



2022-2023 Annual Action Plan CDBG & HOME Funds

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Each year of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan period, the City is required to prepare and adopt an Annual Action Plan that lays out how it will implement the Consolidated Plan goals through more specific Projects and Activities. The third-year Annual Plan includes resource allocations and projected outcomes for a number of specific measurements.

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

As a recipient of federal funds that assists low-income populations, the City of Chico is required to update its Consolidated Plan every five years. The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan was adopted June 2020 and goals and funding priorities were established that aimed to address the greatest needs of the City's low-income residents. The City's two relevant federal grant sources include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Federal regulations govern how the City must plan, utilize, evaluate, and report on these two grant funding sources, as principally found in 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 91 and 570.

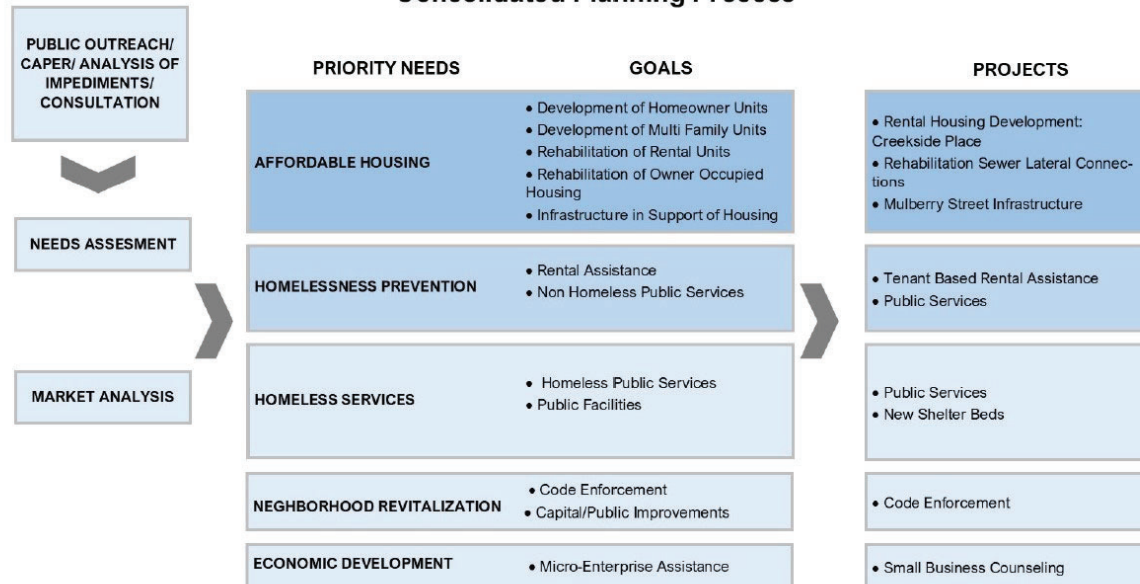
Each year of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan period, the City is required to prepare and adopt an Annual Action Plan that lays out how it will implement the Consolidated Plan goals through more specific Projects and Activities. Each year, the City also produces Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) that measures the City's annual progress in meeting five-year and one-year goals and projected outcomes. The City's 2020 CAPER was approved by HUD on December 23, 2021.

This year's Annual Action Plan proposes to continue funding projects and activities that will meet the goals established in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Attached graphic outlines objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan.

City of Chico Consolidated Planning Process



3. Evaluation of past performance

During the 2020-21 program year, the City continued responding to the COVID-19 global pandemic and its affects along with the region's long-term effects of the 2018 Camp Fire which displaced the neighboring town of Paradise and had a dramatic effect on the services provided by the City of Chico. Below is an overview of the programs and the number of residents assisted.

- Assistance to Small Businesses: For the second program year in a row, the Small Business Development Center experienced a large increase in demand for their counseling and training opportunities in response to the ongoing pandemic. They assisted 272 small business during the year, far exceeding their goal of 105.
- Five non-profit organizations received funding for Public Service Activities and in total, provided services for 523 individuals.
 - Chico Housing Action Team transitioned 15 individuals from homelessness into transitional housing.
 - Chico Meals on Wheels provided meals to 320 home-bound citizens.
 - Catalyst Domestic violence Services was able to assist 55 individuals, which was lower than expected due to COVID restrictions and needing to keep the shelter numbers low for social distancing.
 - Community Action Agency was able to assist 45 families at their transitional housing facility, Esplanade House. COVID affected their service delivery model to allow for social distancing, which reduced the number of members receiving services.

- Innovative Health Care Services (Peg Taylor Center) assisted 88 individuals through their adult day health care program and instituted a program called a “Center Without Walls” that allowed the organization to continue serving their clients during the pandemic.
- The City funded three fair housing workshops which were attended by 104 individuals in total.
- The City’s Sewer Assistance Program funded the connection of six low-income households in the Nitrate Compliance Area (NCA) and one household outside the NCA to the City’s sewer system, which includes abandonment of individual septic tanks.
- 743 code enforcement cases were opened in low-income target areas to address physical blight and the decline of neighborhoods.
- Six homeownership units for low-income families on Mulberry Street through Habitat for Humanity were completed with infrastructure assistance funded with CDBG funds.
- Construction of 100 units designated for seniors and disabled adults at Creekside Place Apartments began in May 2021. This project is funded with HOME and CDBG, in addition to local funds.
- The Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) continued to remain successful, supporting 21 households.

While the City has demonstrated strong performance through the projects described above, current trends and conditions have presented new challenges to which it must respond. The principal challenges include:

- A tremendous shortage of housing for low-moderate income households, including seniors and persons with disabilities;
- Skyrocketing land prices, construction costs, delays in supply chain and shortage of skilled trade labor;
- Chronic homelessness remains an issue (individuals that are homeless for longer than one year or have had four or more episodes of homelessness over the last three years); and
- Homelessness that increased due to the public health COVID-19 crisis and lingering effects of recent wildfires.

