



State of Louisiana FY 2022 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report

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.

This Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) discusses program outcomes for the FY 2020 program year (April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021) utilizing State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), National Housing Trust Fund (HTF), Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). This is the first of the five year Consolidated Plan cycle 2020-2024. As program year 2020 began, the State and the Nation became under attack from the COVID-19 Virus resulting in Congresses passing of the CARES Act, granting numerous economic stimuli for a country on the mend.

The State of Louisiana continued to make progress in increasing and preserving the supply of affordable housing, improving public infrastructure, and increasing public services, public facilities, and Rapid-Rehousing and crisis response services for eligible households across the State with a primary focus in non-entitlement CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA and HTF communities. The State also continues to make strives toward affirmatively furthering fair housing in the administration of program funds. In addition to the data provided below, this CAPER discusses affordable housing outcomes, homelessness and special needs activities, program monitoring and other State actions in furtherance of the State's 2020 Consolidated Annual Action Plan. HOME funds were used to fund the following activities during the FY 2020 program year:

- Homebuyer activities (new construction for homebuyers);
- Rental housing (acquisition and or/ rehabilitation or new construction)
- Tenant based rental assistance (TBRA) Projects that were funded are in various stages of development.

Projects that were funded are in various stages of development and completion. Table 1 below provides a comparison of proposed FY 2020 program year goals versus actual outcomes. Outcomes are measured either in terms of units produced or the number of assisted households. Each activity funded under the 2020 CDBG Program must have met one of the three national objectives: principal benefit to low-to-moderate

income persons; elimination or prevention of slums and blight; and meeting community development needs having a particular urgency. To accomplish these objectives, the State established the following goals:

To strengthen community economic development through the creation of jobs, stimulation of private investment, and community revitalization, principally for low-to-moderate income persons; to primarily benefit low-to-moderate income persons; to eliminate or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight; or, provide for other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

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
Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	110	12	10.91%	22	0	0.00%

Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Rental units rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	85	58	68.24%	17	0	0.00%
Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	30	14	46.67%	6	0	0.00%
Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	20	0	0.00%	4	0	0.00%
Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	601		50	0	0.00%

Affordable Housing Development	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0 / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$0 / HTF: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	250	0	0.00%			
ED - Existing Business	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	100	0	0.00%	100	0	0.00%
ED - Existing Business	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	5	0	0.00%	5	0	0.00%
ED - Local Government Loan to Business	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	10	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%
ED - New Business	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	100	0	0.00%	100	0	0.00%
ED - New Business	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	5	0	0.00%	5	0	0.00%
HMIS Reporting	Homeless	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Other	Other	7500	0	0.00%	1500	0	0.00%

Homebuyer Assistance	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	50	14	28.00%	10	0	0.00%
Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	2000	0	0.00%	400	0	0.00%
Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	1500	0	0.00%	300	0	0.00%
Homeless Shelters	Homeless	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	12500	0	0.00%	2500	0	0.00%

Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	100	0	0.00%	20	0	0.00%
PF - Existing Infrastructure/Service Connections	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	200000	68829	34.41%	50000	68829	137.66%
PF - Existing Infrastructure/Service Connections	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	300	66	22.00%	60	66	110.00%
PF - Existing Infrastructure/Service Connections	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$	HIV/AIDS Housing Operations	Household Housing Unit	40	0	0.00%			

PF - New Service Connections	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	60	8	13.33%	12	8	66.67%
Planning	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	0	2		10	2	20.00%
Public Facilities-New Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	12000	84	0.70%	6000	84	1.40%
Rental Assistance	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	3000	0	0.00%	600	194	32.33%
Rental Assistance	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	750		%	150		%

Street Outreach	Homeless	CDBG: \$ / HOPWA: \$ / HOME: \$ / ESG: \$ / HTF: \$	Other	Other	1000	0	0.00%	200	0	0.00%
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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.

