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Goals Summary Information

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year					
1	Increase supply of low-	2015	2019	Affordable	City of California	Provide Affordable	CDBG: \$0	Rental units
	income affordable			Housing	City	Rental Housing	HOME:	constructed: 34
	housing			Public Housing	City of	Provide	\$1,098,654	Household Housing
					Ridgecrest	Housing/Supportive	ESG: \$0	Unit
					City of Shafter	Services for Spec		Rental units
					City of	Needs		rehabilitated: 10
					Tehachapi	Advancement of Fair		Household Housing
					Unincorporated	Housing Opportunities		Unit
					County			
2	Preserve existing	2015	2019	Affordable	City of California	Provide Affordable	CDBG:	Rental units
	affordable housing stock			Housing	City	Rental Housing	\$177,000	rehabilitated: 20
				Non-Homeless	City of	Provide Rehabilitation	HOME: \$0	Household Housing
				Special Needs	Ridgecrest	of Affordable Housing	ESG: \$0	Unit
					City of Shafter	Provide		Homeowner Housing
					City of	Housing/Supportive		Rehabilitated: 108
					Tehachapi	Services for Spec		Household Housing
						Needs		Unit
						Advancement of Fair		
						Housing Opportunities		

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year					
3	Provide housing/services	2015	2019	Affordable	City of California	Provide Affordable	CDBG:	Homeless Person
	to special needs pop.			Housing	City	Rental Housing	\$241,400	Overnight Shelter:
				Homeless	City of	Provide Rehabilitation	HOME: \$0	1500 Persons Assisted
				Non-Homeless	Ridgecrest	of Affordable Housing	ESG:	Homelessness
				Special Needs	City of Shafter	Provide	\$383,773	Prevention: 160
					City of	Housing/Supportive		Persons Assisted
					Tehachapi	Services for Spec		
					Unincorporated	Needs		
					County	Advancement of Fair		
						Housing Opportunities		
4	Increase Access to	2015	2019	Affordable	City of California	Provide Affordable	CDBG: \$0	Direct Financial
	Homeownership			Housing	City	Rental Housing	HOME:	Assistance to
	Opportunities				City of	Increased	\$350,000	Homebuyers: 5
					Ridgecrest	Homeownership	ESG: \$0	Households Assisted
					City of Shafter	Opportunities		
					City of	Advancement of Fair		
					Tehachapi	Housing Opportunities		
					Unincorporated			
					County			
5	Provide funding for public	2015	2019	Non-Housing	City of California	Public Facilities and	CDBG:	Public service activities
	facilities/improvements			Community	City	Improvements	\$3,882,134	other than
				Development	City of		HOME: \$0	Low/Moderate Income
					Ridgecrest		ESG: \$0	Housing Benefit:
					City of Shafter			100000 Persons
					City of			Assisted
					Tehachapi			
					Unincorporated			
					County			

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year					
6	Promote economic	2015	2019	Economic	City of California	Economic	CDBG: \$1	Businesses assisted: 1
	development activities			Development	City	Development	HOME: \$0	Businesses Assisted
					City of		ESG: \$0	
					Ridgecrest			
					City of Shafter			
					City of			
					Tehachapi			
					Unincorporated			
					County			
7	Promote Fair Housing	2015	2019	Affordable	City of California	Provide Affordable	CDBG:	Other: 300 Other
				Housing	City	Rental Housing	\$120,000	
				Public Housing	City of	Provide Rehabilitation	HOME: \$0	
				Homeless	Ridgecrest	of Affordable Housing	ESG: \$0	
				Non-Homeless	City of Shafter	Provide		
				Special Needs	City of	Housing/Supportive		
					Tehachapi	Services for Spec		
					Unincorporated	Needs		
					County	Increased		
						Homeownership		
						Opportunities		

Table 62 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Increase supply of low- income affordable housing
	Goal Description	
2	Goal Name	Preserve existing affordable housing stock
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Provide housing/services to special needs pop.
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Increase Access to Homeownership Opportunities
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Promote economic development activities
	Goal Description	
7	Goal Name	Promote Fair Housing
	Goal Description	

Projects

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Introduction

The Projects identified in this section directly address the Consolidated Plan Priority Needs and Goals, and the Annual Plan Goals.

Projects

#	Project Name			
1	#1.15.1 - Oildale Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Street Improvements			
2	#3.15.1 - California Infrastructure Bank Loan Payment			
3	#3.15.2 - East Bakersfield Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Street Improvements			
4	#7.15.1 - Community Action Partnership of Kern Food Bank Solar Energy Improvements			
5	#17.15.1 - City of Ridgecrest - Senior Center Parking Lot Rehabilitation			
6	#18.15.x - City of Shafter Kirschenmann and Stringham Parks Improvements			
7	#19.15.1 - Ford City Park Improvements			
8	#20.15.1 - City of Tehachapi Northside Neighborhood Sidewalk and Alleyway Improvements			
9	#23.15.1 - Buttonwillow Seniors Park Improvements			
10	#29.15.1 - Housing Authority of the County of Kern Sunset Labor Camp Improvements			
11	#32.15.1 - Rosamond Senior Center Parking Lot Rehabilitation Improvements			
12	#33.15.1 - CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program			
13	#37.15.1 - Home Access Program			
14	#37.15.2 - Architectural Barrier Removal Program (Mojave Veterans and Seniors Building)			
15	#38.15.1 - Fair Housing Services Program			
16	#98.15.a - Planning and Management			
17	#99.15.a,b,c - CDBG/HOME Program Administration			
18	#15.EN - Unprogrammed Funds Account			
19	#33.15.2 - HOME Housing Rehabilitation Program			
20	#34.15.1 - CHDO Affordable Housing Project			
21	#46.15.x - Emergency Solutions Grant Program			

