

## **CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes**

### **Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)**

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

The City of Columbus has continued its progress toward meeting its strategic plan goals in 2022 through delivery of the 2022 action plan. While COVID-19 continues to present challenges that have required substantial amendments to action plans and have resulted in delays in program implementation, there have been many successes from the City's HUD-funded initiatives.

In particular, a large number of public facilities projects that had been facing delays were completed over the course of 2022, many of which benefit large portions of the City or the entire City of Columbus. Projects constructing sidewalks, curb ramps, and playgrounds from the 2020 and 2021 Annual Action Plans completed work in 2022, and had widespread benefit across the City. Other public facilities projects, particularly the construction of the Glenwood and Windsor Pools, are still ongoing but have benefitted from a significant investment of CDBG funding that will provide much needed safe and modern recreation facilities in low- to moderate-income Columbus neighborhoods. Similarly, the Wheatland Farm Market, while not completed in 2022, is making significant progress thanks to investment of CDBG funding, and will soon provide access to free fresh produce, educational opportunities, and other important services to Columbus residents. Funding for planning and design of pools, shared use paths, and intersection and roadway improvements helped to prepare for future investments that will be candidates for CDBG funding and support the fulfillment of the City's strategic plan.

The City's expanded efforts to fund programs to increase economic opportunities were met with some delays. A program designed to support minority-owned and low-income contractors successfully launched and has exceeded program goals, but due to initial delays will not complete until early 2023 and will be reported in next year's CAPER. Another program offering job training failed to launch in 2022 due to construction delays, but has begun to provide services and will also be reported in 2023.

The City's HOME, HOPWA, and ESG programs have similarly had to be flexible in managing delays or barriers due to COVID-19, as well as adjusting priorities as other funding programs have scaled up and down in response to the pandemic. Outcomes from the City's HOME funded initiatives were only partially reported for 2022, as some projects were marked complete in 2023 within IDIS.

### **Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and**

**explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)**

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee's program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Ensure equal access to housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$150000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0		100	0	0.00%
Ensure equal access to housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$150000	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	0	3		0	3	
Ensure equal access to housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$150000	Other	Other	10	0	0.00%			
Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	10000	0	0.00%			
Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	256		0	256	

Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	0	0		250	0	0.00%
Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Rental units rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	25	12	48.00%	62	0	0.00%
Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	0				
Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$566100	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	Household Housing Unit	4000	0	0.00%			
Foster business expansions in areas of need	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$200000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	2500	0	0.00%			
Foster business expansions in areas of need	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$200000	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	173		50	173	346.00%

Foster development of skills for residents in need	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$121634	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	250	0	0.00%	507	0	0.00%
Foster development of skills for residents in need	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$121634	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	106		0	106	
Foster development of skills for residents in need	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$121634	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	10	0	0.00%			
Improve health outcomes	Non-Housing Community Development		Other	Other	10	1	10.00%			
Increase access to housing and emergency shelter	Homeless	ESG: \$640624	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	51				
Increase access to housing and emergency shelter	Homeless	ESG: \$640624	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	0	2730				
Increase access to housing and emergency shelter	Homeless	ESG: \$640624	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	1000	0	0.00%	4000	0	0.00%
Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	25	24	96.00%	12	0	0.00%

Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Rental units rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	25	12	48.00%			
Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	50	6	12.00%	6	0	0.00%
Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	25	0	0.00%			
Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	300	3	1.00%	15	0	0.00%
Preserve and expand affordable housing	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$86500 / HOME: \$5038982	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	250	57	22.80%	55	0	0.00%

Program Management, capacity building and/or admin	Non-Housing Community Development Capacity building	CDBG: \$980727 / HOPWA: \$68248 / HOME: \$445000	Other	Other	10	0	0.00%			
Provide educational/recreational youth programs	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$918790	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	2500	943	37.72%	905	686	75.80%
Provide educational/recreational youth programs	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$918790	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	0	0				
Provide homebuyer education and other counseling	Non-Housing Community Development		Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	250	0	0.00%			
Provide housing and services for persons with HIV	Non-Homeless Special Needs	HOPWA: \$2206696	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	0		393	0	0.00%
Provide housing and services for persons with HIV	Non-Homeless Special Needs	HOPWA: \$2206696	HIV/AIDS Housing Operations	Household Housing Unit	100	169	169.00%			