The outcomes reported in the tables above are based on HOME funded activities that were completed in the HUD Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) per the HUD PR 23 Report during the 2020 program year, April 1, 2020-March 31, 2021. Table 1 provides information regarding annual goals, activities and accomplishments for the FY 2020 program year. As seen in Table 1, during the FY 2020 program year, the state made progress in accomplishing its overall annual expectations for affordable housing except for owner occupied rehabilitation. Although the use of HOME funds for TBRA was an essential element of the overall five year funding strategy and annual action plans, the state only used HOME funds for this activity as the needs and market conditions were identified. As the COVID-19 Virus pandemic healthcare crisis progressed, the primary challenge of the state was to provide critical housing relief for some of the hardest hit residents and some assistance to businesses for economic sustainability. Households most vulnerable were low income renters and homeowners, the homeless population and those impacted by natural disasters; i.e. hurricanes. Low income households that depended on jobs provided in the service industry were most severely impacted. Table 2 provides information and a comparison regarding the strategic goals and actual accomplishments relative to the FY 2020 - 2024 Consolidated Plan for the aforementioned HUD programs. Table 2 also provides an indication of the challenges the state continues to incur relative to the strategic provision of opportunities for homeownership. A slower recovery for struggling low income households, a more restrictive access to mortgage credit and a reduction in public and private resources as well as increase development and direct homebuyer assistance cost were factors that influenced the strategic outcomes for HOME funded homebuyer activity. Historically, HOME funds have been used in combination with MRB funding to provide lower rates to low income households. The lower outcome regarding rental housing activity was primarily due in part to activities that had been previously funded but were not completed during this annual and strategic reporting

period. Construction and rehabilitation activity progressed at a much slower pace because of the pandemic. Several projects halted construction either due to healthcare precautions caused by the pandemic or due to a lack of available workforce.

The outcomes reported in the tables above are based on CDBG activities that were completed during the 2020 program year, April 1, 2020-March 31, 2021. The difference between expected and actual CDBG beneficiaries is the result of the LCDBG applications received, as well as the review and rating of those applications.

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)

	CDBG	HOME	HOPWA	ESG	HTF
White	21	48	185	0	0
Black or African American	37	268	466	0	6
Asian	2	1	0	0	0
American Indian or American Native	0	0	4	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	1	0	0
Total	60	317	656	0	6
Hispanic	0	4	14	0	0
Not Hispanic	0	313	0	0	6

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

Narrative

The information provided in the table above summarizes the extent various race and ethnicity of families have applied for, participated in, or benefited from, any program or activity funded in whole or in part with HOME funds. This report includes as "Attachment 4", the IDIS PR 23 Report (HOME Summary of Accomplishments) for the FY 2020 reporting period ending 3/31/21. According to the report, the racial and ethnic household composition of HOME-assisted projects was as follow: slightly more than 15% White; slightly more than 84% Black or African American; less than 1% Asian; and 0% other multi-racial.

For HOPWA the information above represents individuals who are considered both HOPWA Eligible clients and all other beneficiaries, or people living in households with the HOPWA eligible individual.

While CDBG maintains data on racial, ethnic, and gender characteristics of persons who are direct beneficiaries for CDBG-funded projects as shown above, IDIS does not allow data to be entered for projects with indirect beneficiaries.

The ESG totals in the chart above represent the racial and ethnic composition of the families served with ESG.

