

## FINAL

## ANNUAL ACTION PLAN NON-HOME FUNDS FY 2021-2022

## **CITY OF SAN LEANDRO**

## ALAMEDA COUNTY HOME CONSORTIUM

For Presentation to City Council May 3, 2021

#### **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

The FY 2020-2024 Five-Year Housing and Community Development Strategic Plan (Consolidated Plan) identifies the housing and community development needs in San Leandro and outlines the strategies for meeting those needs. The FY 21-22 Annual Action Plan (AAP) represents the second year of the FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and implements the strategies through the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

San Leandro receives CDBG funds from HUD each year. In order to receive its annual CDBG allocation from HUD, the City must update its Consolidated Plan every five years and submit an AAP to HUD.

The City participates in the Alameda County HOME Consortium, whose membership is Alameda County and Alameda County cities, excluding Berkeley and Oakland. The County serves as the lead agency for the Consortium and the HOME Program. San Leandro applies each year to Alameda County to receive its annual share of HOME funding. As part of this process, San Leandro submits its AAP to Alameda County who is responsible for submitting to HUD each City's AAP compiled into one document on behalf of the entire Consortium.

There are three major goals identified for the funds under the Housing and Community Development Act from which the CDBG Program originated: 1) Provide decent housing, 2) Provide a suitable living environment, and 3) Expand economic opportunity.

CDBG funds must be used to meet one of three national objectives: 1) benefit low- and moderateincome persons, 2) aid in the prevention of slum and blight, or 3) meet an urgent need. Even if a project is suitable for one of the City's eligible categories, it must also pass the low- and moderate-income benefit test (at least 51% of the beneficiaries have incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income or a project benefits an area with a majority of low-moderate income people).

HOME funds must be used to provide housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons.

HUD's CDBG allocation to the City was announced on February 25, 2021. The FY 21-22 for CDBG funding amount decreased by less than 1% from last year's amount (from \$768,193 to \$763,357). The FY 21-22 HOME funding amount increased 1.3% from last year's pro-rata share from Alameda County HOME consortium of \$221,998 to a total allocation of \$224,884. HOME funds are available for general administration and affordable housing projects as part of the Alameda County HOME Consortium.

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Staff analysis of the City's HUD funding shows that there is \$484,471 in unused prior year CDBG funds that will be carried forward with recommended allocations in FY 21-22. These prior year funds consist mainly of unused general program administration and public services funding from FY 19-20 and unallocated funding in the FY 20-21 program year. Additionally, In FY 20-21 the City received \$25,000 in program income derived from the repayment of a CDBG loan from 1992. Therefore, the total available for CDBG allocation for FY 21-22 is \$1,209,999.

#### 2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The City's Five-year Consolidated Plan is divided into 6 Priority Needs areas. The following section provides a brief overview of the proposed needs, objectives and activities in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

#### Affordable Housing Needs

In the Five-year Consolidated Plan, the City proposes to take actions to address the need for affordable housing. The City will continue to allocate CDBG funds for fair housing services and to preserve affordable housing, primarily through the Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Grant Program. When available, HOME funds will be used for affordable rental or ownership housing projects, including new construction or acquisition and rehabilitation.

#### Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services Needs

Homelessness remains one of the most difficult problems facing Alameda County. The January 2019 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count found that there were 8,022 people experiencing homelessness—this is nearly double what was found in the 2015 PIT Count. For the City the count nearly quadrupled since 2017 from 109 to 418 persons experiencing homelessness. The PIT Count found that 78% of those interviewed were people who lived in Alameda County prior to becoming homeless; 28% of those who are homelessness are families with minor children; 32% of people homeless are aged 50 years or older; 42% have one or more disabling condition. The top six responses to the primary causes of homelessness for those surveyed were: 1) loss of employment-13%, 2) mental health issues-12%, 3) substance-use issues-10%, 4) eviction or foreclosure-9%, 5) rent increase-9%, 6) incarceration-8%.

The City has traditionally used the CDBG Program to support a number of homeless-serving activities. Proposed activities include operational funding for community-based social services agency that provides food, clothing and other supports for the City's homeless or those who are at-risk of becoming homeless.

In formerly homeless persons who need affordable housing also benefit from available support services. The City intends to use available HOME funds for transitional or permanent supportive housing projects serving residents with special needs.

#### Community Development Needs - Economic Development

If feasible, the City may seek to allocate CDBG funds to provide loans to eligible small businesses for property upgrades. Again, if feasible, CDBG funds may be used to develop and implement a neighborhood strategy or plan for commercial corridor revitalization. Historically, the City has focused CDBG allocations on public services, capital improvements and affordable housing needs due to greater demand for those needs.

