committee will forward the award recommendation to the Selection Committee who will approve the awardees based upon Staff recommendations, experience, and capacity to administer the services according to the Emergency Solutions Grant Interim Rule.

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.

Sub-recipients will be required to meet the participation requirement in § 576.405(a) which maybe a formerly homeless person on their board of directors or currently working within the organization. Sub-recipients must show proof of the participation requirement. Also, formerly homeless participation is achieved through the New Orleans Interagency Council on Homelessness Governance Committee. The NOICH has two seats for formerly homeless people

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Standard policies and procedures for evaluating individuals' and families' eligibility for assistance under ESG. The City of New Orleans will contract for re-housing services aimed at households which fit the Category 1 definition of homelessness under the HEARTH Act. Providers will be expected to first target families with dependents and youth (ages 18-24) who are living on the streets of Orleans Parish. Providers are be asked to obtain required documentation, by first

attempting to get third-party verification of homelessness status; the second option for verification would be a case manager verification of homelessness status; and the third option would be a self-report verification of homelessness along with a justification of the efforts made and the reasons for a lack of success in obtaining third-party or case manager verification of homelessness status. Verification of resources will also be required to determine the level of need of service applications. Households with income that are at or below 30 percent of area median income will be the primary targets for these re-housing services. Eligibility determination will take place during the intake process of the homeless service providers awarded funds to administer this program on prescribed forms developed by OCD.