Table 63 – Project Information

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

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Project Summary Information

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_	Project Name	#1.15.1 - Oildale Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Street Improvements
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$852,610
	Description	Design and construction of street improvements in the public rights-of-way. Improvements may include the installation of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; cross walks; bike lanes; signage; street lighting; flashing beacon; and other related improvements within an area generally described as Norris Rd. (starting at Airport Dr.) to Manor St., to the Kern River, to Highway 99, to Airport Dr., and return to the point of origin. The project beneficiaries include a service area of 20,595 residents, 69.04% of whom are low/moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Project will benefit an estimated 20,595 Persons, 69.04% of whom are low to moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD)
	Location Description	Norris Rd. (starting at Airport Dr.) to Manor St., to the Kern River, to Highway 99, to Airport Dr., and return to the point of origin.
	Planned Activities	Design and construction of street improvements in the public rights-of-way. Improvements may include the installation of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; cross walks; bike lanes; signage; street lighting; flashing beacon; and other related improvements.
2	Project Name	#3.15.1 - California Infrastructure Bank Loan Payment
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$494,510
	Description	CDBG funds will be used to make payments (twenty year term) in connection with the \$7.2 million California Infrastructure (I-Bank) loan the County received for the construction of street and drainage related improvements in low-income neighborhoods in unincorporated East Bakersfield and in the community of Lamont.

	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Project will benefit an estimated 12,160 Persons, 60.89% of whom are low to moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Location Description	Unincorporated East Bakersfield and in the community of Lamont
	Planned Activities	
3	Project Name	#3.15.2 - East Bakersfield Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Street Improvements
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$385,986
	Description	Design and construction of street improvements in the public rights-of-way. Improvements may include the installation of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; cross walks; bike lanes; signage; street lighting; flashing beacon; and other related improvements within an area generally described as Columbus St. (starting at Alta Vista Drive) to Mount Vernon Ave., to College Ave., to Morning Dr., to Highway 58, to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., and, generally following Bakersfield city limits, return to the point of origin. The project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 54,220 residents, 57.57% of whom are low/moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Project will benefit an estimated 12,160 Persons, 60.89% of whom are low to moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Location Description	Columbus St. (starting at Alta Vista Drive) to Mount Vernon Ave., to College Ave., to Morning Dr., to Highway 58, to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., and, generally following Bakersfield city limits, return to the point of origin.
	Planned Activities	Design and construction of street improvements in the public rights-of-way. Improvements may include the installation of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; cross walks; bike lanes; signage; street lighting; flashing beacon; and other related improvements.

4	Project Name	#7.15.1 - Community Action Partnership of Kern Food Bank Solar Energy
		Improvements
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$134,000
	Description	Design and construction/installation of solar energy system panels and other related improvements to improve energy efficiency of an existing, food bank warehouse located at 1807 Feliz Drive, Bakersfield, CA, 93307 (APN 167-060-35). Food bank operations will realize energy cost savings, and the project will serve qualified individuals on a limited clientele basis such that family size and income requires that "at least 51% are persons with family income not exceeding the low/moderate income limit."
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will serve qualified individuals on a limited clientele basis such that family size and income requires that "at least 51% are persons with family income not exceeding the low/moderate income limit."
	Location Description	1807 Feliz Drive, Bakersfield, CA, 93307 (APN 167-060-35)
	Planned Activities	Design and construction/installation of solar energy system panels and other related improvements to improve energy efficiency of an existing food bank warehouse.
5	Project Name	#17.15.1 - City of Ridgecrest - Senior Center Parking Lot Rehabilitation
	Target Area	City of Ridgecrest
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$129,487

	Description Target Date	Design and construction of improvements to rehabilitate the Ridgecrest Senior Center parking lot including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Improvements may include grinding existing asphalt down to sub grade, adding new base where needed, repaving with new asphalt, installation of handicapped ramps/signage/path of travel, marking/striping, and other related improvements. Located at 125 S. Warner Street, Ridgecrest, CA 93555, the improved facility will serve senior citizens who are presumed to be low and moderate income. 6/30/0016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The improved facility will serve senior citizens who are presumed to be low and moderate income.
	Location Description	Located at 125 S. Warner Street, Ridgecrest, CA 93555.
	Planned Activities	Design and construction of improvements to rehabilitate the Ridgecrest Senior Center parking lot including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Improvements may include grinding existing asphalt down to sub grade, adding new base where needed, repaving with new asphalt, installation of handicapped ramps/signage/path of travel, marking/striping, and other related improvements.
6	Project Name	#18.15.x - City of Shafter Kirschenmann and Stringham Parks Improvements
	Target Area	City of Shafter
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$126,835
	Description	Design, rehabilitation, and construction of improvements at Kirschenmann and Stringham Parks. Improvements may include rehabilitation of restrooms, playground equipment, sports field bleachers, installation of picnic canopy, and other related improvements. The Kirschenmann Park project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 16,580 residents, 60.9% of whom are low and moderate income; and the Stringham Park project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 4,425 residents, 79.6% of whom are low and moderate income. (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Target Date	6/30/2016