#### Community Development Needs - Public Services

The City proposes to continue providing operational grants to non-profit social services providers serving residents. During the Five-year Consolidated Planning period, the priorities for CDBG funding includes basic needs programs for low-income individuals and families, meal delivery to homebound seniors, and shelter programs.

Other sub-populations in Alameda County with high needs are persons with physical or mental disabilities and seniors who need affordable housing integrated with available support services. The City intends to use available HOME funds for transitional or permanent supportive housing projects serving residents with special needs.

#### Community Development Needs - Public Facilities & Improvements

During the Five-year Consolidated Planning period, the City will use available CDBG funds to fund ADA improvements to public facilities, install ADA curb ramps, and assist non-profit social service agencies with necessary facility improvements. The City will also use CDBG funds for principal and interest payments in accordance with the repayment schedule for the \$2.5 million HUD Section 108 Loan used to build the senior center.

#### COVID-19 Pandemic Response

This priority need is primarily for those instances when the City might receive federal stimulus funding with the intent to use the funds to address the COVID-19 pandemic response.

#### 3. Evaluation of past performance

Each of the City's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPER) for the last Fiveyear Consolidated Planning period (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020) assessed the effectiveness of the CDBG-funded programs and activities in meeting the priority needs for San Leandro. Each CAPER was approved by the City's HUD representative in the San Francisco Regional Office of the Community Planning and Development Division.

#### 4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

HUD Consolidated Plan regulations provide guidelines and requirements for the City to develop a Citizen Participation Plan that governs the public input and noticing process for creating the Consolidated Plan and subsequent Annual Action Plans. The goal of the Citizen Participation Plan is to encourage broader public involvement in the planning and allocation of CDBG and HOME funds and implementation of related programs. A minimum of two (2) public hearings are required with at least one (1) hearing held before the Draft FY 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan is published for public comment.

A summary of the draft Annual Action Plan was published in the Daily Review newspaper on March 2, 2021. Copies of the Draft FY 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan have been available for review on the City's website at https://www.sanleandro.org/depts/cd/housing/plans.asp. The second public hearing will be held May 3, 2021, at which time the City Council will consider approval of the final Plan.

#### 5. Summary of public comments

This section will be updated after the close of the public comment period.

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

This section will be updated after the close of the public comment period.

#### 7. Summary

As with the previous Consolidated Planning period, the City of San Leandro will continue to fund CDBGeligible programs and activities that meet the housing and community development needs in San Leandro that are identified in the City's FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

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

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

The following are the agencies/entities 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	SAN LEANDRO	
CDBG Administrator	SAN LEANDRO	Community Development
		Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

#### Narrative

The City of San Leandro is the Lead Agency for the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The City's Senior Housing Specialist in the Community Development Department Housing Services Division is responsible for administering the CDBG program, which includes developing the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, and Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPERs), and is the liaison to Alameda County for matters related to the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME program) (the City of San Leandro is a member of the Alameda County HOME Consortium).

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

#### Introduction

The FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and the related FY 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan is an important document for the HOME Consortium. Built on interagency coordination, consultation, and public participation, the Con Plan focuses attention on housing and community development needs and resources available to meet these needs.

Additionally, in response to COVID-19, this added section documents the interagency coordination, consultation, and public participation that informs the planning around any future federal stimulus allocations. Those consultations began once the City complied with the Alameda County Shelter-In-Place order issued on March 16, 2020. City staff, including the City's Office of Emergency Management staff, have been in frequent consultation with the Alameda County Department of Public Health to consult on the nature of the need in the County for which CDBG-CV funds are to be used. Additionally, non-profit agencies currently operating homeless shelters and providing services San Leandro's low-moderate-income residents have been consulted to determine the highest and best needs for the CDBG-CV funds.

# Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I)).

EveryOne Home is a collective impact initiative founded in 2007 to facilitate the implementation of Alameda County, California's plan to end homelessness, known as the EveryOne Home Plan. In 2018, EveryOne Home updated that Plan now known as the Strategic Plan Update: Ending Homelessness in Alameda County. The Strategic Update recommends actions aimed at reducing homelessness by 1) preventing homelessness; 2) ensuring safer and more dignified conditions for those experiencing homelessness; and 3) increasing permanent homes.

The EveryOne Home Governance Charter memorializes how stakeholders govern the collective impact initiative to end homelessness and meet the federally-defined responsibilities of operating a HUD Continuum of Care as found in the Continuum of Care Program Rule at §578. In fulfillment of those agreements EveryOne Home convenes stakeholders, develops policies for the housing crisis response system, and tracks outcomes through the following committees: EveryOne Home Membership, Leadership Board, Results Based Accountability, HUD CoC Committee, HMIS Oversight Committee, System Coordination Committee, and Youth Action Board. Stakeholders include people with lived experience of homelessness, elected officials, advocacy groups, and service providers as well as county and city government administrators.

