#### **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

The County of Lexington has been a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program since July 1, 2000. On July 1, 2008, the County became a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) in the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. Effective July 1, 2018 Lexington County will become a participant in the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. These programs are sponsored by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through an annual federal budget allocation.

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

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

In accordance with HUD guidelines, the Annual Action Plan is developed each year to identify specific activities that address priorities and goals established in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

In developing the Annual Action Plan, the County reviews it's Consolidated Plan, seeks public input, and conducts both formal and informal needs assessments to determine whether the County's Consolidated Plan needs to address additional priorities through the County's CDBG and HOME Programs.

The Consolidated Plan outlines the following goals for the County's HUD Entitlement Grant Programs:

- Priority Goal 1: Owner occupied housing rehabilitation.
- Priority Goal 2: Provide and/or support adequate, safe, and affordable housing through Homebuyer Assistance Program.
- Priority Goal 3: Housing for Non-Homeless Special Population.
- Priority Goal 4: Public Facilities / Infrastructure Development.
- Priority Goal 5: Education / Promotion of Fair Housing practices.
- Priority Goal 6: Lead-Based Paint Reduction
- Priority Goal 7: Establish or support programs that provide needed public services and /or increase the level of service provided by existing programs.

#### 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

As part of the consolidated planning process Lexington County staff members, as well as its municipal partners, service providers and stakeholders completed an extensive analysis of the County of Lexington's existing CDBG and HOME services, programs and projects. To that end, and as the following Consolidated Plan will lay-out, the highest priority needs continue to be the development of new affordable housing units, the maintenance and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units and providing adequate housing and public service opportunities for the County of Lexington's homeless and vulnerable (non-homeless) populations. The County of Lexington will aggressively support its two highly successful owner-occupied housing rehabilitation programs throughout the incorporated and unincorporated communities of our County; these are the minor home repair and the comprehensive housing repair programs. Additionally, the County and its municipal partners will continue to proactively improve public facilities and public infrastructure in the underserved census tracts and block groups of the community, which will in turn help to foster safe and decent living environments for our residents.

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Throughout the year, the County provides opportunities for citizen participation, which supports in the development of the Annual Action Plan. The following meetings were open to the public and included discussions of the County's housing and community development needs and activities to be undertaken as described in the Annual Action Plan.

- 8/31/2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and Annual Needs Assessment Public Hearing
- 1/11/2018 Grant Programs Division Advisory Committee Meeting
- 2/8/2018 Public Notice Placed in *The Chronicle*
- 3/9/2018 Draft 2016 Annual Action Plan Public Hearing
- 3/13/2018 Lexington County Council Administration Committee Meeting
- 3/27/2018 Lexington County Council Approval
- 6/7/2018 Public Noticed placed in The Chronicle for amendment- ESG
- 7/11/2018 Con Plan Action Plan Amendment Public Hearing
- 7/24/2018 Lexington County Council Administration Committee Meeting

A public notice and notice of a public hearing for the draft 2018 Annual Action Plan was published in *The Lexington County Chronicle* and the draft Plan was placed on the County's website on February 8, 2018. A public hearing was held on March 9, 2018 at the County Administration Building in Lexington, South Carolina. Additionally, a 30-day comment period was open from February 8, 2018 to March 9, 2018. No comments were received. As the County will be receiving the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) for PY18, an additional Public Notice, Notice of Public Hearing and 30-day comment period was place in The Chronicle on June 7, notifying County residents of the amendments to the Con Plan and PY 18 Annual Action Plan to include the Emergency Solutions Grant. No comments were received.

#### 5. Summary of public comments

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

No comments were received

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

No comments were received

#### 7. Summary

The County of Lexington's Office of Community Development Grants Program Division is the lead agency responsible for the preparation of the Consolidated Plan. As an Urban Entitlement County, the County of Lexington administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the Home Improvement Partnership Program (HOME).

The County has Intergovernmental Agreements with the municipalities of Batesburg-Leesville, Chapin, Gaston, Gilbert, Irmo, Lexington, Pelion, Pine Ridge, South Congaree, Springdale, Summit, Swansea, as well as with the cities of Cayce and West Columbia. The County receives and administers CDBG and HOME funds on their behalf.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency		
CDBG Administrator	LEXINGTON COUNTY	Community Development		
HOME Administrator	LEXINGTON COUNTY	Community Development		
ESG Administrator	LEXINGTON COUNTY	Community Development		

#### Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Lexington County's Community Development Department administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program for Lexington County and is the lead entity responsible for overseeing the county's Consolidated Plan. However, preparation and development of the plan require input from numerous individuals, municipalities, agencies and organizations throughout the county.

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

#### 1. Introduction

The County of Lexington is engaged in ongoing efforts to increase coordination among a complex network of public, private, and non-profit organizations that deliver housing and social services in our community. As the administrators of the County of Lexington's CDBG, HOME and ESG programs, the County's Office of Community Development, Grant Programs Division acts as a nucleus for community and economic development in the County. What's more, the Grant Programs Division maintains positive and pro-active relationships with many of the County's local governments, non-profit, faith-based and social service agencies.

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

In addition to maintaining an open door policy and having ongoing daily communication with the area's many service providers, specific steps the County has taken to enhance coordination include: entering into intergovernmental agreements with its fourteen (14) municipalities to include the communities of Batesburg-Leesville, Chapin, Gaston, Gilbert, Irmo, Lexington, Pelion, Pine Ridge, South Congaree, Springdale, Summit, Swansea, as well as the cities of Cayce and West Columbia. The Office of Community Development maintains close relationships with the City of Columbia, which administers the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Program on behalf of the County, as well as other nearby communities. The County also works closely with the Central Midlands Council of Governments, the Cities of West Columbia and Cayce, Lexington Medical Center and the Town of Springdale on transportation issues.

## Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The County of Lexington's Office of Community Development is an active supporter of local Continuum of Care (CoC) services and is a strong supporter and member of the Midlands Area Consortium for the Homeless (MACH). Moreover, the County has provided general fund and CDBG resources to the Transitions homeless facility in the City of Columbia, where it is estimated that the facility provides housing transitional services and counseling to some 200 Lexington County residents annually. Each year the County allocates hundreds of thousands of dollars through CDBG and HOME funds for the

acquisition and rehabilitation and rental of affordable housing (in an effort to increase affordable rental housing units to help aid in the prevention of homelessness). The County is a supporter of Lexington Interfaith Community Services, an agency supported by Lexington's faith based community and an organization that provides food stability programs, rental and utility assistance to Lexington's low-and-

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moderate income residents. Additionally, the County uses its resources to consistently provide infrastructure and public service(s) to support to Sistercare's transitional shelter for battered women and their children as a strategy for combating homelessness in our community.

# Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

United Way of the Midlands (UWM), serves as lead HUD agency for the Midlands Area Consortium for the Homeless (MACH) that is the HUD designated Homeless Continuum of Care (SC-502) for Lexington County. As a team, UWM/MACH are committed to ending homelessness in the Midlands. MACH member agencies and other partners provide the direct services, shelter and housing that assist our community's homeless families, individuals, youth and veterans to stability. The complexity of the issue, diversity of the populations and shifting resources and priorities of the community and federal government make coordination key to community success. UWM/MACH works to ensure quality services, continuous planning, and coordination for efficiency and cost effectiveness and collaborate with Lexington County with these efforts. Lexington County participates in MACH meetings, the annual point-in-time count, and an annual consultation on ESG program certification including developing ESG performance measures.

UWM also serves as the MACH lead agency for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HMIS data is used to collect and report on ESG program results. UWM will support Lexington County's ESG implementation with reporting on agency HMIS data.

MACH collaborates with the other South Carolina CoCs and the South Carolina Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) to establish statewide ESG performance measures, HMIS data collection standards, and standards for agency training and data quality. MACH considers agency capacity to administer funding and successful programs and collaboration with MACH key to community success in addressing homelessness and these factors are prioritized above individual funding categories within ESG.

MACH provides ESG certification based on the following factors:

Participation the Coordinated Entry System – including serving as a MACH Access Point (MAP)

Participation in HMIS (except providers serving domestic violence survivors)

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	TOWN OF LEXINGTON
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The County maintains a close working relationship with the Town of Lexington. In addition to entering into an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement with the Town for CDBG and HOME funds, the County regularly meets with grant managers and administrative officials to gain input on how certain projects fit into the Town's overall housing and economic development goals, as well as to gain insight into overall area wide planning and strategy.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	City of West Columbia
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The County maintains a close working relationship with the City of West Columbia. In addition to entering into an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement with the Town for CDBG and HOME funds, the County regularly meets with grant managers and administrative officials to gain input on how certain projects fit into the City's overall housing and economic development goals, as well as to gain insight into overall area wide planning and strategy.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Authority of Cayce
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Cayce Housing Authority is the only public housing authority in the County and traditionally assists nearly 100 residents in five different housing communities. The outcome of this consultation area includes better coordination and perhaps an increase in cooperation and a sharing of resources.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	SISTERCARE, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Lexington consulted with Sistercare,Inc., the community's premiere agency providing services to battered spouses and children to include long-term sheltering, counseling, and job training. The outcome of this consultation included the need for further assistance to Spanish speaking populations, a community which ranked domestic violence as among the highest public service priorities in the community.
5	Agency/Group/Organization Agency/Group/Organization Type	Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons
		Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission was consulted as a way to assist the County of Lexington in assessing the needs of children, adults, the elderly and persons with disabilities in the community. The Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission is offering groundbreaking programming for adults, seniors, and youth with disabilities and the outcome of the consultation, included the County of Lexington working to implement and support programs for persons with autism and severe disabilities in our community.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Assistance Provider
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing

What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Lexington staff consulted with its local CHDO, Community Assistance Providers in an effort to gain a better understanding of the County's housing needs assessment, non-homeless special needs, and market analysis to name a few. The outcome is that the staff gain a wider breadth of the overall housing needs of our low-and- moderate income residents living in our incorporated and unincorporated communities.

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

None

#### Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
	United Way of the	The goals of the annual action plan, as developed in coordination with the local Continuum of
Continuum of Care	Midlands	Care, will enhance and strengthen programs directly benefitting homeless and those at risk of
		homelessness.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

#### AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

As the administrator(s) of the County of Lexington's CDBG, HOME and ESG programs, the Office of Community Development acts as a hub for community, economic and social engagement for our community, a role and public trust that we take very seriously. To this end, our staff has worked diligently to maintain and foster open lines of communication between the County and our community's many non-profit and social service agencies. Besides an open door policy, each year our grant staff participate in numerous outreach meetings and hosts housing roundtables and meetings for subrecipients, contractors, and citizens interested in learning more about our grant programs.

#### **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/att endance	Summary of comments r eceived	Summary of co mments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Non- targeted/ broad communi ty	Public Notice Placed in The Chronicle	No comments received	None	
2	Public Hearing	Non- targeted/ broad communi ty	3 citizens attended public hearing	None received	None	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/att endance	Summary of comments r eceived	Summary of co mments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
3	Internet Outreach	Persons with disabilitie s	Draft of PY18 Annual Action Plan placed on County website	No comments received	None	www.lex- co.sc.gov/departments/DeptAH/communitydevelopmen t/Pages/PlansandReports.aspx

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

#### **Expected Resources**

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

#### Introduction

CDBG, HOME and ESG are the three formula entitlement grant funds that the County of Lexington receives directly from HUD. The projects listed will be funded through the County 2018 - 2019 CDBG Allocation of \$1,792,871, HOME allocation of \$711,436 and ESG \$143,711.

#### **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amoui	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation:	Program Income:	Prior Year Resources:	Total: \$	Amount Available	
			Ş	Ş	Ş		Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						The Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of
	federal	Admin and						2016 (Pub. L. 114-113, approved
		Planning						December 18, 2015) was enacted to
		Economic						appropriate federal funds for disaster
		Development						relief. To this end, the Act appropriated
		Housing						\$16,332,000 in Community Development
		Public						Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR)
		Improvements						funds to be made available to Lexington
		Public Services	1,792,871	0	0	1,792,871	798,467	County as a result of the 2015 floods.

Program	Source	ce Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amou	nt Available Ye	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
HOME	public -	Acquisition						
	federal	Homebuyer						
		assistance						
		Homeowner						
		rehab						
		Multifamily						
		rental new						
		construction						
		Multifamily						
		rental rehab						
		New						
		construction for						
		ownership						
		TBRA	711,436	0	0	711,436	145,135	

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amoui	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation:	Program Income:	Prior Year Resources:	Total: \$	Amount Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Remainder of ConPlan	
							\$	
ESG	public -	Conversion and						Lexington County to receive Emergency
	federal	rehab for						Solutions Grants ESG for the first time in
		transitional						PY 2018
		housing						
		Financial						
		Assistance						
		Overnight						
		shelter						
		Rapid re-housing						
		(rental						
		assistance)						
		Rental						
		Assistance						
		Services						
		Transitional						
		housing	143,711	0	0	143,711	143,711	

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

In an effort to strengthen and increase the utilization of CDBG funds and to leverage additional funding, the County of Lexington requires that all CDBG sub-recipients provide a 10% cash match for the funding awarded. Match funds must be identified on the application and subrecipients are required to provide documentation of their match funds in the monthly reporting and /or with reimbursement requests. All subrecipients are monitored annually by County staff and provided technical assistance where needed.

