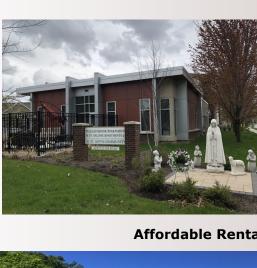
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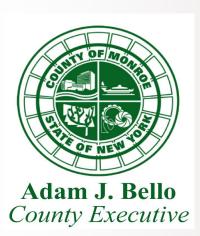


Affordable Rental Housing Project





Home Improvement Program Project - Before and After



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CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

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

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

The 2021-22 program year, which covers the period of August 1, 2021-July 31, 2022 is the second year of the 2020-2024 five-year Strategic Plan for Monroe County. Monroe County's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) administered by the Department of Planning and Development, Community Development division provides an assessment of expenditures and accomplishments achieved through federal grant funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). For the 2021-22 program year, Monroe County utilized CDBG and HOME funding for a number of activities targeted at providing more affordable housing options and infrastructure improvements in suburban towns and villages to benefit low to moderate-income families, seniors, and persons with special needs.

At the start of the program year, the County was still seeing material delays, price swings, and labor shortages, which had an impact on housing and the economy.

Monroe County has been continuing to administer the \$3,800,299 of Community Development Block Grant – COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) funds in 2020 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the "Prepare, Prevent and Respond to" the coronavirus. CDA has actively been administering an economic development loan/grant working capital program for small businesses recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic as they reopen their businesses and make plans to return to pre-pandemic times.

Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)

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

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected - Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected - Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Develop Affordable Housing Opportunities	Affordable Housing	HOME:	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	120	0	0.00%	21	11	52.38%
Develop Affordable Housing Opportunities	Affordable Housing	HOME:	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	0	0		2	2	100.00%
Develop Affordable Housing Opportunities	Affordable Housing	HOME:	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	40	0	0.00%			
Improve access to and quality of public facilities	Public Facilities	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	0	0		4865	0	0.00%
Improve access to and quality of public facilities	Public Facilities	CDBG:	Other	Other	1	0	0.00%			

Provide Economic Development and Job Training	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG:	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	40	0	0.00%	5	0	0.00%
Provide essential public services	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / ESG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	50	1383	2,766.00%	0	1383	
Provide essential public services	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / ESG: \$	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	50	0	0.00%	559	0	0.00%
Provide essential public services	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / ESG: \$	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	150	0	0.00%			
Provide essential public services	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / ESG: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	150	0	0.00%			
Provide planning and administration services	Non-Housing Community Development Planning / Administration	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation	Business	0	0		0	0	

Provide planning and administration services	Non-Housing Community Development Planning / Administration	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	1		0	1	
Provide planning and administration services	Non-Housing Community Development Planning / Administration	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	0	1		0	1	
Provide planning and administration services	Non-Housing Community Development Planning / Administration	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	1		0	1	
Provide planning and administration services	Non-Housing Community Development Planning / Administration	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Other	Other	1	0	0.00%	1	0	0.00%
Repair and conserve existing housing stock	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	200	18	9.00%	70	18	25.71%

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

Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan,

giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

Continuing in our efforts to preserve existing housing stock through the Home Improvement Program (HIP), CD staff completed projects that maintained property values and to stabilize housing in the community. A total of 73 projects (CDBG:55, HOME:18) were completed during the program year, totaling \$1,273,695 (CDBG: \$947,960.25; HOME: \$355,842), with an average project costs of \$17,448. The total CDBG funds expended during the program year included two (2) solar projects that were completed during the program year. Due to the on-going impacts of COVID and the increasing high costs of materials, we have had to discontinue the solar component of our program. HIP Projects were completed in the towns of Brighton, Chili, Clarkson, Gates, Hamlin, Henrietta, Parma, Penfield, Pittsford, Riga, Rush, Webster, town/village of East Rochester, villages of Brockport and Spencerport. HOME funded projects were also completed in the towns of Greece and Irondequoit.

Monroe County continued funding three (3) public service programs administered by the Housing Council at Pathstone, which provides comprehensive services to residents in suburban Monroe County. These programs are: 1- The Homeownership Assistance Program which provides education and assistance to prospective homeowners who wish to purchase their first home. As part of this program, the Housing Council also receives a set-aside of HOME funds to provide direct closing cost and/or down payment assistance to income eligible homebuyers who purchase their first home in suburban Monroe County. During the 2021-22 program year, the Housing Council interviewed and advised 145 potential First Time Homebuyers. The Housing Council provided 9 pre-purchase workshops to 290 attendees to educate on the benefits and potential pit-falls of purchasing a home for the first time. Of those who received education and counseling, four (4) received direct subsidies for closing cost and/or down payment assistance totaling \$32,000 (average \$8,000 per homebuyer). Through the Housing Stability Program, which provides assistance to prevent mortgage foreclosure and mitigates pending foreclosures, including Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM). During the program year, the Housing Council provided direct counseling to 41 homeowners facing foreclosure, 15 of whom were referred to legal services for additional support. 3 - Equal Housing Opportunities Program, which provides training and intervention in landlord/tenant issues and fair housing information. During the 2021-22 program year, the Housing Council held 4 landlord education classes with 23 people in attendance and fielded approximately 4,200 calls to their information hotline for topics including housing options, tenant rights, and where to find rental assistance.

Monroe County also continued to fund Lifespan of Greater Rochester's Safety and Security for Seniors Program, which provides an array of services to older adults within suburban Monroe County including fall prevention and education and advice against fraud and scams. During the program year, Lifespan provided minor home repairs and fall prevention to 386 residents, including installation of grab bars, handrails, and shower seats with the goal of allowing seniors to age in place without the worry of injury or worse. LifeSpan also provided direct intervention for 29 seniors who had fallen victim to scams by giving advice and mediating with police, lawyers, and banks to try to retrieve the lost money. Over

1,090 seniors attended their scam prevention workshops held throughout the year where they received training to be able to discern a scam artist from a regular caller/visitor.