Provide housing for special needs populations	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	56				
Provide housing for special needs populations	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	100	0	0.00%			
Provide housing for special needs populations	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Housing for Homeless added	Household Housing Unit	200	62	31.00%			

Provide housing for special needs populations	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		HIV/AIDS Housing Operations	Household Housing Unit	100	169	169.00%			
Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$7130237	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	2076735		889079	2076735	233.58%
Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$7130237	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	10000	0	0.00%			

**Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date**

**Assess how the jurisdiction’s use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.**

Housing development in 2022 continues to serve very low and low income households, but delays in construction related to continued supply chain delays and cost increases, combined with delayed reporting of outcomes, resulted in many HOME-funded activities not being reported in 2022. As a result, housing goals were not met for 2022, but data reported in the 2023 CAPER will reflect accomplishments that occurred in 2022. However, the City has remained focused on addressing the highest priorities of the Columbus community, investing the largest portion of HOME funds in rental housing development, as well as making changes to programs providing downpayment assistance to ensure assistance is



still effective in the rapidly changing housing market of Columbus.

The City's CDBG funds in 2022 continued to fund multiple successful youth recreational programs, and made substantial investments in public facilities, including multiple neighborhood playgrounds and pools. While the pools will not be complete and reported as accomplishments until 2023, they will result in significant improvements to much-needed recreation facilities. Neighborhood sidewalks and ADA-accessible curb ramps were also constructed city-wide using CDBG funds to improve accessibility and mobility for Columbus residents.

CDBG funding was directed towards housing improvements and maintaining safe and sanitary property conditions, allowing local non-profits to operate a tool library that provided no-cost memberships to low-income residents, and to assist low-income renters with legal support to hold landlords accountable to addressing poor housing conditions.

Multiple funded programs continue to experience delays in implementation due to COVID-19 and other unforeseen barriers, in particular the housing and homelessness programs, and programs to provide training and support to local residents and businesses. The programs that were able to continue have been successful, though sometimes requiring a shift in program goals. Activities that have been significantly delayed are being evaluated and prioritized for implementation where possible, or re-prioritization of assigned funds if needed.

## **CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted**

**Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).**

**91.520(a)**

**Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds**

### **Narrative**

The City's efforts to make CDBG funding more accessible to local non-profits and community-based organizations has allowed for an expanded reach and increasing diversity of families served. The Columbus community is very diverse, and HUD funding is prioritized for low- to moderate-income residents, who are disproportionately members of racial and ethnic minorities. This is reflected in the table above, though the nature of many of the City's HUD-funded investments means that only a fraction of the projects capture race and ethnicity data.

## CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

### Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	10,067,488	10,577,543
HOME	public - federal	5,483,982	4,626,786
HOPWA	public - federal	2,274,944	2,227,338
ESG	public - federal	640,624	261,901
Other	public - federal	0	

**Table 3 - Resources Made Available**

### Narrative

The table above reflects expenditures from all City accounts for these respective grant programs. Financial reconciliations are ongoing for all HUD grant funds due to staffing changes and changes to departmental management of certain grant awards, and adjustments to funding made with substantial amendments to past Annual Action Plans or projects that came in under or over budget may still need to be reflected in IDIS. However, thanks to the changes made, the City was able to meet its 2022 timeliness test for expenditures.

### Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description

**Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments**

### Narrative

The City did not identify any target areas for the 2022 Annual Action Plan. Many programs are available city-wide to all residents, or provide public facilities improvements that are focused in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods. These neighborhoods typically include the Linden, Hilltop, South Side, and Northeast communities of Columbus. The City's HOME, ESG and HOPWA programs do not target geographic areas. Those programs are citywide.

## Leveraging

**Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.**

The City deploys its HOME funds as gap financing for downpayment assistance, homeownership development and rental development. The funds leverage first mortgages and LIHTC equity to facilitate development.

Match requirements were waived for 2020 and 2021. The City re-started its match program in 2022 and closed one project with a \$732,528 match obligation. No funds were drawn on this project in 2022 but the City has ample carryover of \$70,488,050 to meet the 2022 requirement.

For CDBG leveraged local dollars are not tracked because there is no match requirement. However, many CDBG infrastructure projects are not 100% CDBG funded.

