



Substantial Amendment to 2021 Annual Action Plan

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

Fulton County receives funding annually from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs. The Department of Health & Human Services, Fulton County Department of Community Development is the County's designated department responsible for the federal grant programs. One of the requirements for receiving these funds is the development of a five-year Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development (CP) to provide policy direction for the next five years of funding decisions. The County prepared a new Five-Year Consolidated Plan for FY 2020-2024. The Consolidated Plan is the basis for allocation priorities and actions for FY 2021.

This Plan is amended in January 2022 to budget for the County's minimum requirement for CHDO activities as required by the HOME Program.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

Goals were established in the Five-Year Plan to meet the identified needs as follows:

- Decent Housing Goal #1 – Affordable Housing Construction and PreservationSupport the development of rental housing affordable to low- and moderate-income households, including projects located near employment, transportation, and other community resources and for seniors, veterans, people with disabilities, or other special needs households, such as people who are formerly homeless or at risk of homelessness.As economically feasible, consider possible opportunities to extend the useful life of existing affordable rental housing by funding acquisition and/or rehabilitation activitiesSupport development of for-sale housing units affordable to low- and moderate-income households, including homes located near employment, transportation, or other community resources.Increase the number of first-time homebuyers through down payment and closing cost assistance.Encourage agencies to develop affordable for-sale housing that is accessible to people with disabilities.Decent Housing Goal #2 – Down Payment AssistanceSupport development of for-sale housing units affordable to low-

and moderate-income households, including homes located near employment, transportation, or other community resources. Increase the number of first-time homebuyers through down payment and closing cost assistance. Encourage agencies to develop affordable for-sale housing that is accessible to people with disabilities. Decent Housing Goal #3 – Homeowner Rehabilitation Preserve the existing affordable housing stock by assisting income-eligible homeowners with housing rehabilitation and repairs, with an emphasis on housing problems affecting health and safety. Decent Housing Goal #4 – Rental Assistance Assist income-eligible renter households with tenant-based rental assistance. Collaborate with agencies in the Continuum of Care (CoC) and others to assist households at-risk of homelessness with short-term rental payments, utility assistance, rapid rehousing, or other assistance. Collaborate with agencies in the CoC and others to assist people who are homeless through provision of and access to emergency, transitional, and permanent housing to enable them to move to appropriate housing and achieve greater stability. Decent Housing Goal #5 – Homelessness Housing and Prevention Assist income-eligible renter households with tenant-based rental assistance. Collaborate with agencies in the Continuum of Care (CoC) and others to assist households at-risk of homelessness with short-term rental payments, utility assistance, rapid rehousing, or other assistance. Collaborate with agencies in the CoC and others to assist people who are homeless through provision of and access to emergency, transitional, and permanent housing to enable them to move to appropriate housing and achieve greater stability.

Summarize Goals continued

- Suitable Living Environment Goal #1 – CDBG Public Services Fund eligible public services to serve low- and moderate-income residents, youth, seniors, people with disabilities, and other special needs populations.
- Suitable Living Environment Goal #2 – ESG Homeless Supportive Services Collaborate with agencies in the CoC and others to provide coordinated supportive services and case management to people experiencing homelessness to support moves to appropriate housing and greater stability
- Suitable Living Environment Goal #3 – Fair Housing Education and Enforcement Provide assistance to eligible households which might include but is not limited to: Fair housing education services to help residents, community organizations, and housing providers understand fair housing rights and responsibilities. Provide fair housing complaint investigation services. Consumer education and awareness around predatory lending, fraudulent mortgages, and other housing scams.
- Suitable Living Environment Goal #4 – Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Work with other County departments, cooperating cities within Fulton County, and non-profit agencies.
- Fund infrastructure improvements and public facilities such as sidewalks, street lighting, pedestrian facilities, ADA improvements, and community centers in income-eligible areas.

- Assist community service organizations in improving or expanding physical structures to serve homeless residents, low- and moderate-income households, and other special needs populations.
- Demolish dilapidated structures to stop the spread of blight in low- and moderate-income areas as needed.
- Program AdministrationProgram administration related to the planning and execution of community development, housing, and homelessness activities assisted with funds provided under the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Each year, Fulton County reports its progress in meeting its five-year and annual goals by preparing a Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is due to HUD within 90 days of the start of the new program year. The annual block grant allocation for Fulton County directly benefits Fulton County residents who reside in Fulton County but outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the Cities of Atlanta, John's Creek, Roswell and Sandy Springs. Specific cities in Fulton County that partnered through a Cooperative Agreement for the Urban Entitlement resources are the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, and Union City.

The CAPER for 2020 will be produced and available for public display in early March. The CAPER for 2019 was late due to Covid but available for public display in August 2020. During FY 2019, the County managed the three federal grant programs: CDBG, HOME and ESG. CDBG successfully contributed to the completion of projects in 2019 to include parks and recreational developments, storm drainage and sewer system improvements, street and sidewalk improvements, community meeting facilities improvements, and handicap accessible facilities.

In 2019 CDBG public service funds were also used to increase the availability of programs and services that empower low and moderate-income households. Many of the funded activities served dual purposes by also being the resource that helps families avert situations of homelessness, which continues to be a high priority area. No new public services were funded in 2020 through CDBG.

HOME funds were allocated to homeownership and owner-occupied housing rehabilitation as well as Tenant Based Rental Assistance. Additional lenders have been added to the Homeownership program and approximately 10 loans per month have been closed over the past several months, despite COVID. There were 13 TBRA units and 5 homeowner rehabilitation units completed in 2019.

ESG Funds for 2019 were subgranted later in 2020 and funds from 2018 were expended in 2020. The providers continue to serve families and individuals in need of shelter and ready for rapid re-housing and provide homeless prevention to stabilize households at risk of homelessness.

During this period Fulton County also received Covid assistance for CDBG and ESG and worked to develop a comprehensive community response. CDBG funds were allocated to several municipalities to undertake a variety of activities that prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. ESG funds were used to support the homeless shelters and outreach efforts, provide for rapid re-housing, and homeless prevention.

Copies of recent CAPERs are available for review at Fulton County's Community Development Department or online at www.fultoncountyga.gov/services/human-services/housing-and-urban-development-funded-programs.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Fulton County consulted with residents, County staff, government agencies, nonprofit agencies, housing and homeless service providers, and others to develop this Annual Action Plan (AAP). The County held two public meetings on February 11 and April 1, 2021 and interviewed key stakeholders to develop its strategy for 2021. Applications were solicited from local municipalities for CDBG funds and from ESG service providers. HOME funds were allocated to an on-going homeownership program and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance.

Fulton County held two virtual meetings to receive stakeholder input on the draft plan. The first meeting was held to receive Citizen input on the needs of the County that could be met with federal grant funds and to provide a summary of the past use of funds. The second public hearing was held to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the draft Annual Action Plan. The 30-day public comment period ran from March 11 to April 12, 2021.

On February 3, 2021, HUD issued a waiver allowing public hearings to be held virtually to allow for social distancing and limited public gatherings during a public health emergency. The County revised its Citizen Participation Plan to allow for virtual public meetings during public health emergencies. The County is continuing to follow local, state and federal recommendations to limit public gatherings during the COVID-19 public health emergency. As such, the County is utilizing the waiver during the development of its 2021 AAP and will solicit public comment and conduct public hearings in a virtual way in accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and LEP persons. Documents for public review will be shared via the County's Website.

5. Summary of public comments

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

Comments received during the public hearing where participants indicated a need for affordable housing and food security.

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

These comments were accepted and were being met in part with funds provided in the Annual Plan and/or the Covid funding provided to the County.

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	FULTON COUNTY	Department of Community Development
HOME Administrator	FULTON COUNTY	Department of Community Development
ESG Administrator	FULTON COUNTY	Department of 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

Fulton County conducted a variety of public outreach to gather input from County and City staff, government agencies, nonprofit agencies, affordable housing developers, local service providers, and county residents in preparing this plan. The County held two community meetings open to the public; and interviewed a variety of nonprofit staff and Continuum of Care members, Health and Human Services Department staff, and queried cooperating cities regarding anticipated capital projects.

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))

Fulton County works closely with public and private sector providers to ensure delivery of services to residents and to promote interagency communication and planning. The County has representatives on many non-profit agency boards and/or advisory committees. The County works with various housing, health, mental health, and service agencies to gather data and identify gaps in services.

In developing the Consolidated Plan in 2020 and this Annual Plan in 2021, the County strived to include input from housing providers and health, mental health, and other service agencies. A variety of assisted housing providers and health, mental health, and service agency stakeholders were invited to attend the public meeting held February 11, 2021. Stakeholders included city elected officials and staff, housing authority staff, housing developers, nonprofit organizations, homeless housing and service providers, mental health service providers, agencies serving people with disabilities, an agency representing persons with limited English-speaking ability, senior services, workforce development organizations, and others. The public meetings and interviews included discussions of the connections between housing and other community needs. The Consolidated Plan was written to promote enhanced coordination amongst local housing and service organizations and through the Annual Plan and daily activities of the Department we seek to continue in that effort.

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.

Fulton County falls within the Fulton County Georgia-502 Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC), which was formed to provide a more focused approach to issues of homelessness within the County. The CoC was formed in 2014 to carry out the planning responsibilities for homeless people within the political boundaries of Fulton County. It coordinates housing, services, and funding streams; promotes community-wide commitment to goals of ending homelessness; analyzes homeless needs in the county; and coordinates the housing and services systems to align resources & functions.

From a regional perspective, the County collaborates with the State of Georgia, City of Atlanta, and DeKalb County to facilitate service coordination, client referrals and the collection of data through a shared Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

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 Emergency Solutions Grant Program is designed to identify sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. The program focuses on assisting people to regain stability and move to permanent housing.

To assist in determining how to allocate ESG funds, Fulton County held several community meetings throughout the years as Covid funding was allocated and spoke with stakeholders to identify priority and evolving needs. Stakeholders include emergency, transitional, and supportive housing providers; service providers and community organizations; and local government agencies.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	ATLANTA LEGAL AID
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	As a subrecipient, Atlanta Legal Aid provides fair housing outreach and education.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	City of College Park
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis non-housing improvements
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	College Park is a subrecipient of funding and will carry out several park improvement projects.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF EAST POINT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy 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 City of East Point is a subrecipient in both the CDBG and ESG Programs. They are tackling the needs of homeless residents and those threatened with homelessness through ESG and CDBG CV funds. They will receive an allocation for a Waterline project for FY 2021 CDBG.

4	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF HAPEVILLE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis non-housing improvements
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Hapeville is a CDBG subrecipient and will receive funds in 2021 for a park project.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Fairburn Georgia
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs non-housing improvements
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Fairburn will be a subrecipient of funds for 2021 CDBG. Sidewalk and curb ramp improvements will improve pedestrian access.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF UNION CITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	non-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 City of Union City will be a subrecipient of funds for 2021 CDBG. Street improvements will be done on Oakley Road.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF PALMETTO
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	non-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 City of Palmetto will be a subrecipient of funds for 2021 CDBG. A park will be improved.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Fulton County Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Fulton County Housing authority provides services to those households in lowest income brackets. The HAFC provides counseling for homeownership and self-sufficiency.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Authority of the City of East Point
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	East Point Housing Authority offers Self-Sufficiency educational programming to residents and has recently developed a new Senior housing opportunity.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Assistance Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	The Community Assistance Center provides homeless prevention services for persons threatened with homelessness.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	FULTON COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-Health Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans 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?	The Fulton County Department of Health and Human Services provides oversight to the COC and homeless services for the County, including the ESG Program.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	TRAVELER'S AID OF METROPOLITAN ATLANTA, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless 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?	Traveler's Aid of Metropolitan Atlanta is a Shelter provider.

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

There are no agency types that were not consulted in preparation of the annual plan.

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	Fulton County	Continuum of Care members assist with emergency shelter, transitional housing, homelessness prevention, and outreach and supportive services, which align with goals and priorities identified in the Strategic Plan.
Fulton County Strategic Plan (2020-2024)	Fulton County Office of Strategy and Performance Management	Goals identified in the Comprehensive Plan which align with those of the Strategic Plan. *Improve the quality, quantity, and accessibility of housing stock across the County.*Develop a sense of community and independence among seniors and intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD) persons by providing an affordable, safe space to receive care.*Ensure that the county-wide workforce has the skills needed to meet business demand and opportunities to overcome hiring barriers.*Expand the County's economic development impact by pursuing opportunities that link to regional economic development efforts, target areas with the greatest need, and increase return on investment.*Deliver high quality cultural and recreation services through County facilities.*Increase access to arts and culture services across the county by funding organizations key to the county's cultural ecosystem.*Ensure that Fulton County residents live in the healthiest environment possible.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Fulton County Comprehensive Plan (2016-2035)	Fulton County Department of Planning and Community Services	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan Goals identified in the Comprehensive Plan which align with those of the Strategic Plan include: Senior housing options should expand as the population continues to grow. Make Aging in Place a more achievable reality by aligning with the goals and policies of the Atlanta Regional Commission's Aging-in-Place initiative. Encourage a wide variety of housing types to accommodate a range of income levels for current and future residents. Promote appropriate infill housing and development through planning, infrastructure placement, and regulations. Encourage development that promotes open space, walking paths and bicycle lanes as a means to connectivity and neighborhood cohesiveness. Review current land use development patterns that may cause difficulties in the creation of walkable/bikeable communities and MARTA transit opportunities by encouraging wider sidewalks and pedestrian amenities. Seek transportation enhancements (highway, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian) to compliment and align with land use efforts. Plan and design multi-use trails and/or sidewalks during the development or renovation of any Fulton County facility. Encourage cooperative efforts between the city, county and school district to provide adequate facilities for community activities and needs (i.e. senior and youth centers).
Cradle to Golden Years Five-Year Strategic Plan (2)	Fulton County Aging and Youth Services Department	Goals identified in the plan align with those of the Strategic plan: To promote instructional programs that improve public safety. To enhance case management services that promote self-sufficiency. To promote and enhance resources that assist individuals with financial management to improve economic status. To connect citizens to publicly and privately funded emergency assistance programs that provide temporary financial relief. To connect citizens with workforce development resources that increase their access to economic opportunities. To identify partners that mitigate generational trends of unhealthy/criminal behavior and improve family dynamics

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Fulton County Homeless Plan Strategy	Fulton County Homeless Programs Division	<p>Goals identified in the Draft Homeless Plan Strategy which align with those of the Strategic Plan include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand Housing Resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Expand the inventory of low-income housing in both non-profit and for-profit sectors and grow the sources of available funding. Develop goals in partnership with the Fulton County's Departments and programs that provide services to the homeless population to include sub-goals for each homeless sub-population, including single adults, families with children, and units for youth. Standardize Best Practices: Establishment of system-wide basic standards for all county funded service providers to increase housing placement and reduce reentry to homelessness. County Homeless Housing Policy: Build a cohesive, county policy framework via zoning, development and related policy areas to create a unified and effective approach to include: Increased Housing Densities; Review of County Housing Development Standards; Integration of local municipality planning processes; and, Exploration of local municipality resources.

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

Fulton County's Citizen Participation Plan provides the steps to be taken to ensure that the public and stakeholders in the federal grant programs have a say in the development of the Action Plan. This process includes outreach to municipalities and organizations. Such outreach included:

1. Informing the municipalities and organizations of the availability of funds, application deadline. Letters and emails were sent out in December 2020.
2. The first public meeting was held on February 11, 2021. The hearing was advertised in the local newspaper and a blast emailed to a cross section of organizations, municipalities, state agencies, as well as advocacy organizations focused on fair housing, and language barriers. to inform them of the hearing.
3. The Action Plan was disseminated by email to the participating jurisdictions as well as organizations that represent low- and moderate-income persons and those with limited English proficiency. The second public hearing announcement was included in this communication.
4. The plan was available for public comment for 30 days and available on the county website.
5. A second hearing will be held on April 1, 2021 and advertised with the availability of the Action Plan for display. Notice will be disseminated through agencies that have contact with low- and moderate-income persons and those with limited English proficiency.
6. Comments received were provided during the public hearing during which participants indicated a need for affordable housing and food security.