Con't Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds

Also during the 2021-22 program year, Monroe County assisted ABVI Goodwill of the Finger Lakes with the purchase of a new delivery vehicle, which is used to provide meals to seniors within suburban Monroe County. During the course of the program year, the van was used for delivery of 21,000 meals to 534 seniors who would otherwise have struggled to eat for reasons including being immunocompromised and lack of mobility. During the reporting period, Monroe County completed eleven (11) public facilities and improvement projects throughout Monroe County. Projects were completed in the towns of Brighton (2019-\$65,000), Chili (2020-\$50,000), Gates (2020-\$35,400), Henrietta (2020-\$125,000), and Sweden (2020-\$175,500), town/village of East Rochester (2020-\$65,000) and in the villages of Brockport (2019-\$75,000; 2020-\$105,000), Fairport (2019-\$85,389.20), and Hilton (2020-\$40,800/\$26,000) One (1) affordable rental housing project was completed during the program year. Monroe County funded Wellingon North with \$250,000 for the construction of fifty (50) new HOME units, 46-1 bedroom, and 4-2 bedroom senior apartments ages 62+ in the town of Clarkson. Through the acquisition rehab resale program, which was first implemented in the 2018 program year, three (3) single family homes have had construction completed and sold to first time homebuyers. In addition, during the program year, two (2) additional homes have been completed and are currently on the market for purchase by a first-time homebuyer and one property is in the rehab stage. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the foreclosure moratorium, there were no home foreclosures and limited properties available for purchase. With our partner, over a dozen properties were visted and bid on to no avail, as the housing market is still extremely competitive and even more challenging when having to bid for a property against a buyer in the fair market who does not invest in a property to provide a quality product like the Countyâ¿¿s acquisition rehab resale program does.

CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted). 91.520(a)

	CDBG	HOME	ESG
White	912	64	0
Black or African American	102	23	0
Asian	25	4	0
American Indian or American Native	2	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0	0
Total	1,042	91	0
Hispanic	21	6	0
Not Hispanic	1,021	85	0

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

Narrative

CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	1,883,663	2,365,629
HOME	public - federal	1,183,668	797,270
ESG	public - federal	158,781	116,201

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage	Actual Percentage	Narrative
	of Allocation	of Allocation	Description
Brighton		3	
Brockport		8	
Chili			
Churchville		2	
Clarkson			
East Rochester		3	
Fairport		3	
Gates		18	
Hamlin			
Henrietta		10	
Hilton		3	
Honeoye Falls			
Mendon			
Monroe County Service Area			
block groups	100		
Ogden		0	
Parma		2	
Penfield		3	
Perinton		0	
Pittsford		1	
Riga			
Rush		1	
Scottsville		0	
Spencerport			
Sweden		7	
Village of Pittsford			

Village of Webster	2	
Webster	6	
Wheatland		

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

Table 4 – The above report does not include the towns of Greece (5%) and Irondequoit (6%), which is part of Monroe County's Home Consortium.

The actual percentages of allocations listed in Table 4 include projects funded in previous program years but were completed and reimbursed during the 2021-22 program year.

Monroe County does not have publicly owned land or properties located within the jurisdiction where HUD funding was used during the program year.

Leveraging

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

The HOME program attracts private and other public dollars to its funded projects and has leveraged other state, local, and private funding, which includes investor equity, tax credit syndicators, homebuyer down payments, private rental and homeownership loans, and other federal, state, and local housing and community development programs and foundations.

Monroe County carried forward \$4,823,774 from the previous program year. During this reporting period, Monroe County disbursed \$419,172 in total HOME funds. During this period, Monroe County earned \$70,000 in new match, which combined with the carryover difference, will allow Monroe County to carry forward \$4,788,793 in match for the 2023 federal fiscal year.

Match contributions for both HOME and ESG were matched with non-federal resources. Monroe County maintains records demonstrating compliance with HOME match requirements including a running log and project records documenting the type and amount of match contributions by project. Match contributions from ESG were a one-to-one (1:1) cash and/or in-kind match. Cash match were from fundraising, donations, and landlord tenant agreements through the Monroe County Department of Human Services for security deposits and 1st month's rent. In addition, there were in-kind match for staff time to follow-up with recipients.

Monroe County invested \$250,000 for the development of Wellington North Senior Apartments in the town of Clarkson for the addition of 50 affordable rental units (46 - 1 bedroom, 4 - 2 bedroom) for ages 62 and up. These funds leveraged a total of \$15,716,352.

Through the acquisition rehab resale program, Monroe County has acquired three properties, two (2) of which are currently on the market for purchase by a first-time homebuyer and the third is currently in the rehabilitation stage. Totals funds invested and leveraged for these properties are currently not available.

Monroe County Planning and Development makes maximum use of its financial tools and continues to develop programs that pool Community Development funds with other departmental resources for initiatives that serve low-and moderate- income persons in Monroe County. The Economic Development Loan and Grant fund, paired with County of Monroe Industrial Development Agency (COMIDA) and Monroe County Industrial Development

Corporation (MCIDC) financing, provides funding for business start-ups, relocations from other areas, or those expanding in Monroe County.

Fiscal Year Summary – HOME Match					
1. Excess match from prior Federal fiscal year	4,823,774				
2. Match contributed during current Federal fiscal year	70,000				
3. Total match available for current Federal fiscal year (Line 1 plus Line 2)	4,893,774				
4. Match liability for current Federal fiscal year	104,793				
5. Excess match carried over to next Federal fiscal year (Line 3 minus Line 4)	4,788,981				

Table 5 – Fiscal Year Summary - HOME Match Report

	Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year								
Project No. or Other ID	Date of Contribution	Cash (non-Federal sources)	Foregone Taxes, Fees, Charges	Appraised Land/Real Property	Required Infrastructure	Site Preparation, Construction Materials, Donated labor	Bond Financing	Total Match	
4440	12/31/2021	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	
4540	05/11/2021	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	50,000	
4640	07/22/2022	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	

Table 6 – Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year

HOME MBE/WBE report

Program Income – Enter the program amounts for the reporting period					
Balance on hand at begin-ning of reporting period \$	Amount received during reporting period \$	Total amount expended during reporting period \$	Amount expended for TBRA \$	Balance on hand at end of reporting period \$	
9,500	175,899	120,978	0	37,737	

Table 7 – Program Income

-	siness Enterprise			•		and dollar
value of con	tracts for HOME Total					White Non-
	Total	Alaskan	Minority Business Enterprises an Asian or Black Non- H		Hispanic	Hispanic
		Native or	Pacific	Hispanic		•
		American	Islander			
		Indian				
Contracts						
Dollar						
Amount	19,374,176	0	0	0	219,099	19,155,077
Number	16	0	0	0	12	4
Sub-Contrac	cts					
Number	18	0	0	2	0	16
Dollar						
Amount	17,790,717	0	0	1,014,543	0	16,776,174
	Total	Women	Male			
		Business				
• • •		Enterprises				
Contracts		Τ				
Dollar						
Amount	0	0	0			
Number	0	0	0			
Sub-Contrac	cts]		
Number	2	2	0			
Dollar						
	505 750	505 750	_	1		

585,750 Table 8 - Minority Business and Women Business Enterprises

585,750

Amount

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

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Table 9 - Minority Owners of Rental Property

Relocation and Real Property Acquisition – Indicate the number of persons displaced, the cost of relocation payments, the number of parcels acquired, and the cost of acquisition

Parcels Acquired	0	0
Businesses Displaced	0	0
Nonprofit Organizations		
Displaced	0	0
Households Temporarily		
Relocated, not Displaced	0	0

Households	Total	Minority Property Enterprises				White Non-
Displaced		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non- Hispanic	Hispanic	Hispanic
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 10 – Relocation and Real Property Acquisition

CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

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

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be		
provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be		
provided affordable housing units	21	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be		
provided affordable housing units	0	0
Total	21	0

Table 11 - Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through		
Rental Assistance	35	0
Number of households supported through		
The Production of New Units	21	11
Number of households supported through		
Rehab of Existing Units	70	73
Number of households supported through		
Acquisition of Existing Units	2	2
Total	128	86

Table 12 - Number of Households Supported

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

The impact of the pandemic continued into the 2021-22 program year, material delays, inflation swings, and labor shortages, which still had an impact on housing and the economy in Monroe County resulting in the lower outcomes reflected in this report for CDBG and HOME impacted the outcomes of the 2021-22 program year.