The City’s proposed Annual Plan will continue supporting historically successful programs, while allocating resources to new priority projects that will address the new challenges listed above. Allocations of CARES Act CDBG-CV and CDBG Disaster Relief (DR) funding and special allocations of federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits has provided additional resources during this unprecedented time. The City is anticipating the development of 1,347 new affordable housing units over the next five years due to the increase in resources in response to the Camp Fire.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

During the development of the Annual Action Plan, the City held a public meeting on January 6, 2022 via Zoom to engage various local agencies, organizations, including the attendees of the Greater Chico

Homeless Task Force, the Continuum of Care and citizens of Chico. Citizen participation for this plan was encouraged through email distributions, noticing in the local daily newspaper, on the City's website, and during community and public meetings. Two public hearings were conducted in April and May and the draft Annual Action Plan was available for a 30-day comment period online from April 15 to May 17. A City-Council appointed Citizen Advisory Committee was utilized to evaluate and make recommendations for CDBG Public Service funding.

5. Summary of public comments

Three public comments were made during the first public hearing and one during the final public hearing. Comments were accepted and no actions were needed.

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

N/A

7. Summary

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	CHICO	Community Development
HOME Administrator	CHICO	Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

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

1. Introduction

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(l))

The City of Chico works collaboratively in its housing and community development efforts with other local governments, nonprofits, advocacy groups and citizens. This collaboration takes place through the City's involvement with the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (Butte CoC), the Greater Chico Homeless Task Force (GCHTF), the TBRA Committee, the City's Public Works Engineering Division and planning processes such as the City's Housing Element and Consolidated Plan, and the Butte CoC 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness and efforts related to the impacts of the Camp Fire and the response to the current COVID pandemic. All of these groups and processes include public and assisted housing providers, and private and government health, mental health and service agencies.

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 City of Chico has been closely involved in the Butte CoC's establishment and development. The City of Chico helps fund the operation of the Butte CoC, and its Housing Manager sits on the Butte CoC Council, which is the governance and decision-making body of the Butte CoC. An elected official of the City has also been appointed to the CoC Council. Whenever possible, the City's HUD-funded projects and programs are coordinated with the Butte CoC. Some of the CoC grantees have received funding and support from the City of Chico, including the Torres Shelter (emergency shelter), the Esplanade House (transitional housing) and Valley View Apartments (permanent supportive housing). In 2014, the Butte CoC completed a 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness, which involved extensive collaboration with the City of Chico. City staff participated in an update to the Strategy in 2018. The City has directed significant progress on some of this plan's key goals, including the establishment of a local housing trust fund, and development of a supportive housing project for persons with mental disabilities. Additional efforts by local agencies include reducing barriers to emergency shelter.

The City, with financial assistance from the County of Butte, will open and operate a non-congregate Pallet Shelter site located on City property. The Pallet Shelter will house up to 177 pallet shelters (each may house up to two individuals) which are lockable and climate controlled. CDBG-CV funding has been allocated to assist in this activity to prepare, prevent and respond to coronavirus by providing a safe, hygienic location that will provide wrap-around services to the City's unhoused population. The service provider operating the site will oversee the intake of participants after outreach and engagement occurs throughout the city. The service provider will coordinate the provision of services, referrals, and case

management. The site will also include laundry and showering services, food, handwashing stations, bathrooms, potable water, garbage service, electricity, bike parking, and a pet run area.

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

The City of Chico Housing Manager is a member of the Butte CoC Council, which prioritizes the use of ESG funds, develops performance standards, evaluates outcomes, and directs administration of the Homeless Management Information System and the Coordinated Assessment process. The City of Chico regularly participates in Butte CoC meetings, and reviews Butte CoC plans and policies.

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

See table below.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Veterans Resource Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Veterans Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Veterans Resource Center was consulted to understand the needs of homeless veterans. This included an estimate of the number of veteran households in need of housing assistance. The City and the Veterans Resource Center will be working together in the coming years to identify development opportunities for affordable, service-enriched veterans housing.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Catalyst Domestic Violence Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services – Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Catalyst was consulted to understand the needs of victims of domestic violence. This included an estimate of the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. This consultation helped the City understand how to best continue assisting the Catalyst HAVEN shelter and transitional housing cottages.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Disability Action Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Disability Action Center (DAC) was consulted to better understand the needs of persons with disabilities. This included an estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who have a disability. The consultation helped the City and DAC improve referral of persons with physical disabilities to accessible units in the community.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Action agency of Butte County, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Community Action Agency of Butte County (CAA) was consulted to better understand the needs of homeless and Low-Income families with children. This included the needs of low-income families with children that are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. It also included the needs of formerly homeless families and individuals who are receiving rapid re-housing assistance. The consultation helped the City understand how to better assist CAA's Esplanade House transitional and supportive housing project, as well as other housing and Butte CoC programs.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Caring Choices
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Caring Choices was consulted to better understand the size and characteristics of the population with HIV/AIDS. This consultation facilitated coordination for the provision of housing and services in the City of Chico that will assist persons with HIV/AIDS.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Authority of the County of Butte
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Housing Authority of the County of Butte (HACB) was consulted to better understand the needs of public housing residents and voucher holders. This included an assessment of accessibility needs in compliance with Section 504 and how the needs of public housing residents compare with the housing needs of the population at large. Consultation continued close collaboration between the City and HACB on providing housing through development, vouchers and the TBRA program. Both the City and HACB are active leaders in the Butte CoC.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Caminar
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Caminar was consulted to better understand local programs that serve homeless persons with complex behavioral health needs. This included programs for ensuring that persons returning from behavioral health and health institutions receive appropriate supportive housing.

8	Agency/Group/Organization	Alliance for Workforce Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Alliance for Workforce Development was consulted to better understand economic development needs and resources. This facilitated better alignment of economic development goals and activities.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Butte College Small Business Development Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Economic Development Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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 Butte College Small Business Development Center (SBDC) was consulted to better understand economic development needs and resources. The consultation continued collaboration on economic development goals, and small business development counseling for job growth.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	True North Housing Alliance, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	True North Housing Alliance Inc. was consulted to better understand the needs of homeless individuals and households with children. This consultation helped the City understand how to best continue assisting the Torres Community Shelter.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	3CORE, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	3CORE was consulted to better understand economic development needs and resources. This facilitated better alignment of economic development goals and activities.