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	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	37 people attended the 1st Public Needs Hearing	Comments expressed at the public hearing indicated a need for affordable housing and food security.	Accepted	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	The newspaper ads were used to inform the public of the first and second public hearings as well as the availability of the plan	None	None	
3	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	No one attended the 2nd hearing	none	none	
4	Letters and Emails	Municipalities and Agencies	Sent to inform entities of process and encourage participation by constituent groups			

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The table below shows the County's grant allocations for the 2021 program year as announced by HUD, along an estimate of anticipated grant funding for the remaining years covered by this Consolidated Plan. This estimate assumes that funding over the remaining years will average to be about the same as the 2020 allocations upon which this project was based. All grant funds will be used to support the Fulton County Department of Community Development's goals to provide decent affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic

development.

HOME Program income reflects the actual amount of prior year program income available for use in 2021.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				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	1,393,957	0	0	1,393,957	6,096,386	CDBG funds may be used to carry out activities related to housing rehabilitation, demolition and community revitalization, public infrastructure improvements, park improvements, public services, and planning.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	670,081	33,915	0	703,996	2,839,711	HOME funds may be used for homebuyer assistance, TBRA, homeowner rehab, affordable housing development and program administration.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	159,268	0	0	159,268	507,296	ESG funds may be used for homeless prevention, rapid rehousing, emergency shelter and services, street outreach, HMIS, and program administration.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

There are no CDBG Matching funds requirements. Communities are encouraged to use CDBG funds to leverage local funds to undertake projects of local significance.

HOME requires a matching fund contribution of 25% as outlined in 24 CFR 92.218. These are anticipated to be satisfied through a mix of match carryover from prior years as interest foregone as a result of homeowners received below market rate loans with HOP assistance. The County provides matching funds of twenty-five cents from the County's General Fund for each HOME dollar expended.

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program requires a 100% match which will also be met using County General Funds. The County funds activities that serve persons experiencing homelessness through the CSP program.

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

CDBG funding will be used to develop public facilities for public purposes using existing owned properties to include: Sidewalks, including accessibility improvements for sidewalks and curbs, may be installed or replaced in these areas, especially in locations with high pedestrian use such as routes commonly used by school children or people walking to public transportation and shopping; water and sewer improvements.

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

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Down Payment Assistance
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Decent Housing Goal #2 – Down Payment Assistance Support development of for-sale housing units affordable to low- and moderate-income households, including homes located near employment, transportation, or other community resources. Increase the number of first-time homebuyers through down payment and closing cost assistance. Encourage agencies to develop affordable for-sale housing that is accessible to people with disabilities.
2	Goal Name	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Decent Housing Goal #3 – Homeowner Rehabilitation <p>Preserve the existing affordable housing stock by assisting income-eligible homeowners with housing rehabilitation and repairs, with an emphasis on housing problems affecting health and safety</p>

3	Goal Name	Rental Assistance
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Homelessness Housing and Prevention
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decent Housing Goal #5 – Homelessness Housing and Prevention Assist income-eligible renter households with tenant-based rental assistance. Collaborate with agencies in the Continuum of Care (CoC) and others to assist households at-risk of homelessness with short-term rental payments, utility assistance, rapid rehousing, or other assistance.
5	Goal Name	ESG Homeless Supportive Services
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitable Living Environment Goal #2 – ESG Homeless Supportive Services Collaborate with agencies in the CoC and others to provide coordinated supportive services and case management to people experiencing homelessness to support moves to appropriate housing and greater stability
6	Goal Name	Fair Housing Education and Enforcement
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitable Living Environment Goal #3 – Fair Housing Education and Enforcement Provide assistance to eligible households which might include but is not limited to: Fair housing education services to help residents, community organizations, and housing providers understand fair housing rights and responsibilities. Provide fair housing complaint investigation services. Consumer education and awareness around predatory lending, fraudulent mortgages, and other housing scams.
7	Goal Name	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Goal Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitable Living Environment Goal #4 – Facility and Infrastructure Improvements Work with other County departments, cooperating cities within Fulton County, and non-profit agencies. Fund infrastructure improvements and public facilities such as sidewalks, street lighting, pedestrian facilities, ADA improvements, and community centers in income-eligible areas. Assist community service organizations in improving or expanding physical structures to serve homeless residents, low- and moderate-income households, and other special needs populations. Demolish dilapidated structures to stop the spread of blight in low- and moderate-income areas as needed.

8	Goal Name	Program Administration
	Goal Description	

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The projects listed below represent the activities Fulton County plans to undertake during the 2021 program year to address the goals of providing decent affordable housing, promoting a suitable living environment, and encouraging economic opportunity. The allocation of funding for the 2021 projects has been determined based on overall priority needs of county residents and community input received during the planning process.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	S- 2021 ESG Activities
2	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
3	Fair Housing Activities
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Table 7 - Project Information

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

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	S- 2021 ESG Activities
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homelessness Housing and Prevention ESG Homeless Supportive Services
	Needs Addressed	Rental Assistance and Homelessness Prevention Public Services
	Funding	ESG: \$159,268
	Description	ESG funding will be used to provide emergency shelter operations and services; HMIS support; homelessness prevention (20%), rapid rehousing (20%); street outreach (38%); emergency shelter (20%); and program administration (2%).
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Homeless person overnight shelter: 300 people assisted Homelessness prevention/rapid rehousing: 40 people assisted
	Location Description	Specific locations within the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction to be determined during the program year
2	Planned Activities	Eligible ESG activities, including emergency shelter operations and services, homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, street outreach, HMIS support, and program administration by Fulton County Department of Community Development staff.
	Project Name	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Homeownership Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$214,000
	Description	A 5-year deferred-payment loan program for eligible homeowners to hire an eligible contractor to address code violations and stabilize and preserve Fulton County's housing stock.
	Target Date	12/31/2022

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	10 housing units
	Location Description	Specific locations within the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction to be determined during the program year
	Planned Activities	Housing rehabilitation assistance for income-eligible homeowners.
	Project Name	Fair Housing Activities
3	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing Education and Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing Education and Enforcement
	Funding	CDBG: \$23,334
	Description	Fair housing education services for residents, community organizations, and housing providers. Fair housing complaint investigation services. Funding will be combined with FY 2020 for services to be delivered in calendar year 2021.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	30 households
	Location Description	Specific locations within the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction to be determined during the program year
	Planned Activities	Fair housing education and enforcement activities.
	Project Name	East Point Waterline Infrastructure Improvements
4	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$152,700
	Description	Improvement of the waterline on Cedar Avenue between Sylvan and Blount Streets
	Target Date	12/31/2022

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Population of CT 1100 bg 1 and 2 is 1730 people
	Location Description	Cedar Avenue
	Planned Activities	Waterline Improvement
5	Project Name	City of Hapeville Tom E. Morris Splash Park
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$102,700
	Description	Development of a Splash Pad in the park for citywide use. Funding combined with 2020 funding.
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The population of CT 108 block groups 1-6 is 60.3% Low-mod, 6,645 persons
	Location Description	3430 Claire Dr. Hapeville GA
	Planned Activities	Park improvements
6	Project Name	City of Fairburn ADA Pedestrian Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$239,338
	Description	Sidewalk replacement with installation of curb ramps at the intersections and driveways
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Census Tract 105.14 BG3 population 3,185 people

	Location Description	Margaret Street (Entire Street) From West Campbellton Street to Orchard Street
	Planned Activities	Sidewalk improvements
7	Project Name	Union City Oakley Road Improvement
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$177,700
	Description	Improvement of Oakley Road from Mall Boulevard to Flat Shoals Rd.
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Census Tract 105.12 BG 3 has a population of 2,220 people.
	Location Description	Oakley Road from Mall Boulevard to Flat Shoals Rd.
	Planned Activities	Street improvements
8	Project Name	2021 CDBG Program Administration
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Program Administration
	Needs Addressed	Program Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$278,785
	Description	Program administration costs related to the overall planning and execution of CDBG-assisted community development activities, in accordance with the CDBG administrative cap. Up to 20 percent of each year's CDBG grant plus program income can be obligated for planning and administrative costs.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	not applicable
	Location Description	Fulton County Department of Community Development, 137 Peachtree Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303

	Planned Activities	Costs related to overall planning and execution of CDBG-assisted activities.
9	Project Name	2021 Home Ownership Program
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Down Payment Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Homeownership Opportunities
	Funding	HOME: \$126,073.00
	Description	Loans to eligible first time homebuyers to assist with down payment costs related to eligible home purchases in Fulton County.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Direct financial assistance to homebuyers: 3 households assisted
	Location Description	Specific locations within the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction to be determined during the program year
10	Planned Activities	Downpayment and closing cost assistance
	Project Name	2021 Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Rental Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Rental Assistance and Homelessness Prevention
	Funding	HOME: \$376,487.85
	Description	Reimbursement to contracted partner(s) to provide tenant-based rental assistance programs for extremely low- and low-income households. January 2022 Amendment reduced budget by 100,512.15 to accommodate CHDO SetAside.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	25 households
	Location Description	Specific locations within the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction to be determined during the program year

	Planned Activities	Tenant based rental assistance / rapid rehousing: 25 households assisted
11	Project Name	2021 HOME Program Administration
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Program Administration
	Needs Addressed	Program Administration
	Funding	HOME: \$67,008
	Description	Program administration costs related to the overall planning and execution of HOME-assisted affordable housing activities, in accordance with the HOME administrative cap. Up to 10 percent of each year's HOME grant plus program income can be obligated for planning and administrative costs.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	not applicable
	Location Description	Fulton County Department of Community Development, 137 Peachtree Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303
	Planned Activities	Costs related to overall planning and execution of HOME-assisted activities.
12	Project Name	College Park - Park Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$102,700
	Description	Barrett Park improvements including playground equipment replacement, handicap barrier removal, roof replacement on pavilion, and landscaping
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	CT 106.01 population 3,285

	Location Description	Barrett Park 2001 Walker Ave.
	Planned Activities	Park Improvement
13	Project Name	Palmetto Veteran's Park Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Community Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$102,700
	Description	Improvement to Veteran' Park, including: replacement of playground equipment (2 playgrounds).
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	CT 104 BG 4 population 1,295
	Location Description	509 Park Street, Palmetto
	Planned Activities	
14	Project Name	2021 HOME Program CHDO
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Decent Housing Goal #1 – Affordable Housing Construction and Preservation
	Needs Addressed	Develop and Preserve Affordable Rental Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$100,512.15
	Description	Set aside funds for CHDO activities added with January 2022 Amendment.
	Target Date	12/31/2022
	Estimate the number and type of persons that will benefit from the proposed activity	Rental Units Constructed; 2 units
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	CHDO eligible activities

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

The Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction covers unincorporated Fulton County, as well as the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, and Union City, who executed a cooperation agreement with Fulton County during urban county requalification process. The cities of Atlanta, Roswell, and Sandy Springs and South Fulton do not participate with Fulton County and receive their own HUD grant allocations.

Geographically, the Fulton County entitlement jurisdiction is divided into disparate north and south portions by the cities of Atlanta, Roswell, and Sandy Springs, which lie in middle of the county. While HUD-funded activities that qualify on an area basis may be located in any income-eligible areas with the entitlement jurisdiction, all of Fulton County's low- and moderate-income census tracts are located in southern Fulton County. Thus, CDBG-funded public facility and infrastructure improvements completed over the next five years will be targeted to the southern portion of Fulton County, unless they serve a population that is specifically eligible for assistance (e.g., seniors, people with disabilities, victims of domestic violence).

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Countywide	100

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Fulton County does not designate specific areas for allocation of funds as part of its strategic use of HUD grant funds. Instead, the County's programs are designed to serve low- and moderate-income individuals and households throughout the County's service area.

The County chooses not to designate specific geographic target areas so that it may concentrate on priority need for services and improvements based on eligibility, availability of funds, and readiness to proceed.

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

During the 2021 program year, Fulton County will assist 78 households with housing needs. Through ESG, the County will fund homelessness prevention/rapid rehousing for 40 households. Using HOME funds, the County anticipates providing tenant-based rental assistance to 25 households and assisting 3 homebuyers purchase homes. Using CDBG funds, the County will provide a homeowner rehabilitation program that will assist an estimated 10 single-family homeowners.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	40
Non-Homeless	38
Special-Needs	0
Total	78

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	65
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	10
Acquisition of Existing Units	3
Total	78

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

Discussion

The above goals are based on the accomplishment goals set in the Projects section AP 35.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of Fulton County (HAFC) operates Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs in Fulton County. As of 2020, the HAFC operates or assists 1,958 total units of affordable housing. 960 assisted families utilize housing choice vouchers, 132 units are Low Income Housing Tax Credits, 212 units are project-based vouchers (of which 100 resulted from a RAD conversion), and 654 are port vouchers.

The Housing Authority of the City of East Point (EPHA) currently has 280 units of traditional public housing, as well as 555 housing choice voucher units.

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

The goal of the HAFC is to provide decent, safe, and sanitary rental housing for eligible families, to provide opportunities, promote self-sufficiency and economic independence for Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) participants. The Mission Statement is "To provide and develop quality affordable housing opportunities for individuals and families while promoting self-sufficiency and community revitalization." HAFC has partnered in six Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) developments, owned, and managed by private entities, with Phase II of the newest development underway. HAFC continues to seek development partners, HUD funding, LIHTC, and other non-federal sources to develop affordable housing construction or rehabilitation.

The HAFC has converted all public housing units in its portfolio to other forms of publicly supported housing other than Sterling Place Apartments located at 144 Allen Road, Sandy Springs, Georgia. The "Partnership Properties" include:

- Arcadia at Parkway Village
- Woodbridge at Parkway Village
- Providence at Parkway Village
- Legacy at Walton Lakes

The EPHA added 180 units of senior housing in the summer of 2020. The new EPHA development is called the Hillcrest Active Adult Community and is funded with tax credits and has a Section 8 project based vouchers for 36% of the units. A second phase is planned in the future. The Resident Council Association is an active force in working with the Authority staff.

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

participate in homeownership

HAFC residents have several opportunities to receive assistance with the home buying process.

- The HAFC is a HUD Certified Housing Counseling Center, which offers Homebuyer Education Workshops to prepare residents to become first-time homebuyers.
- There are also 25 HAFC housing choice voucher participants utilizing their vouchers for homeownership.
- HAFC offers the Family Self-Sufficiency Program – a 5-year program that provides tenants with individual training and supportive services to help the family prepare to transition out of assisted housing programs. The program encourages participants' families' self-sufficiency and helps expand family opportunities that address educational, socio-economic, recreational, and other human service needs.

The EPHA offers the Family Self-Sufficiency Program as well.

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

None of the housing authorities in Fulton County are designated as “troubled.”

Discussion

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

Introduction

Fulton County is covered by the Fulton County Continuum of Care, a network of service providers covering Fulton County (not including the City of Atlanta). The Fulton County Continuum of Care brings together housing and service providers to meet the needs of homeless individuals and families. Fulton County is in the process of completing a Homeless Plan that will seek to align existing planning efforts related to homelessness to foster a more consistent approach to homelessness and affordable / low-cost housing.

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

The Coordinated Intake and Assessment System (CIAS) is designed to complete outreach and recruit homeless individuals and families throughout the geographic area of Fulton County, to assess their individual needs and facilitate access to services in response to those identified needs. CIAS utilizes a multi-tiered approach which requires for the operation of an Assessment Center centrally located in both the south and north areas of Fulton County. To satisfy eligibility criteria for participation in the Emergency Solutions Grant program, applicants must be below 30% AMI, according to the current HUD income limits (for homelessness prevention assistance), or homeless or at risk of becoming homeless (for rapid re-housing assistance) and lacking sufficient resources and support networks necessary to retain housing without ESG assistance. All ESG participants receive an initial consultation to determine eligibility and assistance.

Over the next year, the CoC and other homeless housing and service providers in Fulton County will continue reaching out to homeless persons, including unsheltered persons, through emergency shelter, meals, transportation, counseling, and case management. One of the objectives of Fulton County's draft Homeless Plan is to prioritize unsheltered and vulnerable households, with strategies that include training and support for service providers and integrated services with behavioral health and healthcare systems. The GA 502 Fulton County CoC and Fulton County established Homeless Assessment Centers at the North and South Fulton Annex offices in an effort to establish a collective community and county approach to supporting and providing solutions to homelessness and homeless prevention.

The GA 502 CoC hosts six CoC membership meetings a year to discuss homeless issues and strategies; provide ongoing updates through a newsletter and public announcements. Additionally, the COC sponsors periodic workshops.

Hope through Soap provides outreach primarily in the North Fulton County area. The send referrals to

the County Assessment Center for follow-up.

During the 2021 program year, Fulton County will use ESG funds to fund street outreach.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

There are 467 emergency shelter beds in the County. Of these, 2/3 are for single adults, 159 for families with children. There are 4 beds available for unaccompanied youth. There are also 93 Transitional Housing units, of which 20 are dedicated to Veterans. Most transitional housing is available only to families with children and 4 beds are available for unaccompanied youth.