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

The County's Administration Building acts as the hub for administering the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs as well as a meeting place for public hearings and meetings to discuss plan goals.

#### Discussion

Community facilities and services are available to all County residents in the quest to meet the day-today needs of the Lexington community and to enhance quality the overall quality of life. Community Facilities are divided into several categories: general government facilities; educational facilities; libraries, and park and recreation facilities. The Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority is a provider of fixed route bus service and demand-responsive Para-transit service for the more urbanized communities of Lexington. The CMRTA offers fares and monthly passes at a discount to college students, senior citizens, and customers with physical and mental disabilities. Service animals are permitted to accompany individuals with disabilities on all vehicles.

**DISASTER RECOVERY**: The Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2016 (Pub. L. 114-113, approved December 18, 2015) was enacted to appropriate federal funds for disaster relief. To this end, the Act appropriated \$16,332,000 and an additional \$5,038,000 for a total of \$21,370,000 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to be made available to Lexington County as a result of the 2015 floods.

Lexington County **ESTIMATES** the following funds will be spent in Program Year 2018 on the activities listed:

Buyout Program : \$750,000 Home Repair : \$245,000 Administration / Planning : \$150,000

#### Annual Goals and Objectives

#### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### **Goals Summary Information**

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Owner Occupied Housing	2015	2019	Affordable		Lead Based Paint	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing
	Rehabilitation			Housing		Hazard Reduction	\$68,549	Rehabilitated: 9 Household
				Non-Homeless		Substandard	HOME:	Housing Unit
				Special Needs		Owner Occupied	\$75,000	
						Housing		
2	Homebuyer Assistance	2015	2019	Affordable		Homebuyer	HOME:	Direct Financial Assistance to
	Program			Housing		Assistance	\$80,000	Homebuyers: 10 Households
						Program		Assisted
3	Public	2015	2019	Non-Housing		Public Facilities	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Facilities/Infrastructure			Community		and Infrastructure	\$1,125,859	Activities other than
	Development			Development		Development		Low/Moderate Income Housing
								Benefit: 3503 Persons Assisted
4	Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Homeless		Public Services	CDBG:	Public service activities other
				Special Needs			\$50,000	than Low/Moderate Income
								Housing Benefit: 403 Persons
								Assisted
								Homeless Person Overnight
								Shelter: 115 Persons Assisted

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
5	Action on Homeless	2018	2019	Homeless		Action on	ESG:	Homeless Person Overnight
						Homeless	\$143,711	Shelter: 200 Persons Assisted
								Overnight/Emergency
								Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds
								added: 200 Beds
								Homelessness Prevention: 75
								Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

#### **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	
2	Goal Name	Homebuyer Assistance Program
	Goal Description	The Downpayment Assistance Program will provide down-payment assistance and /or closing costs assistance to low-and- moderate-income (LMI) first time homebuyers. The amount of assistance will typically not exceed \$5,000 per single family dwelling unit.
3	Goal Name	Public Facilities/Infrastructure Development
	Goal Description	Ensure adequate and safe infrastructure to meet basic needs of county residents.

4	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	This program will include support for public services related to youth services, employment training, and programs for the homeless, battered spouses and children, and persons with disabilities and meet a myriad of needs for the County's low-and-moderate income populations.
5	Goal Name	Action on Homeless
	Goal Description	The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) amended the McKinney- Vento Homeless Assistance Act, revising the Emergency Shelter Grants Program in significant ways and renaming it the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program. This grant provides funding to agencies that respond to the immediate need of at-risk and homeless populations. The County of Lexington became a participating jurisdiction of the Emergency solutions Grant (ESG) Program on July 1, 2018

#### Projects

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

#### Introduction

This program will support the planning and development of adequate public facilities and improvements, including but not limited to, streets, sidewalks, water, sewer, parks, playgrounds, and facilities for persons with special needs such as the homeless.

#### Projects

#	Project Name
1	Infrastructure and Public Facilities
2	Public Services
3	Planning and Administration
4	Acquisition / Affordable Housing
5	Comprehensive Housing Rehabilitation Program
6	Homebuyer Assistance Program
7	HOME Program Administration
8	Community Housing Development Organization
9	Action on Homeless
10	Affordable Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization

Table 7 - Project Information

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

During the needs assessment process the Grants Program Division was able to identify a myriad of infrastructure needs in Lexington's low-and-moderate income areas. The needs ranged from water and sewer lines to sidewalks and streets and public facilities, to include community and youth centers, job training programs and diabetic food pantries.

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**Project Summary Information** 

Project Name	Infrastructure and Public Facilities		
Target Area			
Goals Supported	Public Facilities/Infrastructure Development		
Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Development		
Funding	CDBG: \$1,125,859		
Description	This program will support the planning and development of adequate public facilities and improvements, including but not limited to, streets, sidewalks, water, sewer, parks, playgrounds, and facilities for persons with special needs such as the homeless.		
Target Date	6/30/2020		
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<ol> <li>Babcock Center to benefit approximately 85 LMC residents</li> <li>Brookland Center- to benefit approximately 350 LMI residents many senior citizens</li> <li>City of West Columbia to benefit approximately 3,835 of which 2,608 are LMI residents</li> <li>Joint Municipal Water &amp; Sewer to approximately 260 LMI current residents and future residents</li> <li>Sistercare Inc. to benefit approximately 200 LMC residents(abused women and children)</li> </ol>		
Location Description	Babcock Center – 2744-A Emmanuel Church Road, West Columbia Brookland Center for Community Economic Change- 1218 Batchelor Street, West Columbia SC City of West Columbia- parts of Leaphart Street, Batchelor Street, Augusta Street and N. Parson Street Joint Municipal Water & Sewer Commission- Lydia Drive along Pine Street, Pelion SC Sistercare, Inc. – confidential location within Lexington County		