Monroe County affordable rental housing projects rely on other funding sources for development. Skyview Senior Apartments in the town of Irondequoit leveraged \$44,085,512, which was new construction at 200 Medley Center Drive. The project was completed in September of 2021 with 157 senior apartments for ages 55+. Funding was also provided for the construction of Wellington North in the town of Clarkson. Wellington North is currently under construction with anticipated completion in early 2022. Timing of the projects are attributed to the timing of the leveraged funds becoming available, improved efficiency, and coordination with other municipalities, partners, developers, and service providers.

During this reporting period, the acquisition rehab resale program completed construction of three (3) single family residential properties, making them available for purchase by income eligible first time homebuyers. The properties were located in the towns of Gates and Irondequoit. The third property was completed in the town of Greece. However, the homebuyer closing for this property did not occur until after the program year and will be reported in the next CAPER. The housing market continued to be a competitive market. Due to the foreclosure moratorium, there has been a limited supply of properties available for purchase. At the end of the program year, there are no pending projects in the pipeline. However, we are continuously seeking new opportunities to make the dream of purchasing a home possible for first time homebuyers, which has been challenging when bidding on properties against market rate buyers and house flippers.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

Monroe County Community Development (CD) continues to identify opportunities to increase coordination and efficiencies for timelier project completion.

The impact of the pandemic and the additional COVID variants have continued to impact our outcomes, from the competitive housing market to the lack of available homes for purchase, the increased costs of construction supplies, the lack of workers, and the delay in manufacturing of these construction products have all contributed to the completion of projects.

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

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual	
Extremely Low-income	6	0	
Low-income	27	10	
Moderate-income	21	8	
Total	54	18	

Table 13 - Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

The outcomes above reflect incomes of the Home Improvement Program (HIP) participants and the First Time Homebuyer (FTHB) activities during the 2021-2022 program year.

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

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

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

During the 2021-2022 program year, Monroe County continued funding the Housing Council at PathStone for foreclosure prevention services and tenant accountability training. This included counseling, education, and renegotiating with lenders and other parties for appropriate resolutions. The Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) focused on rapid re-housing as well as a community-wide Coordinated Entry system and homelessness prevention.

Assistance was provided under the Rapid Rehousing Partnership Program (RRH) to 268 persons (143 adults and 125 children). Activities included short term rental assistance, rental arrears, and security deposits. Non-financial assistance included housing relocation and stabilization services such as housing search, mediation, or outreach to property owners, and time-limited housing stability case management services to assist households in maintaining stable permanent housing. The average length of time to secure housing was 66 days. 63% of participants exited to permanent housing; 69% for households with children and 53% for individuals.

The Coordinated Entry system has been fully implemented throughout the CoC geographic area. The primary entry point for Emergency Housing is the Monroe County DHS allowing for assessment of homeless situation/need, diversion services, or 24/7 placement services. The goal of Coordinated Entry is to ensure that emergency shelter is available to all in need and that homeless persons are linked to the housing and services that will best meet their needs. Permanent Supportive and Rapid Rehousing programs are accessed through the Coordinated Entry prioritization list. A vulnerability assessment tool, the VSPDAT, is administered at emergency shelters, through street outreach activities and at community-based organizations that have interactions with the homeless. The VSPDAT score and other factors such as disability, age (<18 or="">60), length of time homeless and being unsheltered are used to determine placement on the list. The list is fluid, when openings are available the list is sorted by score to ensure that the people referred are those with the highest needs. 2,149 households were placed on the prioritization list from 8.1.2021 – 7.31.2022. 1,974 were exited from the wait list; 892 households were referred to housing programs. 340 households were housed. The average number of days on the utilization list was 25.9 days. 175 were still active on the list. The CoC is continuing to work on replacing the VSPDAT tool as the assessment tool for Coordinated Entry. It is no longer being supported by its developer.

Monroe County provides Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding to HOPE Ministries located in the town of Webster providing homelessness prevention assistance with rental arrears, utility payments, and security deposits for suburban residents. Assistance was provided to 109 persons; 26 individuals and

33 households with children (36 adults and 47 children) received homeless prevention assistance. Catholic Family Center (CFC) also receives County ESG funding for prevention services. CFC's program provided assistance to 33 persons; 21 individuals and 3 households with children (3 adults and 8 children.)

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Monroe County and the City of Rochester continued our collaboration efforts to fund the community-wide Coordinated Entry system and the Rapid Rehousing Partnership to maximize community resources to move homeless households from shelter/temporary housing to permanent housing as quickly as possible. These programs are coordinated and collaborated with various area service providers, including the Monroe County Department of Human Services (DHS), to better serve those in the emergency shelters; provide workshops for landlords and potential landlords to educate them to DHS processes and utilizing the landlord-tenant agreement in lieu of cash security deposits; and continually work to increase the supply of safe, affordable housing units for homeless and other special needs populations. Coordinated entry is utilizing the VSPDAT, a vulnerability assessment tool to assess an individual's needs and insure that homeless households with the highest needs are prioritized in our community's permanent supportive housing programs. Insuring that the housing and service needs of homeless households are addressed will lead to increased housing stability and decrease the number of repeat episodes of homelessness.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

The increased collaboration and coordination between systems, i.e. -homeless, health care, behavioral health, etc., has improved efficiency in serving those being discharged from mental health facilities, corrections programs, victims of domestic violence, veterans, and the chronically homeless. Health home care coordinators, re-entry task force case managers, and other community based organizations work together to ensure that discharge plans include a housing plan to prevent persons from exiting institutions to homelessness. On occasions when persons are discharged to the homeless system, the systems are working together to ensure that households are transitioned to permanent housing as quickly as possible.

The Monroe County Department of Human Services (MCDHS) Diversion Unit continues to assist those at risk of homelessness with payment for such costs as mortgage payments, auto repairs, and tools/uniforms for jobs. Returns to homelessness have decreased with less stringent compliance demands and automatic lease renewals.