During the 2021 program year, Fulton County will use ESG funds to fund emergency shelter and transitional housing providers.

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

During the 2021 program year, Fulton County will fund organizations that provide case management and housing navigation services to assist homeless individuals and families, including those staying in emergency shelter, make the transition to permanent housing and prevent returns to homelessness. ESG funds are provided to North Fulton Community Charities for rapid rehousing. In addition, the County will fund case management, legal representation and counseling, emergency financial assistance, and rental assistance. The County will also work to increase the availability of affordable housing in Fulton County by using HOME funds to support the development of new affordable rental housing.

The GA 502 Fulton County CoC and Fulton County established Homeless Assessment Centers at the North and South Fulton Annex offices in an effort to establish a collective community and county approach to supporting and providing solutions to homelessness and homeless prevention.

A key objective of the County's draft Homeless Plan is to increase the inventory of diversion, rapid rehousing, and permanent supportive housing to successfully divert or quickly rehouse all eligible households.

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.

Over the next year, housing and service providers in Fulton County will continue to work together to prevent homelessness in populations who are vulnerable to or at risk of homelessness. Organizations and resources to prevent homelessness that will be in place during the 2021 program year in Fulton County include:

- North Fulton Community Charities provides emergency financial assistance, thrift shop, food bank, government benefits screening, and rapid rehousing.
- The Community Assistance Center provides rental assistance, food, clothing and education resources for homelessness prevention.
- LIFT Community Development Corp. provides housing and shelter referrals, life and financial skills training, food and clothing giveaways, transportation assistance, education and employment referrals, and mental health and wellness assessments.
- HOPE Atlanta (Travelers Aid) provides rental and security deposit assistance, housing search assistance, one-on-one support, and rapid rehousing, as well as emergency services, crisis intervention, transitional and permanent supportive housing for persons living with HIV/AIDS. HOPE Atlanta's Supportive Services for Veterans and their Families Program funds rapid re-housing and prevention assistance to homeless veteran households.

The Homeless Department is navigating the County's work with diversion programs and in 2020 joined task forces that address justice and mental health.

Discussion

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

Introduction:

During the 2021 program year, Fulton County will provide HOP funds to help lower income households become homeowners. Removing the barrier for African-American households to become homeowners is a means to building generational wealth.

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

In January 2019, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution urging municipalities in Fulton County to implement affordable housing policies. The resolution allows the Development Authority of Fulton County to apply local affordable housing ordinances to any multi-family projects completed through the Development Authority.

The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) completed for Atlanta and Fulton County in September 2020 identified barriers to affordable housing and homeownership. One primary barrier is the shortage of available units in areas of economic opportunity. The lack of investment in neighborhoods where there is affordable housing that are high concentrations of racial and ethnic concentrations and a concentration of poverty creates further barriers. For persons with disabilities, the problems are magnified. There is a shortage of housing served by transit and other amenities. Zoning in many communities defines “family” in restrictive way that prevents development of shared housing and make it difficult to work with the ordinances that rely on variances and SUPs rather than reasonable accommodation. Language also creates a barrier to access to housing.

Programs that are funded by Fulton County that seek to overcome these barriers include the HOP – Homeownership program and a willingness to fund rental developments through the HOME Program. Housing rehabilitation and public facility improvements in lower income areas alleviates some of the investment barriers in these areas.

The County continues to fund rental assistance for persons leaving emergency shelters or the streets through rapid re-housing and additional resources were made available with COVID funding sources. Funding through COVID resources is available through the County for rental assistance as well.

Discussion:

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

This section details Fulton County's actions planned to ensure safe and affordable housing for its residents, along with plans to meet underserved needs, reduce poverty, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private sector housing and community development agencies

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Fulton County identified the underserved needs as: affordable housing and homeownership opportunities, rehabilitation assistance for low-income homeowners, homeless prevention and rapid-rehousing, supportive services for persons experiencing homelessness and special needs populations, fair housing enforcement and education and community revitalization (including facility, park, and infrastructure improvements.

To help remove obstacles to meeting underserved needs and improve service delivery, Fulton County supports the continued development of the Fulton County Continuum of Care, a collaborative to coordinate the work of social service organizations, disseminate news and information, eliminate duplication of effort, and spearhead community-wide solutions to local needs. Fulton County will provide funding to address underserved needs through CDBG, HOME, ESG and general fund commitments in support of programs that address these needs. Such programs include:

- Housing rehabilitation
- Housing development and homeownership
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- ESG funded facility operations and services
- ESG funded rapid re-housing and homeless prevention
- Community projects to improve parks, remove handicap barriers, improve sidewalks, water and sewer facilities

The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) completed for Atlanta and Fulton County in September 2020 identifies obstacles to having a more equitable housing choice as well as institutional obstacles. Lack of knowledge of fair housing protection and redress results in lack of reporting. Lack of knowledge also presents obstacles facing persons with disabilities from seeking protection through fair housing laws. Training has been offered and will continue to be offered to advocacy groups and individuals seeking to address the needs of persons with disabilities.

The CDBG program will continue to fund Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc. to address this obstacle by conducting fair housing outreach and to assist residents navigate the complaint process with HUD and

the Georgia Department of Justice.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Fulton County will continue to offer their core programs – including home purchase assistance, housing rehabilitation assistance, and tenant-based rental assistance – in order to foster housing affordability. HOME funds will also be used to support the development of new affordable housing, including multifamily rental developments and homeownership opportunities. The County will continue to use HOME funds to support development of affordable housing by a local CHDO.

In addition to specific programs designed to foster and maintain affordable housing, the County will encourage participating jurisdictions to review their zoning ordinances for prospective barriers to affordable housing development, and to make amendments as needed.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Over the next year, Fulton County will continue to conduct lead-based paint inspections associated with the housing rehabilitation and homeownership programs and, if a hazard is found, remediation. These actions will both reduce lead exposure risk and help to maintain the county's older, lower and moderately priced housing. Any housing rehabilitation activities conducted using HOME and CDBG funds will continue to be monitored closely for any potential lead exposure.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Over the FY 2021 program year, Fulton County will continue its workforce development programs through WorkSource Fulton to connect individuals with job skills and employment. Homeless service providers will continue to offer job search and resume assistance. A focus on improving the jobs/housing balance in existing and emerging job centers in Fulton County will aim to help poverty-level families access more employment opportunities, while potentially lowering transportation and housing costs.

CDBG and HOME funds will continue to enforce the provisions of Section 3 providing Employment Opportunities to low-income residents of Fulton County. To the extent possible, Section 3 gives priority to hiring workers for federally funded projects over \$100,000 and to contracting and subcontracting with businesses that are Section 3 certified.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Fulton County has developed a robust administrative structure to manage its CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The County's Department of Community Development offers technical assistance sessions for potential subrecipients, CHDOs, and contractors to learn how to effectively administer funding from the CDBG and HOME programs. In addition to working with organizations, the County's citizen participation

process is designed to keep constituents abreast of funding plans and make engaged and informed citizens another vital part of the institutional structure.

The CoC hosts 6 membership meetings a year to discuss homeless issues and strategies; provide ongoing updates through a newsletter and public announcements. Additionally, the COC sponsors periodic workshops. These venues allow the County to be involved in the overall system to address homelessness.

The AI pointed to the need to address education and knowledge of Fair Housing protections. Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc., a nonprofit fair housing advocacy organization whose service area includes Fulton County and the City of Atlanta, was awarded grant funding under HUD's Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) in 2020. Under the FHIP, HUD awards grant money to local fair housing advocacy organizations who assist persons believed to have been harmed by discriminatory housing practices; to help people identify government agencies that handle complaints of housing discrimination; to conduct preliminary investigation of claims; to carry out testing and enforcement activities to prevent or eliminate discriminatory housing practices; and to educate the public and housing providers about equal opportunity in housing and compliance with the fair housing laws. Both HUD and the Georgia Department of Justice adjudicate complaints. CDBG funding is also granted to Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc.

The County will continue to strengthen its outreach to limited-English speaking persons in accordance with the Language Access Plan.

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

Fulton County will continue to be an active participant in the Fulton County Continuum of Care. The CoC promotes community-wide commitment to goals of ending homelessness; quickly re-housing homeless individuals and families; effective utilization of mainstream resources; optimizing consumer self-sufficiency. Membership includes emergency, transitional, and permanent housing providers, nonprofit social service organizations, and government agencies.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Fulton County will continue to receive CDBG, HOME and ESG funding in 2021.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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(l)(2)

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

Fulton County does not anticipate investing HOME funds in other forms than described in 24 CFR Section 92.205(b) of the HOME Investment Partnerships Final Rule regulations effective October 1,

1996 and as subsequently amended. The County will notify HUD as appropriate if any changes are proposed and follow the applicable substantial amendment process as outlined in the County's Citizen Participation Plan.

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

Fulton County's Home Ownership Program (HOP) provides direct assistance to homebuyers towards the purchase price of a home. The affordability is based on a recapture provision. If the home is sold or otherwise changes ownership or fails to remain the principal residence of the buyer during the first five years, a portion of the HOME funds must be repaid (All HOP loans are \$15,000 or less thereby requiring only a 5-year recapture period.) The affordability provision is secured and enforced through a mortgage deed and a note. The mortgage deed is filed for recordation with the Fulton County Clerk of Superior Courts, and these requirements place a lien on the property that should trigger any action related to the sale, transfer, assumption or foreclosure of the HOME-assisted property. The mortgage and note clearly define the dollar amount and the loan terms; contain default provisions and stipulation that the Borrower is responsible for maintaining the home in good repair.

The policy of Fulton County for the recapture of HOME investments in cases where the borrower does not occupy the house for the full term of the affordability period is derived from the HOME program regulations at 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A) and section 215(b)(3)(B) of the National Affordable Housing Act. Fulton County has selected option number three, shared net proceeds, as set forth in paragraph 92.254(a) (5) (ii) (A)(3) of the program regulations. Net proceeds means the sales price minus the first loan repayment, standard real estate commissions, if any, real estate taxes and closing costs. If the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full amount of the investment plus enable the homeowner to recover the amount of the homeowner's down payment and any capital improvement investment made by the homeowner since purchase, the County must share the net proceeds with the homeowner.

Fulton County's policy of proportional return of investment is to encourage the purchaser to participate in the program and provides a fair return to both the purchaser and Fulton County at the time of the sale. Because it is impossible to dictate the sales market condition at the time of the actual sale, Fulton County has elected to set the following policy: The net proceeds will be divided proportionally as set forth herein by mathematical formula: A = HOME Recapture amount, B= Amount to homeowner; Direct HOME investment; Direct HOME investment + homeowner investment X Net proceeds = A; Homeowner investment, Direct HOME investment + homeowner investment X Net proceeds = B. The Home Investment is the amount of funds that the owners made for improvements to the property over time. If there are no net proceeds, repayment of the note is not required. In the event the net proceeds exceed the amount necessary to repay both the

homeowner's investment, the excess proceeds will be paid to the homeowner.

Should the county fund a rental development project, a resale provision will be used. A restrictive covenant would be place on the property for the term of the affordability period.

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:

Fulton County's HOME program has adopted the use of the recapture provision for homeownership to achieve the goal of continued affordability and annually certifies that the homeowner maintains the assisted unit as their primary resident. The County annually sends a Homebuyer Certification document to each HOP second mortgage beneficiary (currently in the affordability period) terms of the second mortgage loan to include existing primary residency requirement. Recipients are requested to verify receipt of the certification document by including the respective borrower's signature and date of the document, then return to the signature and date of the document, then return to the County via facsimile or U.S. Postmaster. To ensure that the home buyer certification documents are sent and not forwarded to any other address the County uses a stamp stating the following: "Return Service Requested Do Not Forward."

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:

Refinancing is not an eligible activity under any federally-funded HOME programs. Therefore, Fulton County does not plan to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt and has not established refinancing policy guidelines for the use of HOME funds.

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

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

Fulton County enthusiastically supports and partners with the GA 502 Fulton Country CoC approach to addressing the needs of people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Our shared vision and commitment are focused on rooting out the causes of homelessness and aiding individuals and families in their successful reintegration into the community. Fulton County and the

GA 502 Fulton County CoC work collaboratively to identify and serve the chronically homeless, youth, families, and veterans through the GA 502 Coordinated Intake and Assessment System (CIAS). The staff of the Fulton County's Homeless Division provides administrative support to the GA 502 Board of Directors. Utilizing ESG and other jurisdictional allocations coupled with the CoC Supportive Housing Program grant funds, the planning committee formulates the plan to implement strategies to address the 7 performance measures targeting the groups identified above and measures, using HMIS performance data, the impact of the strategies on the intended population. Fulton County's ESG written standards are included as an attachment to this plan.

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

The Coordinated Intake and Assessment System (CIAS) is designed to complete outreach and recruit homeless individuals and families throughout the geographic area of Fulton County, to assess their individual needs and facilitate access to services in response to those identified needs. CIAS utilizes a multi-tiered approach which requires for the operation of an Assessment Center centrally located in both the south and north areas of Fulton County. To satisfy eligibility criteria for participation in the Emergency Solutions Grant program, applicants must be below 30% AMI, according to the current HUD income limits (for homelessness prevention assistance), or homeless or at risk of becoming homeless (for rapid re-housing assistance) and lacking sufficient resources and support networks necessary to retain housing without ESG assistance. All ESG participants receive an initial consultation to determine eligibility and assistance.

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

In accordance with HUD 24 CFR 576.3 (Allocation of Funding), regulations mandate that 7.5% of funds should be spent on administrative activities, a maximum of 60% of Fulton County's ESG funds are to be spent on shelter activities, and the remaining 40% are to be spent on homeless prevention and rapid rehousing activities proposed by organizations. The Department of Community Development administers ESG funds through its Homeless Assessment Centers and also awards grant funds to sub-recipients to carry out eligible activities in compliance with all applicable federal regulations. The ESG written standards attached to this plan outline the County's process for allocating ESG funds.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

Not applicable. Fulton County successfully meets the homeless participation requirements.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

ESG performance standards are upheld through review of monthly or quarterly reports determined by the designated ESG Project Manager depending on the project or service to the County. It is imperative that the reports are submitted as scheduled. The County is responsible for reporting program accomplishments to HUD, who in turn submits the information in congressional reports. Each Project Manager responsible for technical support of the subrecipient will provide reporting formats prior to commencement of the ESG-funded project or service. Project Manager(s) will visit the site of each project or service delivery location no less than annually to assess progress. Additional site visits may be required depending on the subrecipient's need for technical support. Each ESG subrecipient must keep records of fund expenditures; a copy of the ESG contract executed with Fulton County; and all other project or service information important to the administration of the project for a minimum of four (4) years. The County will monitor ESG subrecipient files and record keeping procedures at least annually. Each agency receives notification in writing prior to the anticipated monitoring date. The HMIS database is also reviewed to review performance.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

<p style="text-align: center;">Fulton County Seeks Citizen Comments on the Following: Draft Action Plan for FY 2021 Substantial Amendment to Action Plan for FY 2020</p> <p>Feedback is needed on the Draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 and a substantial amendment to the Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2020 for the following three federal programs: Community Development Block Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) and the Emergency Solutions Grant.</p> <p>For FY 2021, Fulton County will receive a total of \$2,203,064 from HUD under three formula programs – CDBG, HOME, and ESG. These funds will be used for a variety of eligible activities and services that will benefit Fulton County citizens, with the exception of those underserved within the city limits of Atlanta, Roswell, South Fulton, and Sandy Springs.</p> <p>The public is invited to comment on the Draft Annual Action Plan for FY2021 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs and on the proposed use of CDBG funds for FY 2020 during a virtual hearing.</p> <p>The virtual hearing will be held on April 1, 2021 at 8 PM via Zoom.</p> <p>To participate, click the link below to join the ZOOM meeting Meeting ID: 943 1919 9585 Passcode: W902130 Dial-in +1 312 626 6799 US</p> <p>The County encourages all interested parties to participate in the hearing to review the draft documents and to submit written comments no later than 5:00 PM (EST) April 13, 2021. All written comments should be emailed to communityfeedback@fultoncountyga.gov. The final version, with citizen comments, will be submitted to HUD by April 30, 2021.</p> <p>The draft FY 2021 Annual Action Plan and FY 2020 Substantial Amendments available for review at: Fulton County Government Website: https://www.fultoncountyga.gov/inside-fulton-county/fulton-county-departments/community-development</p> <p>This report may be made available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities or limited English speaking abilities by contacting (404) 672-7391. For TDD/TTV or Georgia Relay Service Access dial 711. La información se proveerá en una forma alternativa para las personas con discapacidades o limitadas habilidades de inglés hablando. Llame al (404) 672-7391.</p>

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Cambridge grad and TMU standout named to AAC's All-Freshmen team

By Everett Catts
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Former Cambridge High basketball standout E.J. Smith, who is in his first season at Truett McConnell University in Cleveland, Georgia, was named to the Appalachian Athletic Conference All-Freshmen team.