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	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Kirschenmann Park project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 16,580 residents, 60.9% of whom are low and moderate income; Stringham Park project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 4,425 residents, 79.6% of whom are low and moderate income. (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Location Description	Kirschenmann and Stringham Parks
	Planned Activities	Design, rehabilitation, and construction of improvements at Kirschenmann and Stringham Parks. Improvements may include rehabilitation of restrooms, playground equipment, sports field bleachers, installation of picnic canopy, and other related improvements.
7	Project Name	#19.15.1 - Ford City Park Improvements
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$278,837
	Description	Design and construction/rehabilitation of neighborhood park improvements serving the community of Ford City. Improvements may include demolition and replacement of restroom facility and related improvements and/or replacement of playground equipment and play area surface including ADA accessibility, shade structures, picnic amenities, and other related improvements. The project will benefit the 3,685 residents of Ford City CDP, 69.34% of whom are low and moderate income.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit the 3,685 residents of Ford City CDP, 69.34% of whom are low and moderate income.
	Location Description	Ford City parks
	Planned Activities	Design and construction/rehabilitation of neighborhood park improvements serving the community of Ford City. Improvements may include demolition and replacement of restroom facility and related improvements and/or replacement of playground equipment and play area surface including ADA accessibility, shade structures, picnic amenities, and other related improvements.

8	Project Name	#20.15.1 - City of Tehachapi Northside Neighborhood Sidewalk and Alleyway Improvements
	Target Area	City of Tehachapi
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$54,577
	Description	Design and construction of sidewalks, alleyways, and other related improvements within City's right-of-way. The project qualifies on an areawide basis and will benefit 1,145 residents, 82.10% of whom are low and moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will benefit 1,145 residents, 82.10% of whom are low and moderate income (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Location Description	Tehachapi Northside Neighborhood
	Planned Activities	Design and construction of sidewalks, alleyways, and other related improvements within City's right-of-way.
9	Project Name	#23.15.1 - Buttonwillow Seniors Park Improvements
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$356,141
	Description	Design and construction of a new park on County-owned land to serve community of Buttonwillow senior citizens. Improvements will be designed to serve seniors and may include demolition, gates and fencing, walking path/sidewalk, shade structures, benches, turf and landscape plants and trees, irrigation system, and other related improvements. Improvements will serve a limited clientele of senior citizens.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project qualifies for assistance since it exclusively benefit a "Presumed" benefit Clientele.
	Location Description	Buttonwillow Seniors Park
	Planned Activities	Design and construction of a new park on County-owned land to serve community of Buttonwillow senior citizens. Improvements will be designed to serve seniors and may include demolition, gates and fencing, walking path/sidewalk, shade structures, benches, turf and landscape plants and trees, irrigation system, and other related improvements. Improvements will serve a limited clientele of senior citizens.
10	Project Name	#29.15.1 - Housing Authority of the County of Kern Sunset Labor Camp Improvements
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$37,000
	Description	Design, construction and/or rehabilitation of improvements for the Sunset Labor Camp which may include installation of new outdoor lighting and ADA accessible improvements such as installation of a new accessibility ramp and new and/or additional path(s) of travel. The facility is located south of Sunset Blvd. and east of State Route 184 (Weedpatch Hwy). The project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will serve 32,930 persons, 64.7% of whom are low/moderate income limit (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project qualifies on an area-wide basis and will serve 32,930 persons, 64.7% of whom are low/moderate income limit (HUD 2014 LMISD).
	Location Description	The facility is located south of Sunset Blvd. and east of State Route 184 (Weedpatch Hwy).
	Planned Activities	Design, construction and/or rehabilitation of improvements for the Sunset Labor Camp which may include installation of new outdoor lighting and ADA accessible improvements such as installation of a new accessibility ramp and new and/or additional path(s) of travel.