In 2020, EveryOne Home, with the support of HUD technical assistance from Abt Associates convened and facilitated a community process aimed at developing a model homeless response system through the framework of racial equity. The process resulted in specific crisis and permanent housing inventory recommendations. In 2021, leadership across the Continuum of Care are working together to implement this optimal system design that will effectively address the crisis needs of people experiencing

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homelessness and their permanent housing needs. Community stakeholders have agreed to use the racially equitable system model to guide strategic funding decisions for existing and new federal, state, and local resources.

# 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.

Stakeholders in Alameda County have been assessing the needs of persons experiencing homelessness and working to improve our response across the county since the founding of Alameda County-wide Homeless Continuum of Care Council in 1997. The collaboration includes cities and Alameda County government agencies representing multiple systems of care that share overlapping client populations, including but not limited to homelessness services, HIV/AIDS services, behavioral health services, foster care, veteran's services, health care services, and probation/parole. Alameda Countywide Homeless and Special Needs Housing Plan, now known as the EveryOne Home plan, helped to form EveryOne Home into a community-based organization to implement the Plan and now serves as the County's Continuum of Care. The EveryOne Home plan is structured around three major goals: 1) preventing homelessness; 2) ensuring safer and more dignified conditions for those experiencing homelessness; and 3) increasing permanent homes.

EveryOne Home coordinates local efforts to address homelessness, seeking to maintain the existing service capacity, establish inter-jurisdictional cooperation, and build new partnerships that generate greater resources for the continuum of housing and support services. EveryOne Home leverages substantial federal, state, and local resources for homeless housing and services, standardize data collection, and facilitate a year-round process of collaboration. EveryOne Home includes representation from HOME Consortium jurisdictions and CDBG entitlement jurisdictions in the County, service providers and advocates, homeless or formerly homeless persons, representatives of the faith community, business representatives, and education and health care professionals.

# 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

The EveryOne Home Results Based Accountability Committee developed system level and program level performance measures in 2017, and in 2018 the RBA Committee benchmarked those outcomes and set performance targets. These measures and targets now appear in county and city contracts for homeless services. Performance measures include shortening the length of time homeless, increasing permanent housing exits, and reducing returns to homelessness from permanent housing. These measures are published quarterly through the Practitioner's Scorecard on the <u>Results Based Accountability page of the EveryOne Home website</u>. Alameda County Housing and Community Development Department supports the EveryOne Home initiative's efforts to measure and evaluate performance by administering the HMIS and as a founding member of the EveryOne Home Results Based Accountability Committee.

The Continuum of Care has been consulted with entitlement areas on the use of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds since 2012. At that time representatives from the City of Berkeley, the City of

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Oakland, Alameda County Housing and Community Development Department (Urban County grantee), and EveryOne Home worked together to implement the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) requirements with the goal of county-wide consistency and collaboration. EveryOne Home solicited provider and public input on the use of ESG funds through a series of community meetings. A coordinated ESG program was established and began implementation in early 2013. This coordinated program will use this same structure for FY20-FY24 ESG funding.

#### 2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

1	Agency/Group/Organization	City of San Leandro Human Services Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	On April 28, 2021 staff presented the information on the responses to the CAP/CDBG FY 2021-2023 Request for Proposals and sought feedback on Staff's recommendations for funding.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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

The City made efforts to include as broad a group of community stakeholders as possible. No agency types were excluded from participation.

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?	
Contiuum of Care	EveryOne Home	Alameda County-wide plan to address homelessness, HIV/AIDS housing & services, rapid rehousing and those activities to eliminate homelessnes.	
Housing Element	City of San Leandro, Community Development Department, Housing Division	The City of San Leandro's Housing Element for 2015-2023 provides direction on the production of new market-rate and affordable homes and guides the city's housing programs and activities. It includes policies and actions related to new construction and rehabilitation, affordable housing development, first-time homebuyer programs, housing for seniors and others with special needs and fair housing practices in San Leandro.	
Human Services Gap Analysis	City of San Leandro, Recreation and Human Services Department	Completed in April 2017, the Human Services Gap Analysis report provides an analysis of human service needs, current human services assets with the City of San Leandro and region and areas of unmet need. The purpose of the analysis and policy recommendations is to inform the development of priorities and criteria for the City's human services program direction and decisions.	
2019 Alameda County Homeless Point in Time Census	EveryOne Home	Homeless population census and analysis of existing need.	