According to a Feb. 27 news release, the freshman

guard is one of three Bears to receive the conference's postseason honors. Junior forward Enocka Franky was chosen to the All-Conference first team and All-Defensive squad, and freshman guard Ty Briscoe joined Smith earned on the All-Freshmen team.

Smith averaged 6.44 points and 1.11 assists a game and led Truett McConnell in

steals per game (1.07) and 3-point field goal percentage (32.7%). He scored a season-high 16 points against Kentucky Christian in January.

"E.J. displayed a tireless work ethic and selfless attitude from day one," Bears head coach Jon Yeh said in the release. "His shooting ability earned him playing time, but then this overall game flourished as he gained

confidence. He was both a capable defender (second on the team in total steals) and a solid decision maker (1.6 to 1 assist-to-turnover ratio)."

Truett McConnell (9-19 overall, 5-15 conference) ended its season with an 88-79 loss to Montreat (North Carolina) in the conference tournament's play-in game Feb. 20.

Truett McConnell freshman guard E.J. Smith, a former Cambridge High standout, takes a shot in a game earlier this season.

Roswell cancels and postpones numerous upcoming city events

By Elizabeth Nouryeh-Clay
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The city of Roswell has decided to cancel or postpone many large city events that traditionally take place during the spring and summer months.

The city said the cancellations and postponements are continued efforts to safeguard the health and safety of the Roswell community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Memorial Day Celebration, Riverside Sounds Concert Series and the Lavender Festival are all cancelled.

Alive in Roswell will be postponed until

July 15. The city will reassess the decision to hold July's event on April 30.

Food Truck Fridays, the 4th of July Celebration and BBQ and Bluegrass at Barrington Hall and the End of Summer Celebration are also all on hold and will be reassessed by April 30.

Roswell says its decision to cancel or postpone these events was made out of an abundance of caution for the public, sponsors and vendors, and city staff and volunteers who organize and work the events. The city is continuing to follow state and local public health guidelines, as well as adhering to CDC guidance regarding special events.

14 Fulton schools named AP Honor Schools by state Dept. of Education

By Everett Catts
@NeighborEverett

14 high schools in the Fulton County Schools district were named Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Schools by the Georgia Department of Education when it released its list Feb. 24.

Fulton's number of schools lauded was only one less than the class of 2019. Statewide, 244 schools were honored, down from 255 the previous year. In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all AP exams were taken online in an abbreviated format.

Based on how schools' students fared on AP exams, the department started recognizing AP Honor Schools in 2008. The honor began with three categories: AP Access and Support Schools, AP Challenge Schools and AP Merit Schools. The AP STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and AP STEM Achievement categories were added in 2011, and the AP Humanities category debuted in 2015.

Last year two new categories were added: AP Humanities Achievement and AP Expansion Schools. The AP Merit Schools category was renamed AP Schools of Distinction.

Fulton's recognized schools and their categories were as follows:

- AP Access and Support Schools: North Springs

- AP Challenge Schools: Hapeville

- AP Schools of Distinction: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Expansion Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Humanities Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Humanities Achievement Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP STEM Schools: Alpharetta, Banneker, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Creekside, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood, Roswell and Westlake

AP STEM Achievement Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

On the statewide level, Georgia's public-school class of 2020 has the 17th-highest AP pass rate in the country (the same as the class of 2019), according to data released by the College Board.

"I'm so proud of the class of 2020 for their continued accomplishments and extremely pleased to see that Georgia's students maintained their strong performance on AP exams even given the impact of

the COVID-19 pandemic in their final year," State School Superintendent Richard Woods said in a news release. "In a challenging time for schools and students, this is good news as we continue our work to expand advanced learning opportunities to all students."

The percentage of students earning a 3 or higher on an AP exam was 23.2% for Georgia's class of 2020, the same as the class of 2019. Georgia students recorded stronger AP performance than most Southern states, scoring higher than their peers in Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia.

The percentage of low-income AP test-takers who scored 3 or higher increased in Georgia for the second straight year, jumping from 43.7% for the class of 2019 to 49.4% for the class of 2020. This figure is based on the performance of students who used an AP exam fee reduction, which states look to as a marker of equitable participation for low-income students.

Overall, 38.5% of Georgia's class of 2020 took an AP exam while in high school. This is a slight drop compared to the class of 2019 – of those students, 40.5% took at least one AP exam. The national participation rate decreased slightly as well, from 39.9 to 38.3%.

For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/3qW5tN>.

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colorectal cancer screening. According to Clinical Oncology News, delays in colorectal cancer screenings during the pandemic will equate to a 12% increase in cancer deaths over the next five years.

As an ambassador, he's asking everyone to get a colonoscopy when they turn 50 or even 45.

"Unfortunately, getting a colonoscopy is really the main way to check for colon cancer, and it's not very fun. You have to do a lot

of prep," he said. "Getting the colonoscopy is not just an easy blood test or something like that you can do, so a lot of people put it off. I understand that, and don't know if I would have done it right at 50."

"But hopefully, when people hear some of the stories and hear, 'Hey, I know this guy who has ... (colon cancer). He had no other symptoms, and it's a really easy thing to go undiagnosed.' Hopefully they'll hear my story and see a doctor, and if they're having any symptoms, at least follow up on the symptoms and hopefully catch it if they have it, catch it early."

For more information about Fight CRC, visit www.fightcrc.org.

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the applicant entities' total number of employees and

average monthly payroll.

As a result of these false statements, lenders issued over \$3.5 million in PPP loans to these various entities. Swope and the others then allegedly used the

fraudulently obtained funds for unauthorized expenditures including luxury clothing, restaurants, personal rent, hotels and vacation rentals.

Both women were indicted on Feb. 24.

THE CITY OF ROSWELL SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITS 2020 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT

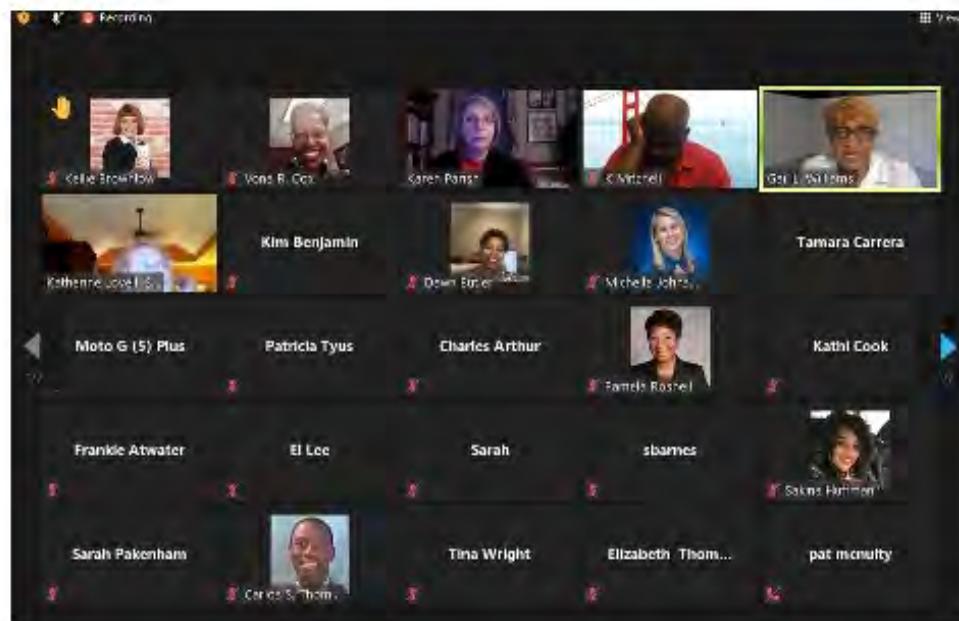
The City of Roswell is seeking public comment on its 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is an annual report that must be submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and describes the use of the City's entitlement funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The draft plan will be available to the public starting on Friday March 12, 2021. Due to closures related to the COVID pandemic, the City will not be posting hard copy at the Roswell Public Library, East Roswell Public Library, or the Roswell Housing Authority. However, hard copies will be available for review at Roswell City Hall, 38 Hill Street, Suite 115, Roswell, GA 30075, and an electronic copy will be posted on the City of Roswell's website, www.roswellgov.com. Public comments may be submitted by email to CDBG@roswellgov.com or in writing at suite 130 in City Hall. All public comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday March 29, 2021.

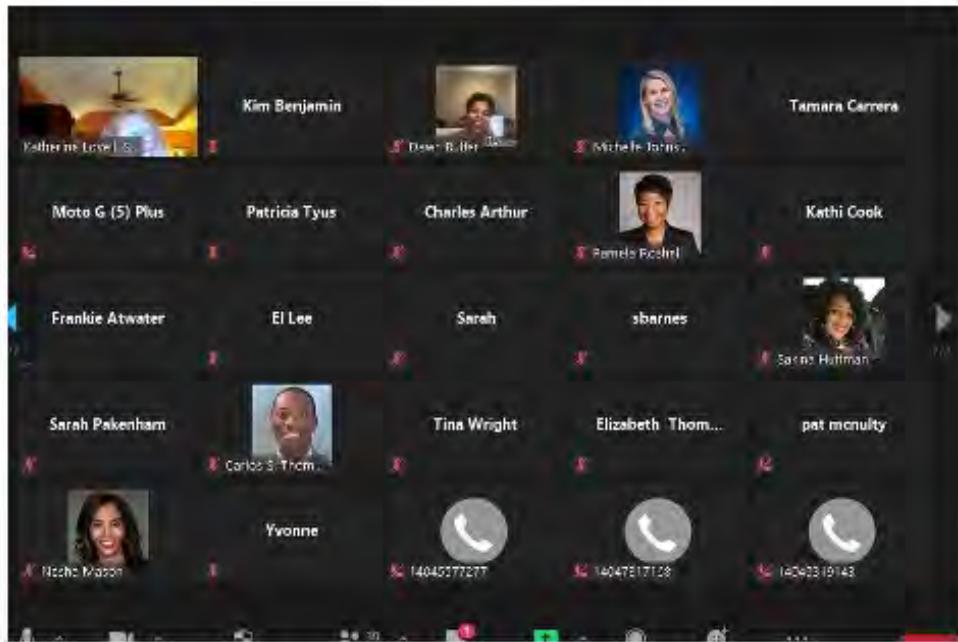
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Hearing Participants





Annual plan comments

Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 11:50 AM

To: Community Feedback

Subject: Grant funds

Good afternoon, maybe some of the funds can be dispersed to some of the homeless agencies to a lot Kroger food gift cards to person and or families that are in need. I have clients that get very little food stamps and still find themselves in need of food, especially my families with kids.

Maybe some of the funds can be used for technology for the youth in the communities that are at home schooling due to COVID. I personally have purchased 2 tablets for 2 families in my program that have school age children.

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response:

1. The HUD rules will not allow us to provide funding for gift cards but the need for food is an important concern. We hope community groups that have the capacity to address this need will request funding.
2. We did have a request for funding for technology for school children and funded a program. Again, if any community groups come forward with such requests, we would consider them.

Fulton County

Department of Community Development

Application workshop for:
Community Development Block Grant
HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Emergency Solutions Grant

February 11, 2021



AGENDA

- Present overview on the 2020 Consolidated Plan
- Discuss CDBG, ESG And HOME Basics
- Discuss Prior use of funds and performance

Consolidated Planning Process

- *Every 5 years* the County must complete a Consolidated Plan to set priorities for the use of federal funds; The County has prepared a new plan for FY 2020-2024
- *Every year* the County prepares an Action Plan to describe to the public (and HUD) how it intends to spend its annual allocation. This is the second year of the new five-year cycle.

FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan Goals

Housing Goals 1-3 – Affordable Housing Construction and Preservation

- Support the development and preservation of rental housing
- Support development of for-sale housing units affordable to low- and moderate-income households and persons with disabilities
- Increase the number of first-time homebuyers through down payment and closing cost assistance

Housing Goal 4 and 5 – Rental Assistance including Homeless and Prevention

- Tenant based Rental Assistance – HOME
- Permanent Supportive Housing – COC
- Rapid Re-Housing, Shelter and Transitional housing – COC, ESG

FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan Goals Continued

Suitable Living Environment Goal 1 – CDBG Public Services

- Fund eligible public services to serve low- and moderate-income residents, youth, seniors, people with disabilities, and other special needs populations

Suitable Living Environment Goal #2 – ESG Homeless Supportive Services

- Collaborate with agencies in the CoC and others to provide coordinated supportive services and case management to people experiencing homelessness to support moves to appropriate housing and greater stability

Suitable Living Environment Goal #3 – Fair Housing Education and Enforcement

- Fair housing education services to help residents, community organizations, and housing providers understand fair housing rights and responsibilities.

Suitable Living Environment Goal #4 – Facility and Infrastructure Improvements

- Fund infrastructure improvements and public facilities such as sidewalks, street lighting, pedestrian facilities, ADA improvements, and community centers in income-eligible areas. And non-profit service providers facilities.
- Demolition of unsafe structures

FY 2021 Schedule

- Applications were taken in the Fall 2020 for CDBG
- Applications will be taken for ESG 2021 3rd or 4th quarter 2021
- Public Hearing - Feb. 11
- Draft Annual Action Plan on display - March 11 to April 12
- Board of Commissioners approval – April 21
- Submission to HUD - April 26
- FY 2022 schedule will kick off in August 2021

2021 Allocations

These figures are used as estimates
for planning purposes for 2021

CDBG: \$ 1,857,240

HOME: \$ 877,260

ESG: \$ 166,641



PROGRAM BASICS

CDBG PROGRAM BASICS

- ✓ Administered by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- ✓ Cities, states and some counties are eligible to receive funds from HUD.

CDBG GOALS

- ✓ Provide decent, safe and sanitary housing.
- ✓ Provide a suitable living environment.
- ✓ Expand economic opportunities.

CDBG PROGRAM BASICS

MEETING A CDBG NATIONAL OBJECTIVE...

- ✓ Provide benefits to low-and moderate-income persons.
- ✓ Prevent or eliminate slum and blight.
- ✓ Meet an urgent need that threatens the health and welfare of residents.

CDBG PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY vs INELIGIBILITY... WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING?

- ✓ Municipalities
- ✓ Private non-profits that are corporations, associations, agencies or with non-profit status under the Internal Revenue Code 501 c3.

CDBG PROGRAM BASICS

WHAT IS AN ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY?

- ✓ Serve low- to moderate-income households and individuals
- ✓ Address slum and blight

QUALIFYING AN ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY – National Objectives

Low-mod income is qualified in three ways:

- ✓ **Area benefit:** Service area for a public improvement or facility
- ✓ **Income intake:** Programs that serve primarily low-and moderate-income individuals and families will be eligible for funding. The definition of a moderate-income family is no more than 80% percent of the area median income, adjusted for household size.
- ✓ **Presumed benefit:** Some groups are assumed to be low – moderate income. These include – abused children, battered spouses, elderly persons, disabled persons, homeless persons, illiterate adults, migrant farm workers, and persons living with AIDS.

CDBG PROGRAM BASICS

WHAT ARE SOME ELIGIBLE COSTS?

- ✓ Personnel / staff (salary and benefits).
- ✓ Office / facility rental or lease costs.
- ✓ Materials and supplies.
- ✓ Communications.

WHAT ARE SOME INELIGIBLE COSTS?

- ✓ Fundraising.
- ✓ Political Activities.
- ✓ Expenses required to carry out regular responsibilities or functions of local government.
- ✓ Income Payments.
- ✓ Building or portion thereof, used for general conduct of government.
- ✓ Purchase of equipment, fixtures, motors, vehicles, furnishings or other personal property.

These are some examples; this is not representative of all ineligible costs.