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	27,224,317	15,749,781
HOME	public - federal	14,091,510	
HOPWA	public - federal	2,218,142	1,961,661
ESG	public - federal	2,496,383	
HTF	public - federal	3,609,159	

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

The State of Louisiana received \$10,360,967 as a FY 2020 HOME fund allocation. IDIS's PR 09 (Receipt Fund Detail Report) reveals the total amount of program income received during the reporting period from HOME funded activities was \$1,062,009. The total amount of HOME funds made available at the beginning of FY 2019 was \$18,683,616. The state also received an award of \$3,000,000 in National Housing Trust Funds during FY 2019. NHTF funds were awarded in conjunction with tax credits during the 2019 HOME and Housing Trust Fund NOFA. According to the PR 07 (HOME Drawdown Report by Voucher Number) dated 3/31/20, the amount of HOME funds expended during the FY 2019 was \$15,148,622 which included program income and funds committed from prior years. In addition to HOME funds, the state also used non-federal resources including bond sale proceeds and housing tax credits with HOME funds to finance affordable housing activities.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
CDBG-State of Louisiana	97	57.85	The geographic area for awarding CDBG funds encompasses all HUD Non-Entitlement Areas of Louisiana
ESG-State of Louisiana	100		Statewide
HOME-State of Louisiana	100		Other
HOPWA-State of Louisiana	97	88.43	Low income persons living with HIV who reside in parishes outside the New Orleans & Baton Rouge MSAs

National Housing Trust Fund - State of Louisiana	100		Other
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Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

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.

A match is not required for LCDBG except under the Economic Development program. Funds available through LCDBG are leveraged with other federal, state and local government funds. The additional funds are primarily used for administration and planning of projects, property acquisition and a portion of project construction costs.

HOPWA: Sponsors leveraged funds included housing, rental and utility assistance, case management and supportive services, housing choice vouchers, program income, fundraising, CARES Act, Ryan White, and other funds in the amount of \$11,337,093 to support People Living with HIV become housed, stay housed, prevent homelessness, and access critical supportive and medical services to support viral suppression.

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

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 begin-ning 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 \$
0	0	0	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

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						
	Total	Minority Property Owners				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dollar Amount	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 9 – Minority Owners of Rental Property

Relocation and Real Property Acquisition – 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	20	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	238	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	45	0
Total	303	0

Table 11 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	200	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	22	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	36	0
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
Total	258	0

Table 12 – Number of Households Supported

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	HTF Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	0	0
Low-income	0	0	
Moderate-income	0	0	
Total	0	0	

Table 13 – Number of Households Served

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 state continues to work with sub-recipients and Continuums of Care to identify the unsheltered homeless through intensive street outreach efforts. These efforts have identified and linked over 200 persons to mainstream services including housing. All state homeless providers utilize the same assessment tool, which allows services to be individualized therefore meeting the client's specific needs.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons the Emergency Solutions funding allocated to 11 homeless shelters to provide immediate Housing for those individuals and families experiencing homelessness. These shelters provided 25,278 nights of shelter stays. The implementation of the Vulnerability Index and Service Prioritization and Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool has ensured that the clients are routed to the best resource to meet there needs.

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

The state made provisions for agencies to utilize ESG funding to provide homeless prevention assistance when it was necessary to prevent individuals and families from loss of housing and becoming homeless. These efforts also included identifying and servicing those individuals released from institutions. ESG funding provides financial assistance to households throughout the state to low income populations. These individuals and families must meet the eligibility criteria in accordance to the Federal Register rules and regulations. The State's Interagency Council on Homeless continued the work outlined and adopted the Louisiana's Ten year Plan to End Homelessness, Ma Maison (My Home). The plan, which is aligned with the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness' Opening Doors. The plan outlines the goals for Louisiana CAPER 22 OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 07/31/2015) as:
• Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness by 2016
• Prevent and end homeless among veterans by 2015
• Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth and children by 2020: and
• Set a path to ending all types of homeless
The Governors Council on Homelessness was established in 2016. This council is playing an integral part in the development of discharge planning for hospitals, jails, and prisons. The

councils goals are also aligned with the federal goals identified above.

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 Louisiana 10 year Plan to End Homelessness, Ma Maison steps have been outlined to identify chronically homeless individuals and families and link them to housing and services. The utilization of the VI-SPDAT by all CoC's within the state ensures prioritization of resources to those homeless most in need. Quarterly Homeless Working Groups are held to continue this work and develop statewide strategies and goals: four meetings were conducted during the reporting period, resulting in multiple subgroup meetings to centime specific work assignments.