<b>Fiscal Year Summary – HOME Match</b>	
1. Excess match from prior Federal fiscal year	70,488,050
2. Match contributed during current Federal fiscal year	0
3. Total match available for current Federal fiscal year (Line 1 plus Line 2)	70,488,050
4. Match liability for current Federal fiscal year	0
5. Excess match carried over to next Federal fiscal year (Line 3 minus Line 4)	70,488,050

**Table 5 – Fiscal Year Summary - HOME Match Report**

Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year								
Project No. or Other ID	Date of Contribution	Cash (non-Federal sources)	Foregone Taxes, Fees, Charges	Appraised Land/Real Property	Required Infrastructure	Site Preparation, Construction Materials, Donated labor	Bond Financing	Total Match

Table 6 – Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year

### HOME MBE/WBE report

Program Income – Enter the program amounts for the reporting period				
Balance on hand at beginning of reporting period \$	Amount received during reporting period \$	Total amount expended during reporting period \$	Amount expended for TBRA \$	Balance on hand at end of reporting period \$
462,436	724,269	656,330	0	0

Table 7 – Program Income

Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises – Indicate the number and dollar value of contracts for HOME projects completed during the reporting period						
	Total	Minority Business Enterprises				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
Contracts						
Dollar Amount	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-Contracts						
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dollar Amount	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	Women Business Enterprises	Male			
Contracts						
Dollar Amount	0	0	0			
Number	0	0	0			
Sub-Contracts						
Number	0	0	0			
Dollar Amount	0	0	0			

**Table 8 - Minority Business and Women Business Enterprises**

<b>Minority Owners of Rental Property – Indicate the number of HOME assisted rental property owners and the total amount of HOME funds in these rental properties assisted</b>						
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Minority Property Owners</b>				<b>White Non-Hispanic</b>
		<b>Alaskan Native or American Indian</b>	<b>Asian or Pacific Islander</b>	<b>Black Non-Hispanic</b>	<b>Hispanic</b>	
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dollar Amount	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 9 – Minority Owners of Rental Property**

<b>Relocation and Real Property Acquisition</b> – Indicate the number of persons displaced, the cost of relocation payments, the number of parcels acquired, and the cost of acquisition						
Parcels Acquired		0		0		
Businesses Displaced		0		0		
Nonprofit Organizations Displaced		0		0		
Households Temporarily Relocated, not Displaced		0		0		
Households Displaced	Total	Minority Property Enterprises				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 10 – Relocation and Real Property Acquisition**

## CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	150	704
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	300	25
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	50	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>729</b>

Table 11 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	448	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	18	39
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	0	7
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>46</b>

Table 12 – Number of Households Supported

**Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.**

Unforeseen COVID-19 related supply chain issues and scarce construction materials with longer logistical time to get on the job site continued to cause delays in project delivery. COVID also periodically causes labor issues with periodic stoppages of work due to reduce risk of transmission. These factors caused a delay in construction completion and prolonged the close out process. There were timing issues in closing out 8 downpayment assistance projects, 6 homebuyer development projects and 53 TBRA rental



units. Downpayment assistance continues to be challenging to provide in the current housing market, with many homes being sold above appraised value and not eligible for HOME funds.

Homeless residents served increased dramatically as efforts to provide Rapid Rehousing are expanded due to impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic and the increased need in the community.

**Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.**

Future annual action plans would result in a more conservative time period given for construction timing and an added cushion for completion. Some outcomes (particularly homeless households supported) are also inflated due to increased resources that have been made available through COVID-relief funding, and should not be considered the standard for future years.

**Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.**

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	31
Low-income	0	13
Moderate-income	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46</b>

**Table 13 – Number of Households Served**

**Narrative Information**

For the HOME program, IDIS indicates that there were 48 households assisted in 2022. However, there was a double counting in homeownership because two development projects were completed separately from the affordability projects so the correct number is 46.

## **CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)**

**Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:**

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

The City of Columbus invests \$117,000 in our COC's street outreach program. This year services made available to unsheltered persons increased as the lead organization is now Mt Carmel Healthcare, which is part of the nationwide Trinity Healthcare Network. In addition, \$3M of ARPA funds has been invested into multiple organizations via our Elevate! grant cycle, which carried a specific focus on unsheltered persons.

Beyond financial increases, the city has transitioned the role of "Homeless Advocacy Liaison" into a full time employee. This person works directly with outreach teams, Columbus PD & Fire and other stakeholders to ensure services are being provided to those residents living on the land.

The work of addressing homelessness in our community has also transitioned from the Department of Neighborhoods to the Department of Development. It is housed along-side our Health and Human Services team and holds a dual focus of providing financial support to partner agencies, and deeply affordable housing. Deeply affordable housing is a specific focus within our new Columbus/Central Ohio Housing Plan.