ESG PROGRAM BASICS

Homeless Division

ESG PROGRAM BASICS

- Fulton County's goal is to make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring.
 - This is achieved by working collectively with internal departments and external partners to include local municipalities.
 - The ESG Program is designed to increase the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families.
 - The program is the first step in a continuum of assistance to prevent homelessness and enable homeless individuals and families move to independent living.
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ESG PROGRAM BASICS

WHAT ARE SOME ELIGIBLE ESG ACTIVITIES?

- ✓ **Street Outreach;**
 - ✓ **Emergency Shelter;**
 - ✓ **Homeless Prevention;**
 - ✓ **Rapid Re-Housing Assistance; and**
 - ✓ **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).**
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ESG Emergency Shelter

Emergency Shelter Funds operations for low-barrier, emergency shelters facing extra operational costs due to the coronavirus. Eligible expenses include:

- Case management
- Onsite services (such as patient health services)
- Renovations (rehab or conversion)
- Maintenance
- Rent + utilities
- Security
- Fuel
- Equipment
- Insurance
- Food
- Furnishing
- Supplies
- Transportation
- Motel vouchers (only when shelter system cannot safely accommodate families)

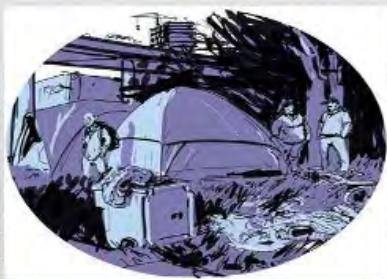


ESG Street Outreach

These activities are designed to meet the immediate needs of the unsheltered homeless population by connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, and/or critical health services.

Eligible activities for street outreach include:

- Engagement;
- Case Management;
- Emergency Health Services;
- Transportation; and
- Services for Special Populations.



ESG HOMELESS PREVENTION

Housing relocation and stabilization services and short-and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary (up to 12 months) to prevent the individual or family from moving into homelessness.

- Rental assistance (arrears included)
- Application fees
- Last month's rent on new lease
- Security deposit
- Utility deposit and payments
- Moving costs
- Case management
- Credit repair



ESG RAPID RE-HOUSING

Housing relocation and stabilization services and/or short-and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary (up to 24 months) to help homeless individuals or families directly impacted by the coronavirus move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

- Rental assistance (arrears included)
- Application fees
- Last month's rent on new lease
- Security deposit
- Utility deposit and payments
- Moving costs
- Case management
- Credit repair



HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

- ✓ Subrecipients of ESG Grant Awards are required to participate in the city's approved HMIS system.
 - ✓ Other eligible HMIS activities include:
 - HMIS data entry and reporting;
 - Attending HMIS Training;
 - Computer Hardware; and
 - Software related to HMIS.
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HOME Investment Partnerships Program

Housing Programs – provide safe and decent housing for low-and moderate-income households.

- Rental Housing
- Owner-Occupied Housing
- Homebuyer Assistance
- Rehabilitation
- New Construction

Community Housing Development Organization

- Community-based
- Focus on housing
- Board composed with community residents



PAST USE OF FUNDS

- Five Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan submitted to HUD;
- CDBG: 2020 Municipal projects to be selected and a Substantial Amendment advertised along with 2021 to identify projects
- CDBG: Carried out activities funded in prior years and by Substantial Amendment from early 2020
- HOME: Carried out Homeownership activities (HOP)
- ESG: Funded 2019 subrecipients and COVID subrecipients to serve homeless clients
- ESG: Homeless prevention other than case management on hold pending lifting of rent moratorium

- CAPER for 2019 on display and submitted Fall 2020
- CAPER for 2020 on target for Display early March to detail accomplishments for 2020
- Housing Rehabilitation program reinstated
- Various Municipal projects initiated and completed
- Covid funding CDBG CV 1 and ESG 1 and 2 allocated
- Covid funding CDBG CV 3 to be allocated



QUESTIONS

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Cc: Benjamin, Kim; Butler, Dawn; Isaac, Ann
Subject: FW: Comments for Fulton County Planners of 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan

Feedback for the Action Plan



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From: Pat Sheppard [mailto:Pat.Sheppard@padv.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 4:46 PM
To: Community Feedback
Subject: Comments for Fulton County Planners of 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan

To Whom It May Concern:

As Grants Manager for Partnership Against Domestic Violence, I urge the planners to continue to include victims of domestic violence among the groups of persons in need of assistance. PADV, as the state's oldest domestic violence agency, provides shelter, case management, legal assistance and housing. We help meet the needs of domestic violence victims to find safety and a new start, free from violence. When clients in crisis situations are trying to escape danger and threats by abusive partners, they call PADV's crisis lines. Advocates conduct an assessment to help victims remove themselves from the danger, through safety planning, funds for hotel/motel vouchers, and for many, admittance into PADV's Safe House. With funding from HUD, for those who are eligible for rental assistance, our advocates can pay for rental arrears for existing housing, or security deposits and/or first month's rent to move into a new place. We also fund longer-term housing through HUD Continuum of Care grants.

Domestic violence is a chronic problem in our society. The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence estimates 1 in 4 women and 1 in 9 men have experienced intimate partner violence. While exact numbers of victims are not available, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation reports more than 3,000 incidents of family violence occurred in Fulton County in 2017 – the latest year for which statistics are available. The consequences are injuries and sometimes death, as well as financial devastation, risk of homelessness and

child and adult trauma. The stresses and strains resulting from COVID-19 – families forced to stay together for long stretches of time; job losses; income depletions; and the ever-present risk of sickness, hospitalization and death – all exacerbate tensions that can lead to domestic violence. The Emory University School of Medicine's Injury Prevention Research Center identified, from a study of 30 weeks of crime data from the Atlanta Police Department, a rise of domestic crimes during the COVID-19 period compared with the previous two years. A spike in domestic crimes was recorded after city and statewide shelter-in-place orders.

While employment in restaurants, hotels, and retail have often been the means for a victim to begin working and creating an income stream, jobs in these industries have been drastically reduced because of COVID, and automation is replacing many factory jobs. According to a recent article in the Washington Post, citing a report of the McKinley Global Institute, "20% of business travel won't come back and about 20% of workers could end up working from home indefinitely. These shifts mean fewer jobs at hotels, restaurants, and downtown shops, in addition to ongoing automation of office support roles and some factory jobs."

Until such time as our economy bounces back, and the workforce is realigned, DV victims in Fulton County need our help in gaining safe housing and food to sustain themselves and their children. We thank you for your consideration of the needs of many in Fulton County.

Sincerely,

Pat Sheppard, Grants Manager



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Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:15 AM
To: lparks@disabilitylink.org; kgibson@disabilitylink.org
Cc: Karen Parish
Subject: Disability Link and Fulton County Federal Funding Community Stakeholders- Public Hearing--Thursday, February 11 5PM

Good morning Ms. Parks (Public Relations Outreach- Disability Link):

Fulton County is requesting input from community stakeholder groups that address persons with disabilities. We have not received a confirmation that Disability Link can join the public hearing on tomorrow Thursday, February 11 @5PM via zoom.

If you would please respond to indicate if someone from your organization will participate. Thank you.

The public hearing information is outlined below.



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Attention Fulton County Community Stakeholders:

Fulton County Invites Citizens Input on Community Needs 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan

Fulton County invites public input on the needs of the community that can be met with federal grant funds available from HUD in accordance with the County's Citizen Participation Plan. A public hearing will be held on **Thursday February 11, 2021**. The hearing will be held at 5:00 p.m.

February 11, 2021 at 5 PM via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/7790438939>

**Meeting ID: 779 043 8939#
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The purpose of the hearing is as follows:

1. Obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations concerning the County's housing and community development needs. The information gathered will be used in the preparation of the Fiscal Year 2021 annual Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Program and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs.
2. The county expects to receive a small increase in funding over 2020 levels – approximately:

CDBG	\$1,867,240
HOME	\$877,260
ESG	\$166,641

3. Review the County's federal grants Programs and provide an opportunity for the public to comment on program performance.

Comments received no later than 5:00 p.m., February 18, 2021 will be considered. Comments may be sent via email at communityfeedback@fultoncountyga.gov or to the address below:

**Fulton County Government, Department of Community Development
137 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30303**

An Annual Action Plan will be drafted and made available for public review on or about March 11. The Fulton County Department of Community Development invites citizens to review and comment on proposed plan. A copy will be available online at: <https://www.fultoncountyga.gov/inside-fulton-county/fulton-county-departments/community-development>.

Residents in need of reasonable accommodations due to a disability or limited English proficiency should contact the Disability Services Liaison in the Community Development Department at (404) 613-7944. To obtain Georgia Relay Access, dial 711. La información será proporcionada en español a petición.

COVID-19 distancing, gathering restrictions eased

By Beau Evans
Capitol Beat News Service

Gov. Brian Kemp has rolled back longstanding COVID-19 distancing restrictions in Georgia amid a mix of relief and concern from local businesses and public-health experts.

Starting April 8, Georgia's months-long ban on gatherings of more than 50 people in one place has been lifted per orders from the governor, who has steadily moved to ease safety measures imposed since the virus swept the state in March last year.

Restaurants and bars are allowed to seat patrons at least 3.5 feet from each other instead of the previous 6-foot requirement. Movie-goers can sit 3 feet from each other in indoor theaters. A shelter-in-place order for nursing homes and other elderly-care facilities also is lifted.

Additionally, police officers are barred from shutting down businesses that refuse to comply with the new scaled-back distancing and sanitization rules. A partial ban on mask mandates in Georgia cities and counties will also remain in effect.

Kemp's decision comes as more and more Georgians receive their first doses of the vaccine, which was made available to everyone age 16 and older starting late last month.

Nearly 4.3 million vaccines have been administered in Georgia as of last Tuesday, marking more than 2.8 million people who have received at least one of the needed two doses for most vaccines. More than 1.5 million Georgians are now fully vaccinated, according to state Department of Public Health data.

"We continue to make steady progress in our vaccine administration here in Georgia," Kemp said last week. "The life-saving COVID-19 vaccine is our key back to normal, and with all Georgians ages 16 and over now eligible to receive the shot, we are well on our way as we head into spring and summer."

The rollback drew praise from local business leaders including restaurant owners who have been hit hard by the pandemic over the past year. Roughly 20% of Georgia's restaurants remain closed after more than half shut down temporarily in the pandemic's early days, said Karen Bremer,

president of the Georgia Restaurant Association.

Bremer noted the 6-foot distancing rule has limited restaurants to about 60% of capacity, complicating dine-in services as many restaurants turned to curbside and delivery during the pandemic. Restaurants will still have leeway to decide whether to stick with the stricter safety measures, she said.

"Slowly but surely, we have been able to expand to a more reasonable level," Bremer said. "I'm sure that there will be many that still require the face coverings for people to come into their businesses. It's their prerogative as a business to do that."

The Georgia Chamber of Commerce also backed Kemp's rollback decision, noting local businesses "should continue to follow safety protocols and prioritize the health of customers and employees," said Chris Clark, the chamber's president and CEO.

However, some public-health experts have urged Kemp to pump the brakes on loosening COVID-19 restrictions until more Georgians become fully vaccinated in the next month or so.

"Too soon, way too soon," said Dr. Carlos del Rio, a leading Emory University epidemiologist who has focused on the virus since its onset last year. He pushed for waiting until at least the end of this month to start relaxing restrictions.

His stance was echoed by Isaac Fung, an associate professor of epidemiology at Georgia Southern University's Jamm-Ping Hsu College of Public Health. Georgia should hold off on fully reopening until about three-fourths of all residents have been vaccinated to reach herd immunity, he said.

In the meantime, restaurants can take steps like install plexiglass screens between customers and require masks to reduce risks of transmission, particularly as more infectious mutations of the virus take root in Georgia, Fung said.

"I would highly recommend Georgians to put on face masks if they speak, especially in public or when they're meeting with friends," Fung said. "I understand why they want that to be relaxed ... but people should remain vigilant. ... The pathway forward is to get as many people fully vaccinated as quickly as possible."

Georgians can pre-register for a vaccine appointment at myvaccinegeorgia.com even if they do not yet qualify under the governor's eligibility criteria. They will be notified once they qualify and scheduled for an appointment.

State officials have opened nine mass vaccination sites in Atlanta, Macon, Albany, Savannah, Columbus, Waycross and Bartow, Washington and Habersham counties.

As more Georgians are vaccinated, Kemp said he will not seek to require so-called "vaccine passports" for people to show proof they've been vaccinated in order to travel, work or frequent businesses.

"While the development of multiple safe, highly effective COVID-19 vaccines has been a scientific miracle, the decision to receive the vaccine should be left up to each individual," Kemp said.

More than 857,000 people had tested positive for COVID-19 in Georgia as of last Tuesday afternoon, with more than 209,000 more reported positive antigen tests indicating likely positive results. The virus has killed 16,761 Georgians.

Georgia Democrats discuss president's infrastructure plan

By Dave Williams
Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA — President Joe Biden's \$2.3 trillion infrastructure plan would provide an overdue fix to deteriorating highways while ramping up investment in modern transit including high-speed rail, three members of Georgia's congressional delegation said April 7.

Freshman Democratic U.S. Reps. Carolyn Bourdeaux of Suwanee and Nikema Williams of Atlanta and veteran Rep. Hank Johnson, D-Savannah, addressed

the legislation during an online roundtable with state and regional transportation agency heads and metro-Atlanta local elected officials. All three are members of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

The bill, which Biden unveiled last week, calls for repairing and upgrading the nation's roads, bridges and transit systems, but would also include other infrastructure needs like broadband, water and wastewater projects.

It would move well past rebuilding the interstate highway system begun by President

Dwight Eisenhower in the 1950s, said Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., the transportation committee's chairman, who addressed the group at the start of the discussion.

"We're not doing Eisenhower 8.0," he said. "We're moving into the 21st century with our infrastructure."

DeFazio said the legislation would create lots of good paying union jobs, more than enough to make up for the jobs lost when Biden canceled the controversial Keystone Pipeline.

DeFazio cited a report from Moody's Investors Service that predicted a return of \$1.50 for every \$1 the federal government spends on infrastructure improvements.

The bill faces an uphill battle in Congress, while progressive Democrats are urging an even bigger infrastructure package. Republicans are digging in to oppose the legislation because it would be paid for with higher taxes on corporations.

Johnson said the U.S. can't afford not to spend the money.

"We should not be 13th in the world investing in our infrastructure," he said. "We have to have a government willing to make the initial investments."

Williams said her vision for transportation is centered around providing equity by revitalizing transit stations in low-income communities to attract economic development.

MARTA is doing just that with a \$50 million upgrade of the Bankhead rail station in conjunction with a planned 90-acre Microsoft campus. The fiscal 2022 state budget the General Assembly adopted

last week put \$6 million toward the project.

"We're really aligned with the initiative the [House] committee and the president are putting together," said Jeff Parker, MARTA's general manager and CEO.

Bourdeaux said chronic traffic congestion in metro Atlanta is hurting economic development in the region. More transit options would go a long way toward solving the problem, she said.

"We do have to widen roads," Bourdeaux said. "But all of us are interested in transit and new ways to do things."

Fulton Juvenile Court's Youth and Law Summit to help turn 'Dreams 2 Reality'

By Everett Catts
@NeighborEverett

As a way to help teens and young adults make their dreams come true, Fulton County Juvenile Court Judge Renata Turner will host the 14th annual Youth and Law Summit in Atlanta.

This year's event, titled "Dreams 2 Reality" and set for April 24 from 10 a.m. to noon, is free and will take place virtually via Zoom, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The summit is co-chaired by Darrick McDuffie, senior counsel at Constangy,

Brooks, Smith & Prophete LLP, and Bridgett Ortega, associate dean of career services and professional development at Atlanta's John Marshall Law School, where Turner is a former assistant dean.

The summit is held every year in April and continues to be a bridge between metro Atlanta's youth and tools they can use to pursue brighter futures.

Each year, the event focuses on topics ranging from gang violence to community and generational trauma, attracting up to 200 attendees. The original goal was to "create opportunities for

minority students to think critically about ethical and practical implications of the law," according to Marshall Law School.

"That goal has expanded to focus on issues facing court-involved youth to include knowing their rights and responsibilities as young men and women," Turner said in a news release.

Parents also are encouraged to attend and participate. A Zoom session titled "Language As A Missing Link" was created with them in mind.

For more information or to register, visit <https://bit.ly/3fUsYjp>.

MDJ carrier dies in wreck Easter weekend

Powder Springs man charged with DUI

By Aleks Gilbert
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Marietta Daily Journal carrier Gideon Alawine died early April 3 in a wreck on Macland Road involving a drunk driver, according to police.