2017 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan	City of San Leandro Community Development	Under the San Leandro General Plan 2035
	Department	adopted by City Council in 2016, there were
		two sections added: emergency
		preparedness and hazard mitigation. The
		2017 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan is an effort
		by the City to address these important issues
		in the City Planning efforts.
San Leandro Climate Hazard Assessment	City of San Leandro Public Works Department	In response to Senate Bill No. 379 - Land Use:
(May 22, 2020)		general plan: safety element (Jackson), this
		report informs that public on the City's effort
		to incorporate climate hazards and
		adaptation strategies into it local hazard
		mitigation plan, General Plan Safety Element
		and other relevant plans such as the Climate
		Action Plan.
San Leandro ADA Facilities Transition Plan	City of San Leandro Engineering and	The 2010 ADA Facilities Transition Plan
Update	Transportation Department	Update is the City of San Leandro's effort to
		comply with the American with Disabilities
		Act (ADA) that requires the City to reasonably
		modify its policies, practices, or procedures
		to avoid discrimination against people with
		disabilities. The report identifies physical
		barriers to accessibility in City-owned
		facilities and how the City may remove those
		barriers to facilitate the opportunity of access
		to all individuals.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

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#### AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 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

HUD Consolidated Plan regulations provide guidelines for the City to develop a Citizen Participation Plan that governs the public input and noticing process for creating the Consolidated Plan and subsequent annual action plans. The goal of the Citizen Participation Plan is to encourage broader public involvement in the planning and allocation of CDBG and HOME funds and implementation of related programs. A minimum of 2 public hearings are required with at least 1 hearing to be held before the proposed Consolidated Plan and Proposed Annual Action Plan are published for public comment.

Sort Or der	Mode of Ou treach	Target of Ou treach	Summary of response/atte ndance	Summary of comments re ceived	Summary of co mments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applica ble)
	Email Outreach	Non- targeted/ broad community	The City distributed the Public Notice of the April 17, 2021 Public Hearing via email to a wide range of recipients. Email distribution lists included Housing Services Division interested parties, Homeowner's Associations, social service agencies, and everyone who has contacted the City with housing and community development questions. In total approximately 750 emails were sent the Notice of Public Hearing.			

#### **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

#### **Expected Resources**

#### AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

The amount of federal CDBG entitlement funding significantly decreased during the 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan 5-Year planning period. In the 2015-2019 Consolidated 5-Year planning period, as of the 2017 program year, there had been a 5% increase since the 2015 program year. When this analysis is done over a 10-year period from the 2007 program year to the 2017 program year CDBG funds had decreased overall by 13% (note that these amounts have not been adjusted for the current year dollar value). For the HUD program years of 2019-2020 to 2020-2021 there was a year-over-year decrease of 1%. This changes the 10-year analysis (difference between what was received in FY 10-11 to date) to an overall decrease of CDBG fund to 11%.

A note on if the CDBG allocation to San Leandro is not available until after the beginning the City's Fiscal Year starting July 1, 2021. San Leandro wants to ensure that the public service providers do not have an interruption in services offered to the residents of San Leandro. According to the government-wide Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements regulation at 2 CFR § 200, contains language concerning agency approval of pre-award costs. The language at 2 CFR § 200.458 applies to any program that does not have separate provisions concerning authorization of pre-award costs:

2 CFR § 200.458. Pre-award costs are those incurred prior to the effective date of the Federal award directly pursuant to the negotiation and in anticipation of the Federal award where such costs are necessary for efficient and timely performance of the scope of work. Such costs are allowable only to the extent that they would have been allowable if incurred after the date of the Federal award and only with written approval of the Federal awarding agency.

Additionally, San Leandro is aware of the federal regulation citing the total amount of pre-award costs paid during any program year cannot be more than 25 percent of the grant amount for that year or \$300,000, whichever is greater.

The Consolidated Plan must identify federal, state and local resources expected to be available to the City of San Leandro to address priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Strategic Plan. In FY 2021-2022 the City of San Leandro will receive an allocation of \$763,357. The HOME allocation for the same period \$224,884.

#### **Anticipated Resources**

As of the beginning date of this Annual Action Plan Program Year (July 1, 2021) the City of San Leandro had unspent and unallocated \$408,928. Those funds were supposed to be allocated to the ADA Transition Plan but were unintentionally not appropriated in the FY 2020-21 Annual Action Plan.

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Ex	pected Amour	nt Available Yea	ar 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	Public: federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	\$763,357	\$25,000	\$446,641	\$1,234,998		CDBG activities will include administration, public services, housing, and other activities benefiting low-mod income households and communities in the City of San Leandro.

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

CDBG funds will be leveraged with other funding available within the City of San Leandro, the region and the State of California. Local resources include San Leandro's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the Low/Mod Housing Asset Fund (repayments or income generated by former Redevelopment Agency Assets), General Fund commitments and other non-financial resources. One non-financial resource for affordable housing includes the City's Inclusionary Zoning that requires new residential development to provide a percentage of its residential units be affordable to lower income households. The City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund mainly receives deposits of in-lieu fees when a developer chooses to pay instead of providing inclusionary affordable housing units.