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

N/A

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?
Continuum of Care	County of Butte Dept. of Employment & Social Services--HHOME	The Butte CoC updated their 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness in 2018. In the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, the Strategic Plan Section (SP-05) outlines how the City's Priority Areas and Goals support the critical goals of the 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness, as follows: Priority Area: Affordable Housing; Goal: Development of multi-family units, including those targeted at extremely low incomes and the inclusion of supportive housing units. Priority Area: Homelessness Prevention; Goals: Tenant Based Rental Assistance and Public Services for those at risk of homelessness. Priority Area: Homeless Services; Goals: Homeless Public Services and Homeless Public Facilities. Overall, the City will prioritize the use of CDBG Public Services funds for services for those experiencing homelessness and services for the prevention of homelessness at the same time that it pursues the development of affordable housing units.

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

The City of Chico makes efforts to involve the public in the Annual Plan process by publishing notice of the planning process in local publications and on the City's website, distributing notices in English and Spanish via email to community listservs, holding a public meeting at the City's Finance Committee to appoint members to the Citizen's Advisory Committee to make recommendations on the Public Service funding and conducting two formal noticed public hearings of the City Council Meetings. The draft Annual Action Plan is also available with a 30-day public comment period.

To achieve greater community participation, the City established an Ad-Hoc Citizen's Advisory Committee to review applications and make recommendations regarding CDBG Public Service funding. The Committee is comprised of up to seven members of the community who have experience working with low-income clients or are citizens at large. The Committee meetings are open to the public.

All City-sponsored public meetings are held in accessible structures and/or via Zoom, and meeting notices include information regarding how persons needing special accommodations/interpretive assistance may request that assistance.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Internet Outreach	Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	Unknown	None	N/A	https://chico.ca.us/post/notice-annual-planning
2	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	No one from the public attended. Meeting held Via Zoom and recorded.	None	N/A	Meeting information shared on website and with our email list. https://chico.ca.us/post/hud-2022-annual-plan-community-workshop
3	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Meeting held Via Zoom with 49 attendees.	Finance Committee continued the CDBG-CAC appointment item to a following meeting. No public comments were made.	N/A	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Meeting held Via Zoom with 11 attendees.	Finance Committee selected seven members to sit on the Citizen's Advisory Committee. No public comments were made.	N/A	
5	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Citizen Advisory Committee meeting to hear presentations of Public Service funding applicants, 23 attendees. Meeting held via Zoom.	None	N/A	
6	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Unknown. Published April 4, 2022 in Chico Enterprise Record	None	N/A	
7	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Unknown	Three public comments were made.	Comments were accepted and no actions were needed.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
8	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Unknown	One public comment was made.	Comment was accepted and no actions were needed.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 3				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	879,360	0	897,349	1,776,709	3,553,418	
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	581,640	880.00	752,858	1,335,378	2,668,996	

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

The City maintains approximately \$9.26 million in match credit. This credit is derived from previous Low- and Moderate-Income housing funds of the former Redevelopment Agency, the value of land donations/leases, private donations and grants made to housing projects.

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

City-owned land was rezoned to accommodate the 101 unit affordable multi-family housing complex for seniors currently under construction. The City has entered into a long-term land lease with the developer of this project, Creekside Place. Additional property at Wisconsin and Boucher is anticipated to be transferred to Habitat for Humanity for affordable homeownership housing within the next year.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Development of Multi-Family Units	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	City of Chico	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$995,000 HOME: \$789,867	Rental units constructed: 17 Household Housing Unit
2	Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	City of Chico	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$60,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit
3	Rental Assistance	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless	City of Chico	Homelessness Prevention	CDBG: \$20,000 HOME: \$150,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 18 Households Assisted
4	Non Homeless Public Services	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs	City of Chico	Homelessness Prevention	CDBG: \$65,502	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 325 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Homeless Public Services	2020	2024	Homeless	City of Chico	Homelessness Prevention Homeless Services	CDBG: \$70,891	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,045 Households Assisted
6	Code Enforcement	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Chico	Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$120,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 730 Household Housing Unit
7	Micro Enterprise Assistance	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Chico	Economic Development	CDBG: \$50,000	Businesses assisted: 150 Businesses Assisted
8	Development of Homeowner Units	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	City of Chico	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$205,091 HOME: \$337,347	Homeowner Housing Added: 5 Household Housing Unit

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Development of Multi-Family Units
	Goal Description	Creekside Place and 1297 Park Avenue
2	Goal Name	Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied Housing
	Goal Description	Preserve habitability and promote stability for low- and moderate income homeowners by facilitating connection to City sewer.
3	Goal Name	Rental Assistance
	Goal Description	Provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to low-income households at risk of homelessness.

4	Goal Name	Non Homeless Public Services
	Goal Description	Provide Public Services which provide a safety net to support individuals and households from becoming homeless.
5	Goal Name	Homeless Public Services
	Goal Description	Provide services for individuals and households currently experiencing homelessness, including emergency shelter, transitional housing, street outreach and other needed services which are eligible as Public Services under CDBG.
6	Goal Name	Code Enforcement
	Goal Description	Provide code enforcement activities in low-income census tracts in order to address deteriorating conditions in both housing units and the physical environment, and support neighborhood revitalization efforts.
7	Goal Name	Micro Enterprise Assistance
	Goal Description	Provide business counseling, education and support to small businesses owned by Low and Moderate income individuals. This will support job creation and retention and job training needed by other Low-Moderate Income individuals.
8	Goal Name	Development of Homeowner Units
	Goal Description	Provide funding for infrastructure and site improvements in support of self-help homes to be built by Habitat for Humanity.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Projects identified in this section directly address the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan Priority Needs and Goals.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	CDBG Administration
2	HOME Administration
3	Rehab Program Delivery
4	Housing Services
5	Rental Development--Creekside Place on Notre Dame
6	Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
7	Homeowner Units--Habitat Wisconsin
8	Code Enforcement
9	Economic Development
10	Homeowner Rehabilitation
11	PS True North Housing Alliance
12	PS Chico Area Council on Aging--Meals on Wheels
13	PS Innovative Health Care Services--Peg Taylor Center
14	PS Catalyst Domestic Violence Services
15	PS Jesus Provides our Daily Bread
16	Rental Development--1297 Park Avenue