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

Monroe County continued funding Coordinated Entry which is being fully implemented throughout the CoC geographic area. ESG funded emergency shelters and street outreach programs administer the VSPDAT, a vulnerability assessment tool, to all participants. Coordinated Entry will use VSPDAT scores and other criteria to compile a prioritization list by name that will ensure that the chronically homeless and other homeless persons with the highest needs are prioritized for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Rapid Rehousing (RRH) programs. The CoC encourages all permanent housing programs to utilize Housing First and harm reduction principles that reduce barriers to accessing permanent housing and provide the appropriate level of services to meet the needs of high need individuals. Written standards have been developed and accepted by all persons that include performance measures that seek to reduce the length of homeless episodes, to be more efficient in housing search and placement activities, make linkages of mainstream resources for income supports, health insurance, housing subsidies, etc.

The CoC provided guidance and support to the PSH and RRH housing programs at the onset of the COVID crisis in how to continue with ongoing operations and support to participants remotely, encouraging virtual showing of units, etc. Guidance was also provided to programs on the waivers made available through HUD to facilitate new admissions into housing during COVID; i.e. – conducting virtual inspections, option of month to month leases, and other incentives for landlords to provide units for PSH and RRH programs.

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

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

Coordination between the Rochester Housing Authority (RHA), the Fairport Urban Renewal Agency (FURA), private and governmental health and mental health service agencies are enhanced through the county's support of RHA and FURA social services programs. RHA and FURA offer programs to lessen the impediments for low-income families to move to higher income areas within Monroe County, such as Project Based vouchers, security deposit assistance, higher payment standards for low-poverty areas, assistance in finding suitable housing, and landlord outreach.

RHA continues its planning efforts to preserve and increase the inventory of RHA-owned or controlled properties and grow their financial assets. One objective is to transform public housing properties, which have been identified through the HUD Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program and other means as practical, by developing RHA owned properties into mixed-income and multi-family housing, and to develop resources to improve the quality of existing housing stock. RHA plans on accomplishing these goals using property needs assessments, resident input, finalizing and submitting financial information to HUD and identifying and prioritizing additional qualifying properties for transition through RAD. Currently, RHA is working o three RAD projects. One, Federal St. Scattered Sites, has received a LIHTC award and is working toward "closing" later this year. This project will include demolitionand redevelopment along with renovation of Public Housing units. The other two, Parliament-Luther Circle and Glenwood Gardens, are in various stages with the first, planned to submit for a LIHTC application by year end. Two years ago, RHA was awarded a grant as part of the NYS Preservation Opportunity Program (NYS-POP) through NYS and Enterprise, which enables RHA to conduct property needs assessments on properties to identify needs to assist in the prioritization of capital improvement projets. Incorporating stakeholder input into strategies and actions to determine priorities will also be part of this process. This effort is wrapping up with both physical and environment assessments nearing completion.

RHA continues to utilize its Capital Fund Program awards to address capital needs at its public housing properties. RHA's Resident Advisory Board along with RHA staff meets annually to develop an annual and comprehensive 5-year plan for capital improvements that address the needs of their properties and the needs of the residents. Resident Advisory Board and staff meet on a regular basis to update and prioritize those needs. RHA meets with property management and maintenance staff quarterly to prioritize and address projects.

Although the Fairport Urban Renewal Agency (FURA) does not administer any public housing units, the agency does provide Section 8 vouchers to 497 low-income families and individuals. Section 8 rental assistance is provided in a number of affordable housing projects funded by Monroe County HOME funds. In September 2021, FURA awarded 28 new Project Based Vouchers (PBV) to two leading housing developers in the area. 20 PBV were awarded to Rochester's Cornerstone Group for Marketplace Senior Apartments in Henrietta. The project is moving forward and construction is beginning in December of

2022. It is proposed to include 150 new units of supportive housing for seniors on a 3 acre L shaped campus on Miracle Mile drive in Henrietta. 8 PBV's were awarded to PathStone for a senior apartment project on Baird Road. This project includes 76 new units of affordable housing located on a 10 acre parcel along the east side of Baird Road in Fairport, NY.

Con't Actions taken to address needs of public housing

There continues to be a significant need in FURA program service area for housing. Long waiting lists and stringent eligibility requirements enforced by the larger apartment complexes were an impediment to achieving housing in the area. The most significant barrier, howerer, was the dramatic increase in rents within our area. Many families were displaced from their housing because of increases in rent. In some cases, rents increases for some of our program participants were over \$300 per month. HUD recently released the Fair Market Rents (FMR) for 2023, which demonstrates a significant increase over the 2022 FMRs. (PHAs must utilize the FMR to determine the Payment Standards for the agency. Per HUD regulations, agencies can set the payment standards between 90-110% of the FMR). FURA should be able to set the payment standards above 100% possibly up to 110%. The standards will be confirmed in October to be effective for 11/1/22. FURA will continue to reviw the payment standards annually and will adjust accordingly. It is FURAâ¿¿s intention to continue to offer payment standards above 100% of the FMR in an effort to remain competitive with the existing private rental market.FURAâ¿¿s Section 8 waiting list has approximately 280 applicants at this time and will be opening within the next 2-3 months. It will remain open until the list reaches a wait time of approximately 2 years.

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

RHA is committed to improving communication between management, RHA residents, and program participants, and continues to work with area partners to provide services. RHA continues to develop and promote RHA's Section 3 program, resident councils, and advisory board. RHA's Section 3 Plan was revised this past year in accordance with new HUD regulations. RHA continues to encourage and support residents in organizing and participating in resident councils. There are currently 11 sites that have active resident councils and one jurisdiction-wide resident council that represents all residents. The council presidents are members of the RHA Resident Advisory Board and work with management in developing and revising the 5-year agency plan, annual operating budget, capital fund budgets, and occupancy policies. RHA has two Resident Commissioners on its Board who bring a lot of value to the organization as they routinely go around to sites and speak to residents and bring their concerns and kudos to management and the Board. They are both included in many planning activities throughout the year. RHA has established a Resident Relations Committee that meets monthly to discuss resident concerns and management issues. Collaboration on resident safety initiatives, services available, and additional services needed are all part of the discussions. RHA held an annual summer picnic and holiday party for seniors and held "ice cream social" events at its family sites.

The Rochester Housing Authority's Resident Services Department has partnered with the City of

Rochester's Financial Empowerment Center to provide free financial counseling for residents to equip them with skills in budgeting, money management, and credit repair. This program is exhibiting success as many referrals are being made. RHA's collaboration with NACA, the Housing Council at PathStone, and Neighborworks provides residents with homebuyer counseling, so they gain the tools and resources to make informed home buying decisions.