Other regional funding includes Alameda County Measure A-1 bond funds. In the Fall of 2016 Alameda County 73% of the voters approved measure A1, a \$580 million general obligation bond measure designated to support regional efforts to address the lack of affordable housing. The City of San Leandro has a base allocation of these funds in the amount of over \$10 million that is earmarked for affordable rental housing development in San Leandro.

There are significant efforts both regionally and at the State level to address decreased funding for affordable housing and community development. The 2017-18 Regular Session of the California State Legislature passed two bills (of many other housing-related legislation) seeking to generate funds for new affordable housing production. The Building Homes and Jobs Act (SB 2: Atkins) will establish a permanent source of funding for affordable housing through a \$75 fee on real estate document filings. The Affordable Housing Bond Act (SB 3: Beall) allowed the State of California to place a \$4 billion statewide general obligation bond for affordable housing on the November 2018 ballot. Proposition 1: Housing Programs and Veterans' Loan Bond was approved and will fund existing critical and successful affordable housing programs operated by State agencies.

Additionally, the statewide Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program is a competitive funding program that encourages collaboration between affordable housing developers, jurisdictions, and transit agencies to fund affordable housing development and transportation infrastructure and amenities. City staff will continue encouraging affordable housing developers and area transit agencies to collaborate in an application to AHSC for funding when a viable and competitive housing and transportation development is ready to move forward.

Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC): The federal 4% and 9% LIHTC is the principal source of funding that can be leveraged for the construction and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing. They are a dollar-for-dollar credit against an investor's federal tax liability. City staff continue to monitor developments in these regional and state funding initiatives and will work to position affordable housing and community development projects in the City to be competitive in securing those funding resources.

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

The 2018-19 Session of the California State Legislature passed multiple bills regulating the City's supply of surplus land (AB 1486: Ting; AB 1255: Rivas; SB6: Beall). The City will work to comply with State law regarding City-owned property used to address the needs identified by the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan if any becomes available during this planning period.

#### **Annual Goals and Objectives**

#### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

#### **Goals Summary Information**

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs	Funding	Goal Outcome
Order		Year	Year		Area	Addressed		Indicator
1	Producing and Preserving Affordable Housing Opportunities	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	City-Wide	Affordable Housing Needs	CDBG: \$300,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit Lead-based Paint Assessments: 75 Household Housing Unit
2	Providing Enhanced Public Services	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City-Wide	Community Development Needs - Public Services	CDBG: \$118,254	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted
3	Improving Public Facilities and Infrastructure	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City-Wide	Community Development Needs - Public Facilities	CDBG: \$664,074	
4	Increasing Economic Development Opportunities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City-Wide	Community Development Needs - Economic Development		
5	Augmenting Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services	2020	2024	Homeless	City-Wide	Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services		

Table 5 – Goals Summary

#### **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Producing and Preserving Affordable Housing Opportunities
	Goal Description	CDBG and HOME funds will be used for owner-occupied, low income single family rehabilitation program and, when available and if feasible, for affordable housing construction and/or acquisition and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing.
2	Goal Name	Providing Enhanced Public Services
	Goal Description	CDBG funds will be used, when available and if feasible, for the provision of public services to agencies serving residents of the City of San Leandro.
3	Goal Name	Increasing Economic Development Opportunities
	Goal Description	CDBG funds will be used, when available and if feasible, for the improvement of public facilities and public infrastructure serving the residents of the City of San Leandro.
4	Goal Name	Increasing Economic Development Opportunities
	Goal Description	A portion of CDBG and HOME funds, if feasible, will be used to provide economic development opportunities.
5	Goal Name	Augmenting Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
	Goal Description	A portion of CDBG and HOME funds, if feasible, will be used to provide homeless assistance and prevention services.

#### AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

CDBG funds can be used for four (4) general types of projects: housing, capital improvement projects, economic development, and public services. All projects must meet at least one (1) of HUD's national objectives: 1) to benefit low/moderate-income people; 2) to prevent or eliminate slums and blight; and 3) to meet an urgent community development need.

Even if a project is suitable for one of the City's eligible categories, it must also pass the low- and moderate-income benefit test. A project meets this standard if at least 51% of the beneficiaries have low-moderate incomes (i.e., incomes at or below 80% of Area Median Income) or if the project benefits an area (e.g., census tracts, service area, neighborhood, etc.) with a majority of low-moderate income people. Funded projects are required to document the income levels of persons and households receiving these services.

After assessing the City's housing and community development priority needs, evaluating the Five-Year Strategic Plan objectives for FY 2020-2024, and analyzing CDBG eligibility criteria, the City is proposing to allocate its available CDBG dollars in the following eligible funding categories: Program Administration, Public Services, Public Facilities, Housing Activities, and Economic Development.