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Prior to the Camp Fire, housing availability and homelessness were critical issues in the City. The Camp Fire and the COVID Pandemic have exacerbated these issues. Proposed activities focus on getting people into affordable housing, maintaining their housing through public services, connecting homeowners to City sewer and economic empowerment have been prioritized. Ongoing obstacles to

addressing underserved needs include:

- land prices
- resources for construction of infrastructure;
- affordable housing;
- skilled workforce;
- limited transportation options; and
- and limited resources for mental health and/or detox facilities.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	CDBG Administration
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Multi-Family Units Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied Housing Infrastructure in Support of Housing Rental Assistance Non Homeless Public Services Homeless Public Services Code Enforcement Micro Enterprise Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention Homeless Services Neighborhood Revitalization Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$175,872
	Description	General CDBG Administration, including Fair Housing objectives and Continuum of Care Administration
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	General administration, fair housing workshops and Continuum of Care administration support
2	Project Name	HOME Administration
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Multi-Family Units Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$58,164

	Description	General HOME Administration
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	General Administration
3	Project Name	Rehab Program Delivery
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,000
	Description	Program delivery costs associated with Housing Rehabilitation Program activities.
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Goal outcomes will be counted under Project #10.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Program delivery costs associated with the Housing Rehabilitation activities (sewer connections).
4	Project Name	Housing Services
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Multi-Family Units Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,842
	Description	Delivery of the TBRA Program and other non-rehab housing projects.
	Target Date	6/30/2023

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Accomplishments will be counted under TBRA, homeowner and rental projects.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	TBRA administration and support of homeownership and rental units.
5	Project Name	Rental Development--Creskide Place on Notre Dame
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Multi-Family Units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	HOME: \$202,480
	Description	101 affordable rental units for seniors and persons with disabilities.
	Target Date	12/31/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	101 total units, twelve of which will be HOME assisted.
	Location Description	1250 Notre Dame Blvd
	Planned Activities	Creskide Place: Continued new construction of 100 units for low-income seniors, including 15 units of permanent supportive housing for homeless seniors with a serious mental illness, and one manager unit.
6	Project Name	Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	HOME: \$150,000
	Description	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	Target Date	6/30/2023

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	18 extremely-low income families at risk of homelessness will be assisted.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Temporary rental assistance for households working toward self-sufficiency. Assistance may go beyond 24 months in limited circumstances. This assistance may be utilized throughout the City of Chico sphere of influence and within Butte County.
7	Project Name	Habitat Wisconsin
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Homeowner Units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$205,091 HOME: \$337,347
	Description	Infrastructure and site improvements in support of self-help homes to be built by Habitat for Humanity.
	Target Date	12/31/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Five low-to moderate-income households will benefit from the activity on Wisconsin Street.
	Location Description	Wisconsin Street
	Planned Activities	Infrastructure, predevelopment and development support of Habitat homeownership project on Wisconsin Street.
8	Project Name	Code Enforcement
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$120,000
	Description	Code enforcement in low-income neighborhoods

	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 730 households will benefit from identifying issues required to upgrade housing and neighborhoods.
	Location Description	Low- and Moderate-income census tracts within the city.
	Planned Activities	Code enforcement
9	Project Name	Economic Development
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Micro Enterprise Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Microenterprise counseling and education
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 150 small businesses will be assisted through education and technical assistance
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Funding for the Small Business Development Center for education workshops and technical assistance to small businesses
10	Project Name	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000
	Description	Connection to city sewer for homes occupied by low and moderate income households
	Target Date	6/30/2023

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 5 low and moderate income households located in both the nitrate compliance areas and outside nitrate boundaries will be connected to city sewer.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	City sewer connection grants for low- and moderate-income homeowners within nitrate compliance areas. Housing rehabilitation grants for sewer connections to city sewer for low- and moderate-income homeowners outside nitrate boundaries.
11	Project Name	PS True North Housing Alliance
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness Prevention Homeless Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	Public services funding for the Torres Shelter
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 900 homeless individuals will be served with this funding.
	Location Description	101 Silver Dollar Way
	Planned Activities	Funding for utilities and operational programing in support of the 24/7 low-barrier emergency shelter.
12	Project Name	PS Chico Area Council on Aging--Meals on Wheels
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Non Homeless Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	CDBG: \$34,186
	Description	Public services funding for the Meals on Wheels program
	Target Date	6/30/2023

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 250 seniors, with or without disabilities, will be assisted through this program
	Location Description	Chico
	Planned Activities	Meals on Wheels provides nutritious, dietetically correct meals on a daily basis to seniors and/or the infirm in their homes. The CDBG funding provides a subsidy to those unable to afford the total cost of the meal. Meals provided to the home allows clients to remain in their homes rather than in a hospital or other institution.
13	Project Name	PS Innovative Health Care Services--Peg Taylor Center
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Non Homeless Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	CDBG: \$28,203
	Description	Public services funding for Peg Taylor Center--adult day health care and social services for disabled adults with serious health conditions.
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 75 persons will be served by utilizing this funding
	Location Description	Peg Taylor Center/Center without Walls
	Planned Activities	Provision of comprehensive day health and social services for adults with serious health conditions; including nursing support, crisis assistance and care coordination, nutritionally balanced meals and transportation to care.
14	Project Name	PS Catalyst Domestic Violence Services
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness Prevention Homeless Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$29,515