11	Project Name	#32.15.1 - Rosamond Senior Center Parking Lot Rehabilitation
	Taurat Aura	Improvements University of Country
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
Needs Addressed Public Facilities and Improvements		Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$360,035
Located at 2500-20th Street West, Rosamond, CA, 93560		Design and rehabilitation of senior center parking lot improvements. Located at 2500-20th Street West, Rosamond, CA, 93560. Improvements will serve senior citizens who are presumed to be low and moderate income.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families "Presumed" benefit Clientele. that will benefit from the proposed activities		The project qualifies for assistance since it exclusively benefit a "Presumed" benefit Clientele.
	Location Description	Located at 2500-20th Street West, Rosamond, CA, 93560.
	Planned Activities	Design and rehabilitation of senior center parking lot improvements. Located at 2500-20th Street West, Rosamond, CA, 93560. Improvements will serve senior citizens who are presumed to be low and moderate income.
12	Project Name	#33.15.1 - CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
Goals Supported Preserve existing affordable housing stock		Preserve existing affordable housing stock
	Needs Addressed	Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$177,000
	Description	Housing program that provides CDBG funds as direct deferred loans for rehabilitation of dwellings owned and occupied by qualifying low and moderate income households; and as grants for demolition, on- and offsite improvements, utility hook-ups, and abandonment of septic tanks.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	Estimate the number Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 5 Moderate to Low Incompand type of families Households Assisted	
	that will benefit from	
	the proposed	
	activities	
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	Housing program that provides CDBG funds as direct deferred loans for rehabilitation of dwellings owned and occupied by qualifying low and moderate income households; and as grants for demolition, on- and offsite improvements, utility hook-ups, and abandonment of septic tanks.
13	Project Name	#37.15.1 - Home Access Program
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Preserve existing affordable housing stock
	Needs Addressed	Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$241,400
	Description	Countywide program to provide grants for construction of wheelchair ramps, grab bars, & other improvements to increase accessibility of residences for physically disabled (must be verified by a physician) persons that are low/moderate income.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number	Rehabilitate Rental Housing and Homeowner Housing for 80 Housing
	and type of families	Units.
	that will benefit from	
	the proposed	
	activities	
	Location Description	Throughout the Kern Plan Jurisdiction
	Planned Activities	
14	Project Name	#37.15.2 - Architectural Barrier Removal Program (Mojave Veterans and Seniors Building)
	Target Area	Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide funding for public facilities/improvements

	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
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	Funding	CDBG: \$141,200
	Description	Program which provides for design and construction of improvements to eliminate architectural barriers at existing public and private facilities and within existing public rights-of-way.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project qualifies for assistance since it exclusively benefit a "Presumed" benefit Clientele.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
15	Project Name	#38.15.1 - Fair Housing Services Program
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Promote Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Advancement of Fair Housing Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$120,000
	Description	Program that provides educational and referral services, the taking of complaints concerning housing discrimination, and includes testing, mediation, and audits.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Projected benefit to 300 Households
	Location Description	Throughout the Kern Plan Jurisdiction
	Planned Activities	Program that provides educational and referral services, the taking of complaints concerning housing discrimination, and includes testing, mediation, and audits.

Project Name	#98.15.a - Planning and Management
Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
Goals Supported	Increase supply of low- income affordable housing Preserve existing affordable housing stock Provide housing/services to special needs pop. Increase Access to Homeownership Opportunities Provide funding for public facilities/improvements Promote economic development activities Promote Fair Housing
Needs Addressed	Provide Affordable Rental Housing Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing Provide Housing/Supportive Services for Spec Needs Increased Homeownership Opportunities Public Facilities and Improvements Economic Development Advancement of Fair Housing Opportunities
Funding	CDBG: \$188,519
Description	These funds will be used to pay all costs associated with planning, environmental design, and policy, planning management, and capacity building for the CDBG Entitlement Program. Planning activities that will be carried out include data gathering, studies, analysis, preparation of plans, identification of actions which will implement the plans, community development plans, functional plans, and other activities listed in 24 CFR 570.205.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
Location Description	

	Planned Activities	These funds will be used to pay all costs associated with planning, environmental design, and policy, planning management, and capacity building for the CDBG Entitlement Program. Planning activities that will be carried out include data gathering, studies, analysis, preparation of plans, identification of actions which will implement the plans, community development plans, functional plans, and other activities listed in 24 CFR 570.205.
Project Name #99.15.a,b,c - CDBG/HOME Program Administration		#99.15.a,b,c - CDBG/HOME Program Administration
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Increase supply of low- income affordable housing Preserve existing affordable housing stock Provide housing/services to special needs pop. Increase Access to Homeownership Opportunities Provide funding for public facilities/improvements Promote economic development activities Promote Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Provide Affordable Rental Housing Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing Provide Housing/Supportive Services for Spec Needs Increased Homeownership Opportunities Public Facilities and Improvements Economic Development Advancement of Fair Housing Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$631,127 HOME: \$122,072
	Description	These funds will be used to pay all staff and operational costs associated with the administration of the CDBG and HOME Entitlement Programs. The department maintains a workforce of 11 full-time employees. Program Administration activities may include general management, oversight, coordination, public information, fair housing activities, indirect costs, submission of applications for federal programs, and other activities listed in 24 CFR 570.306.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Planned Activities	These funds will be used to pay all staff and operational costs associated with the administration of the CDBG and HOME Entitlement Programs. The department maintains a workforce of 11 full-time employees. Program Administration activities may include general management, oversight, coordination, public information, fair housing activities, indirect costs, submission of applications for federal programs, and other activities listed in 24 CFR 570.306.
18	Project Name	#15.EN - Unprogrammed Funds Account
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Increase Access to Homeownership Opportunities Provide funding for public facilities/improvements
	Needs Addressed	Increased Homeownership Opportunities Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$530,916 HOME: \$350,000
	Description	These CDBG and HOME funds & other unobligated funds from previous program years will be used to provide additional funding to projects where actual implementation costs have exceeded the original project budget, and for new projects approved by the Board.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Direct Financial Assistance to 5 Low Income Homebuyer households.
	Location Description	Throughout the Kern Plan Jurisdiction