#	Project Name						
1	CDBG Program Administration						
2	CDBG Public Services 2021						
3	CDBG Public Facilities Funding 2021						
4	4 CDBG Affordable Housing Preservation 2021						
5	CDBG Economic Development 2021						
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Table 6 – Project Information

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

For CDBG-funded Public Services, staff recommended four agencies to the HSC. All four of these agencies have received funding in the last two fiscal years, met their contractual obligations to the City with high performance outcomes, and serve priority needs under the City's HUD Five Year Consolidated Plan. They were selected from a pool of twelve (12) agencies that submitted applications to the City-issued FY 2021-2023 Community Assistance Grant Program (CAP) Request for Proposals. The four agencies that are recommended to receive CDBG FY 2021-2022 Public Services grants are as follows: CALICO (Child Abuse, Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination) program "Building Resiliency: Family Support Services for Abused Children" \$23,345; Davis Street Family Resource Center "Basic Needs and Family Counseling Services" program \$45,566; Service Opportunities for Seniors (SOS) "Meals on Wheels for San Leandro Seniors" \$30,773; and Spectrum Community Services, Inc. "San Leandro Senior Nutrition Meals Program" \$18,570.

The decision to allocate CDBG funding to these above-noted agencies is based on a number of factors: 1) proven eligibility to receive federal CDBG funding, 2) agency's past performance met or exceeded service delivery goals and expectations, 3) public services provided by these agencies address the priority needs identified in the Human Services Gap Analysis, dated April 2017 and adopted by City Council in October 2017, 4) public services provided by these agencies meet the City's Consolidated Plan priority needs. On April 28, 2021, the City's Human Services Commission will consider City Staff's recommendations. Final funding amounts were discussed, confirmed and approved by the Human Services Commission.

The City's allocation to ECHO Housing to provide fair housing services is consistent with the Consolidated Plan priority and the City's commitment to affirmatively further fair housing.

The allocation for the City's HUD Section 108 Loan repayment is in accordance with the 20-year repayment schedule for the City's \$2.5 million HUD Section 108 Loan used to complete the City's senior center.

The commitment of CDBG funds to increase ADA accessibility in the City will continue with funding to support the Washington Avenue rehabilitation project. The project is located on Washington Avenue between West Juana and Castro Street and will include the replacement of all curb ramps, create ADA compliant crosswalks at all intersections and will reduce the high crown of the street to an accessible standard by flattening the crosswalks at major intersections. The project will also create curb bulb-outs at select intersections to reduce pedestrian travel distance between sidewalks at intersections. The proposed allocation of \$485,828 to proceed with this project.

The City will continue to provide lower-income San Leandro homeowners with minor home repair grants using CDBG funds to ensure that these existing, naturally affordable homes are preserved and in safe and habitable conditions.

Finally, as a result of the City's Emergency Rental Assistance Payment Program providing rent and/or utility relief payments to low income households who were financially impacted by COVID-19, the City is required by HUD to affirm those renter households that received 4 months or more of ERAP assistance are free of lead-based paint in their homes. There are an estimated 75 rental units that were approved for ERAP grants that will need to be evaluated for lead-based paint and, if necessary, remediated. City staff plans to work with two other area jurisdictions on a joint and cost-sharing contract with Alameda County Healthy Homes Department to carry-out this lead-based paint work for approximately \$150,000, but staff is still assessing the affected units to refine this cost total for the Final Plan.

The main obstacles to addressing the City's underserved needs are: 1) the continued reductions in funding levels for the CDBG and HOME programs, and 2) the excess of need far exceeding the amounts of funding available.

#### **AP-38 Project Summary**

#### **Project Summary Information**

1	Project Name	CDBG Program Administration
	Target Area	City-Wide
	Goals Supported	Producing and Preserving Affordable Housing Opportunities
		Providing Enhanced Public Services
		Improving Public Facilities and Infrastructure
		Increasing Economic Development Opportunities
		Augmenting Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Needs
		Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
		Community Development Needs – Public Services
		Community Development Needs – Public Facilities
		Community Development Needs –Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG \$152,671
	Description	General administration and oversight of the CDBG Program.
ECHO Housing will provide fair housing services to San Leandro discrimination in the City.		ECHO Housing will provide fair housing services to San Leandro residents to reduce housing discrimination in the City.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	For all programs supported by CDBG in FY 2021-2022 the following accomplishments are expected: 1,746 low-income clients will be assisted by public service agencies, 10 Fair Housing clients, and 10 low-income, owner-occupied single-family housing rehabilitation program clients.