	Description	Operational costs for Catalyst Domestic Violence Services housing program
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 50 women and men experiencing domestic violence will benefit from the housing and supportive services provided by Catalyst
	Location Description	Catalyst shelter
	Planned Activities	Catalyst will provide housing and supportive services including case management, education and activities to increase positive coping and healthy relationship skills for people who are experiencing homelessness due to domestic or intimate partner violence. The shelter provides services to people regardless of gender, and their children.
15	Project Name	PS Jesus Provides our Daily Bread
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	Operational costs for Sabbath House
	Target Date	6/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 95 individuals will benefit from the housing and supportive services provided by Jesus Provides our Daily Bread.
	Location Description	Sabbath House on Fair Street
	Planned Activities	Funding for case management services for participants residing at the Sabbath House. Participants are also provided daily meals, group life coaching sessions and life skills classes as well as vocational training.
16	Project Name	Rental Development--1297 Park Avenue
	Target Area	City of Chico
	Goals Supported	Development of Multi-Family Units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Prevention

	Funding	CDBG: \$995,000 HOME: \$587,387
	Description	CDBG funds for demolition, remediation, site preparation for new permanent affordable multifamily units. HOME funds will be used for eligible construction costs.
	Target Date	12/31/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	59 total units including a manager unit, five (5) of which will be HOME-assisted and 27 units will serve households with special needs
	Location Description	1297 Park Avenue, Chico
	Planned Activities	Funding will support the demolition of an existing non-residential building, possible remediation work, site preparation and construction related to the development of 58 new, small permanent affordable units and one manager's unit.

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

City of Chico

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of Chico	100

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Low-income households reside throughout the City. Therefore, the City plans to provide assistance to the jurisdiction as a whole without excluding neighborhoods.

Discussion

Assistance will be directed to the City of Chico as a whole based on project feasibility and program demand. In addition, the Consolidated Plan, the Analysis to Impediments and Annual Action Plan goals will guide geographic distribution of investments.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	18
Non-Homeless	22
Special-Needs	5
Total	45

Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	18
The Production of New Units	22
Rehab of Existing Units	5
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	45

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

Discussion

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported include the following categories:

Homeless

TBRA: 18

Total: 18

Non-Homeless

Owner-Occupied/Rental Housing Rehabilitation- sewer connection): 5

New Multi-family Units: 12 (Creekside Place)

New Homeowner Units: 5

Total: 22

Special Needs

New Rental Units: 5 (1297 Park Avenue)

Total: 5

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through include the following categories:

Rental Assistance

TBRA: 18

Production of New Units

Rental Housing Development: 17 (Creekside and Park Ave)

Homeowner Housing: 5 Habitat for Humanity on Wisconsin St.

Total: 22

Rehab of Existing Units

Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation: 5 sewer assistance program.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of the County of Butte (HACB) operates 145 units of HUD-subsidized Low Income Public Housing within the City of Chico. This section summarizes HACB actions planned to address Public Housing needs and encourage Public Housing residents to become more involved in management.

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

- Energy Conservation Measure – Electric upgrades, replacement of electrical fixtures, all Public Housing units (145);
- Hazardous Material Abatement – replace asbestos-containing floor tile with vinyl composition tile, as units turn over;
- Install new carbon-monoxide detectors, all units;
- Implement new HUD Section 3 policy, regarding resident employment opportunity;
- Analyze properties in Flood Plain for potential for removal, with associated abatement of Flood Insurance premiums.

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

- Section 3 hiring opportunities made available to residents and area low-income as part of contractor engagement, contracting awards prioritized to contractors retaining Section 3 new hires;
- Participation in Resident Advisory Board (RAB), addresses Public Housing policy via revisions to Public Housing administrative policy Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP), operational feedback to management, and review of proposed Public Housing Capital Program expenditures;
- Per State law, two (2) Commissioners of the seven (7) member Board of Commissioners must be residents of Housing Authority-owned housing. Currently, one (1) resident of HUD Low Income Public Housing program, and one (1) resident of other-owned Housing Authority property, represent such Housing Authority tenant interests;
- Public Housing residents are provided opportunity to propose and comment on annual revision to Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP), such opportunity provided by Written Notice and 45-day comment period;
- Public Housing residents are provided opportunity to comment on changes proposed and/or made to the Public Housing Lease, such opportunity provided by means of Written Notice and 60-day comment period;
- Public Housing residents are provided opportunity to comment on annual changes to Utility Allowances, such opportunity provided by means of Written Notice and 60-day comment period;
- Public Housing residents are provided opportunity to comment on annual changes made to the Schedule of Standard Maintenance Charges used for the Public Housing program, such

opportunity provided by means of Written Notice and 30-day comment period.

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

N/A – The Housing Authority of the County of Butte is a HUD-designated “High Performer” in administration of its Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher and Low-Income Public Housing programs.

Discussion

HACB plans to make electrical-related energy efficiency improvements to all of its Public Housing units over the next year. It also seeks to continue to abate asbestos-containing flooring materials as units turn over. It has implemented actions to encourage public housing residents to be more involved in program management, including provision of contracting opportunities, operating of the Resident Advisory Board, and seeing that two Commissioners on its Board are residents of HACB-owned housing.

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

Introduction

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

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

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

In the third year of the City's five-year Consolidated Plan, the City will continue to support Homeless Public Services and Homeless Public Facilities in the follow manners:

- Continue working with the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (Butte CoC) to fully implement and improve the Coordinated Entry System (CES) for homeless individuals. The Butte CoC implemented CES, which utilizes the VI-SPDAT for assessment, and has trained many agencies to enter their clients into the system. The County's housing and service providers are now largely engaged and unified in the use of HMIS and CES. If a homeless individual is not working with an agency, Butte 211 is the primary intake point into the CES. The use of CES should result in an efficient referral to appropriate services based on each homeless individual's needs.
- Work with Butte County, in partnership with the Butte CoC, to identify on-going funding sources for street and encampment outreach.
- The City, with financial assistance from the County of Butte, will open and operate a non-congregate Pallet Shelter site located on City property. The Pallet Shelter will house up to 177 pallet shelters (each may house up to two individuals) which are lockable and climate controlled. CDBG-CV funding has been allocated to assist in this activity to prepare, prevent and respond to coronavirus by providing a safe, hygienic location that will provide wrap-around services to the City's unhoused population. The service provider operating the site will oversee the intake of participants after outreach and engagement occurs throughout the city. The service provider will coordinate the provision of services, referrals, and case management. The site will also include laundry and showering services, food, handwashing stations, bathrooms, potable water, garbage service, electricity, bike parking, and a pet run area.
- The City's Police Target Team continues its collaboration with a Butte County Behavioral Health to diffuse issues and direct people on the street to appropriate resources on a regular basis. The City has provided a vehicle for use by a mobile crisis unit to respond and provide crisis intervention seven days a week.
- The City Manager's office is continuing to explore and assess funding and resource possibilities

for increased support for community members experiencing homelessness.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will address the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons through the following goals:

- As stated above, the City is supporting a new non-congregate shelter and the City will utilize CDBG-CV (coronavirus funding) to support emergency and transitional housing needs at the site.
- Provide CDBG-CV public services funding to Point of Contact to provide outreach and engagement and provide personal protective supplies to homeless individuals living in campgrounds.
- Provide CDBG public services to Catalyst Domestic Violence Services to support the operations of the Haven Shelter for individuals experiencing domestic violence.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to Jesus Provides our Daily Bread (Jesus Center) to support homeless men and women at the Sabbath House on Fair Street.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to True North Housing Alliance to operate a 24/7 low-barrier emergency shelter.
- Provide CDBG-CV public services funding to Chico Housing Action Team (CHAT) to provide transitional housing support to homeless individuals and families.
- Assist the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (Butte CoC) in accessing HUD CoC funds for supportive housing through financial support, and participation with the Butte CoC Council
- The City continues to offer both warming and cooling stations during the coldest and warmest days of the year.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The City's 2022-23 Annual Action Plan will address the following issues.

Helping homeless persons make the transition to permanent housing and independent living

- Support developer in construction of Creekside Place Apartments, which includes 15 units of permanent supportive housing for homeless seniors with a serious mental illness. Project is expected to be completed in early 2023.
- Support developer in both pre-construction and construction of 1297 Park Avenue to provide 59

units of affordable housing, including 27 targeted to households with special needs and one manager unit.

- Provide CDBG public services funding to Catalyst Domestic Violence Services to support the operations of the Haven Shelter for individuals experiencing domestic violence.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to Jesus Provides our Daily Bread (Jesus Center) to support homeless men and women at new Sabbath House (transitional housing facility) on Fair Street.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to True North Housing Alliance to operate a 24/7 low-barrier emergency shelter.
- Provide CDBG-CV public services funding to Chico Housing Action Team (CHAT) to provide transitional housing support to homeless individuals and families.
- The City hired a consultant to create a strategic plan on homelessness for the city. As part of their efforts, the consultant performed interviews, conducted a gap analysis, gathered information on data and costs, including suggested outcomes, and recommendations moving forward. The plan was completed earlier this year.
- Provide CDBG-CV public services funding to the City's non-congregate pallet shelter site.
- Assist the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (Butte CoC) in accessing HUD CoC funds for supportive housing through participation with the Butte CoC Council.

Facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units

The CoC is continuing to improve its Coordinated Entry System (CES) that will help homeless individuals and families understand their housing options and access housing in a timely manner. The CoC has implemented CES, which utilizes the VI-SPDAT for assessment, and uses Butte 211 as the primary intake point. The County's housing and service providers are now largely engaged and unified in the use of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and CES. The CES also helps Low Income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless after discharge from institutions or systems of care by tracking individuals' and families' needs and progress, and assists with directing them to appropriate levels of housing and support services.

Preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

- Continue to operate the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program to prevent homelessness.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to True North Housing Alliance, Domestic Violence Services, and Jesus Center to support their emergency shelters, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs.
- Public Service funding to Chico Area Agency on Aging/Meals on Wheels and to Innovative Health Care/Peg Taylor Center to assist in the prevention of homelessness by providing affordable meals to people in their homes and affordable adult day health care, respectively, to support households' health and stability to maintain their housing. These services assist many elderly

and disabled individuals to maintain their homes.

Other programs the City supports include:

- The development of ten affordable housing projects funded with Disaster Low Income Housing Tax Credits and CDBG-DR throughout Chico.
- The City continues to provide CDBG public services funding (both regular and coronavirus funding) to the Chico Housing Action Team to support their provision of transitional and permanent supportive housing to homeless individuals with mental illness and to the Jesus Center for the operations of a 24/7 pallet shelter located at a City-owned parcel.
- The City is providing funding for the sewer connection fees for Everhart Village (a 20 sleeping cabin community in collaboration with the Butte County Department of Behavioral Health).

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.

The City's Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program provides short-term rental assistance for typically 12 to 24 months. This program provides assistance to very-low, extremely-low-income and special needs families at-risk of homelessness, who are working towards self-sufficiency with an established social services provider. The City contracts with the Housing Authority of Butte County to administer this program. Public Service funding for Chico Area Agency on Aging/Meals on Wheels and to Innovative Health Care/Peg Taylor Center assists in the prevention of homelessness by providing affordable meals to people in their homes and affordable adult day health care, respectively, to support households' health and stability to maintain their housing. These services saw an increase in demand and (which hasn't dropped) due to the pandemic.

The Coordinated Entry System described above will help Low Income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless after discharge from institutions or systems of care. The Coordinated Assessment System will track individuals' and families' needs and progress, and direct them to appropriate levels of housing and support services.

Other programs the City supports include:

- The development of ten (10) affordable housing projects funded with Disaster Low Income Housing Tax Credits throughout Chico. These developments will create 948 units including manager units.
- The development of three affordable housing projects funded with the City's CDBG-DR

allocation and another three projects (located within the Chico jurisdiction), funded with the County of Butte's CDBG-DR funds. These six projects will create 400 new units. See the chart below with a breakdown of each project and affordability level.

- The City assisted with land and funding for Creekside Place Apartments, which includes 15 units of permanent supportive housing for homeless seniors with a serious mental illness.
- Support the construction of 1297 Park Avenue, which will provide 58 units of permanent housing, 27 of which will be for special needs households, and one manager unit.
- The City provides CDBG- CV public services funding to the Chico Housing Action Team to support their provision of transitional and permanent supportive housing to homeless individuals and families through the end of 22/23 program year.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to Catalyst Domestic Violence Services to support the operations of the Haven Shelter for individuals experiencing domestic violence.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to Jesus Provides our Daily Bread (Jesus Center) to support homeless men and women at new Sabbath House (transitional housing facility) on Fair Street.
- Provide CDBG public services funding to True North Housing Alliance to support their 24/7 emergency shelter
- Assist the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (Butte CoC) in accessing HUD CoC funds for supportive housing through participation with the Butte CoC Council and the Greater Chico Homeless Task Force.