	Planned Activities	These CDBG and HOME funds & other unobligated funds from previous program years will be used to provide additional funding to projects where actual implementation costs have exceeded the original project budget, and for new projects approved by the Board. Planned uses included capital facilities and improvements, and homeownership assistance.
19	Project Name	#33.15.2 - HOME Housing Rehabilitation Program
City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi		City of Shafter
	Goals Supported	Increase supply of low- income affordable housing
	Needs Addressed	Provide Affordable Rental Housing Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$915,546
	Description	Housing program that provides HOME funds as direct deferred loans for rehabilitation or reconstruction of dwellings owned and occupied by qualifying low and moderate income households; and/or partial financing for the construction of new affordable rental housing, and/or the rehabilitation of existing affordable rental housing.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rehabilitate homes for 5 Low to Moderate Income households.
	Location Description	Throughout the Kern Plan Jurisdiction
	Planned Activities	Housing program that provides HOME funds as direct deferred loans for rehabilitation or reconstruction of dwellings owned and occupied by qualifying low and moderate income households; and/or partial financing for the construction of new affordable rental housing, and/or the rehabilitation of existing affordable rental housing.
20	Project Name	#34.15.1 - CHDO Affordable Housing Project

	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Preserve existing affordable housing stock
	Needs Addressed	Provide Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$183,109
	Description	Rental housing project for HOME-eligible households to be developed in the County's Plan Jurisdiction by a qualified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Rehabilitate rental units for 5 Low Income households.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Rental housing project for HOME-eligible households to be developed in the County's Plan Jurisdiction by a qualified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
21	Project Name	#46.15.x - Emergency Solutions Grant Program
	Target Area	City of California City City of Ridgecrest City of Shafter City of Tehachapi Unincorporated County
	Goals Supported	Provide housing/services to special needs pop.
	Needs Addressed	Provide Housing/Supportive Services for Spec Needs
	Funding	ESG: \$414,889

Description Target Date	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) make funds available to qualified organizations to provide assistance that may include Rapid Re-Housing, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, and Street Outreach to qualified persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness as defined in the regulations. Additionally, funds may be provided for the Homelessness Management Information System necessary to report the assistance provided. Historically, Alliance Against Family Violence (Bak.), Bakersfield Rescue Mission (Bak.), Bethany Services d.b.a. Bakersfield Homeless Center (Bak.), Women's Center-High Desert (Ridgecrest), and Flood Bakersfield Ministries (Bak) have been recipients of these funds.
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide overnight shelter for 1,500 persons, and provide homeless prevention services for 160 persons.
Location Description	ESG Service Area
Planned Activities	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) make funds available to qualified organizations to provide assistance that may include Rapid Re-Housing, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, and Street Outreach to qualified persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness as defined in the regulations. Additionally, funds may be provided for the Homelessness Management Information System necessary to report the assistance provided. Historically, Alliance Against Family Violence (Bak.), Bakersfield Rescue Mission (Bak.), Bethany Services d.b.a. Bakersfield Homeless Center (Bak.), Women's Center-High Desert (Ridgecrest), and Flood Bakersfield Ministries (Bak) have been recipients of these funds.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

CDBG - There are no targeted areas for CDBG investments within the County. Housing programs funded with CDBG funds are available jurisdiction wide to low- and moderate income residents. Fair housing services are provided County-wide. Supportive services are available jurisdiction wide to low to moderate income persons. Public infrastructure and facility improvements are in predominantly low and moderate income areas.

HOME – Funding for affordable housing development costs is available for projects on a jurisdiction wide basis.

ESG – Supportive Services are available County-wide to the homeless.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 64 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

There are no target areas.

Discussion

Assistance will be directed to Kern Plan Jurisdiction as a whole based on project feasibility and program demand. In addition, the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan (AAP) goals will guide geographic distribution of investments.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.220(g)

Introduction

The County is actively pursuing the goal of creating decent, accessible and affordable housing in the Plan Jurisdiction area. Over the next one-year period, the County has set a goal to support 92 non-homeless households provide accessible housing to up to 80 Special Needs persons. The funded activities will result in the production of 34 new units (located in the Metro Bakersfield area) and two projects that will provided households with 48 rehabilitated unit in the City of Shafter and the rehabilitation of 80 units for increased accessibility by qualified residents.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	92
Special-Needs	80
Total	172

Table 65 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	34
Rehab of Existing Units	138
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	172

Table 66 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type **Discussion**

The "production of new units" number in the table above includes the total number of units, including HOME-assisted units. For "rehab of existing units." this includes acquisition.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of the County of Kern (HA) administers the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and the Public Housing Program for the County of Kern. The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program provides rental subsidies to low-income families that spend more than 30 percent of their gross income on housing costs. The program pays the difference between 30 percent of the recipients' monthly income and the federally approved payment standard. Recipients of Housing Choice Vouchers are able to find their own housing, including single-family homes, townhouses, and apartments. Participants are free to choose any housing that meets the requirements of the program and are not limited to units located in subsidized housing projects.