	Planned Activities	Babcock Center to provide fire system upgrades to Work Activity Center	
		Brookland Center- final phase of roof replacement at the BLEC Center	
		City of West Columbia to use funds to rehabilitate portions of the wastewater collection system in project area.	
		Joint Municipal Water & Sewer to extend approximately 2,800 LF of Gravity Sewer along Pine Street to provide public sewer service to local residents and businesses in the area	
		Sistercare Inc. to replace security fencing and storage building at Lexington I shelter	
2	Project Name	Public Services	
	Target Area		
	Goals Supported	Public Services	
	Needs Addressed	Public Services	
	Funding	CDBG: \$263,220	
	Description	The primary objective of the CDBG Program is to develop sustainable communities for persons of low- and moderate-income (LMI), thereby improving the housing, quality of life, and economic conditions of the Lexington community. HUD defines LMI as household income that is less than 80% of area median income.	
	Target Date	6/30/2019	
	Estimate the number and type of families	Approximately 2,713 Lexington county residents will benefit from the seven Public Service activities. Of the 2,713 residents:	
	that will benefit from the proposed activities	• 203 of them are children (128 of which qualify as special needs)	
	F -F	• 330 are homeless	
		20 will assist disabled adults	
		2,160 will assist residents with diabetes	
	Location Description	All activities will take place within Lexington County.	

	Planned Activities	Public Service activities include: Afterschool care for children with special needs, afterschool care for LMI students, three diabetic food pantries, afterschool scholarships for 35 LMI Students throughout Lexington County, job training for residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities and operational support for a homeless shelter.
3	Project Name	Planning and Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Homebuyer Assistance Program Public Facilities/Infrastructure Development Public Services Action on Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Substandard Owner Occupied Housing Public Services Homebuyer Assistance Program Public Facilities and Infrastructure Development Education/Promotion of Fair Housing Practices Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Housing for Non-Homeless Special Population Action on Homeless
	Funding	CDBG: \$335,243
	Description	Funds used for the administration of the CDBG Program
	Target Date	6/29/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Funds used for the administration of the CDBG Program
	Location Description	Funds used for the administration of the CDBG Program
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Acquisition / Affordable Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Substandard Owner Occupied Housing Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction

	Funding	HOME: \$378,578
	Description	This activity will continue an existing County program to acquire and rehabilitate affordable housing for either homeownership or rental activities. Funds may be used for non-profit developers, for-profit developers, and in conjunction with the Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 3 LMI families will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Within Lexington County.
	Planned Activities	This activity will continue an existing County program to acquire and rehabilitate affordable housing for either homeownership or rental activities. Funds may be used for non-profit developers, for-profit developers, and in conjunction with the Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
5	Project Name	Comprehensive Housing Rehabilitation Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Substandard Owner Occupied Housing Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction
	Funding	HOME: \$75,000
	Description	The Comprehensive Housing Rehabilitation Program assists low- and moderate-income families, disabled, elderly, and veteran homeowners with qualifying repairs to their primary residence. Funds will be used to assist approximately 5 homeowners with significant repair needs. Program guidelines have been structured to allow maximum repair amounts for each home typically not to exceed \$25,000, with limited assistance above \$25,000 in certain circumstances.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 3 LMI families will benefit from this on-going program.
	Location Description	Within Lexington County

	Planned Activities				
6	Project Name	Homebuyer Assistance Program			
	Target Area				
	Goals Supported	Homebuyer Assistance Program			
	Needs Addressed	Homebuyer Assistance Program			
	Funding	HOME: \$80,000			
	Description	The Homeownership Assistance Program will provide down-payment assistance and/or closing cost assistance to low- and moderate- income (LMI) first-time homebuyers. The amount of assistance provided will typically not exceed \$5,000 per single family dwelling unit. Recapture provisions will be enacted through deferred forgivable loans. Funds will be used to assist approximately 16 first-time homebuyers. The specific guidelines of the Homeownership Assistance Program have been developed by HOME Program staff.			
	Target Date	6/30/2019			
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 10 families will benefit from this on-going program.			
	Location Description	Within Lexington County			
	Planned Activities				
7	Project Name	HOME Program Administration			
	Target Area				
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Homebuyer Assistance Program			
	Needs Addressed	Substandard Owner Occupied Housing Homebuyer Assistance Program Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Housing for Non-Homeless Special Population			
	Funding	HOME: \$71,143			
	Description	Funds used to administer HOME Program			
	Target Date	6/30/2019			

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The following are estimates for families that will benefit from the HOME activities: Rehab: 3 DPA: 10 Acquisition / Affordable Housing: 3 CHDO:2
	Location Description	All properties to be located within Lexington County.
	Planned Activities	Comprehensive rehab, down payment assistance, acquisition of affordable homes and CHDO activities.
8	Project Name	Community Housing Development Organization
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing for Non-Homeless Special Population
	Funding	HOME: \$106,715
	Description	Funding allocated for CHDOs to be used for eligible development activities that promote affordable housing activities that are owned, developed, or sponsored by CHDOs. HUD has established criteria to certify CHDOs to assist the Community Development Department in accomplishing the goals and objectives of the HOME Program.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 2 LMI families will benefit from this program.
	Location Description	All homes will be located within Lexington County.
	Planned Activities	Funding allocated for CHDOs to be used for eligible development activities that promote affordable housing activities that are owned, developed, or sponsored by CHDOs. HUD has established criteria to certify CHDOs to assist the Community Development Department in accomplishing the goals and objectives of the HOME Program.
9	Project Name	Action on Homeless
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Action on Homeless
	Needs Addressed	Action on Homeless

	Funding	ESG: \$143,711
	Description	The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, revising the Emergency Shelter Grants Program in significant ways and renaming it the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program. This grant provides funding to agencies that respond to the immediate need of at-risk and homeless populations. The County of Lexington became a participating jurisdiction of the Emergency solutions Grant (ESG) Program on July 1, 2018
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 200 Persons Assisted Overnight/Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds added: 200 Beds Homelessness Prevention: 75 Persons Assisted
	Location Description	Throughout Lexington County
	Planned Activities	ESG Funding to be split between United Way of the Midlands for HMIS Reporting and Sistercare, Inc. for emergency shelter and HMIS reporting
10	Project Name	Affordable Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Substandard Owner Occupied Housing Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction
	Funding	CDBG: \$68,549
	Description	The Minor Home Repair Program is an on-going program that assists LMI homeowners with minor repairs to their homes.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 6 LMI families will benefit from this on-going program.
	Location Description	Throughout Lexington County
	Planned Activities	The Minor Home Repair Program is an on-going program that assists LMI homeowners with minor repairs to their homes. Repairs generally do not exceed \$13,000.