Discussion

City of Chico - Tax Credit and CDBG-DR Affordable Housing Projects									
July 2020 Disaster Tax Credit Awards									
Proposed Project	Address	Type	# Afford Units	30%	40%	50%	55%	60%	Mgr Unit
Bruce Village	1990 Belgium Ave	Seniors	59	6	12	19	0	22	1
Creeside Place*	1250 Notre Dame Blvd	Seniors & Special Needs	100	75	0	25	0	0	1
Deer Creek, Phase I	2768 Native Oak Dr	Family	155	16	24	62	0	53	1
Lava Ridge	2796 Native Oak Dr	Family	97	10	34	0	0	53	1
North Creek Crossings @ Meriam Park, Phase I*	2265 Maclovio Ave.	Family	105	27	27	31	0	20	1
1297 Park*	1297 Park Ave.	Special Needs	58	19	23	7	3	6	1
Senator Conness	2754 Native Oak Dr	Family	160	17	57	0	0	86	2
Affordable units:			734	170	177	144	3	240	8
Manager units:			8						

July 2021 Disaster Tax Credit Applications									
Proposed Project	Address	Type	# Afford Units	30%	40%	50%	55%	60%	Mgr Unit
Deer Creek, Phase II	2768 Native Oak Dr	Family	47	5	8	19	0	15	1
North Creek Crossings @ Meriam Park, Phase II*	2265 Maclovio Ave.	Family	53	13	13	15	0	12	1
Tonea Senior Apartments	184 Tonea Way	Seniors	103	11	26	25	0	41	1
Affordable Units:			203	29	47	59	0	68	3
Manager units:			3						

* City-funded in part

Total Affordable '20 + '21: 937

Total Manager units: 11

City of Chico/County of Butte Funded CDBG-DR Projects									
Proposed Project	Address	Type	# Afford Units	30%	40%	50%	55%	60%	Mgr Unit
Chico Bar Triangle*	Bar Triangle/Robailly D	Large Family	69	18	12	19	0	20	1
Cussick Apartments*	Cussick Ave	Large Family	75	22	35	14	1	3	1
Oleander Community Housing*	2324 Esplanade	Special Needs	37	37	0	0	0	0	1
Oak Family Apartments	Cohasset Road	Family	75	8	4	48	0	15	1
Oak Park Senior Apartments	Cohasset Road	Senior	59	8	0	51	0	0	1
Yosemite and Humboldt Senior Apartments	Yosemite/Humboldt	Senior	79	22	40	12	0	5	1
Affordable Units:			394	115	91	144	1	43	6
Manager units:			6						

* City-funded in part

Total Affordable DR: 394

Total Manager units: 6

Total Affordable Units	1331
Total Manager Units	17

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

Introduction:

This section describes the City's action plan to remove barriers to affordable housing.

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

The City will continue to take actions to remove barriers to affordable housing by implementing the City's 2030 General Plan, 2014-2022 Housing Element, (including the updated 2022-2030 Housing Element in process), and ongoing updates to the Municipal Code. In addition, the City will continue its support of affordable housing developers proposing projects funded with the influx of additional federal low-income housing tax credits. The City will pursue the new State Permanent Local Housing Allocation funds (PLHA) and continue implementation the CDBG-DR (disaster recovery) funds for development of multifamily housing and related infrastructure projects.

Through the update of the 2022-2030 Housing Element of the General Plan, the City will complete a thorough analysis of fair housing issues to inform additional actions that may be necessary to reduce any identified barriers.

The City has adopted the following land use policies:

- Code changes to allow housing uses by Right without discretionary approvals.
- Housing density bonus or incentives for development of housing for very low, low or moderate-income households - if the prescribed percentage of units are made affordable, developers are eligible for a density bonus of up to 50% and may request up to three incentives or concessions.
- Transitional and permanent supportive housing is allowed by right in all residential zones.
- Modifications for accessibility may deviate from standard development standards with the approval of the public works director.
- Small lot subdivisions - to allow small lot single-family housing development in new and existing neighborhoods to provide compact development and efficient infill.
- An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) ordinance in compliance with State laws to encourage development of these units, and updated comprehensive submittal package with reduced submittal fee.
- City secured grant funds to design 13 free pre-approved ADU plans (including one accessible unit design) that allow for permit-streamlining and offer significant savings for the interested ADU owner.
- ADU impact fees have been reduced; owner occupancy requirement for primary unit has been removed for the majority of the City.

- City is working on a 2-story ADU plan with parking below and the residence above to add to the ADU catalog and has a promotional video highlighting the ADU plans on the City's website.
- Implementation of a Streamlined Approval process for housing projects per State Senate Bill 35.
- Implementation of recently enacted State Senate Bill 9-California Housing Opportunity and More Efficiency Act which allows for more dense development in single-family residential zones.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

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

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

- Continue supporting the development of sixteen affordable housing projects that were funded in part through the Disaster Tax Credits and CDBG-Disaster Recovery. These projects are expected to be in service by 2026. These developments will greatly impact the extreme needs for affordable and special needs housing in Chico.
- Support the City's pallet shelter that will be opening in Spring 2022 to assist with housing homeless and providing wrap around services to further prepare, prevent and respond to COVID.
- Support future expansion plans of a transitional shelter (Renewal Center)
- The City has budgeted non-federal funds for a homeless prevention program and funded three organizations last year. The Home and Heart program was slow to begin due to COVID but continues to work on matching clients for their home share program. The City funds a non-profit that assists low-income homeowners with past-due utility bills to ensure residents can remain in their homes.
- Continue efforts to transfer City-owned property to Habitat for Humanity to support the development of ownership housing affordable to low income households.
- The City continues to fund warming and cooling centers during the hottest and coldest months of the year that provide a space for homeless to rest and charge their electronics.
- The Greater Chico Homeless Task Force which began as a City sponsored Ad-Hoc group, is now an independent community group. The Task Force continues to advocate for the needs of homeless families and individuals, and those at risk of homelessness. The Task Force provides a venue for collaboration of various community groups to provide outreach to those experiencing homelessness in the community. It also acts an incubator for new ideas to address homelessness and is in the process of modifying its format for greater impact. City staff attends its meetings.
- Plan for the use of the recently allocated HOME-American Rescue Plan funds.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