Police arrested Thomas W. Thompson, 40, of Powder Springs, according to Cobb Police Chief Tim Cox. Thompson was charged with homicide by vehicle in the first degree and possession to

always running extra routes for guys who were out sick or something like that and never wanting anything in return. ... He's just an easy-going guy. Gentle giant."

Originally from Seattle, Alawine worked as a welder on skyscrapers in New York and Florida before moving to Georgia and joining the Journal's parent company, Times Journal, Inc., Galmish said.

Alawine delivered Neighbor newspapers, metro Atlanta weeklies owned by Times Journal, Inc., for at

least several months.

His wife, Essie, would prepare papers for him to deliver, Galmish said. Saturday morning, concerned Alawine hadn't returned from delivering the papers, she went looking for him, driving along his route and right past the location of the wreck before she got a call from Cobb police, Galmish said.

DOG PARK

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annual memberships with a similar pricing structure to the Old Fourth Ward location. Members will be able to enjoy all Fetch locations under their membership dues.

All dogs are required to

have up-to-date vaccinations on file (DHPP, Bordetella, and Rabies) and be spayed or neutered if 8 months of age or older to enter the property. Find more information about Fetch Park and their entry requirements at www.fetchpark.com. You can find Fetch Park on Facebook at @FetchParkATL and on Instagram at @fetchpark.

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Atlanta Humane Society takes in 29 dogs rescued in Toccoa

By Everett Catts
@NeighborEverett

The Atlanta Humane Society announced it has taken in 29 dogs that were living on a property in Toccoa and will put them up for adoption.

The dogs, all large-breeds mixes, were brought to the Toccoa-Stephens County Humane Shelter before being picked up by the society Jan. 14. The shelter contacted the society because it didn't have the resources or facilities to care for all the dogs, society spokeswoman Christina Hill said.

"The dogs were urine-stained, living in outdoor sheds and a trailer," Hill said. "They were all removed from the property by Toccoa-Stephens staff yesterday. No charges are expected to be pressed."

The dogs, which range in age but are mostly adults, are staying at the society's west Midtown location until they're healthy enough to be adopted.

"They have various medical needs, including mange and neurological needs, and our shelter medicine team is creating support plans for each of them," Hill said, adding all the dogs will be put up for adoption once they're healthy enough.

The society's website lists adoptable animals as they become available, including these dogs. For more information, visit www.atlantahumanesociety.org/dogs.



Special Photo

Above left: One of the rescued dogs is held by an Atlanta Humane Society employee after being brought to its west Midtown location. Above right: One of the rescued dogs is carried to an Atlanta Humane Society vehicle by Kirsil Valdes, the Atlanta Humane Society's companion animal behavior specialist, as it's being picked up from the Toccoa-Stephens County Humane Shelter.

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North Fulton lawmakers condemn Capitol riot

By Elizabeth Nouryeh-Clay
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North Fulton lawmakers are among the countless senators and representatives who have spoken out against the violence at the Capitol building two weeks ago.

Supporters of then-President Donald Trump stormed the Capitol building Jan. 6, leaving the country stunned. Despite internal warnings and social media posts announcing the riot ahead of time, Capitol Police were unable to stop the mob from gaining access to the building. Rioters were seen breaking windows, destroying the Senate floor and looting the Capitol.

North Fulton Senator John Albers, Rep. Mary Robichaux and Rep. Lucy McBath all condemned the violence.

"In the summer, we watched peaceful protests turn into riots, looting and violence," Albers said. "Now we are seeing threats to those running our elections and storming the U.S. Capitol."

The insurrection resulted in five deaths, including a Capitol police officer who was beaten by rioters. An Alpharetta man who attended the siege died by suicide after being charged with unlawful entry of public property and violating the 6 p.m. curfew.

Since the insurrection, the FBI has made more than 100 arrests and opened more than 200 case files. At least seven Georgians have been arrested in connection with the attack so far.

"Let me be very clear — YOU ARE WRONG if you are resorting to these illegal activities," Albers continued.

Pro-Trump protesters gather in front of the U.S. Capitol Building on Jan. 6 in Washington, D.C. North Fulton lawmakers are among the countless senators and representatives who have spoken out against the violence.

The world watched as insurrectionists, incited by President Trump, attacked American democracy, American institutions, and the American way of life."

Rep. Lucy McBath

ly responsible for inciting these individuals based on false conspiracy and lies," Robichaux said. "I call on all of my colleagues to speak out against such reckless behavior. This attempt to undermine the legal votes of Americans will fail. But we must ensure that we can unite on the other side to do the hard work of bringing us back together."

McBath also said the attack was incited by Trump and supported his impeachment.

"The world watched as insurrectionists, incited by President Trump, attacked American democracy, American institutions, and the American way of life," McBath said. "The result of his rhetoric has left five Americans dead, laying bare his contempt for our Constitution, his disdain for our democracy, and his persistent threat to this nation's security."

Albers did not respond to Neighbor Newspapers' request for comment on Trump's influence on the attack.

"With heavy hearts and a clear purpose, we have

Notice of Public Hearing

Petitioner: Bassem Falkouri/ Roswell Community Masjid, LLC

Location: 11370 Crabapple Road

Type: RZ 2020051100

Land Lots: 395

Request: Rezone from RS- 30 to CI

Public Hearings: Neighborhood Meeting
January 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.
Hearing before Planning Commission
February 16, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.
Hearing before Mayor and Council
March 8, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

Place: Roswell City Hall, 38 Hill Street,
Roswell, Georgia 30075

Note: Georgia law requires that all parties who have made campaign contributions to the Mayor or to a Council Member in excess of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) within two (2) years immediately preceding the filing of this request, and who desire to appear at the public hearings in opposition to the application, shall at least five (5) days prior to the hearing file a campaign contribution report with the Community Development Department. The complete text of the Georgia law is available in the office of the City Attorney, 38 Hill St.

The complete application is on file for public view at the Roswell Planning and Zoning Division, 38 Hill Street, Suite G-30, Roswell, Georgia, 33701-6720. Refer to www.roswellgov.com.

Gary Palmer
City Administrator

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Mayor

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Petitioner: Ramon Antunes/ Atlanta Coffee Exchange



Cambridge grad and TMU standout named to AAC's All-Freshmen team

By Everett Catts
@NeighborEverett

Former Cambridge High basketball standout E.J. Smith, who is in his first season at Truett McConnell University in Cleveland, Georgia, was named to the Appalachian Athletic Conference All-Freshmen team.

According to a Feb. 27 news release, the freshman

guard is one of three Bears to receive the conference's postseason honors. Junior forward Enocka Franky was chosen to the All-Conference first team and All-Defensive squad, and freshman guard Ty Briscoe joined Smith earned on the All-Freshmen team.

Smith averaged 6.44 points and 1.11 assists a game and led Truett McConnell in

steals per game (1.07) and 3-point field goal percentage (32.7%). He scored a season-high 16 points against Kentucky Christian in January.

"E.J. displayed a tireless work ethic and selfless attitude from day one," Bears head coach Jon Yeh said in the release. "His shooting ability earned him playing time, but then this overall game flourished as he gained

confidence. He was both a capable defender (second on the team in total steals) and a solid decision maker (1.6 to 1 assist-to-turnover ratio)."

Truett McConnell (9-19 overall, 5-15 conference) ended its season with an 88-79 loss to Montreat (North Carolina) in the conference tournament's play-in game Feb. 20.

Truett McConnell freshman guard E.J. Smith, a former Cambridge High standout, takes a shot in a game earlier this season.

Roswell cancels and postpones numerous upcoming city events

By Elizabeth Nouryeh-Clay
@NouryehNeighbor

The city of Roswell has decided to cancel or postpone many large city events that traditionally take place during the spring and summer months.

The city said the cancellations and postponements are continued efforts to safeguard the health and safety of the Roswell community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Memorial Day Celebration, Riverside Sounds Concert Series and the Lavender Festival are all cancelled.

Alive in Roswell will be postponed until

July 15. The city will reassess the decision to hold July's event on April 30.

Food Truck Fridays, the 4th of July Celebration and BBQ and Bluegrass at Barrington Hall and the End of Summer Celebration are also all on hold and will be reassessed by April 30.

Roswell says its decision to cancel or postpone these events was made out of an abundance of caution for the public, sponsors and vendors, and city staff and volunteers who organize and work the events. The city is continuing to follow state and local public health guidelines, as well as adhering to CDC guidance regarding special events.

14 Fulton schools named AP Honor Schools by state Dept. of Education

By Everett Catts
@NeighborEverett

14 high schools in the Fulton County Schools district were named Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Schools by the Georgia Department of Education when it released its list Feb. 24.

Fulton's number of schools lauded was only one less than the class of 2019. Statewide, 244 schools were honored, down from 255 the previous year. In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all AP exams were taken online in an abbreviated format.

Based on how schools' students fared on AP exams, the department started recognizing AP Honor Schools in 2008. The honor began with three categories: AP Access and Support Schools, AP Challenge Schools and AP Merit Schools. The AP STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and AP STEM Achievement categories were added in 2011, and the AP Humanities category debuted in 2015.

Last year two new categories were added: AP Humanities Achievement and AP Expansion Schools. The AP Merit Schools category was renamed AP Schools of Distinction.

Fulton's recognized schools and their categories were as follows:

- AP Access and Support Schools: North Springs

- AP Challenge Schools: Hapeville

- AP Schools of Distinction: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Expansion Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Humanities Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP Humanities Achievement Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

AP STEM Schools: Alpharetta, Banneker, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Creekside, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood, Roswell and Westlake

AP STEM Achievement Schools: Alpharetta, Cambridge, Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Milton, North Springs, Northview, Riverwood and Roswell

On the statewide level, Georgia's public-school class of 2020 has the 17th-highest AP pass rate in the country (the same as the class of 2019), according to data released by the College Board.

"I'm so proud of the class of 2020 for their continued accomplishments and extremely pleased to see that Georgia's students maintained their strong performance on AP exams even given the impact of

the COVID-19 pandemic in their final year," State School Superintendent Richard Woods said in a news release. "In a challenging time for schools and students, this is good news as we continue our work to expand advanced learning opportunities to all students."

The percentage of students earning a 3 or higher on an AP exam was 23.2% for Georgia's class of 2020, the same as the class of 2019. Georgia students recorded stronger AP performance than most Southern states, scoring higher than their peers in Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia.

The percentage of low-income AP test-takers who scored 3 or higher increased in Georgia for the second straight year, jumping from 43.7% for the class of 2019 to 49.4% for the class of 2020. This figure is based on the performance of students who used an AP exam fee reduction, which states look to as a marker of equitable participation for low-income students.

Overall, 38.5% of Georgia's class of 2020 took an AP exam while in high school. This is a slight drop compared to the class of 2019 – of those students, 40.5% took at least one AP exam. The national participation rate decreased slightly as well, from 39.9 to 38.3%.

For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/3qW5tN>.

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colorectal cancer screening. According to Clinical Oncology News, delays in colorectal cancer screenings during the pandemic will equate to a 12% increase in cancer deaths over the next five years.

As an ambassador, he's asking everyone to get a colonoscopy when they turn 50 or even 45.

"Unfortunately, getting a colonoscopy is really the main way to check for colon cancer, and it's not very fun. You have to do a lot

of prep," he said. "Getting the colonoscopy is not just an easy blood test or something like that you can do, so a lot of people put it off. I understand that, and don't know if I would have done it right at 50."

"But hopefully, when people hear some of the stories and hear, 'Hey, I know this guy who has ... (colon cancer). He had no other symptoms, and it's a really easy thing to go undiagnosed.' Hopefully they'll hear my story and see a doctor, and if they're having any symptoms, at least follow up on the symptoms and hopefully catch it if they have it, catch it early."

For more information about Fight CRC, visit www.fightcrc.org.

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the applicant entities' total number of employees and

average monthly payroll.

As a result of these false statements, lenders issued over \$3.5 million in PPP loans to these various entities. Swope and the others then allegedly used the

fraudulently obtained funds for unauthorized expenditures including luxury clothing, restaurants, personal rent, hotels and vacation rentals.

Both women were indicted on Feb. 24.

THE CITY OF ROSWELL SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITS 2020 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT

The City of Roswell is seeking public comment on its 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is an annual report that must be submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and describes the use of the City's entitlement funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The draft plan will be available to the public starting on Friday March 12, 2021. Due to closures related to the COVID pandemic, the City will not be posting hard copy at the Roswell Public Library, East Roswell Public Library, or the Roswell Housing Authority. However, hard copies will be available for review at Roswell City Hall, 38 Hill Street, Suite 115, Roswell, GA 30075, and an electronic copy will be posted on the City of Roswell's website, www.roswellgov.com. Public comments may be submitted by email to CDBG@roswellgov.com or in writing at suite 130 in City Hall. All public comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday March 29, 2021.

Persons requiring special accommodations should contact the City of Roswell Grants Division Office at City Hall. An interpreter is available upon request to assist persons with limited English proficiency. The City of Roswell does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of access to or treatment of or employment with the programs and activities described herein. Please contact Charles Alford, (770) 641-3847, gafford@roswellgov.com, with any questions.

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**HOME INVESTMENT
PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
*Recapture/Resale Provisions***



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Background

The HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program was established under **TITLE II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act**. The purpose [SEC. 203. (42 U.S.C. 12722)] of HOME funding is to:

- A. Expand
 - a. The supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing.
 - b. The capacity of Nonprofit Housing Providers
- B. Strengthen:
 - a. Ability of state and local governments to design and implement strategies for achieving an adequate supply of housing
 - b. Public-private partnership
- C. Provide participating jurisdictions, on a coordinated basis, with the various forms of Federal housing assistance, including capital investment, mortgage insurance, rental assistance, and other Federal assistance, needed

The HOME Program is administered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Fulton County, as a participating jurisdiction (PJ), receives funds under the HOME Program.

Purpose of this manual

The purpose of this Manual is to provide information required to carry out the responsibilities under the Fulton County HOME Program. Fulton County Housing and Community Development is responsible for ensuring appropriate utilization of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement funds. If, in the course of using this Manual, inconsistencies or ambiguities are found by the user, it is the responsibility of the user to contact Fulton County for clarification. Such clarifications will be provided by Fulton County in its sole and absolute discretion. This Manual will be applicable (until amended or superseded). Any updated policies and/ or forms will be distributed under a cover letter and inserted into this Manual.

Participating Jurisdictions (PJs) undertaking HOME-assisted homebuyer activities, including any projects funded with HOME Program Income (PI), must establish written resale and/or recapture provisions that comply with HOME statutory and regulatory requirements. These provisions must also be set forth in the PJ's Consolidated Plan. The written resale and/or recapture provisions that a PJ submits in its annual Action Plan must clearly describe the terms of the resale and/or recapture provisions, the specific circumstances under which these provisions will be used (if more than one set of provisions is described), and how the PJ will enforce the provisions for HOME-funded ownership projects. HUD reviews and approves the provisions as part of the annual Action Plan process.

HOME requires that PJs utilize resale and/or recapture provisions to ensure continued affordability for low- to moderate-income homeowners and as a benefit to the public through the wise stewardship of federal funds.

DHCD has programs which could use HOME funds to assist homeowners or homebuyers:

- Housing Rehabilitation Deferred Payment Loan Program/ Deferred Payment Loans (DPL): This program assists low to moderate income Fulton County residents make needed home improvements for the correction of health, safety code violations through Deferred Payment Loans (DPL).
- Home Ownership Program (HOP)/ a second mortgage Deferred Payment Loan: This program assisted approved homebuyers with a deferred payment soft second mortgage loan for down payment assistance and closing cost. Fulton County directly administers the program through a network of participating lenders, who are responsible for originating, underwriting, closing, and funding mortgage loans. Applications are reviewed following standard insuring underwriting criteria, and Fulton County compliance guidelines based on HOME regulations found at 24 CFR Part 92. Funds are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis, and all HOP borrowers must complete a pre purchase home ownership counseling workshop or individual counseling. Post Counseling may be required. Housing counseling activities must be facilitated by a HUD approved counseling agency. There was a revision made to the program guidelines to include providing up to 6% of sales price, not to exceed \$10,000, in down payment and closing cost assistance in accordance with the 1st mortgage lender requirements.
- CHDO/Rental Development: The Development Programs administer funding to qualified agencies to assist with the development of affordable rental properties through acquisition and rehabilitation activities. On-going compliance is provided to several properties during the affordability period.

Specific examples where the DHCD would use the resale method include: N/A.