This year we also have three pilot projects running.

The first is in its 3rd year in a 3 year effort. It is the Homeless Prevention Network, and it focuses on families and holds the goal of keeping families in their homes via rent and utility support and when necessary, mediation among stakeholders.

A Transitional Housing/"Non-Congregate Shelter" pilot was stood up in August 2022 and will wrap up in March 2023.

The last one is a coordinated warming center system, which consisted of 3 locations in high need areas, with low or no barriers in an effort to engage our long term unsheltered residents.

As these projects wrap up, the city will review the after action reports for best practices, data-backed successes, and overall qualitative impact. This information will be applied to the 2024 budget cycle and beyond.

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

A Transitional Housing/"Non-Congregate Shelter" pilot was stood up in August 2022 and will wrap up in March 2023.

Thus far we have seen multiple residents obtain identification documents, established medical care providers who administer both mental and physical health treatment, addiction treatment services, clear/satisfy warrants, and move into permanent housing. 13 people were included in this project.

The last one is a coordinated warming center system, which consisted of 3 locations in high need areas, with low or no barriers in an effort to engage our long term unsheltered residents.

These locations each serviced around 50-60 people daily and has recently wrapped up and the after action report is being compiled.

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after 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); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs**

In its 3rd year in a 3 year effort. Our Homeless Prevention Network is being funded by City and County resources. It is a network of non-profit and government agencies focused on keeping our families out of eviction court and home, safe and secure. This work focuses on funding rent and utility support and when necessary, mediation among stakeholders. Out of more than 2,000 families served during the first two years of the Network, only 54 families entered shelter.

We are engaged in ongoing discussions with our living and criminal justice facilities to align our in-reach efforts and support services for housing and shelter.

**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 City continued our support within the 5 areas mentioned last year, Continuum of Care Application, Crisis Response, Outreach Services, Permanent Supportive Housing Services, and the Safety Net program. Over \$5M of City General Funds were invested in these five areas.

## **CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)**

### **Actions taken to address the needs of public housing**

The City meets regularly with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA). At the present time, CMHA is converting its public housing portfolio through the Rental Assistance Demonstration program. The City is actively engaged in providing gap funding to RAD projects upon request.

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

The City has a Homebuyer Education Advisory Committee that meets quarterly. Included on that committee are staff from CMHA homeownership voucher program. The City downpayment assistance program works with the homeownership voucher program to provide downpayment assistance upon request.

### **Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs**

CMHA is not a troubled PHA.

## **CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)**

**Actions taken 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. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)**

The City of Columbus is actively engaged in a comprehensive re-write of its zoning code to simplify plan and building permit approval. The City also continues to evaluate and update local tax incentives for renovation and construction of housing.

### **Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City continues to provide gap funding for permanent supportive housing projects, senior housing and other special needs projects. The City also contracts with the Community Shelter Board to administer a TBRA program for homeless individuals.

### **Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

For properties built before 1978 and redeveloped with City funds, a lead assessment before work starts and a lead clearance after it is complete is required.

### **Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

In 2022 the City funded programs that offer employment training to residents and technical assistance to small businesses, which create opportunities for improving the economic status of individuals and families. Homeownership assistance programs and development of affordable housing also provide supports to families who are cost burdened by rising housing costs, and may help these families begin to build wealth and stability.

### **Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City provides CHDO Operating funding through the Community Development Collaborative to support CHDOs in the efforts to develop housing in their neighborhoods.

### **Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City tracks the progress of funded projects and is aware when projects are at or near completion. If a pressing need for housing occurs due to an emergency vacate, staff reaches out to developers whose projects are coming online to inquire about vacancies and referrals. The City also leads the Columbus Area Affordable Housing Task Force which shares information on projects in development and troubled

projects in the community.

**Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)**

In 2022, the maximum amount of downpayment assistance was increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 to increase access to homeownership. The City continues to fund TBRA for homeless individuals. City staff review building plans to assure accessibility requirements and advocate for the construction of accessible units. The City is in the process of re-writing the zoning code.

## **CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230**

**Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements**

The City has updated its requirements to comply with the revised Section 3 rules and works with developers to identify opportunities to employ low income individuals. For rental properties, sites are regularly monitored for file and physical compliance with HUD regulations. For homeownership sites, a mortgage and restrictive covenant are placed on each property upon sale to a homeowner to assure that affordability periods are met or funds are repaid.