#### 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

#### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

#### Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

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

Grant Programs Division staff is 100% confident in the geographic distribution of CDBG and HOME funds. The allocations were reviewed and analyzed by the County of Lexington's Grant Advisory Committee and projects were ranked according to need and followed a rigorous application process. Moreover, the County holds intergovernmental agreements with all fourteen (14) municipalities in the County and ensures that each of the communities has access to CDBG and HOME funds once a project has been deemed eligible. Moreover, food bank Programs, job training, as well as the County's housing program are available to low-and-moderate income residents Countywide, regardless of where one lives.

#### Discussion

As part of this Consolidated Planning effort, Grant Programs Division staff has taken great pains to ensure that the County is addressing infrastructure and public facilities, public services, and housing programs countywide in order to address the needs of our community's low-and-moderate income residents. Additionally, the County operates several programs to include its CDBG and HOME funded owner-occupied housing rehabilitation programs, septic tank repair program, public services, and DPA program that are open to all low-and-moderate income persons in the County with there being no geographic segregation. The County of Lexington has several pockets of poverty.

#### **Affordable Housing**

#### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

During Program Year 2018, the County of Lexington along with its municipal partners and its non-profit and for profit housing developers will work diligently through the use of CDBG and HOME funds toward the development and preservation of affordable housing. We will accomplish this through these four broad categories:

1) Owner occupied housing repair programs (minor home and comprehensive housing repair program)

- 2) Our ongoing support of homeless prevention services and operations
- 3) The support of organizations such as habitat for humanity and our certified CHDO's
- 4) The County of Lexington's DPA (Down Payment Assistance Program)

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	35
Special-Needs	0
Total	35

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	5
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	25
Acquisition of Existing Units	5
Total	35

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

#### Discussion

With the allocation of ESG funds beginning with PY 2018 Lexington County will be able to assist further with homeless issues throughout the County. Street outreach, emergency shelter, homeless prevention and rapid re-housing are eligible components of this program and will serve the community well.

#### AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

#### Introduction

The County of Lexington works with the Cayce Housing Authority and the State Department of Housing and Finance; the Cayce Housing and the State Department of Housing and Finance offers Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers and does not have any public housing units. The CHA has a small number of public housing units as well as Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers. The County has recently engaged the Cayce Housing Authority in an effort to collaborate, using HOME funds in expanding the availability of public housing the community.

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

Continue to collaborate with Cayce Housing Authority for expanding the availability of public housing throughout Lexington County.

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

The County continues to encourage local support service providers to expand existing Consumer Credit Counseling and First Time Home-Buyer programs with funding assistance where possible. Additionally, through the use of CDBG and HOME funds the County of Lexington's Grant Programs Division will continue working with community groups to seek additional resources to build consumer credit education counseling and awareness among low income and minority residents to include local faithbased organizations, higher education institutions, libraries, and other forums for fair housing.

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

Not applicable

Discussion

Not applicable

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

The County of Lexington is focusing on planning efforts that create various ways to address the issues of homelessness and chronic homelessness. It is difficult to accurately measure the number of persons at risk of becoming homeless. Moreover, it is impossible to gauge at any one time the number of people who are threatened with eviction, unemployment, foreclosure, or termination of utilities. Families and individuals are at-risk of becoming homeless when they no longer have any cushion against the perils of life. Most commonly, a family is at-risk when it lives paycheck-to-paycheck without any savings for sudden emergencies. The County's elderly and families are the face of the homeless in Lexington. Experts in the field suggest that if the County can somehow assist entities that addressing issues of mental illness, invest in job training, and work development programs, then our community would begin addressing issues of chronic homelessness.

# 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.

Service providers in the County of Lexington will work collaboratively to provide a wide range of expertise in housing, social, and supportive services within each component of the continuum. A strategy to address homelessness in the CoC is to strengthen and enhance these existing assets. In regards to goals for eliminating chronic homelessness, The County of Lexington works closely with other municipalities, community leaders, and other stakeholders to accomplish this goal. Christ Central Ministries current operates shelters for women and children, families, and veterans facing homelessness. What's more, the faith-based organization has purchased property and intends to open additional shelters for young (teenage) males, families and others within the next five years. As part of the strategic planning initiative, these organizations will include goals set out by the Federal Government's inter-agency Strategic Plan to End Homelessness called Opening Doors. These goals include: 1) Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness in 5 years; 2) Prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in 5 years; 3) Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth, and children in 10 years; 4) Set a path to ending all types of homelessness.

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

The County of Lexington, our non-profit organizations and municipal partners will continue to dedicate funding and support the operations of expansion of existing emergency shelters throughout the county. Funding provided to local shelters to expand service and create new programs to address multiple persons and housing needs.

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

Each year the County of Lexington without a doubt, through the support of its subrecipients is both directly and indirectly assisting individuals from becoming homeless once they are discharged from publicly funded institutions through our support of the job training programs with Goodwill and the Fatherhood Initiative, our collaborations with the Cayce Housing Authority, or support of training and counseling services for Sistercare, Inc, a local non-profit which advocates on behalf of battered spouses and their children and finally through our support of food stability programs which are CDGB through Lexington Interfaith Community Services (LICS) and Harvest Hope Food Bank. Moreover, working with the Central Midlands Council of Governments, area non-profits, as well as its fourteen (14) municipalities, Lexington County has targeted significant CDBG and HOME resources within the low-income areas described in this Plan. Each year the County works to leverage these resources, which in turn acts as catalyst to spur additional public and private investment in our Low and Moderate Income areas and serves to increase the quantity and quality of affordable housing, as well as help low-to-moderate income residents acquire the skills necessary to improve their employment opportunities.

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.

Additionally, each year the County works with the Central Midlands Council of Governments, area nonprofits, as well as its fourteen (14) municipalities to target significant CDBG and HOME resources within the low-income areas described in this Plan. Each year the County works to leverage these resources, which in turn acts as catalyst to spur additional public and private investment in our Low and Moderate Income areas and serves to increase the quantity and quality of affordable housing, as well as help lowto-moderate income residents acquire the skills necessary to improve their employment opportunities. For example, during Program Year 2018, the County is not only providing funding for the Transitions Facility, but we are using CDBG resources for job training, as well as to provide resources to persons with disabilities and battered women and their children. Lexington County is also working with its partners Harvest Hope Food bank to address food instability among our children and elderly residents.