The state worked with cities and parish officials across the state to accept the White house Challenge: Mayors Challenge to End Homelessness. This challenge is to identify the veterans in each community and provide housing; the initial date was by the end of 2015; however, that was extended through 2016. The following cities accepted the challenge: City of Baton Rouge, City of New Orleans, City of Lake Charles, City of Shreveport, and Terrebonne Parish. The City of New Orleans has accomplished the goal in 2015. During 2016 Lake Charles, City of Shreveport and Terrebonne Parish met the goal of ending veteran homeless in their community. Many of our cities and parishes came close to meeting their goal, and will continue the work of identifying and housing homeless veterans. Additionally, the Project Based Voucher program continues to address homelessness by making individuals who are chronically homeless a preference. The PBV program has provided housing to 226 chronically homeless individuals.

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

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

The state continues to develop and implement its strategy and a set of standards for identifying and preserving those affordable housing developments (including public housing) with the greatest need for preservation, e.g., at imminent risk of opting out of a contract or with the greatest need for physical improvements. The state has also committed to provide appropriate resources through its Multi-family Bond, Tax Credit, HOME and Housing Trust Funds programs to public housing authorities to preserve and modernize their public housing units or re-construct new units by providing preference to projects which preserve which preserve affordable housing in its Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) and NOFA's; especially those participating in the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program. The RAD Program is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) initiative for the conversion of public housing units to long term Project Based Vouchers (PBV) or Project Based Rental Assistance (PBRA) contracts. In addition, the state also provided a dedicated staff to facilitate and support PHAs through the RAD application and conversion process.

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

The State does not have any direct or indirect jurisdiction over the management or operations of public housing authorities regarding resident initiatives; however, the State maintains relationships with housing authorities throughout the state to provide homeownership opportunities to its tenants.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

During the FY 2020 program year, the state provided resources in the form of technical and financial assistance to troubled public housing agencies upon request. Financial assistance was provided utilizing Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, Multi-family Bond and HOME Program funds for the preservation and modernization of public housing units or re-construction of new units.

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 state provides administrative oversight to recipients of HUD funds through program evaluation and monitoring. The compliance standards required by the HUD programs, as well as the standards required by other applicable federal requirements, have been adopted by the state agencies administering the CDBG, HOME, Housing Trust Funds, ESG and HOPWA Programs. Staffs are responsible for assuring that recipients develop and maintain projects in accordance with the applicable federal and state laws and regulations as well as agencies requirements. In carrying out this responsibility, staffs identify problems early in program implementation, isolate the causes, and assist in corrective measures. These monitoring activities are conducted in an assistance-oriented manner and, when feasible, deficiencies are corrected on-site through technical assistance. Program evaluation and monitoring primarily consist of three functions: education, ongoing evaluation and technical assistance, and on-site assistance.

The Louisiana Housing Corporation (LHC), as the administrative entity for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) for the state, conducts on-site inspection for all HOME funded multifamily rental development in accordance with 24 CFR 92.504 (d). Physical inspections are conducted in accordance to the Uniform Physical Condition Standard. The LHC uses the Section 8 definition of income to determine income eligibility.