- Explore potential resources to support development of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) for low and moderate income households.
- Apply for appropriate new State funding such as Permanent Local Housing Allocation
- Work with owners of existing, City-assisted multifamily developments to facilitate rehabilitation

of the developments.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

- Continue to implement lead-based paint hazard policies and procedures in the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) and Housing Rehabilitation projects, as applicable.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City continues to provide funding for micro-enterprise counseling and assistance, tenant-based rental assistance, and funding for transitional housing programs which provide a safety net for very-low income families.

- The City provides temporary housing assistance to participants in the HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program.
- The City extended a 25-year land lease with E Center last year. The E Center provides Head Start/early education programing to low-income families.
- Continued allocation of CDBG funds for the Small Business Development Center counseling program.
- Continued allocation of CDBG Public Services funds for the Meals on Wheels program.
- Continued allocation of HOME funds for self-help housing programs, such as Habitat for Humanity and affordable housing developers.
- The City continues to budget non-federal funds for a homeless prevention program and funded three organizations last year. The Home and Heart program that matches clients for their home share program. The program initially started slowly and was impacted by COVID, but has been able to match 4 home providers with 4 home seekers during the last six months. The City also funds a non-profit that assists low income homeowners with past-due utility bills.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

- The City will continue to use CDBG and HOME Administration funds to implement the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans, train staff, address the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, complete annual CAPER reports, and comply with HUD regulations.
- Continually update the Housing Resource Guide, which provides citizens with information to help them access affordable housing in the community.
- The City continues to work with non-profit groups to the extent possible, to improve the organizational capacity of housing and service organizations. There continues to be increased collaboration among the non-profits and City Departments.
- City staff continues to be trained to assist in the administration of the CDBG program and takes

advantage of HOME and CDBG trainings.

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

The City encourages private sector participation in all HOME and CDBG and non-HUD funded activities. All construction contracts for the housing rehabilitation- sewer-connection program are made available to private sector contractors. The Habitat for Humanity Homeownership Program utilizes private grants, in-kind donations, Youth Build (when available) and owner participation in the production of single-family homes. The Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program provides assistance and security deposit grants for "at-risk" tenants. The success of the program depends very much on the participation of private sector landlords. The City works in cooperation with the Housing Authority of the County of Butte and private non-profit service providers to successfully implement the program.

City staff worked collaboratively with several affordable housing developers to assist with their submission of applications for low-income housing tax credits during round 1 in 2020 and round 2 in 2021 to develop a proposed 948 permanent, affordable multi-family units in 10 different projects within the city. In the table above, a summary of the proposed projects, their location, type and affordability level is included. In addition to the tax-credit properties, the City and County of Butte have allocated CDBG-DR funding to six affordable housing projects that are currently going through the environmental review process and are expected to be completed by the end of 2026.

Continue to participate in the Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care and the Greater Chico Homeless Task Force. The Greater Chico Homeless Task Force which began as a City sponsored Ad-Hoc group, is now an independent community group. The Task Force continues to advocate for the needs of homeless families and individuals, and those at risk of homelessness. The Task Force provides a venue for collaboration of various community groups to provide outreach to those experiencing homelessness in the community. It also acts as an incubator for new ideas to address homelessness and is in the process of modifying its format for greater impact. City staff attends its meetings.

- Assist the Butte CoC members in achieving goals laid out in the 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness, whenever possible.
- Assist the Butte CoC in planning and implementing the Coordinated Entry System for homeless persons.
- Continue partnership with Butte County Department of Employment & Social Services HHOME Division, which leads the CoC.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

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:

N/A

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used

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for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The Resale provision will be used for Habitat for Humanity homebuyer/owner projects.

Habitat for Humanity provides zero interest first mortgages and desires to share in any appreciation so that they may continue to make the home available to a low income household at an affordable price.

During the HOME Affordability Period, the property must be transferred to an owner/household whose income is between 70-80% of the area median income at an affordable price. An affordable price is one that would allow the owner/household to pay no more than 30% of the monthly household income to housing expense.

The fair return on investment to the owner, after the five year vesting period, will be a pro-rata share based upon the appreciation of the property, the length of time the owner remains in the home and equity investment in the property.

The calculation for return on investment is as follows: **Net Appreciation x Owner's Equity Share x Owner's Accumulated Equity Share Percentage x Owner's Vested Share**

Net Appreciation is the current appraised value, less the original sales price.

Owner's Equity Share is the down payment and total mortgage principal paid, divided by the original sales price.

Owner's Accumulated Equity Share Percentage is calculated by counting the number of whole years passed since the original sale, divided by the term of the first mortgage original note/deed of trust.

Owner's Vested Share. To encourage longevity in the home, an owner is 100% vested after five years. If a sale occurs in years one through four, the owner is 0% vested.

In the event of a declining market, the return may be zero. In the event of a short sale or foreclosure, the loan may be forgiven.

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 HOME loan agreement includes an affordability period per the HOME guidelines:

For assistance under \$15,000 the affordability period is 5 years.

For assistance under \$15,000-\$40,000 the affordability period is 10 years.

For assistance over \$40,000 the affordability period is 15 years.

Habitat for Humanity first mortgages carry a term of 20-40 years and the grant deed to the properties include a right of first refusal so that Habitat may purchase the property from the owner for a fair return and resell the property to another low-income owner/household. As Habitat has a longer affordability

period than the HOME funds, HOME affordability is preserved.

In the event of a short sale or foreclosure, the loan may be forgiven.

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:

N/A