Resident Services staff provides families with on-going service coordination to help them achieve goals of self-sufficiency. Barriers to the achievement of those goals are identified and addressed through referrals to various community agencies that can help the family to improve or maintain their independence.

RHA's Resident Services department continues to assist with resident needs and actively engage in homeownership opportunities and self-sufficiency program development. On September 12, 2000, HUD published the final rule for the Homeownership Voucher Program adding the homeownership option to the existing tenant-based voucher assistance program. The homeownership option allows public housing authorities to subsidize the family's mortgage instead of rent. The maximum length of assistance is 15 years if the initial mortgage of the home has a term of 20 years or longer. For a mortgage term of fewer than 20 years, the maximum term of assistance is 10 years. There is no maximum assistance term for disabled and elderly families provided they maintain program eligibility.

Con't Actions taken to encourage public housing residents

RHA has begun its Section 32 Homeownership program where Public Housing Residents can purchase a Public Housing home. Current residents will be given first option to purchase the home. RHA may use capital funds and/or operating reserves to renovate designated public homeownership plan that will include Section 32 Homeownership homes. Currently, RHA has 5 Public Housing residents who are eligible to purchase their home and RHA is preparing its application that will be submitted to the HUD Special Applications Center (SAC). RHA has another 34 residents in various stages of becoming eligible to purchase their Public Housing home. RHA has 17 successful home buyers in 2021 and have had 5 in 2022, with another 28 currently approved for financing. RHA has developed a post homeownership program to assist families in maintaining their homes and ensuring homeowners that they have somewhere to go for assistance when they need it. RHA intends to increase utilization of homeownership vouchers and increase outreach efforts. FURA does not administer Homeownership vouchers but does operate a Family Self Sufficiency program. 65% of the families enrolled have an escrow account and 100% percent are making significant progress toward meeting their goals, including homeownership. Participants with homeownership as a goal are encouraged to seek private lending institutions that offer first time homebuyer programs as we do not offer this service. FURA has a Resident Advisory Board that meet annually to review agency progress, advice on policies, budgets, and agency plans.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

The Rochester Housing Authority and the Fairport Urban Renewal Agency are not a troubled public housing authority.

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

Actions taken to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)

Monroe County's Department of Planning and Development conducts training sessions every fall and spring to support Land Use Decision-Making in Monroe County. These workshops offer fundamentals on Land Use Planning and Zoning, the NYS Environmental Quality Review Act, and Land Use Law. The Land Use Law session contains a brief overview of laws related to affordable housing, inclusionary zoning, and exclusionary zoning. These trainings are open to anyone, and we generally offer discounts for those in financial need, non-profit employees, veterans, and others upon request. The Department also administer the review of municipal law revisions, rezoning, and site plan and subdivision applications and regularly comments on measures to improve zoning ordinances, land use controls, and site plans.

Additionally, Monroe County is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan. This process and plan will have recommendations about the future of land-use and affordable housing throughout Monroe County. Although it is up to municipalities to implement these recommendations, Monroe County can lead the way by identifying strategies and best practices that Monroe County municipalities can undertake. The planning process is anticipated to be completed in early 2023. The Department has conducted mulitiple focus groups and outreach during the 2021 program year.

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

The greatest obstacle to meeting underserved needs continues to be limited CDBG, HOME, and ESG program funds. The demand for resources and housing, as the cost to rehab and/or purchase a home is increasing rapidly, particularly in the area of community services and the cap on public services limit the ability for Monroe County to provide additional funds to meet the demands. As previously mentioned, in the 2021-22 program year, CDBG funding was provided to continue support of LifeSpan's Safety and Security for Seniors Program. LifeSpan provided 386 income eligible senior households with minor home repairs and fall safety features so they may continue to age in place. Some of these items include, shower grab bars, transfer benches for tubs, shower chairs, raised toilet seats, smoke detectors, and fire extinguishers. Twenty-nine (29) seniors received direct scam intervention, with everything from help contacting the police and/or LawNY, reporting to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), having their contact info added to the no call list and more. During the course of the year the program also provided direct education to over 1,000 seniors to help then avoid falling victim to predators. Below is an example of a senior in the County who was effected by a scammer and subsequently given assistance through the program: "Female, 74 years old - Client was a victim of a tech scam while shopping on-line. Client was tricked into allowing remote access to her computer and the scammers stole the information of 3 credit cards and her bank account information. The client was entered into FTC fraud database and her number was registered as "do-not-call." The client lost over \$15,000 across all accounts before

intervention.

Female, 77 years old – Client had hired a roofing contractor to fix a leaking roof. The contractor took cash and never completed the work. Client called the police several times to report the contractor but to no avail. The client was advised by LifeSpan to file a small claims case at the local court against the contractor.

Female/widow, age 90 — Client was a victim of a phone scam which turned into a tech scam after she was convinced to give over remote access to her computer. The Client had her bank account hacked but did not lose any money as the Client's family were quick to take action by having the computer wiped and closing her bank account and setting up a new one. LifeSpan helped the client pull a credit report, which showed she also had her MasterCard hacked and they had spent upwards of \$11,000. In working with LifeSpan, the Client and the family, all necessary steps were taken to secure her identity and fnances.

Con't Actions aken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Monroe County also provided ESG funds to HOPE Ministry in the amount of \$30,000, and the Catholic Family Center for Homelessness Prevention with direct financial assistance for \$18,000. Through Coordinated Care Services, Inc. we were able to provide Rapid Rehousing services, and Coordinated Entry services to our community. Coordinated Care services are in coordination with our Partners Ending Homelessness (PEH) team in Monroe County. We have been fortunate to partner with Person Centered Housing Option (PCHO), which provides Street Outreach services within our community. PCHO does case management and develops relationships with some of our most vulnerable populations. Finally, we provided funding to the Center for Youth to provide shelter for our marginalized youth.

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

Monroe County Community Development continued to enforce actions specific to its housing programs in lead-based paint hazard identification, disclosure, and reduction. Lead-based pain hazard activities continue to make up a significant proportion of the repairs undertaken in the Home Improvement Program. In 2021, 4 risk assessments and 50 clearance inspections were conducted for the Home Improvement Program by Proway Management. Proway Management, a Rochester lead-based paint testing firm, is contracted to provide risk assessments and clearance inspection services for the Home Improvement Program when homeowners outside of the city of Rochester are looking for housing improvement assistance.