#### Discussion

As part of the strategic planning initiative, various organizations, along with Lexington County, will include goals set out by the Federal Government's inter-agency Strategic Plan to End Homelessness called Opening Doors. These goals include: 1) Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness in 5 years; 2) Prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in 5 years; 3) Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth, and children in 10 years; 4) Set a path to ending all types of homelessness.

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

The most recent Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing identifies six areas of concern. The barriers to addressing housing needs, such as demand for both renter and owner-occupied housing units (based on the current inventory of rental units), fair market rent for these units, the current waiting lists for public housing, and the income levels of those experiencing housing problems clearly show a need for affordable rental units. Additionally, the disproportionate level of low wages as compared to high cost of available rental units is another barrier for LMI individuals.

# 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 of Lexington's Grant Programs Division through its housing acquisition and rehabilitation programs through CDBG and HOME has addressed some of the issues of affordability by increasing the availability of affordable single family homes in the County's rental inventory through its partnerships with community CHDO's and developers. Additionally, the County is working with Habitat for Humanity, the faith based community and the Cayce Housing Authority in an effort to identify strategies for collaborative funding opportunities through the use of CDBG, HOME, tax credits, etc.

# Discussion:

The County has collaborated with the Urban League of Greater Columbia, the Community Relations Council, as well as the Central Midlands Council of Governments, and USDA-Rural to perform comprehensive outreach and education activities throughout the County of Lexington. The Grant Programs Division will continue to aggressively seek partners that will encourage the development of strategies for affordable housing in the County of Lexington. Over the next four years the County of Lexington anticipates expending approximately \$50,000 on fair housing programs and services.

The County Grants staff has started monthly outreach meetings at local libraries to educate residents on Fair Housing and the rules, regulations and rights. The County also continues to collaborate with other local government entities with various Fair Housing outreach programs/ events.

# AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

## Introduction:

The County continues to encourage local support service providers to expand existing Consumer Credit Counseling and First Time Home-Buyer programs with funding assistance where possible. Additionally, through the use of CDBG and HOME funds the County of Lexington's Grant Programs Division will continue working with community groups to seek additional resources to build consumer credit education counseling and awareness among low income and minority residents to include local faithbased organizations, higher education institutions, libraries, and other forums for fair housing

## Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Grant Programs Division staff intend to engage the non-profit, faith based, state service providers and social agencies in an effort to further identify the resources available to address the housing, child care, mental health services, and economic disparities that exist in the County. Through the Consolidated Plan consultation process, County staff have been able to identify organizations that are providing services in the community. It is important that the County serve as a catalyst to promote collaboration amongst the various organizations. To this end, in 2016 the Grant Programs Division staff intends to host a service provider meeting that will engage these organizations in an effort to better serve our low-and-moderate income populations

## Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The County continues to support local groups, such as Habitat for Humanity, the Cayce Housing Authority, local developers and non-profit community housing organizations, as well as USDA-Rural, who work to provide affordable homes and seek viable financing options for low to moderate-low income homebuyers. County staff also works with local lenders to identify changes or patterns in lending practices, especially those that impact low-income, minorities, Section 3 residents, and other special populations. The County is hoping to enter into an agreement with the Cayce Housing Authority, as well as a local CHDO to increase the availability of housing for low-and-moderate income families, as well as seniors that are severely housing cost burdened.

# Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The County currently contracts with a lead based paint specialist and will I continue to support programs available through DHEC and will continue to be diligent in following our lead hazard control program to eliminate lead hazards in housing when a unit undergoes rehabilitation through the CDBG and HOME Programs.

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

The County of Lexington has targeted significant CDBG and HOME resources toward the public service, infrastructure, and housing programs designed to address issues and improve the lives of the county's low-and-moderate income populations of the County. The work of the County in conjunction with our numerous partners will act as a catalyst to invite additional public and private investment of capital and services, to increase the quantity and quality of affordable housing, and to help low to moderate income residents acquire needed information, knowledge, and skills to improve their employment opportunities.

#### Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Lexington County's Grant Programs Division staff intends to host a service provider meeting that will engage these organizations in an effort to better serve our low-and-moderate income populations

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

The County is hoping to enter into an agreement with the Cayce Housing Authority, as well as a local CHDO to increase the availability of housing for low-and-moderate income families, as well as seniors that are severely housing cost burdened

#### **Discussion:**

The County continues to support local groups, such as Habitat for Humanity, the Cayce Housing Authority, local developers and non-profit community housing organizations, as well as USDA-Rural, who work to provide affordable homes and seek viable financing options for low to moderate-low income homebuyers.

# **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction:

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. All Program Income received is automatically reprogrammed to open activities.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next	
program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to	
address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not	
been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0
Other CDBG Requirements	
1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit	
persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one,	
two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70%	
of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the	
years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. 9	0.00%

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

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

Not applicable

# 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:

The County of Lexington has adopted the recapture provisions for HOME funds. This is a mechanism to recapture all or a portion of the direct HOME subsidy if the HOME recipient decides to sell the house within the affordability period at whatever price the market will bear. Recaptures funds may be used for any HOME-eligible activity. Recaptured funds are deposited in the local HOME account and is treated like Program Income, which includes recording in IDIS as Program Income

# 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:

The County of Lexington does not currently participate in resale activities with HOME Funds and Affordability requirements are imposed by deed restrictions, covenants running with the land. Home assisted rental units must meet the affordability for a specific period, which depends upon the type of activity or level of HOME funding. Specifically, the sale of the property during the affordability period triggers repayment of the direct HOME subsidy, which limits the amount to be recaptured to the net proceeds available from the sale minus loan repayment and closing costs.

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

Not applicable to our program as we currently do not do multifamily housing.

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

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

- Must be private nonprofit organizations.
- Agencies must submit 501(c)3 status documentation.
- Agency's project request for HESG funds must be endorsed by the local Continuum of Care to make sure the agency's project is in line with the CoC's priorities and standards.
- Agencies must provide a service that HUD prioritizes (Rapid Re-Housing, Street/Community outreach, Shelter Operations).
- Any agency receiving HESG funds is obligated to maintain both client services activity records and performance outcome measures utilizing HMIS. Domestic violence, AIDS and legal service providers must use a comparable database that collects client-level data over time and generates unduplicated aggregate reports.