The Section 8 Public Housing Program provides decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly and persons with disabilities. With the plan jurisdiction, public housing may come in all sizes and types, from scattered single-family houses to high-rise apartments. Currently, the HA operates 14 low-income public housing complexes within the County, totaling 865 units.

In 2014, all public housing units were occupied or committed, with the waiting list closed. This section summarizes actions planned to address public housing needs and encourage housing residents to become more involved in management.

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

- The County will continue to work with HA and other service providers to promote the Section 8 program with local property managers.
- Maintain a vacancy rate of 2 percent or less.
- Complete the construction or modernization of two affordable housing developments.
- Complete a comprehensive update of physical needs at properties and develop a plan to address these needs.
- Develop a long-term strategy for reducing water usage given the historic drought and rising water costs.

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

- Support the development of Public Housing Resident Groups to help set forth plans for improving the management and operation of public housing, and strategies for improving the living environment for public housing residents.
- Encourage participation in HOPE I Homeownership Program which works with new owners to

- assist them to maintain ownership and avoid mortgage default.
- Support the Employment Development Program efforts to promote resident self-sufficiency for through job training and employment placement. This helps residents prepare for homeownership.

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

The PHA is not designated as troubled.

Discussion

The PHA is designated a standard performer and plans to improve energy and water efficiency for all of its public housing units over the next five years. It has also implemented initiatives to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and programming through Public Housing Resident Groups. The Housing Authority is also helping to prepare resident families for homeownership and greater financial stability through its HOPE I Homeownership Program and Employment Development Program.

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

This section describes how Kern County will address the needs of homeless persons in the next year.

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

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

One of the three principle objectives of the 10-Year Plan is building a housing-first model that focuses on rapid re-housing with wraparound services. Within this objective, Goals #3 and #7 will implement coordinated countywide outreach. Outreach involves trained staff visiting encampments and other locations where homeless people congregate to begin the process of engagement. At the heart of this process is the building of trust between trained staff and homeless individuals, through preliminary services to meet immediate needs and consistent contact. Outreach and assessment will be conducted by interdisciplinary outreach teams that include law enforcement officers as partners. After initial assessment, outreach teams connect homeless individuals to appropriate permanent supportive housing by using an updated housing availability list.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

One of the principle objectives of the 10-Year Plan is to maintain and improve the availability of a range of affordable housing options. These options include safe havens, emergency shelters, and transitional beds. Specific goals include:

- Develop a 20-30 bed Safe Haven in Southeast Bakersfield;
- Provide HOME funds for the development of 14 supportive housing units for Extremely Low Income families;
- Create 10 new emergency shelter beds in rural areas; and
- Develop 30 new transitional supportive housing beds.

The County has a role in the various KCHC committees and provides the KCHC with technical support, and application assistance. During this program year, the County will:

- Provide \$383,722 in ESG funds to local homeless service agencies for services, temporary housing for the homeless, homelessness prevention, and rapid re-housing;
- Examine opportunities to utilize CDBG and HOME funds to address public facility and housing needs for the homeless.

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 Kern County Homeless Collaborative (KCHC) is a voluntary ad hoc group with a mission of addressing the needs of the County's homeless population. KCHC is made up of representatives from the County of Kern, the City of Bakersfield, many local service provider organizations, and individuals committed to helping the homeless. Tasks of the KCHC include formulating potential projects, establishing priorities, and coordinating services. KCHC is responsible for the preparation of a significant portion of the Continuum of Care (CoC) application which is required to compete for HUD funds from the Supportive Housing Program, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy, and Shelter Plus Care programs.

Despite the best efforts of organizations/individuals in the community, chronic homelessness still exists in 2014. KCHC conducted a "Homeless Census" in January 2014, and 1,002 sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals were counted. The current census found that the average time someone experienced homelessness continued to decline, with a reduction from 27 to 24 months.

The KCHC developed a three-part strategy to end chronic homelessness which is discussed in detail in the Consolidated Plan. In general, the strategy is to:

Prevent homelessness and the repeat of homelessness through increased access to mainstream resources;

Develop increased housing resources for chronically homeless people and their families; and

Provide early, intensive intervention for people who are chronically homeless.

To accomplish this strategy, better collection of data at the local level is required. Solid information is needed on who is homeless, why they became homeless, what homeless and mainstream assistance they receive, and what is effective in ending their homelessness. This information is needed on a countywide basis to allow monitoring of trends and to determine how to fill the resulting gaps. Continued expansion of the Homeless Management Information System and increasing local sophistication in the analysis of the information provided by the system should assist in implementing the strategy. The County will continue to work with the KCHC and CoC to implement this strategy.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving

assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

Objective #1 of the 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness is to close the front door to homelessness by preventing homelessness whenever possible. Goal #3 within Objective #1 coordinates discharge processes at hospitals, jails, foster care, mental health, and other institutions. In meeting this goal over the next year, the Kern County Department of Human Services will expedite discharged individuals' applications for general-aid, Food Stamps and other entitlements so that they do not experience gaps in coverage that can contribute to or exacerbate medical, psychiatric or financial crises and homelessness. In addition, Kern County will connect individuals who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless to permanent housing and a case manager prior to discharge. Finally, the County Department of Human Services will work with the California Department of Corrections and the Kern County Jail to facilitate recently released individuals' transition from incarceration to community living.