The Monroe County Department of Public Health's Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is funded by the NYSDOH. The current grant known as "Childhood Poisoning Prevention Program +" has been approved for a contract period of 10/1/21 - 9/30/26 with a total of \$1,035,000 dollars. The lead program conducts medical case management and environmental inspections for children with a known blood lead level $\ge 5\mu g/dl$. In 2021 the lead program identified 191 children with elevated blood lead

levels. Inspections of housing units associated with the children were conducted in 186 units and 109 units were identified with lead hazards. Please refer to attached Monroe County maps which show number of children with confirmed EBLLs above the current NYSDOH reference level of 5 ug/dl blood lead level. The City of Rochester boarder is shown in purple. Local data show that children residing outside of the city continue to be at risk for lead poisoning and continue to have elevated blood lead levels above the reference value of 5 ug/dl. This data supports the continued effort to focus on lead hazard identification, remediation and education when serving the residents of Monroe County.

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

Monroe County included the continuation of existing programs that promote a stable living environment and reduce dependency and poverty primarily caused by unemployment, underemployment, housing conditions, and cost burden. Programs that address a stable living environment include the Home Improvement Program, the Homeownership Program, Expanding Housing Opportunities, Foreclosure Prevention and Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) counseling. In addition, many of the public facilities projects promote a stable living environment by reducing the cost burden placed on municipalities to make these improvements thereby reducing the costs passed on to local taxpayers. HESG funds were allocated to four (4) agencies, Coordinated Care Services Inc., HOPE Minstry (nka: Webster HOPE), the Center for Youth and Catholic Family Charities and Community Services administering five (5) programs to provide critical services to homeless and at-risk individuals and families. Collectively these programs helped prevent homelessness, financial hardship, institutionalization, and poverty.

Monroe County Department of Human Services is the primary provider of public assistance benefits for poverty-level persons, and, therefore, has the greatest capacity to reduce the number of poverty-level families. Housing efforts, particularly emergency housing, are coordinated with the Continuum of Care (CoC) and other community-wide affordable housing agencies.

The Rochester/Monroe Anti-Poverty Initiative (RMAPI) formed a Housing workgroup to support community partners who are working on issues of affordable housing, and improving the existing housing stock. RMAPI has focused activities on increasing employment opportunities that pay a living wage, and has supported advocacy efforts to support child tax credit increases, increase child care credit, and ending the practice of suspending driver's licenses for unpaid tickets.

The Monroe County Department of Human Services funded a program with the Rochester Rehabilitation Center named Paths to Empowerment Program that assists families with transitioning from reliance on public benefits to employment. The program provides linkages to community based services such as child care, transportation assistance, etc., that will increase employment stability. In addition, services are available offer programming on financial literacy, soft skills, and other resources.

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

Community Development works closely with all applicable public, private, and government entities within Monroe County organizational structure, as well as continues to strengthen and expand existing public and private sector coordination, enhance collaboration, and communication, improve program delivery, and identify and build innovative partnerships throughout our community.

During the 2021-22 program year, Monroe County staff continue to participate in the Continuum of Care (CoC), locally renamed Partners Ending Homelessness in 2019. Staff participates on the Administrative Board and CoC subcommittees: Budget/Adhoc/Finance Subcommittees, Chronically Homeless Workgroup, and the Homeless Services Network meetings, including the ranking and rating committee for this years applications to HUD for CoC funding.

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

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

Monroe County strives to remain proactive about providing fair housing options, and is actively reviewing fair housing metrics on a rolling basis in order to plan for implementing appropriate fair housing opportunities. In order to understand current potential impediments to fair housing choice, Monroe County conducted an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. This process involved analysis of demographic and housing data, public engagement on multiple occasions, on multiple platforms and venues, and the collaboration of numerous municipalities working toward the goal of understanding fair housing in suburban Monroe County.

The Civil Rights Act of 1968, Title VIII, commonly known as the Fair Housing Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601) states that it is the policy of the United States to provide fair housing throughout the country. This Act prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of housing, as well as the provision of financing or brokerage services, including denying or otherwise making unavailable a dwelling to any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status.

Nationally, fair housing practices and impediments to fair housing are monitored by the US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). HUD's fundamental fair housing goal is advancing fair housing choice through proactive planning and intervention. The Department of Housing and Urban Development mandates fair housing planning as part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) requirements. Each grantee that receives CDBG/HOME funding under Title I of the Housing & Community Development Act is required to further fair housing and fair housing planning by conducting an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice in areas within their jurisdiction. The grantee is also required to take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified and maintain records that record and reflect the analysis and

actions taken in this regard.

Monroe County is taking the appropriate steps to ensure that its analysis of impediments to fair housing choice and fair housing plans remain up-to-date and relevant living documents. The County's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice document was most recently updated in 2020. This document is continuously referenced, and analysis in it has been updated as deemed necessary as trends in fair housing changes in Monroe County. The updated document incorporates the most current available data on demographics and mortgage originations from multiple sources to provide a comprehensive snapshot of long term and emerging trends that may impact access to housing choice. This document not only allows the County to identify existing impediments but also provides a metric to track progress made in affirmatively furthering fair housing.

Monroe County has formed meaningful partnerships with New York State, HUD, property developers, property owners, public housing authorities, community development consultants, local municipalities, and local community groups in implementing housing plans and identifying potential impediments to fair housing choice in Monroe County.

Con't Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of impediments identified

Monroe County works with local community development consultants to continuously monitor fair housing data and metrics across Suburban Monroe County, and to prepare for potential changes in federal fair housing policy. These actions include the analysis of annual action plans for community development block grant funding in reference to impediments to fair housing identified in Monroe Countyâ¿¿s most recent analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. These actions also include additions to County public hearings, with fair housing discussions being a part of regularly scheduled community development public hearings. The Monroe County Fair Housing Action Plan works to eliminate barriers to affordable housing choice by laying out priority areas including the provision of fair housing education and outreach; increasing the supply of assisted housing; promotion of sustainable minority homeownership; and expansion of appropriate housing opportunities for minorities, seniors, persons with disabilities, and homeless populations. For each priority area, the Plan establishes four (4) basic strategies to address these issues. Monroe County continues to offer their annual land-use decision making classes. These classes address issues that planning and zoning board members may face, including applications concerning site and land use planning issues relating to the development of affordable housing. There are a variety of real estate listing websites operating in Monroe County, including public-facing websites such as Zillow, Trulia, Homefinder, homes.com, and HomesteadNet, among others. The primary internet source for detailed information on properties listed for sale in the greater Rochester and Finger Lakes region is HomesteadNet, owned by the Greater Rochester Association of Realtors (GRAR). GRAR continues to take steps to advertise HomesteadNet broadly and has added the ability for housing choice for buyers to get contact information for individual realtors based on language, thereby enhancing housing choice for buyers with limited English proficiency. GRAR is committed to inclusive advertising practices and uses diverse human models to reflect the diversity of this community. The Monroe County Fair Housing Action Plan is designed to increase and sustain first-

time homebuyers in the private market, paying particular attention to an increasing diverse population of homeowners in Monroe County. The Home Ownership Assistance program, administered by the Housing Council at PathStone provided counseling education, referral, and financial assistance to low-income persons in Monroe County trying to buy their first home.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