## \*\*See attached "Monitoring Plan," which is applicable to all Urban Entitlement projects.

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

United Way of the Midlands (UWM), serves as lead HUD agency for the Midlands Area Consortium for the Homeless (MACH) which is the HUD designated Homeless Continuum of Care (SC-502) for Lexington County. UWM also serves as the MACH lead agency for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HMIS data is used to collect and report on ESG program results. UWM will support Lexington County's ESG implementation with reporting on agency HMIS data.

MACH collaborates with the other South Carolina CoCs and the South Carolina Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) to establish state wide ESG performance measures, HMIS data collection standards, and standards for agency training and data quality. MACH considers agency capacity to administer funding and successful programs and collaboration with MACH key to community success in addressing homelessness and these factors are prioritized above individual funding categories within ESG.

- MACH provides ESG certification based on the following factors:
- Participation the Coordinated Entry System including serving as a MACH Access Point (MAP)
- Participation in HMIS (except providers serving domestic violence survivors)
- Participation and membership with MACH

# 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).

\*\*For PY 18 due to time constraints and after consulting with area CoC it was recommended to award direct funding to Sistercare and United Way of the Midlands as they are current and former recipients of ESG funding and have the knowledge and experience to administer the grant effectively and efficiently.

\*\*\*For PY 19 and future funding The County issues a Request for Applications (RFA) requesting that interested agencies apply for ESG eligible activities. Applications are then reviewed and scored by Community Development staff and then presented to the Advisory Committee for discussion and funding recommendations. After the required comment period and a Public Hearing, funding recommendations are presented to County Council for approval. For ESG funding, Lexington County must consult with the local Continuum of Care (CoC) in determining how to allocate these funds.

# 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.

A homeless and/or formerly homeless individual participates in the United Way of the Midlands governing body. Lexington County consults UWM when prioritizing policy and funding decisions related to the ESG program.

## 5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

See attached "Monitoring Plan," which is applicable to all Urban Entitlement projects.

# Attachments



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#### Lexington County Community Development Block Grant Program HOME Investment Partnerships Program 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan Public Hearing

Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Administration Building Conference Room B 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Name	Organization	Contact Number
Myren Boozen	Citizen	
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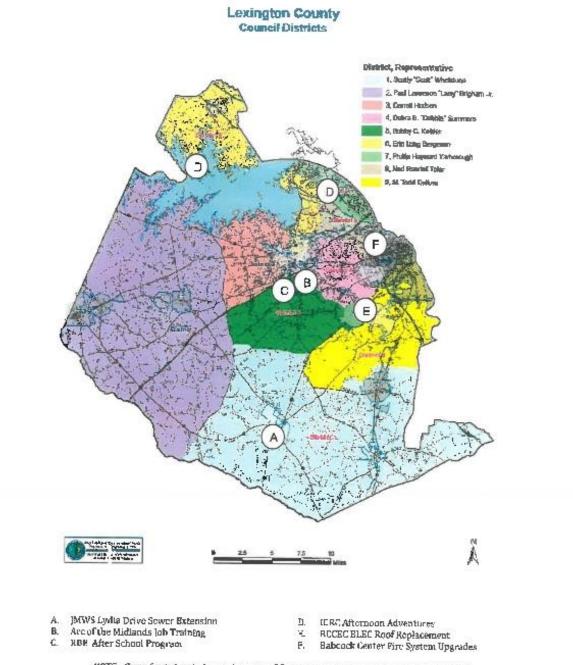


#### Lexington County Con Plan /2018 Annual Action Plan Amendments Public Hearing

### Public Hearing Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Administration Building Council Chambers 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Name	Organization	Contact Number
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**Grantee Unique Appendices** 



NOTE: Some funded projects not shown may bligs place or address needs throughout the County.

# County of Lexington

# Grants Monitoring Plan

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> Annual Action Plan 2018

#### I. Introduction

Lexington Country is committed to providing effective, efficient and equitable community services to the towns, cities and organizations within its jurisdiction. This Monitoring Plan is a guide for delivering these services while keeping Lexington County and its Urban Entitlement Subrecipients in compliance with Federal. State and Country regulations. A strong monitoring system will allow staff to accurately detormine the level of risk the County takes when granting monies, build capacity within the community, ensure thueliness of expenditures, and provide accurate evaluation for future planning.

Through development of an annual monitoring plan, staff can effectively plan for events in the coming year as well as take time to recognize what works, what can be done better, and what practices have become irrelevant. This kind of "big picture" thinking serves as an exercise in planning and regrouping.

#### IL Monitoring Plan Objectives and Strategy

loxington County Community Development has identified the following objectives and strategies for monitoring:

- Accuracy Assessing Risk
- Identifying Technical Assistance Needs & Increasing Capacity
- Ensuring Timely Expenditures
- Keeping Lexington County in Compliance through training.
- Establishing Tools and Systems for Compliance
- Identifying Innovative Tools & Techniques: Best Practices.

#### III. Ongoing Monitoring

A. Accurately Assessing Risk

Lexington County Grants staff will determine the level of monitoring a subrecipiert will receive using a risk model. The model uses the following criteria, prior performance, and capacity, type of project, investment level, and experience in managing federal funds, to determine the risk associated with a particular project. All applications / projects will have risk examined prior to funding with a monitoring schedule set during the first quarter of the program year to include a desk monitor during the program year.

NOTE: This model does not take the place of or supersede the judgment of the Grants staff. Regardless of the risk model, a subrecipient may be monitored strictly on the judgement of Community Development management.

#### B. Identifying Technical Assistance Needs & Increasing Capacity

Subrecipient reports serve as an ongoing oversight tool to ensure that projects are
operating within the scope of their project. The review by staff provides a
valuable point of contact as well as an effective tool for determining the type and
depth pf technical assistance a subrecipient may need. Reports are to be submitted
mustibly for staff review in tandem with reimbursement requests for the

timeliness of expenditure of funds and project activity as outlined in the subrecipient agreement.

- In addition to reviewing reports, staff will determine each projects specific compliance issues and provide technical support to ensure regulatory compliance with Davis Bacon, Section 3, Fair Housing and minerity and women contractors for construction projects.
- Staff will also ensure that during the life of the project they observe the project for quality of work, i.e. housing rehabilitation and construction of residential housing and buildings, infrastructure projects such as sidewalks, drainage, and compliance with regulations, as needed.

#### C. Ensuring Timely Expenditures

Staff will review financial reports in relation to the project timeline to determine
of expenditures are on target. They will communicate any deviations with
subrecipients on a monthly basis, cusuring that any extensions are warranted and
submitted in a timely manner.