## **Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)**

**Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.**

The City publishes a 15-day public comment notice in the Columbus Dispatch that will run from 3/15 through 3/30. It notifies the public that the CAPER report will be available on our City's website for them to review, make any comments or ask any questions. The comments are reviewed and responded to in advance of final submission to HUD.

**CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)**

**Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.**

Objectives of the City's HUD-funded programs have not changed, but the ability to deliver on specific goals or projects has been impacted as the community and the world continue to manage the impacts of COVID, and the ways that it has impacted capacity of our non-profit partners. The City has submitted a number of substantial amendments to its 2020-2022 Annual Action Plans in the past two years, mostly resulting from COVID-related project delays related to cost increases, supply chain issues, or similar concerns, and due to cancellations that required reprioritization of CDBG funding.

**Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?**

No

**[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.**



## **CR-50 - HOME 91.520(d)**

**Include the results of on-site inspections of affordable rental housing assisted under the program to determine compliance with housing codes and other applicable regulations**

Please list those projects that should have been inspected on-site this program year based upon the schedule in §92.504(d). Indicate which of these were inspected and a summary of issues that were detected during the inspection. For those that were not inspected, please indicate the reason and how you will remedy the situation.

Results of on-site inspections for calendar year 2022:

Common findings for exterior- Siding damage, gutter replacement, trash and debris.

Common findings for interior- Damaged blinds, damaged windows, sanitary/housekeeping issues, broken outlets/light switches.

All active HOME rental projects were inspected including the projects with 1-4 HOME units.

Projects with 1-4 HOME-assisted units:

Monarch Green, The Livingston, Fairwood Commons, Restoration Plaza, North Hamilton Senior, Poindexter Place, Senior, Poindexter II "A&B", The Whitney, Homes on the Hill "101-103 S. Eureka", 141 West Park, 186 Brehl, CHN Briggsdale apts, CHN Briggsdale II, CHN 115 Belvidere, CHN Laurel Green, CHN Terrace Place, Marsh Brook Place, Trabue Crossing, Weinland Park, Career Gateway.

Summary of issues- Sanitary/Housekeeping issues, Damaged blinds, damaged screens, wall damage, broken outlets/switch plates. Damaged downspouts, trash and debris. Smoke detectors not working.

All have been remedied by the owners/management companies.

**Provide an assessment of the jurisdiction's affirmative marketing actions for HOME units.  
92.351(b)**

All funded projects must comply with the City's Affirmative Marketing Policies and Procedures. For rental housing, a marketing plan must be submitted that complies with fair housing laws. For rental and homeownership, information on race and ethnicity of assisted households is obtained.

**Refer to IDIS reports to describe the amount and use of program income for projects, including the number of projects and owner and tenant characteristics**

Program income was committed to the McDowell Place Homes project, in the amount of \$379,108.18 of 2021 PI. The project is still in construction, there are no tenant demographics.

**Describe other actions taken to foster and maintain affordable housing. 91.220(k) (STATES ONLY: Including the coordination of LIHTC with the development of affordable housing). 91.320(j)**

In 2022, the City of Columbus contracted with the Columbus Urban League for fair housing services. Any complaints received from participants were forwarded to that organization.

## CR-55 - HOPWA 91.520(e)

### Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance provided

Table for report on the one-year goals for the number of households provided housing through the use of HOPWA activities for: short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance payments to prevent homelessness of the individual or family; tenant-based rental assistance; and units provided in housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds.

Number of Households Served Through:	One-year Goal	Actual
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family	163	36
Tenant-based rental assistance	230	138
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0	0
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0	0

Table 14 – HOPWA Number of Households Served

### Narrative

The accomplishments of the HOPWA program 2022 are as follows: 138 households received TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistance), 36 households received STRMU and STRMU-CV (Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance) 46 households received PHP (Permanent Housing Placement) and 180 households received supportive services. Approximately 90% of persons living with HIV and AIDS in the EMSA reside in Franklin County. The surrounding counties in the EMSA are more suburban in nature. Most households that received assistance were in the Franklin County area. All of the project sponsors are able to assist eligible personnel in Franklin County.