Discussion

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

Introduction:

This section describes Kern County's action plan to remove barriers to affordable housing.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The County's 2010–2015 Analysis of Impediments recommended that each County cooperating jurisdiction specify siting requirements and remove any references to conditional use permits (CUP) that are revocable or issued for a limited time period for group homes. The Housing Section of the Kern County Planning and Community Development Department has not received any complaints as to adverse siting requirements, zoning issues, or CUP revocation or period of operation problems. The cities of California City and Shafter have not yet removed the barriers to siting of group homes. Kern County will continue to work with cooperating jurisdictions to implement the recommendations from the prior Analysis of Impediments.

In addition, the 2010–2015 Analysis of Impediments recommended that Kern County employ testing as a means to validate complaints of housing discrimination. Testing would be employed by the Fair Housing Program of the County of Kern.

Discussion:

Strategy to Remove or Ameliorate the Barriers to Affordable Housing

Kern County will focus its efforts on increasing the stock of affordable housing and providing assistance to residents in renting and purchasing affordable housing through the following efforts:

Inventory of Potential Sites

The County's Housing Element will maintain an up-to-date inventory of potential sites available for future housing development, and make the inventory available to the development community.

Development Standards and Process Monitoring

The County will continue to recommend the use of the density bonus program to provide affordable housing for very-low, low, and moderate income households. Furthermore, the County will encourage the development and availability of affordable housing for very-low, low, and moderate income households by advertising the program through brochures and on the County website. The County will

continue to ensure compliance with State Density Bonus Standards, and if needed, make amendments necessary to comply with Density Bonus standards. The County also offers developers fast tracking/priority possessing for affordable housing developments.

The County will continue to monitor co-operative cities' zoning requirements for potentially adverse impacts on the development of affordable housing.

The County will continue recommend co-operative cities adopt of zoning ordinances and procedures, which serve to facilitate the provision of transitional housing for persons with special needs, including large families, farmworkers, the elderly, persons with disabilities, single parent families, and the homeless.

The County will continue to ensure new all new housing developments are compliant with standards established under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The County will continue to preserve the existing stock of publicly owned farm labor housing and support the creation of additional public and private facilities through permissive zoning entitlements which allow for development of farmworker housing by right in those zone districts which otherwise would support that use.

Predatory Lending Monitoring

County staff will continue to monitor lending practices and attend seminars provided by HUD, Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH), and other governmental and nonprofit organizations.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

This section describes Kern County's actions to address underserved needs, maintain affordable housing, reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce poverty, develop institutional structure, and enhance public-private coordination in these areas.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

 Continued allocation of CDBG funds for the Home Access Program, which provides accessibility upgrades to units occupied by disabled individuals, and public improvements and private facilities.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

• Explore potential partnerships for development of affordable apartments for large families, homeless individuals, and persons with disabilities. Leverage Kern County's partnership with the Housing Authority to provide project-based Section 8 subsidies for these projects.

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Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

• Continue to implement lead-based paint hazard policies and procedures in Kern County housing programs, particularly the Housing Rehabilitation and CDBG Home Access Programs.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

- Continue to work with the KCHC to prevent homelessness as laid out in the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness.
- Continue close collaboration among Kern County departments that provide mainstream benefits, and between Kern County departments and nonprofit service providers, so that benefits and services are maximized by poverty-level families.
- Continue allocation of CDBG funds for small business assistance to help low-income business owners and promote the hiring of poverty-level families.
- Use CDBG public services to support no-cost legal services for poverty-level families.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

- Kern County will continue to use CDBG and HOME funds to implement the Consolidated Plan
 and AAPs, address the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, complete annual CAPER reports,
 and comply with HUD regulations.
- Kern County will continue to partner with the City of Bakersfield to support the development of
 institutions contributing to the implementation of the KCHC 10-year Plan to End Chronic
 Homelessness, including effective use of ESG funds and HOME capacity building funds where
 appropriate.

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

• Continue to support the KCHC and 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness, providing a leadership role where necessary.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

This section describes Kern Plan Jurisdiction guidelines and standards for the management of CDBG, HOME and ESG funds.

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	160,000
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:	160,000

Other CDBG Requirements

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

0.70%

0

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

There are no other forms of investment not described in 24 CFR Part 92, Section 92.205 (b) that will be utilized by the County to address the purchase of affordable housing.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

If a HOME-assisted property is sold by the owner, or if the owner no longer occupies the property prior to the expiration of the required period of affordability, the County will recapture the "Net Proceeds" up to and including the amount necessary to repay the HOME funds that were expended to assist in the purchase of the property. "Net Proceeds" is defined as the proceeds from the sale of the property minus repayment of any senior liens on the property, closing costs, and, if applicable, foreclosure costs.