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

Monroe County Community Development (CD) staff conducts on-site monitoring visits on an annual basis for all CDBG, HOME, and ESG funded programs and projects, as appropriate to ensure that contractors and subrecipients are performing programs and projects in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and that performance goals are met. CD monitoring strategy for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs consists of the use of standard Monroe County financial standards, systems, and procedures to ensure accuracy. These serve as a guide to successfully measure fiscal, regulatory, and programmatic performance, and compliance of all activities identified in the Consolidated Plan. The policies also apply to the activities of the HOME program to provide the most effective methods of reviewing, evaluating, and monitoring the performance of all sub-grantees, project elements, and source documentation, employee payroll/timecards, income eligibility, and overall compliance of program budgets. CD staff are in constant communication with municipal partners, contractors, subgrantees and subrecipients throughout project construction and program implementation to ensure that projects are completed within the agreed upon time frame, environmental reviews are completed, as needed, and programs are completed based on approved scope of services.

CD staff conduct on-site monitoring for all CDBG public services and ESG funded projects, reviewing client files, randomly selected to ensure that all participants meet the income and program guidelines. We also require each of the Public Services and ESG recipients to supply a report that includes up-to-date performance measures and year to date totals periodically throughout the year to allow for continuous monitoring of outcomes and goals and for immmediate intervention to help rectify any gaps in performance that may occur.

CD staff have returned to in-person monitoring and inspection. Public works and infrastructure projects and affordable rental housing projects are monitored during construction to ensure project progress and final completion, including on-site employee interviews. Staff work with sub-recipients and sub-grantees on reporting fiscal and programmatic data simultaneously to achieve timely reimbursements. Claim vouchers for public service and ESG funded programs are submitted quarterly (monthly vouchering is available upon request) with progress reports and statistical data of services performed and beneficiaries served by income, age, residence in our program area, ethnic background, and other data. Back-up documentation, which must accompany the claim vouchers are project and program specific, but generally include invoices for project materials purchased, personnel records for labor involved, a detailed scope of services performed, and other data needed to evidence project costs.

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

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

Monroe County's Citizen Participation Plan allows residents, steering committee members, and interested parties to provide comments on the Annual Action Plan, the Five-Year Strategic Plan, as well as the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). Public notices were also published for project and funding changes and the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)/Request for Release of Funds (RROF), which includes any projects that would trigger an environmental assessment.

Monroe County residents, steering committee members, and interested parties have an opportunity to comment on the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) during the 15-day public comment period from Oct 7-Oct 23, 2022. Notices were published in the Daily Record and the Rochester Business Journal newspapers. In addition, the draft CAPER was posted on the Community Development page of the Monroe County website http://www2.monroecounty.gov/planning-community.php.

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

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

Due to the on-going impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic with labor shortages, increase in material costs, Monroe County discontinued its solar component to the Home Improvement Program (HIP), which started in 2017. The solar component, which was an extension of the existing HIP program utilized CDBG funds to make available an option for homeowners interested in an alternative to reducing their utility bills. During the program year, two (2) projects were completed with rooftop solar panels.

In 2018, Monroe County added the acquisition rehab resale program through Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) for the suburban towns and villages throughout Monroe County in partnership with the Rochester Housing Development Fund Corporation (RHDFC), which is a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). During the program year, three (3) properties were acquired through private purchase. Two (2) of the properties have completed rehab and are currently being listed for sale to an income eligible first-time homebuyers.

Community Development staff also administered Community Development Block Grant – COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds were used to support the community effort to "*Prepare, Prevent and Respond to*" the coronavirus including a food and medicine delivery service for seniors, vaccine clinics, quarantine rooms in a congregate shelter, providing direct rental assistance to tenants in Suburban Monroe County, and an economic development loan/grant program for small businesses.

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

No

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

CR-50 - HOME 91.520(d)

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

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

For the 2021-22 program year, Monroe County staff have monitored and inspected, on-site seventeen (17) rental housing projects. Staff reviewed tenant files for compliance, including income determinations, re-certifications, and inspected 20% of the HOME units for physical property standards to ensure they are kept maintained. A summary of issues that were detected include missing Violence Against Women Act signed forms in some files. Miscalculated budget analyses and other unsigned forms. As a result of the on-site visits it was discovered that files were ut of order, and a later desk review was needed. Physical conditions include loose outlets, leaky faucets, and worn flooring, which were addressed with the respective property managers and immediately corrected with completed work orders shared with CD staff.

Additional information on project specific review is attached in the monitoring report at the end of the CAPER.

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

Monroe County implements its HOME program consistent with all statutory requirements pertaining to affirmative marketing, discrimination, and equal opportunity, which are contained in 24 CFR Part 92 of the HOME Program regulations. County funded affordable development projects require an affirmative marketing plan. Affordable rental housing projects market vacant units to appropriate public housing agencies and the Housing Council at PathStone. This year, Monroe County partnered with Pathstone Corporation, the Housing Council at PathStone, the Monroe County Department of Human Services, the Office of the Aging to conduct a more robust marketing and promotion of Skyview Senior Apartments during its pre-lease up process. During this process, The Housing Council conducted community outreach with area churches, attended community events, and hosted meetings with community stakeholders to conduct more inclusive community outreach and marketing to those least likely to apply for suburban affordable housing. Through these efforts we were able to increase minority participation. Pathstone also advertised using alternate outlets including social media, email blasts to community organizations, fair housing groups, and housing and family counseling agencies to promote this project as well as other available units for rent.

General contractors associated with the development of affordable rental housing handle outreach to

minority- and women- owned businesses when soliciting for subcontractors. The results of these efforts are reflected in the Contractor and Subcontractor Activity Report (HUD 2516) form submitted annually.

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

Monroe County receipted \$151,948.53 of HOME program income during the 2021-22 program year. To date, \$84,875 was expended during the program year on four (4) HIP projects. The homeowners are White, non-Hispanic. Of the four (4) HIP projects, two (2) homeowners were between the 31-50% of AMI, two (2) homeowners were within the 51%-60% AMI. All four (4) of the homeowners were female head of households. Additional program income was spent on the development of affordable rental housing project and on Administration costs.

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

Monroe County provided HOME funding for the development of affordable rental housing, the acquisition rehab resale program to make available additional single family residential properties for sale to income eligible first time homebuyers, and the Home Improvement Program projects to maintain property value and stabilize the community. The Home Improvement program made available to income eligible residents throughout the 19 towns and 10 villages within Monroe County. In addition, HOME funds were provided to income eligible first-time homebuyers with direct subsidies for closing costs and/or down payment assistance. Community Development staff continue to evaluate our HOME program and look into new opportunities that will allow us to expand our HOME programs to commit and expend our HOME funds in a more timely manner including partnerships with private agencies and organizations.