Location Description	Various locations throughout the City and the County.
	ECHO Housing staff provides fair housing services over the phone.
Planned Activities	The City will continue to allocate 20% of its annual CDBG entitlement funds to the administration of the City's CDBG program.
	<ul> <li>ECHO Housing Fair Housing Coordinator will:</li> <li>Process Inquiries and Complaints: Field inquiries about fair housing and related issues, and/or alleging housing discrimination; Evaluate and investigate complaints within 24 hours, when feasible; Trained</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>investigators, following established fair housing investigative methods, will perform all investigations;</li> <li>Fair Housing complainants, who have been denied housing or are in danger of losing their housing because of illegal housing discrimination, will be afforded conciliation or referrals to attorneys or governmental agencies for enforcement to make the subject rentals accessible to protected classes.</li> <li>Perform Audits: Perform housing audits to determine fair housing compliance; Analyze data; Provide</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>training and follow-up to non-compliant property owners and/or managers.</li> <li>Conduct Trainings: Hold one Fair Housing Month event; Conduct fair housing training sessions for tenants and/or potential homebuyers.</li> </ul>
	• Conduct Educational and Marketing Presentations: Conduct presentations on fair housing issues; Distribute 500 flyers/brochures on fair housing issues, laws, and events at public locations such as libraries, churches, community groups, social service agencies, and stores.
Project Name	CDBG Public Services 2021
Target Area	City-Wide
Goals Supported	Providing Enhanced Public Services Augmenting Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services Community Development Needs – Public Services

Funding	CDBG \$118,253
Description	
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and ty	/pe
of families that will benefit	
from the proposed activitie	5
Location Description	Various locations throughout the City and the County.
Planned Activities	Provide family support services for children who have suffered abuse.
	Provide food, clothing, childcare, job readiness training, medical clinic, and social services for low-
	income people.
	Provide support services programs for low-income seniors.
	Provide seniors with hot, nutritious meals in supportive settings.
Project Name	CDBG Public Facilities 2021
Target Area	City-Wide
Goals Supported	Providing Enhanced Public Services
	Augmenting Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services
	Community Development Needs – Public Facilities
Funding	CDBG: \$664,074

Description	The City received \$2.5 million HUD Section 108 Loan to complete the construction of the senior center. With the completion of the facility, the City will now make repayments based on the repayment schedule provided by HUD. The City pledges future CDBG funds to repay the \$2.5 million loan over 20 years.
	The commitment of CDBG funds to increase ADA accessibility in the City will continue with funding to support the Washington Avenue rehabilitation project. The project is located on Washington Avenue between West Juana and Castro Street and will include the replacement of all curb ramps, create ADA compliant crosswalks at all intersections and will reduce the high crown of the street to an accessible standard by flattening the crosswalks at major intersections.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable.
Location Description	San Leandro Senior Center, 13909 E 14th St, San Leandro, CA 94578
	Washington Avenue between West Juana and Castro Street
Planned Activities	The City will use CDBG funds to repay its \$2.5 million HUD Section 108 Loan used to complete the construction of the City's senior center. The repayment amounts are in accordance with HUD's 20-year repayment schedule.
	The project will include the replacement of all curb ramps, create ADA compliant crosswalks at all intersections and will reduce the high crown of the street to an accessible standard by flattening the crosswalks at major intersections.
Project Name	CDBG Affordable Housing Preservation 2021
Target Area	City-Wide
Goals Supported	Producing and Preserving Affordable Housing Opportunities

Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Needs
Funding	CDBG: \$300,000
Description	The City's Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Program will provide grants to very low- and low-income households for minor repairs to their homes.
	City will partner with Alameda County Healthy Homes and area jurisdictions to conduct Lead-Based Paint Assessments of ERAP Program Properties with Demonstrated need.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Fifteen (15) low-income, owner-occupied households will have minor repairs completed in their single- family or mobile homes.
	Seventy-five (75) low-income households will be evaluated for lead-based paint and if needed, remediated and assessed to confirm that there is no lead-based paint hazards.
Location Description	The owner-occupied homes, located within the jurisdictional boundaries of San Leandro, will be identified once the applications are processed.
	The low-income rental households in the jurisdictional boundaries of San Leandro that were constructed prior to 1978 and received more than 100 days of rental assistance from the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) funded by CDBD-CV Rounds I and III .
Planned Activities	CDBG funds will be used to provide grants to 15 income-eligible (extremely low- and very low-income) households to complete repairs to their owner-occupied single-family or mobile homes. Grants may be used for minor repairs that improve health and safety, home accessibility, exterior clean up, exterior paint, and seismic strengthening.
Project Name	CDBG Economic Development 2021
Target Area	City-Wide
Goals Supported	Increasing Economic Development Opportunities

Needs Addressed	Community Development Needs –Economic Development
Funding	CDBG: \$0
Description	If any additional stimulus funding becomes available in this program year, the City may seek to allocate CDBG funds to provide loans to eligible small businesses for property upgrades. Also, if feasible, CDBG funds may be used to develop and implement a neighborhood strategy or plan for commercial corridor revitalization.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
Location Description	Various locations throughout the City.
Planned Activities	

#### AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

Most of the activities in the Action Plan meet the needs of the entire City. The income structure of the City is diverse and there are few low-income census tract areas. Potential sites that could possibly accommodate affordable housing and homeless facilities are identified in the City's current Housing Element of the General Plan. Geography was not used to determine funding allocation priorities.

#### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds	
City-Wide	100	

Table 7 - Geographic Distribution

#### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Geography was not used to determine funding allocation priorities.

#### AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

#### Introduction

To carry out the strategies outlined in San Leandro's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, the City will pursue the following planned actions.

#### Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The Consolidated Plan priorities are designed to address the underserved needs in San Leandro. The primary obstacle to meeting the City's underserved needs is securing adequate funding resources.

#### Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will coordinate and collaborate with Alameda County to administer HOME funds for acquisition, rehabilitation, and/or new construction of affordable rental housing as well as tenant-based rental assistance. The City staff will continue to work closely with local non-profit agencies, the County, and other HOME Consortium member cities to identify permanent affordable housing as well as emergency and transitional housing needs (along with necessary supportive services) for the homeless and/or persons with special needs. HOME Consortium members, including San Leandro, have also agreed to continue funding the consortium-wide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for Homeless Families Program, a transitional housing program that provides short-term rental subsidies, job preparation and placements, case management, and other support services to assist homeless families attain permanent housing.

The City will continue to contract with ECHO Housing for housing services such as fair housing and tenant/landlord counseling. These services help maintain people in housing and prevent homelessness.

Furthermore, the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program for minor home repair grants for owneroccupied homes historically preserved and improved the City's existing housing stock for extremely low and very low-income homeowners and also and assisted elderly homeowners to age in place.

Lastly, the City will continue to monitor the preservation of 1,446 affordable housing rental units (funded and/or regulated by the City/Redevelopment Agency and/or regulated by State Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program) for tenants earning between 30% and 120% of the Area Median Income and fifty-six (56) existing BMR ownership units (funded by the City's Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance).

#### Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards are listed in Section SP-65. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rule effective April 22, 2010 requires that contractors be EPA-lead certified prior to beginning work on structures built before 1978. The City, specifically its Building & Safety

Services Division, requires contractors, who are working on homes built prior to 1978, to demonstrate that they have satisfied the EPA law prior to providing them the City building permits needed.

Should the City use federal funds, such as HOME funds, for acquisition and/or rehabilitation of apartments for preservation or maintenance as affordable housing, it will inform tenants of lead-based paint and comply with both the new EPA law on lead and renovation as well as with applicable HUD lead-based paint hazard reduction guidelines and regulations.

#### Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Anti-Poverty Strategies and planned actions to reduce the number of poverty-level families are listed in Section SP-70. Section 220 of the 1992 Housing and Community Development Act requires jurisdictions to describe the goals, programs, and policies that will reduce the number of households with incomes below the poverty level. One strategy for increasing household income is to improve the employment potential of those who are seeking to break from the cycle of poverty. The City's Community Assistance Grant Program (CAP), that is currently funded with CDBG funds, will continue to support non-profit agencies that provide job assistance and related services to low-income members of the community.

The City's Economic Development Division actively seeks new commercial office and retail developments that may result in new employment opportunities for residents. The CDBG staff will continue to work closely with the City's Economic Development Division staff to develop eligible projects and programs and promote increased economic development and community job creation and retention.

#### Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Planned actions to develop institutional structure were listed in Section SP-40 of the Five-year Consolidated Plan (starting on page 56). Public agencies, for-profit and non-profit private organizations all play a part in the provision of affordable housing, social services, capital improvements, and economic development. The City's Housing Services Division has the primary responsibility for implementation of the Consolidated Plan and the Housing Element. The Division works closely with the Economic Development Division in the implementation of affordable housing projects and programs. Non-profit agencies also provide social services to the community each year. The Alameda County Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department is the lead agency in the implementation of the HOME Consortium's Consolidated Plan. HCD also administers the HOME Program for the HOME Consortium members, HUD homeless programs (including the Continuum of Care Council), and the Mortgage Credit Certificate (MCC) Program for homeownership. The City and other cities in the County take part in the HCD activities described above.

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

The City plans to continue funding EveryOne Home's operations, and having City Housing staff assist (e.g., technical assistance) EveryOne Home's staff, Board, committees, and activities as needed.

### Program Specific Requirements

#### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 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 environ that include this Appual Action Plan	100.00%
moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%