DHCD does not have any cases where resale is encouraged and does use resale in the HOME program however, if a situation arises a resale provision policy will be outlined in accordance with 24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(5)(i)(A) and (B).

Specific examples where the DHCD would use the recapture method include: HOP

Fulton County's Home Ownership Program is designed to assist eligible home buyers, who are seeking to purchase a home in Fulton County, outside the city limits of Atlanta, Roswell, and Sandy Springs. The program will assist approved homebuyers with assistance depending upon the loan type in the form of a deferred payment soft second mortgage loan, which does not require repayment as long as the home remains the primary residence, and is occupied by the borrower during the affordability period. The borrower must take maximum advantage of the terms offered by the first mortgage lender in order to

minimize the amount of the HOP Loan. The first mortgage loan amount must include the maximum LTV, closing costs, and prepaid expenses, to the extent permitted by the Mortgage Insurer (or the investor, in the case of an uninsured first mortgage). There will be no required regular monthly or annual payments under this Note.

Fulton County will directly administer the HOP through a network of participating lenders. These lenders are lending institutions that are required to comply with the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA). The participating lenders are responsible for originating, underwriting, closing, and funding Program Loans. A home buyer must apply for any of these deferred payment options through one of these lenders. Applications will be reviewed following standard insuring underwriting criteria, Fulton County compliance guidelines based on HOME regulations found at 24 CFR Part 92 and funded on a first-come, first-served basis. All HOP borrowers must complete a pre-purchase home ownership counseling course and possibly post-counseling. The applicant is made aware of the post-counseling mandate and acknowledges this requirement via a HOP closing form.

Recapture Provisions

Fulton County's HOME program has adopted the use of the recapture provision to achieve the goal of continued affordability. The design of the HOP program is direct assistance to the homebuyer towards the purchase price of the home. Currently, HOME funds do not cover the difference between the fair market value of the property and the sales price. This provision is secured and enforced through a mortgage deed and a note. The mortgage deed is filed for recordation with the Fulton County Clerk of Superior Courts, and these requirements places a lien on the property thereby should trigger any action related to the sale, transfer, assumption or foreclosure of the HOME-assisted property. The mortgage and note clearly define the dollar amounts and the loan terms; contain default provisions and stipulation that the Borrower is responsible for maintaining the home in good repair.

Recapture Funds: HOME funds recouped by Fulton HCD when HOME assisted homeownership housing does not fulfill the requirements set by the program for the full -imposed affordability period.

Program Specific Requirements: Guidelines for Recapture of HOME Funds Used for Home Buyers under the Home Ownership Assistance Program (HOP): If conditions of the note are met, the principal balance will be reduced by 20% each year beginning after the first year of occupancy, for the duration of the loan. If there is an occurrence of default, the outstanding principal balance will become due and payable. These funds will be remitted to Fulton County HCD and will be utilized for HOME-eligible activities only.

The applicant(s) must occupy the property as his/her primary residence for the period of affordability as set forth by the loan amount. The HOP loan agreement is signed by the homebuyer at the time of financing to ensure that the homebuyer is committed to this obligation. The borrower is also required to sign the acknowledgement of rights form certifying that they understand certain program restrictions.

The Period of Affordability ensures that the property will remain affordable for a certain prescribed period. This time period is based upon the loan amount of the assistance and begins upon activity completion into HUD's IDIS reporting systems. The Period of Affordability for all the HOME Loans under \$15,000 is six years. Fulton County will follow the guidelines indicated below for all HOME Loans both during and after the affordability period associated with the HOME assistance:

Sale, Transfer or Foreclosure: In the event the borrower sells or transfers the mortgaged property or if the mortgaged property is foreclosed upon, and after the first lien holder is satisfied, Fulton County will employ the shared net proceeds option in accordance with 24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A) and will accept the remaining funds available based on the Settlement Statement as the net proceeds of the sale and as the amount of HOME funds subject to recapture as provided in 24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(3). The borrower signs a loan agreement stating they agree to repay an amount equal to the net proceeds of the Fulton County HOME loan. Repayment is forgiven if and only if there are no funds remaining to repay the loan after disposition of the property, thereby writing-off the remaining balance. Fulton County will satisfy the security deed and will not pursue any further collection efforts.

If a transfer of the property is made to a lineal heir(s) upon my death, in the event that said lineal heir(s) is not eligible for assistance under the Fulton County Down Payment Assistance Program, said lineal heir must repay the loan in full or pay the amount remaining after satisfaction of the first mortgage and closing costs.

- in the event that said lineal heir(s) is not eligible for assistance under the Fulton County Home Ownership Assistance Program, said lineal heir must repay the loan in full or pay the amount remaining after satisfaction of the first mortgage and closing costs;
- if the lender permits the lineal heir to assume the first mortgage, and the lineal heir is over-income for HOME assistance, the lineal heir must repay the remaining balance of the HOME loan;
- if the lender permits the lineal heir to assume the first mortgage, and the lineal heir is HOME income-eligible, then the County's loan agreement should permit the lineal heir to also assume the HOME loan if he/she agrees to occupy the property as their principal residence and other deed restrictive covenant items for the entire affordability period then there are no net sale proceeds;
- If a lineal heir inherits the property and immediately sells it, he/she must repay the net sales proceeds up to the amount of the remaining balance of the HOME loan.
- **Mortgage Release:** Fulton County HCD will file a "Release" document with the Fulton County Clerk of Superior Courts to release the original HOME-assisted homebuyer from the requirements of the mortgage or other similar mechanism.

Enforcement of recapture provisions. Through the use of a Restrictive Covenant (note, deed, written agreement) signed by the homebuyer at closing.

Monitoring of the provision:

Fulton County annually maintains and certifies that the homeowner maintains the assisted unit as their primary resident. In order to satisfy the requirements of the Program, that homeowner agrees to not:

- Rent, or contract to rent, any part to assume, lease, sell or abandon the Property, or any
- Part thereof, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, to any individual or individuals; or
- Use the Property as an investment property; or
- Use the Property as a recreational home or "second" home; or
- Change the use of the Property, or any part thereof, to a use other than for single-family occupancy.

Process:

Annually the County mails each recipient a letter reminding them of the second mortgage loan, the amount of assistance, the term that the primary residency remains in effect based on the affordability table, and their acknowledge of receiving these funds. The County also maintains and updates a spreadsheet reflecting when the letter was mailed and any other important information.

The policy of Fulton County for the recapture of HOME investments in cases where the borrower does not occupy the house for the full term of the affordability period is derived from the HOME program regulations at 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A) and section 215(b)(3)(B) of the National Affordable Housing Act. Fulton County has selected option number three, shared net proceeds, as set forth in paragraph 92.254(a)(5)(ii)(A)(3) of the program regulations. Net proceeds means the sales price minus the first loan repayment, standard real estate commissions, if any, real estate taxes and closing costs. If the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full amount of the investment plus enable the homeowner to recover the amount of the homeowner's down payment and any capital improvement investment made by the homeowner since purchase, the County must share the net proceeds with the homeowner. Fulton County's policy of proportional return of investment is to encourage the purchaser to participate in the program and provides a fair return to both the purchaser and Fulton County at the time of the sale. Because it is impossible to dictate the sales market condition at the time of the actual sale, Fulton County has elected to set the following policy:

The net proceeds will be divided proportionally as set forth herein by mathematical formula:

A = HOME Recapture amount B = Amount to homeowner

Direct HOME investment

Direct HOME investment + homeowner investment X Net proceeds = A

Homeowner investment

Direct HOME investment + homeowner investment X Net proceeds = B

The Home Investment is the amount of funds that the owners made for improvements to the property over time. If there are no net proceeds, repayment of the note is not required. In the event the net proceeds exceed the amount necessary to repay both the homeowner's investment, the excess proceeds will be paid to the homeowner. The Fulton County recapture policy is the same for voluntary and involuntary sales.

The HOME program will ensure that any recipient of HOME funds adheres to the County's affordability provision. Currently, the HOP program is the only program using funds for down payment. The County does not use any subrecipients, State recipients, urban county or consortium members, CHDOs or other entities to provide the homebuyer assistance. If the County elects to provide any other entity funds for this purpose, the entity will be required to follow the recapture provision.

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM (ESG) Allocation Process

In accordance with HUD **CFR576.3**, (Allocation of funding) regulations mandate that 7.5% of funds should be spent on administrative activities, a maximum of 60% of Fulton County's ESG funds are to be spent on shelter activities and the remaining 40% to be spent on homeless prevention and rapid rehousing activities proposed by organizations. ESG funds are awarded through a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)/ Request for Proposals/Qualifications/Offers (RFP) from qualified applications with projects which are ready-to-go. The department adheres to the following: solicitation, application process, technical assistance, review of eligibility, funding recommendation, funding selection and written agreements.

Solicitation: The RFP will be widely publicized throughout the County using press releases coordinated with the Office of Communication, use of a mailing list with various groups/partners and advertisements appearing in a local newspaper of general circulation; advertisement on Fulton County's website and postings at specified libraries, government offices and other public places. The advertisement will specify the amount of funds that are available, basic eligibility criteria, details on the process, contact information and the deadline for applications to be submitted, which is typically 30 days.

Application Process: Agencies seeking ESG funding for shelter activities or homeless prevention /rapid rehousing must submit an Application and attach all required documentation including certification forms. The application package consists of an eligibility checklist to be completed by the applicant. The checklist addresses each area of HUD eligibility and provides the applicant the opportunity to specify the documentation they are providing to meet each criteria, work scopes, development and operating budgets, other financing for the project, and long-term cash flow projections upon completion.

ESG applications will only be accepted from eligible organizations (those that can demonstrate experience and staff capacity to manage the day-to-day operations) that have a specific project for which they are seeking funding.

Provide Technical Assistance: Prior to application submission, staff will conduct a mandatory Technical assistance workshop to address compliance requirements, program performance, funding information covered by the RFP. Applicants not attending the mandatory Technical Assistance Workshop will be deemed ineligible for funding. Information regarding the workshop will also be included in the advertisement and press release.

Review for Eligibility/Recommendation/Selection: The Fulton County Continuum of Care Board will recommend candidates for the RFP selection committee which will evaluate and rank all applications and submit recommendations to the Director of the Fulton County Department of Housing and Community Development.

**Board of Commissioner Approval is only needed if the general activity has not been approved in the current year Annual Action Plan. The ESG Program budget includes line items for Shelter activities, Homeless Prevention, and Rapid Rehousing activities without identifying specific projects. The BOC passed a resolution authorizing the Commission Chairman to execute all documents regarding Continuum of Care projects on their behalf without requiring approval of each identified project (Agenda Item 13-0462). If approval is required, an agenda item will be prepared seeking BOC approval, entered into SIRE for the proposed ESG project after adherence of the Citizen Participation Plan.

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Emergency Solutions Grant Policy & Procedures*

Development of Standard Written Agreements: Staff will refer to 24 CFR Part 91.100(d) and 24 CFR 400 (e) for ESG using specific standards along with the citations for the regulations pertaining to ESG Written Agreements in coordination with Fulton County Legal Staff.

References: 24 CFR Part 576, 24 CFR Part 91.100 (d), 24 CFR 400 (e)

INTRODUCTION

The Fulton County Continuum of Care (FCCoC) is a group of organizations and individuals working to address homelessness through a coordinated community-based process of identifying needs and building a system of housing and services to address those needs. The group is comprised of stakeholders who, as an administrative entity, coordinate a year-round planning effort and prepare the annual application for homeless services grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

HEARTH Act amendments to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act codified the role and functions of the CoC, formalizing the responsibilities of a CoC and establishing minimum requirements for its operation and management. This governance charter:

- outlines the governance structure of the Fulton CoC under the new CoC Program Interim Rule;
- defines the roles and responsibilities of the Board, Committees, Working Groups and staff; and
- establishes policies and procedures for operating and managing the CoC.

ARTICLE I. NAME, VISION, MISSION, PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Name. The name of this unincorporated association is the Fulton County Continuum of Care (FCCoC).
 - B. Mission. The FCCoC plans, develops and implements comprehensive and coordinated strategies to address homelessness in Fulton County.
 - C. Vision. The vision of the FCCoC is that in our community every person is appropriately, safely and decently housed. The FCoC works to alleviate homelessness through prevention, assistance toward self-sufficiency and the provision of a continuum of housing and service options.
 - D. Purpose. The purposes of the FCCoC are to:
 1. Promote communitywide commitment to implementing best practices to work toward the goal of ending homelessness in Fulton County;
 2. Maximize available funding for efforts by providers and government entities to prevent homelessness and quickly re-house homeless individuals and families in Fulton County, while minimizing the trauma and dislocation that homelessness causes to individuals, families and the community;
 3. Promote access to mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families, encouraging the full, effective use of available resources; and
 4. Improve self-sufficiency among individuals and families that experience homelessness.
- A. Responsibilities. The FCCoC will fulfill the responsibilities assigned to continuums of care under Title 24, Part 578 of the Code of Federal Regulations and will satisfy all other legal requirements necessary to secure maximum funding under relevant state and federal programs to end homelessness.

ARTICLE II. CONTINUUM OF CARE COMMITTEE STRUCTURE, DESIGNATED ENTITIES AND ROLES

A. Fulton County Planning/Coordinated Assessment Committee (FCP/CAC). The FCP/CAC serves as the primary working entity of the FCCoC. This committee is open to the public and meets quarterly to strengthen coordination and service delivery, and to carry out CoC responsibilities defined by the CoC Program Interim Rule. Primary responsibilities of the FCP/CAC include:

- i. To convene regular meetings of the FCCoC;
- ii. To establish performance targets and to monitor and act on outcomes;
- iii. To provide system coordination; and
- iv. To conduct the Point in Time (PIT) count, Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Annual Gaps analysis.

B. Coordinated Assessment Working Group. The Coordinated Assessment Working Group will work with ESG and CoC recipients to develop the following items for Board approval:

- a. Plans to establish a coordinated system for individuals experiencing homelessness that provides a standardized process for assessing needs for housing or services across all providers.
- b. Written standards for providing CoC assistance that at a minimum include:
 - i. Policies and procedures for evaluating individuals' eligibility for assistance;
 - ii. Policies and procedures for determining and prioritizing which eligible households will receive transitional housing assistance;
 - iii. Policies and procedures for determining and prioritizing which eligible households will receive rapid rehousing assistance;
 - iv. Standards for determining what percentage or amount of rent each program participant must pay while receiving rehousing assistance;
 - v. Policies and procedures for determining and prioritizing which eligible households will receive permanent supportive housing assistance; and
 - vi. A specific policy to guide the operation of the coordinated assessment system in addressing the needs of households who are fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, but who are seeking shelter or services from non-victim service providers. c. A plan for monitoring the coordinated assessment system and verifying that the written standards guiding its operation are being applied uniformly.

Members include representatives from relevant organizations and agencies working in Fulton County, GA, as well as other individuals interested in working to prevent and end homelessness in the county. Relevant organizations include nonprofit homeless assistance providers, victim service providers, faith-based organizations, government entities, businesses, advocates, public housing agencies, school representatives, social service providers, mental health agencies, hospitals and health care practitioners, universities, affordable housing developers, law enforcement and organizations that serve veterans.

The following subcommittees of the FCP/CAC are responsible for HMIS management and oversight, development and operation of a coordinated assessment system and establishment of written standards for providing assistance under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and CoC Programs. Subcommittees can be created at the discretion of the Board as needed.

1. **HMIS Working Group.** The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Working Group meets at a minimum of quarterly to advise the operations, policies, and procedures of the FCCoC HMIS implementation. This group oversees and informs operation of the HMIS by the designated HMIS Lead (Department of Community Affairs - DCA) as outlined in the HMIS Governance Charter and works to monitor performance targets as established by the FCCoC.
2. **Governance Committee.** This committee shall annually review the internal operation of the Board. Committee should hear and investigate any reported misconduct of a board member. The committee will also serve as the governance body of any agency appeals. The committee shall consist of three (3) members who shall be current Directors. The current Chair may not be a member of this committee. The committee members shall be appointed by the FCCoC Board on an annual basis, to serve until the next annual meeting of the Board.
3. **Ad Hoc Committees/Taskforce.** The FCCoC Board may from time to time create one or more ad hoc committees for special purposes. Ad hoc committees may include both Directors and individuals who are not Directors. Ad hoc committees may not exercise the authority of the FCCoC Board.