CR-58 - Section 3

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

Total Labor Hours		HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Total Number of Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Total Labor Hours					
Total Section 3 Worker Hours					
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours					

Table 14 – Total Labor Hours

Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing					
Targeted Workers					
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding					
Targeted Workers.					
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).					
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).					
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.					
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment					
including: drafting resumes, preparing for interviews, finding job					
opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.					
Held one or more job fairs.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.					
Assisted residents with finding child care.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.					
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.					
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online					
technologies.					
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.					
Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as			<u> </u>	1	
designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and					
Opportunity Act.					

Other.			

Table 15 - Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program

Narrative

The information for this section is not available during the Draft CAPER, however, information will be inputted prior to the final submission to HUD.

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

ESG Supplement to the CAPER in e-snaps

For Paperwork Reduction Act

1. Recipient Information—All Recipients Complete

Basic Grant Information

Recipient Name MONROE COUNTY

Organizational DUNS Number 079678249

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EIN/TIN Number 166002563
Indentify the Field Office BUFFALO

Identify CoC(s) in which the recipient or

subrecipient(s) will provide ESG

assistance

Rochester/Irondequoit/Greece/Monroe County CoC

ESG Contact Name

Prefix Ms
First Name Chanh

Middle Name

Last Name Quach

Suffix

Title Community Development Manager

ESG Contact Address

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City Rochester

State NY ZIP Code -

Phone Number 5857532021

Extension Fax Number

Email Address

ESG Secondary Contact

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Suffix

Title

Phone Number

Extension

Email Address

2. Reporting Period—All Recipients Complete

Program Year Start Date 08/01/2021 Program Year End Date 07/31/2022

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

cquach@monroecounty.gov

Subrecipient or Contractor Name: CATHOLIC FAMILY CENTER

City: CATHOLIC FAMILY CENTER

State: NY

Zip Code: 99999, DUNS Number:

UEI:

Is subrecipient a victim services provider: N

Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization

ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: 18000

Subrecipient or Contractor Name: COORDINATED CARE SERVICES, INC.

City: Rochester

State: NY

Zip Code: 14611, 1153 **DUNS Number:** 151624996

UEI:

Is subrecipient a victim services provider: N

Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization

ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: 48500

Subrecipient or Contractor Name: THE CENTER FOR YOUTH

City: Rochester State: NY

Zip Code: 14620, 1707 **DUNS Number:** 085991974

UEI:

Is subrecipient a victim services provider: N

Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization

ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: 10372

Subrecipient or Contractor Name: Hope Ministry

City: Webster State: NY

Zip Code: 14580, 3619 **DUNS Number:** 039553300

UEI:

Is subrecipient a victim services provider: N

Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization

ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: 20000

Subrecipient or Contractor Name: Person Center Housing Option

City: Rochester

State: NY

Zip Code: 14611, 2538 **DUNS Number:** 080008611

UEI:

Is subrecipient a victim services provider: N

Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization

ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: 40000

CR-65 - Persons Assisted

4. Persons Served

4a. Complete for Homelessness Prevention Activities

Number of Persons in	Total
Households	
Adults	86
Children	56
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
Total	142

Table 16 – Household Information for Homeless Prevention Activities

4b. Complete for Rapid Re-Housing Activities

Number of Persons in	Total
Households	
Adults	143
Children	125
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
Total	268

Table 17 – Household Information for Rapid Re-Housing Activities

4c. Complete for Shelter

Number of Persons in	Total
Households	
Adults	0
Children	93
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
Total	93

Table 18 – Shelter Information

4d. Street Outreach

Number of Persons in	Total
Households	
Adults	66
Children	0
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
Total	66

Table 19 – Household Information for Street Outreach

4e. Totals for all Persons Served with ESG

Number of Persons in	Total
Households	
Adults	152
Children	149
Don't Know/Refused/Other	0
Missing Information	0
Total	301

Table 20 - Household Information for Persons Served with ESG

5. Gender—Complete for All Activities

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

Table 21 – Gender Information

6. Age—Complete for All Activities

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

Table 22 – Age Information

7. Special Populations Served—Complete for All Activities

Number of Persons in Households

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

Table 23 – Special Population Served

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

10. Shelter Utilization

Number of New Units – Rehabbed	
Number of New Units – Conversion	
Total Number of bed - nigths available	
Total Number of bed - nights provided	
Capacity Utilization	

Table 24 – Shelter Capacity

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

CR-75 – Expenditures

11. Expenditures

11a. ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2019	2020	2021
Expenditures for Rental Assistance	30,697	26,527	36,539
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and			
Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance	0	0	0
Expenditures for Housing Relocation &			
Stabilization Services - Services	14,215	0	6,710
Expenditures for Homeless Prevention under			
Emergency Shelter Grants Program	0	0	0
Subtotal Homelessness Prevention	44,912	26,527	43,249

Table 25 – ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention

11b. ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year		
	2019	2020	2021
Expenditures for Rental Assistance	903	0	0
Expenditures for Housing Relocation and			
Stabilization Services - Financial Assistance	0	0	0
Expenditures for Housing Relocation &			
Stabilization Services - Services	42,098	0	20,666
Expenditures for Homeless Assistance under			
Emergency Shelter Grants Program	0	0	0
Subtotal Rapid Re-Housing	43,001	0	20,666

Table 26 - ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing

11c. ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year			
	2019 2020 2021			
Essential Services	0	0	16,940	
Operations	25,481	19,570	1,895	
Renovation	0	0	0	

Major Rehab	0	0	0
Conversion	0	0	0
Subtotal	25,481	19,570	18,835

Table 27 – ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter

11d. Other Grant Expenditures

	Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year			
	2019 2020 2021			
Street Outreach	6,789	27,630	14,192	
HMIS	0	0	0	
Administration	11,486	12,109	11,909	

Table 28 - Other Grant Expenditures

11e. Total ESG Grant Funds

Total ESG Funds	2019	2020	2021
Expended			
	131,669	85,836	108,851

Table 29 - Total ESG Funds Expended

11f. Match Source

	2019	2020	2021
Other Non-ESG HUD Funds	0	31,684	0
Other Federal Funds	0	0	0
State Government	51,097	0	0
Local Government	0	0	0

Private Funds	18,200	35,519	0
Other	62,372	95,582	0
Fees	0	0	0
Program Income	0	0	0
Total Match Amount	131,669	162,785	0

Table 30 - Other Funds Expended on Eligible ESG Activities

11g. Total

Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG	2019	2020	2021
Activities			
	263,338	248,621	108,851

Table 31 - Total Amount of Funds Expended on ESG Activities