The majority of funds for each grant agreement went to TBRA and Supportive Services to be administered by each project sponsor. This allowed for staff to manage the program, including expanding program staff in some instances, as well as the utilization of funds for long-term stable living environments for eligible clientele in conjunction with the 2022 Action Plan Goal: Provide Housing and Services for Persons with AIDS. STRMU was the second highest funded activity. 3 of the 4 project sponsors make up a committee to review STRMU applications for HOPWA STRMU (Regular and CV). This review, which is still ongoing through the transition, allows for the sharing of expertise and a way to serve the client best by the appropriate project sponsor. Faith Mission and Equitas Health were awarded a majority of the funds. The goal was to expand the number of households assisted with HOPWA

services at Faith Mission, and maintain the stable housing for the high number of existing assisted clients at Equitas Health. This goal was surpassed as both organizations required additional funds on top of what was initially contracted out to finish out the program year.

These organizations are also located centrally and provide the most assistance to eligible clientele. The Columbus City Department of Development has made affordable housing a large priority in the recent and coming years. With new regulations calling for more affordable housing, this will help locate eligible program units meeting TBRA requirements. Through transition (move of the HOPWA program from Columbus Public Health to the Department of Development), new grant agreements between the DOD and 2 of the 4 project sponsors had to be put into effect before the end of the program year to assist with operations of the program through the end of the year, monitoring had to be conducted of all project sponsors at the end of the year by the DOD, and lack of HOPWA-dedicated staff at CPH brought on communication challenges for DOD as well as the project sponsors.

In order to achieve targets better for the 2023 program year, the Housing Division started by hiring a dedicated staff member to run the HOPWA program at the grantee level. Next, grantee staff established relationships with sponsors by going out and physically meeting with each organization to discuss definitive changes, meet program and administrative staff, and take suggestions. These face to face meetings allowed Housing to grasp challenges of the past year, measure project sponsor capacity, and develop a plan to increase assistance and hit target goals. Following these meetings, Housing set up monitoring dates for all project sponsors. Through monitoring, Housing was able to assess the lack of standardization between policies for the HOPWA program and become familiar with each organization's strengths and weaknesses.

## CR-58 – Section 3

Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance provided

<b>Total Labor Hours</b>	<b>CDBG</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>ESG</b>	<b>HOPWA</b>	<b>HTF</b>
Total Number of Activities	11	0	0	0	0
Total Labor Hours	12,600				
Total Section 3 Worker Hours	0				
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours	0				

**Table 15 – Total Labor Hours**

<b>Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program</b>	<b>CDBG</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>ESG</b>	<b>HOPWA</b>	<b>HTF</b>
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing Targeted Workers					
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding Targeted Workers.					
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).					
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).	9				
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.	9				
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment including: drafting resumes, preparing for interviews, finding job opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.	9				
Held one or more job fairs.	9				
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.	9				
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.	9				
Assisted residents with finding child care.	9				
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.	9				
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.					
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.	9				
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.	9				
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online technologies.	9				
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.					

Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.	9				
Other.					

**Table 16 – Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program**

## Narrative

The City encourages Section 3 on all federally funded projects that meet or exceed the threshold. City staff from the Grants Management Section attend pre-bid and pre-construction meetings whenever possible to ensure that Section 3 standards are communicated, and all contracts include Section 3 clauses.

The Grants Management team has evaluated the City's overall economic development and resident services programs to identify services that support low-income residents in increasing their access to jobs and economic opportunity. These efforts are being reported this year to better reflect the work being done to meet Section 3 objectives.

## CR-60 - ESG 91.520(g) (ESG Recipients only)

### ESG Supplement to the CAPER in *e-snaps*

#### For Paperwork Reduction Act

#### 1. Recipient Information—All Recipients Complete

##### Basic Grant Information

<b>Recipient Name</b>	COLUMBUS
<b>Organizational DUNS Number</b>	051369916
<b>UEI</b>	
<b>EIN/TIN Number</b>	316400223
<b>Identify the Field Office</b>	COLUMBUS
<b>Identify CoC(s) in which the recipient or subrecipient(s) will provide ESG assistance</b>	Columbus/Franklin County CoC

##### ESG Contact Name

<b>Prefix</b>	Ms
<b>First Name</b>	Lucie
<b>Middle Name</b>	M
<b>Last Name</b>	McMahon
<b>Suffix</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Grants Management Coordinator

**ESG Contact Address**

<b>Street Address 1</b>	90 W. Broad St.
<b>Street Address 2</b>	Department of Finance and Management
<b>City</b>	Columbus
<b>State</b>	OH
<b>ZIP Code</b>	-
<b>Phone Number</b>	6146457492
<b>Extension</b>	
<b>Fax Number</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>	Immcmahon@columbus.gov