Section 104 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, (Title 1) and 24 CFR Part 570.492 requires Louisiana to monitor its CDBG recipients. Program evaluation and monitoring is the mechanism by which the state's Office of Community Development (OCD) provides administrative oversight to Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) recipients. OCD's review process ensures that recipients are in compliance with three key areas: • Approved activities have been carried out in a timely manner, • Recipients' activities and certifications have been carried out in accordance with the requirements and the primary objectives of Title 1 and with other applicable laws, and • Recipient has a continuing capacity to carry out approved activities in a timely manner. During the course of an LCDBG project, OCD's Local Government Representatives (LGRs) will evaluate and monitor grant recipients both remotely and through periodic on-site visits. Under the LCDBG program, there are three major components of program evaluation and monitoring: • Education: The provision of workshops, manuals, and handouts training recipients in program requirements and their basis. The primary educational efforts are the mandatory post-award workshops and the Grantee Handbook. • Technical Assistance: Imparting information that will enable recipients to comply with the various state and federal requirements for their grants. • Evaluation and Monitoring: A systematic process used to maintain contact with all recipients in order to track their progress, make comparisons between and among grantees, and identify grantees needing technical assistance. In carrying out OCD's Title I responsibilities, one or more monitoring and/or technical assistance visits will be made during the project period for each grant.

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 FY 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is available to the public in accordance with the regulations set forth in 24 CFR Part 91. A public hearing is being held virtually to encourage participation from citizens throughout the state and to avoid large public gatherings due to COVID-19. The CAPER is available on OCD's website with links on its Facebook page. Memos have been distributed to parties interested in CDBG and a notice was published in *The Advocate*.

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.

Due to ongoing limitations to OCD's staff capacity, the following changes are being proposed for future program years:

The Public Facilities Program is a competitive program where the majority of the State's CDBG funds are allocated. Larger cities and parishes are eligible to apply for a higher grant amount. The threshold was increased from a population of 10,000 to 12,000.

Rating Points

Additionally, rating points have been proposed to be included for resiliency and past performance. Resilience is the ability to prepare and plan for, absorb, respond, recover from and more successfully adapt to adverse events. Applications that include a resiliency plan as a separate attachment to the project description and specific item(s) of improvements are included on the cost estimate that coincide with item(s) identified in the resiliency plan receive two points.

Applicants will receive two points unless one or more of the following is applicable when reviewing the past performance of any grants funded to the applicant during the 2016-2021 LCDBG program years:

- A second contract or contract extension was required in order to complete and/or closeout the grant.
- Penalties were assessed at any point during the grant due to failure to meet a required benchmark.
- Finding of deficiency identified as "very serious" issued during the grant.

In order for CDBG funds to impact more communities, administration is no longer included in the Public Facilities Program. Points will no longer be awarded in rating to local governments paying the administrative fee costs.

It was clarified that points being awarded for consolidation of systems cannot be for systems that include purchase only.

Due to lack of interest in the self-help program, OCD proposes to remove LaSTEP effective FY 2021.

COVID-19 Impacts

The State's Citizen Participation Plan was amended to allow for a shorter comment period for amendments to the Action Plan. It also allows for hearings via Zoom to lessen the spread of COVID-19.

The Office of Community Development noted some effects as a result of the shutdown. Funds were not awarded as quickly as they typically are. The State's expenditure rate slowed as a result of construction projects coming to a complete stop.

CDBG-CV

The State received three rounds of CDBG-CV funding. The allocations were in the amounts of \$13,443,720, \$18,401,828 and \$12,490,648 respectively. An amount equal to the first round or \$13,443,720 must be spent in non-entitlements. As of June 2021, the State is administering a program to upgrade/modify HVAC systems to improve air quality and minimize the spread of airborne infectious diseases.

The State has also amended its FY 2019 Plan to use these funds for a business incubator project in Lafourche Parish.

The Office of Community Development modified its monitoring practice to the remote monitoring of files while the staff engineer monitored the project site. As offices throughout the state were closed due to hurricanes, flooding, and COVID-19, OCD granted extensions across the board to grantees.

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

No

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.

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	400	403
Tenant-based rental assistance	185	194
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0	25
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	40	0

Table 14 – HOPWA Number of Households Served

CR-56 - HTF 91.520(h)

Describe the extent to which the grantee complied with its approved HTF allocation plan and the requirements of 24 CFR part 93.