Any funds in excess of the amount necessary to repay all outstanding loans and closing costs will normally be given to the homeowner as a return on investment. In cases where the County must go through a foreclosure process in order to take possession of the property and pay-off the County loan and other senior loan(s), and other costs, the costs of foreclosure would also be paid out of the proceeds.

The recaptured HOME funds will be used to provide affordable housing in accordance with the HOME Program regulations.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

Recapture as specified in question above will be applied during the periods of affordability noted below based on the dollar amount of assistance per unit provided:

Under \$15,000 5 year period of affordability

\$15,000 to \$40,000 per unit 10 year period of affordability

Over \$40,000 per unit 15 year period of affordability

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

Kern County does not use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds.

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

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

Beneficiaries eligible for ESG funds must be from a location within the County ESG jurisdiction or receive benefits at a location within the County ESG jurisdiction, and meet HUD's definitions of homeless or at risk of homelessness, defined as follows.

A person is considered eligible for ESG funding if they meet the definition of homeless. There are four broad categories under the definition of homeless:

- Individuals and families who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This includes a
 subset for an individual who resided in an emergency shelter or a place not meant for human
 habitation and who is exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided.
- Individuals and families who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence;
- Unaccompanied youth and families with children and youth who are defined as homeless under other federal statutes who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under the definition by the U.S.
 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD);
- Individuals and families who are fleeing, or are attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member.

For an individual or family to qualify as at risk of homelessness the individual or family must meet two threshold criteria:

- The individual or family has income below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI for Kern County)
- The individual or family has insufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability.

The individual or family must also exhibit one or more specified risk factors, which include:

- moving frequently because of economic reasons;
- living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
- being notified that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated;
- living in a hotel or motel;
- living in severely overcrowded housing;
- exiting an institution; and
- living in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness.

For additional information about the new homeless definition, please refer to the following website http://www.hudhre.info/ hearth/.

Lastly, in the discussion section below, a discussion of Standards for Providers is given.

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

Providers will be required to participate in the Kern County Homeless Collaborative Coordinated Assessment Process as it is implemented by the Collaborative.

To apply for ESG funds through the Count of Kern, applicants respond to a Notice of Funding Availability provided through the County website and distributed through the Kern County Homeless Collaborative (KCHC), an association of individuals and organizations formed in 1998 to address gaps in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development funded Continuum of Care programs. The KCHC consists of representatives from government agencies, nonprofit organizations, faith-based and advocacy groups, businesses, currently and formerly homeless consumers, community residents, and other stakeholders with an interest in the problems faced by the homeless population. KCHC manages the process of submitting the associated application for the Bakersfield/Kern County Continuum of Care (CA-604).

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

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4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR

576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

It is through the KCHC that input from service providers and the homeless and formerly homeless is obtained for the purpose of evaluating and prioritizing ESG funding needs Input from KCHC members and others in the community is obtained and evaluated through discussions and a formal questionnaire.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Street Outreach: Number of persons

- Placed in shelter or safe havens
- With more non-cash benefits at program exit
- Receiving case management

Emergency Shelter: Number of persons:

- Exiting to temporary/transitional housing destinations
- Exiting to permanent housing destinations
- Receiving case management

Homelessness Prevention: Number of persons:

- Who maintained their permanent housing for 3 months
- Exiting to permanent housing destinations
- With higher income at program exit
- With more non-cash benefits at program exit
- Receiving case management

Rapid Re-Housing: Number of persons

- Who maintained their permanent housing for 3 months
- Exiting to permanent housing destinations
- With higher income at program exit

Discussion:

Standards for Providers

Eligible applicants are units of general local government and private non-profit organizations. Because of the limited amount of public funds available, applicants are required to have proof of matching funds. Applicants are also encouraged to create linkages with other organizations that will insure comprehensive supportive services for the homeless who are sheltered and/or receiving services.

To be eligible, an applicant must show compliance with each of the following Federal Grant requirements including those listed herein, without limitation:

- Must be considered as a unit of general government or a private non-profit organization as described in Section 570 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and is exempt from taxation under Subtitle A of the Code.
- Verification of matching funds must be provided prior to the date of the grant award to the applicant.
- Funds used to match a previous ESG grant may not be used to match a subsequent grant award.
- Maintain an acceptable accounting system that can accurately account for funds expended and those who are served.
- Makes facilities and services available to all on a non-discriminatory, equal opportunity basis.
- Meets all local government building and safety standards.
- Uses facilities exclusively for secular purposes and makes the facility available to all regardless of religious preference.
- Complies with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of OMB Circular A-110 and A-122.
- Will comply with the uniform federal accessibility standards if major rehabilitation or conversion is to be completed.
- Will comply with the requirements as applicable of the Lead Based Poisoning Act (24 CFR Part 35).
- Will ensure that no person who is an employee, agent, consultant, or officer of the organization will engage in any activity related to this project that would present a conflict of interest.
- Will comply with the applicable audit requirement of OMB Circular A-133.
- Will involve, to the maximum extent practicable, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating shelter facilities, and in providing services to shelter residents.