#### D. Training of Subrecipients

Training of subrecipients is mother important strategy utilized to strongthen partnerships and build capacity. Training of subrecipients orn be carried out by several methods:

- Annual Application Workshop- a mandatory meeting held prior to each program year. The workshop covers eligible / ineligible projects and the basic application process is explained along with expectations for management of successful project.
- Subrecipient Orientation- all subrecipients will meet to review all rules and regulations, reporting, procurement, financial and compliance expectations prior to the execution of a contract. This also provides a networking environment that Community Development staff wants to foster in our subrecipient community.
- Monitoring-monitoring activities whether during the monthly reports or on-site monitoring ensure that we reach 100% of our subrocipients. Our monitoring stratogics include on-site field visits, open communication, desktop monitoring and assisting agencies in creating good recordkeeping systems. The requirements for standard recordkeeping. LMI obgibility determination, relevant domographies, financial menagement, quality assurance methods and community ourreach are applied to all projects.

#### E. Documenting Compliance: Establishing Tools and Systems for Compliance

- Staff will analyze reporting documents annually to assess if any additional reporting requirements.
- Internal spreadsheets will be maintained electronically containing information sufficient to immediately assess the performance of each subrec;pient.

- F. Identifying Innovative Tools & Techniques: Best Practices
  - Staff will work to identify and communicate programs that are innovative and can be replicated to provide more effective and efficient services using Urban Entitlement funds.

#### IV. On-site Monitoring

By far the most exhaustive technique in the Compliance Auditor's toolbox, the nn-site monitoring is vital to the continued compliance of not only the subrecipient, but the compliance of Lexington County as well. Briefly stated, the on-site monitoring is designed to:

- Identify aspects of the project where the organization is performing well and poorly while building capacity.
- Assess compliance with program requirements
- Deterrune whether record keeping is adequate
- Propare and implement timely follow-up activities.

The results of the on-site monitoring are as important as the monitoring itself. Subrecipients are to receive the results of their visit in a timely manner (ideally within 45 business days after the monitoring visit) and provided with aropte time and assistance to resolve issues before the close of the program year.

Lexington County's current monitoring objectives as determined by HUD regulations.

#### A. Management Plan

Ensure that subrecipients have an appropriate process for how the grant will be managed as well as other areas of business operation and who the responsible staff will be.

#### **B.** Record Keeping Systems

Ensure that subrevipients establish / maintain a record keeping and filing system to maintain documentations on program benefit and compliance with other applicable laws.

#### C. Financial Management

Ensure that the subrecipient establish appropriate seconds for grants funds awardee, and maintain the necessary financial records on the receipt and disbursement of funds as well as supporting documentation.

- D. On-site Monitoring
- To determine if a subrecipient is carrying out its community development program, and its individual activities, as described in the application and the subrecipient agreement.
- To determine if a subrooipicot is carrying out its activities in a timely manner, in accordance with the schedule included in the agreement.
- To determine is a subrecipient is charging costs to the project that are eligible under applicable laws and regulations, and are reasonable in light of the services or products delivered.

- To determine if a subrecipient is conducting its activities with adequate control over program and financial performance, and in a way that minimizes opportunities for waste, mismanagement, fraud, and abuse.
- To assess if the subrecipient has continuing capacity to carry out the approved project, as well as other grants for which they may apply.
- To identify potential problem areas and to assist the subrecipient in complying with applicable laws and regulations.
- Fo assist subrecipients in resolving compliance problems through discussion, negotiation, and the provision of technical assistance and training.
- To provide adequate follow up measures to ensure that performance and onmpliance deficiencies are corrected by subrecipicats, and not repeared.
- To comply with the federal monitoring requirements of 24 CFR 570.501(b) and 24 CFR 85.40.
- To determine if any conflicts of interast exist in the openation of the program, per 24 CFR 570.611.
- To ensure that required records are maintained to demonstrate compliance with applicable regulations.

#### V. Monitoring Staff and Schedule

In order to ensure that subtocipients are trained and follow regulations, Lexington County grants staff are all trained to conduct / assist with the monitoring process. This methodes conducting outgoing financial and programmatic monitoring of the subtrecipients, assisting with both the Application Workshop and Subtrecipient Orientation as well as reimbursement requests and monthly reports. The CDBG Administrator will oversee all monitoring work and reporting. Final reports will be reviewed and usuad by the Community Services Director.

#### CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which usens it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance blan required under section 104(d) of the Hausing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying - To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

- 1. No Federal appropriated fands have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or artempling to influence at officer or employee of any agency, a Momber of Congress, an officer or employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal lean, the entering into of any enoperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewai, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, lean, or cooperative agreement;
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence un officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, tour, or conperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-U.L.L. "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- 3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction ~ The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to vary out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

**Consistency with plan** -- The housing activities to be underlaken with CDBG, FIOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- II will comply with search 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

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#### Specific CDBG Certifications

The Enlitlement Commonity certifies that:

CftIzen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91 105.

**Community Development Plan** – The consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifics both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide detent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan - It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affreciability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Fonds - It has complied with the following correria:

- Maximum Feasible Priority, With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or uid in the prevention or elimination of slonus or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet 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);
- 2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funcis including scotion 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) , \_\_\_\_\_\_(a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program year(s), shall principally henefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that consures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
- 3. Special Assessments. It will not allempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG finds including Section 108 loan gurranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and accupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining necess to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the propertion of a lee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds). Susneed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jarisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment allriburable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an essessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law collorcement agencies within its

jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

 A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

**Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws** -- The grart will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Leaf-Based Paint – Its activities concerning leaf-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CU-R Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R;

Compliance with Laws - It will comply with applicable laws.

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#### OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION CDBG

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular argency as apocified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG assisted acrivities which are designed to more other community flevelopment needs having a particular argency 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.

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#### Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOMH funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the purficipating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

**Eligible Activities and Costs** — it is using and will use HOMR funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOMU funds for probibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance – before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in uncordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOMIS funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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#### APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

A. Lubbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

#### ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

**Major rehabilitation/conversion** – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation, costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the huilding is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG finds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation - Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services - The jurisdiction will assist homoless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

Matching Funda - The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence preventian or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter,

**Homeless Persons Involvement** – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

**Consulidated Plan** – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy - The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from

publicity funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, montal health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

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