Tenure Type	0 – 30% AMI	0% of 30+ to poverty line (when poverty line is higher than 30% AMI)	% of the higher of 30+ AMI or poverty line to 50% AMI	Total Occupied Units	Units Completed, Not Occupied	Total Completed Units
Rental	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homebuyer	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 15 - CR-56 HTF Units in HTF activities completed during the period

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

Recipient Name LOUISIANA
Organizational DUNS Number 965237944
EIN/TIN Number 720809967
Identify the Field Office NEW ORLEANS
Identify CoC(s) in which the recipient or subrecipient(s) will provide ESG assistance Lafayette/Acadiana CoC

ESG Contact Name

Prefix Mr
First Name Bradley
Middle Name R
Last Name Sweazy
Suffix 0
Title Chief Operating Officer

ESG Contact Address

Street Address 1 2415 Quail Drive
Street Address 2 0
City Baton Rouge
State LA
ZIP Code -
Phone Number 2257638898
Extension 365
Fax Number 0
Email Address bsweazy@lhc.la.gov

ESG Secondary Contact

Prefix Ms
First Name Winona
Last Name Connor
Suffix 0
Title Housing Finance Manager
Phone Number 2252421389
Extension 0
Email Address wconnor@lhc.la.gov

2. Reporting Period—All Recipients Complete

Program Year Start Date 04/01/2020
Program Year End Date 03/31/2021

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

Subrecipient or Contractor Name
City
State
Zip Code
DUNS Number
Is subrecipient a victim services provider
Subrecipient Organization Type
ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount

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
Total	0

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
Total	0

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
Total	0

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
Total	0

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
Total	0

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
Total	0

Table 21 – Gender Information

6. Age—Complete for All Activities

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

Table 22 – Age Information

7. Special Populations Served—Complete for All Activities

Number of Persons in Households

Subpopulation	Total	Total Persons Served – Prevention	Total Persons Served – RRH	Total Persons Served in Emergency Shelters
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
Persons with Disabilities:				
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		
	2018	2019	2020
Expenditures for Rental Assistance	153,233	0	177,075
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance	0	0	0
Expenditures for Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services - Services	0	0	0
Expenditures for Homeless Prevention under Emergency Shelter Grants Program	0	0	0
Subtotal Homelessness Prevention	153,233	0	177,075

Table 25 – ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention

11b. ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2018	2019	2020
Expenditures for Rental Assistance	205,826	0	109,743
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance	0	0	0
Expenditures for Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services - Services	0	0	0
Expenditures for Homeless Assistance under Emergency Shelter Grants Program	0	0	0
Subtotal Rapid Re-Housing	205,826	0	109,743

Table 26 – ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

11c. ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2018	2019	2020
Essential Services	0	0	0
Operations	456,466	2,305,935	547,385
Renovation	0	0	0

Major Rehab	0	0	0
Conversion	0	0	0
Subtotal	456,466	2,305,935	547,385

Table 27 – ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter

11d. Other Grant Expenditures

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2018	2019	2020
Street Outreach	53,575	1,560	41,446
HMIS	85,899	40,241	18,261
Administration	128,178	0	66,576

Table 28 - Other Grant Expenditures

11e. Total ESG Grant Funds

Total ESG Funds Expended	2018	2019	2020
	1,083,177	2,347,736	960,486

Table 29 - Total ESG Funds Expended

11f. Match Source

	2018	2019	2020
Other Non-ESG HUD Funds	0	0	0
Other Federal Funds	5,743,096	0	171,193
State Government	0	0	55,000
Local Government	426,000	0	94,528

Private Funds	1,629,781	0	541,751
Other	1,800,685	0	555,521
Fees	0	0	0
Program Income	0	0	0
Total Match Amount	9,599,562	0	1,417,993

Table 30 - Other Funds Expended on Eligible ESG Activities

11g. Total

Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG Activities	2018	2019	2020
	10,682,739	2,347,736	2,378,479

Table 31 - Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG Activities