**ESG Secondary Contact**

**Prefix**  
**First Name**  
**Last Name**  
**Suffix**  
**Title**  
**Phone Number**  
**Extension**  
**Email Address**

**2. Reporting Period—All Recipients Complete**

<b>Program Year Start Date</b>	01/01/2022
<b>Program Year End Date</b>	12/31/2022

**3a. Subrecipient Form – Complete one form for each subrecipient**

**Subrecipient or Contractor Name:** Community Shelter Board  
**City:** Columbus  
**State:** OH  
**Zip Code:** 43235, 5616  
**DUNS Number:** 619605363  
**UEI:**  
**Is subrecipient a victim services provider:** N  
**Subrecipient Organization Type:** Other Non-Profit Organization  
**ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount:** 640624

## CR-65 - Persons Assisted

### 4. Persons Served

#### 4a. Complete for Homelessness Prevention Activities

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	0
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 16 – Household Information for Homeless Prevention Activities

#### 4b. Complete for Rapid Re-Housing Activities

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	0
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 17 – Household Information for Rapid Re-Housing Activities

#### 4c. Complete for Shelter

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	0
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 18 – Shelter Information





#### 4d. Street Outreach

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	0
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 19 – Household Information for Street Outreach

#### 4e. Totals for all Persons Served with ESG

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	0
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 20 – Household Information for Persons Served with ESG

#### 5. Gender—Complete for All Activities

	Total
Male	0
Female	0
Transgender	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 21 – Gender Information

## 6. Age—Complete for All Activities

	<b>Total</b>
Under 18	0
18-24	0
25 and over	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

**Table 22 – Age Information**

## 7. Special Populations Served—Complete for All Activities

<b>Number of Persons in Households</b>				
<b>Subpopulation</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Persons Served – Prevention</b>	<b>Total Persons Served – RRH</b>	<b>Total Persons Served in Emergency Shelters</b>
Veterans	0	0	0	0
Victims of Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0
Elderly	0	0	0	0
HIV/AIDS	0	0	0	0
Chronically Homeless	0	0	0	0
<b>Persons with Disabilities:</b>				
Severely Mentally Ill	0	0	0	0
Chronic Substance Abuse	0	0	0	0
Other Disability	0	0	0	0
Total (Unduplicated if possible)	0	0	0	0

**Table 23 – Special Population Served**

## CR-70 – ESG 91.520(g) - Assistance Provided and Outcomes

### 10. Shelter Utilization

Number of New Units - Rehabbed	0
Number of New Units - Conversion	0
Total Number of bed-nights available	0
Total Number of bed-nights provided	0
Capacity Utilization	0.00%

Table 24 – Shelter Capacity

### 11. Project Outcomes Data measured under the performance standards developed in consultation with the CoC(s)

## CR-75 – Expenditures

### 11. Expenditures

#### 11a. ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2020	2021	2022
Expenditures for Rental Assistance			
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance			
Expenditures for Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services - Services			
Expenditures for Homeless Prevention under Emergency Shelter Grants Program			
<b>Subtotal Homelessness Prevention</b>			

Table 25 – ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention

#### 11b. ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2020	2021	2022
Expenditures for Rental Assistance			
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance			
Expenditures for Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services - Services			
Expenditures for Homeless Assistance under Emergency Shelter Grants Program			
<b>Subtotal Rapid Re-Housing</b>			

Table 26 – ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

**11c. ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter**

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2020	2021	2022
Essential Services			
Operations			
Renovation			
Major Rehab			
Conversion			
<b>Subtotal</b>			

**Table 27 – ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter****11d. Other Grant Expenditures**

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2020	2021	2022
Street Outreach			
HMIS			
Administration			

**Table 28 - Other Grant Expenditures****11e. Total ESG Grant Funds**

<b>Total ESG Funds Expended</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>

**Table 29 - Total ESG Funds Expended**

**11f. Match Source**

	2020	2021	2022
Other Non-ESG HUD Funds			
Other Federal Funds			
State Government			
Local Government			
Private Funds			
Other			
Fees			
Program Income			
<b>Total Match Amount</b>			

**Table 30 - Other Funds Expended on Eligible ESG Activities****11g. Total**

<b>Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG Activities</b>	2020	2021	2022

**Table 31 - Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG Activities**