B. Designated Entities

1. **Collaborative Applicant.** The Fulton County Board of Commissioners is the designated Collaborative Applicant for the FCCoC. The Collaborative Applicant is the eligible applicant that submits the annual CoC Consolidated Application for funding on behalf of the CoC. The Collaborative Applicant is the only entity that can apply for a grant for Continuum of Care planning funds on behalf of the CoC.
2. **HMIS Lead.** Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is the designated HMIS Lead for the FCCoC.
3. **Support Entity.** As the designated Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead, Fulton County Collaborative Applicant (FCCA) plays a significant role in supporting the operation and management of the FCCoC and its HMIS system.

Fulton County CoC staff coordinate and facilitate monthly FCCoC meetings, distribute written meeting agendas and minutes, manage the content of the FCCoC website and newsletter, staff the FCCoC Board and its subcommittees, coordinate the annual PIT and HIC and, with the oversight of the FCCoC Board, design, operate and follow a collaborative, fair and transparent process for developing applications in response to CoC Program NOFAs. Additionally, Fulton County CoC staff will participate in and represent the FCCoC in the Consolidated Plan and ESG allocation and reporting processes. Fulton County CoC staff members are also active participants in regional and State groups meeting to coordinate efforts related to provision of ESG and CoC funds.

- C. FCCoC Board.** The FCCoC Board meets quarterly or as needed to oversee the work of the designated entities, the FCCoC and its subcommittees and working groups defined above. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the FCCoC fulfills the responsibilities assigned to continuums of care under Title 24, Part 578 of the Code of Federal Regulations and oversees progress toward meeting local, regional and federal goals to prevent and end homelessness. The FCCoC Board is also responsible for establishing priorities for funding projects under the CoC Program and for ranking multiple applications if required by HUD in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The FCCoC Board may form a Ranking Subcommittee to fulfill responsibilities related to the NOFA to ensure ranking decisions are made by individuals with no financial interest in the decisions made.

ARTICLE III. CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- A. Number, Composition and Terms.** The Fulton County Homeless Continuum of Care shall be a board as outlined in the Hearst Rule 24 CFR Part 578. Said Board shall be comprised of no more than eleven (11) members as follows:
- One (1) representative nominated by each of the Commission Districts for a total of seven (7) members, this includes one (1) representative from District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Each representative would serve a two (2) year term and could be reappointed to serve additional terms. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no term of any member nominated by a District

Commissioner shall extend beyond the term of the District Commissioner who nominates that member.

- One (1) representative nominated from the South Fulton Service Coalition. This would represent a wide variety of organizations from South Fulton that could help in coordinating services for the homeless to serve a three (3) year term.
- One (1) representative nominated from the North Fulton Interagency Council. This would represent a wide variety of organizations from North Fulton that could help in coordinating services for the homeless to serve a three (3) year term.
- Two (2) representatives that are currently homeless or were formerly homeless.
 - One representative would be nominated and voted upon by the South Fulton Service Coalitions and the North Fulton Interagency Council.
 - These individuals would serve a two (2) year term.

- B. Code of Conduct - Conflicts of Interest and Recusal Process.** FCCoC Board members must exercise care and when acting on behalf of the FCCoC. These individuals must complete the work they have agreed to undertake in a timely manner. In addition, they must attend Board meetings and be prepared to discuss matters presented for their deliberation. Absence without notice or explanation for three meetings within a calendar year or repeated failure to complete work assignments will be grounds for removal from the Board. Repeated failure to participate thoughtfully and respectfully in discussions or persistent disruptive or obstructive conduct during meetings will be grounds for removal.

FCCoC Board members must abide by the following rules in order to avoid conflicts of interest and promote public confidence in the integrity of the FCCoC and its processes. Failure to honor these rules will be grounds for removal from the Board and any of its committees.

1. Members may not participate in or influence discussions or resulting decisions concerning the award of a grant or other financial benefit to:
 - a. Any organization that they or a member of their immediate family represents; or
 - b. Any organization from which they or a member of their immediate family derives income or anything of value.
2. Whenever FCCoC Board members or any of their immediate family members have a financial interest or any other personal interest in a matter coming before the Board or one of its committees, they must:
 - a. Fully disclose the nature of the interest; and
 - b. Withdraw from discussing, lobbying and voting on the matter.

At the beginning of every Board meeting, the facilitator must ask if there are any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest that need to be disclosed before the business included in the meeting's agenda is discussed.

Any matter in which FCCoC Board members have an actual or potential conflict of interest will be decided only by a vote of disinterested individuals. The minutes of any meeting at which such a vote is conducted must reflect the disclosure of interested directors' actual or potential conflicts of interest and their recusal from participation in the decision.

FCCoC Board members must sign a conflict of interest form annually, affirming that they have reviewed the conflict of interest policy and disclosing any conflicts of interest they face or are likely to face in fulfilling their duties as Board members.

Removal of Directors. A Director may be removed without cause by the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors then in office. In addition, a Director may be removed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors then in office for to comply with this Charter's Code of Conduct or other required written policies.

ARTICLE IV. APPROVAL OF GOVERNANCE CHARTER AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

- A. **Scope of the Governance Charter.** The FCCoC Governance Charter establishes a framework for governing the Continuum as well as roles and responsibilities related to establishment of policies and procedures needed to comply with 24 CFR Part 578.
- B. **Approval and Subsequent Amendments.** The governance framework outlined in this document and every subsequent amendment to that framework must be approved by a majority of FCCoC members.
- C. **Regular Reviews of the Governance Charter.** In consultation with the Collaborative Applicant and the HMIS Lead, the FCP/CAC will review the charter annually and recommend to the Board changes to improve the functioning of the FCCoC and maintain compliance with federal regulations. Every five years after initial approval of the charter, the FCCoC Board will invite interested members to participate in a review and discussion of the Board selection process. Based on the consensus achieved in that discussion, the Board will ask FCPC members to ratify the existing selection process or approve proposed changes to that process at their next monthly meeting.
- D. **Charter Amendments.** This Charter may be amended or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by the Board of Directors. At least seven (7) days written notice of any meeting of Directors at which an amendment is to be approved, unless notice is waived. The notice must state that the purpose or one of the purposes, of the meeting is to consider a proposed amendment to the Charter and contain or be accompanied by a copy or summary of the amendment or state the general nature of the amendment. Any amendment must be approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors in office at the time the amendment is adopted.

Article V: Meeting of the FCCoC Board

- A. **Place of Meetings.** All meetings of the FCCoC Board shall be held in Fulton County, Georgia, at such place as the Board of Directors may determine.
- B. **Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting of the Board of appointing officers, and committee members and transacting other business, shall be held at 10:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday in May of each year, or at such other time as the Board of Directors may determine.
- C. **Regular Meetings.** Additional regular meetings of the FCCoC Board shall be held quarterly at times and dates as established by the Board.
- D. **Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the Chair person or twenty percent (20%) of the Directors then in office.
- E. **Notice of Meetings.** Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice if the date, time and place of the meeting previously have been fixed by the Board; otherwise, regular meetings must be preceded by at least two (2) days' notice to each Director of the date, time and place, but not the purpose, of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board of Directors must be preceded by at least two (2) days' notice to each Director of the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting. Notice required by the foregoing provisions may be given by any usual means of communication and may be oral or written. However, any Board action to remove a Director or to approve a matter that would require approval by the members shall not be valid unless each Director is given at least seven (7) days' written notice that the matter will be voted upon at a Directors' meeting.
- F. **Quorum.** A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board. If less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting without further notice.
- G. **Manner of Acting.** If a quorum is present when a vote is taken, the affirmative vote of a majority of Directors present is the act of the Board unless the vote of a greater number of Directors is required by law or this charter.
- H. **Presumption of Assent.** A Director who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors when action is taken is deemed to have assented to the action taken unless: (a) such Director objects at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon arrival) to holding it or transacting business at the meeting; (b) such Director's dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (c) such Director delivers written notice of dissent or abstention to the presiding officer of the meeting before adjournment or immediately after adjournment of the meeting. The right of dissent or abstention is not available to a Director who votes in favor of the action taken.
- I. **Meeting Via Communications Equipment.** The Board of Directors may permit any or all Directors to participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, any means of communication by which all Directors participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting. A Director participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

Article VI. Indemnification.

- A. Director who in the legal defense of any proceeding to which the Director was a party because

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he or she is or was a Director, against reasonable expenses actually incurred by the Director in connection with the proceeding. In addition, if any individual is made a party to a proceeding because the individual is or was a Director or officer, may, to the extent permitted by law, authorize Fulton County to advance expenses to such individual and/or indemnify such individual against liability incurred in the proceeding.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing – The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan – It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

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

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

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

Consistency with plan – The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 – It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



Signature of Authorized Official

6/14/2021
Date



TONYA R. GRIER
CLERK TO THE COMMISSION

Chairman, Fulton County Board of Commissioners
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ITEM # 260374 RCS 5/19/21
RECESS MEETING

Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation – It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan – Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan – It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds – It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2021 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

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

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force – It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



Signature of Authorized Official

6/14/2021
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TONYA R. GRIER
CLERK TO THE COMMISSION

ITEM # 21-1374 RCS 5/19/21
RECESS MEETING

OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

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

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.



Signature of Authorized Official



4/14/2021
Date



Chairman, Fulton County Board of Commissioners
Title

TONYA R. GRIER
CLERK TO THE COMMISSION

ITEM # 21-0374 HCS 5/19/21
RECESS MEETING

Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance – If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs – It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering – Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing.

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ITEM # 21-0374 RCS 5/19/21
RECESS MEETING

Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

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

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

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

Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

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

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

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.



Signature of Authorized Official

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TONYA R. GRIER, CLERK TO THE COMMISSION

ITEM # 248374 RCS 5/19/21
REQUEST MEETING

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424			
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State Use Only:			
6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:		
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8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
* 8a. Legal Name: <input type="text"/> Fulton County, GA			
* 8b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (CIN/TIN): <input type="text"/> 08-3801729		* 8c. Organizational DUNS: <input type="text"/> 1332841670000	
d. Address:			
* Street1:	<input type="text"/> 137 Peachtree Street, BN, Sto 303		
Street2:	<input type="text"/>		
* City:	<input type="text"/> Atlanta		
County/Parish:	<input type="text"/>		
* State:	<input type="text"/> GA: Georgia		
Province:	<input type="text"/>		
* Country:	<input type="text"/> USA: UNITED STATES		
* Zip / Postal Code:	<input type="text"/> 30303-3444		
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name:	Division Name:		
<input type="text"/> Community Development	<input type="text"/> Community Development (ESD)		
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:			
Prefix:	<input type="text"/> Dr.	* First Name:	<input type="text"/> Pamela
Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>		
* Last Name:	<input type="text"/> Rosball		
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>		
Title:	<input type="text"/> Interim Director		
Organizational Affiliation:			
<input type="text"/> Fulton County Department of Community Development			
* Telephone Number:	<input type="text"/> 404-612-1243	Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Email:	<input type="text"/> Pamela.Rosball@fultoncountyga.gov		

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:**Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:***** Other (specify):***** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14-231

CFDA Title:

Emergency Solutions Grant Program

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

E-21-UC-13-0003

*** Title:**

Emergency Solutions Grant Program FY 2021

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

Question 14 - Areas Affected by Project.doc

[Add Attachment](#)[Delete Attachment](#)[View Attachment](#)*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

The Fulton County Emergency Solutions Grant Program of the 2021 Annual Action Plan.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

Question 16 - Congressional Districts.docx

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date

* b. End Date

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="159,268.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value=""/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value=""/>
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* e. Other	<input type="text" value=""/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value=""/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="159,268.00"/>

* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 21, Section 1001)

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

* First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

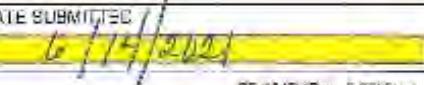
1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance, and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4724-4783) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 300, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4601 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681, 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§623 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1942 (42 U.S.C. §§280 dd-3 and 280 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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- * 1. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Title II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-648) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- 12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1505 and 7324-7328; which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- 13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §974), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
- 14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11544; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11588; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of
- Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 178(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
- 16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- 17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historical Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§439a-1 et seq.).
- 18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1986 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
- 19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
- 20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect; (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	Chairwoman Fulton County Board of Commissioners
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
Fulton County, GA	 6/14/2021

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient) to pay the non-Federal share of project costs to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL:

APPLICANT ORGANIZATION:

Euler County, MN

TITLE:

Planning, Policy, Recovery, Research, and Resources

DATE SUBMITTED:

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424			
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* 3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
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[REDACTED]	6-21-CC-12-0002		
State Use Only:			
6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:	[REDACTED]	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
* a. Legal Name: Fulton County, GA			
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 58-6801729		* c. Organizational DUNS: 2238941679030	
d. Address:			
* Street:	137 Peachtree Street, SW, Ste 300		
Street2:	[REDACTED]		
* City:	Atlanta		
County/Parish:	[REDACTED]		
* State:	GA: Georgia		
Province:	[REDACTED]		
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES		
* Zip / Postal Code:	30303-2444		
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name:	Division Name:		
Community Development	Community Development (CDBG)		
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:			
Prefix:	Dx.	* First Name:	Pamela
Middle Name:	[REDACTED]		
* Last Name:	Boswell		
Suffix:	[REDACTED]		
Title:	Interim Director		
Organizational Affiliation:			
Fulton County Department of Community Development			
* Telephone Number:	404-612-1243	Fax Number:	[REDACTED]
* Email:	Pamela.Boswell@fultoncountyga.gov		

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

* a. Applicant: GA-005

* b. Program/Project: GA-005

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 01/01/2021

* b. End Date: 12/31/2021

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	1,393,957.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
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 **I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr.

* First Name: Roberto

Middle Name: L.

* Last Name: Pitts

Suffix:

* Title: Chairman, Fulton County Board of Commissioners

* Telephone Number: 404-612-0200

Fax Number:

* Email: Roberto.Pitts@fultoncountyga.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed: 6/17/2021

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ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4040-0009
Expiration Date: 02/28/2022

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE Jefferson County Board of Commissioners
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Juliana County, ID	DATE SUBMITTED 

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<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/> 0-21-00-13-0211	
State Use Only:			
6. Date Received by State:		7. State Application Identifier:	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text"/> Fulton County, GA			
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text"/> 55-0001729		* c. Organizational OJMS# <input type="text"/> 13389418220000	
d. Address:			
* Street:	<input type="text"/> 137 Peachtree Street, SW, Ste 100		
Street2:	<input type="text"/>		
* City:	<input type="text"/> Atlanta		
County/Parish:	<input type="text"/>		
* State:	<input type="text"/> GA Georgia		
Province:	<input type="text"/>		
* Country:	<input type="text"/> USA: UNITED STATES		
* Zip / Postal Code:	<input type="text"/> 30303-3444		
e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name:	Division Name:		
<input type="text"/> Community Development	<input type="text"/> Community Development (HOME)		
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:			
Prefix:	<input type="text"/> Dr.	* First Name:	<input type="text"/> Pamela
Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>		
* Last Name:	<input type="text"/> Josheal		
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>		
Title:	<input type="text"/> Interim Director		
Organizational Affiliation:			
<input type="text"/> Fulton County Department of Community Development			
* Telephone Number:	<input type="text"/> 404-612-1243	Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Email:	<input type="text"/> pamela.josheal.1@fultoncountyga.gov		

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<p>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</p> <input type="text" value="H-21-JC-13-0211"/> <p>* Title:</p> <input type="text" value="HOME Investment Partnerships Program FY 2021"/>				
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16. Congressional Districts Of:

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* b. Program/Project:

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Question 16 - Congressional Districts attached

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="670,081.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
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**I AGREE

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Authorized Representative:

* First Name:

* First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: 

* Date Signed: 

21-0374 and 51921

REQUESTED ACTION (*Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.*)

Request approval of a Resolution by the Board of Commissioners to authorize the adoption and approval of the 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan to secure federal funds supporting projects and services needed by its low- and moderate-income citizens for activities. Funding is as follows: Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) in the amount of \$1,393,957 HOME Investment Partnership Program in the amount of \$670,081, and Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) in the amount of \$159,268, totaling \$2,223,306 for all programs. A Fulton County general fund match is not required for CDBG Program. Fulton County uses general funds to support the required ESG and HOME programs with an annual 100% match and 25% match respectively.

REQUIREMENT FOR BOARD ACTION (*Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement*)

The grants will support projects and services needed by Fulton County's low and moderate-income citizens, according to 24 CFR 91.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA RELATED TO THIS ITEM (*If yes, note strategic priority area below*)

Health and Human Services

COMMISSION DISTRICTS AFFECTED

- All Districts
- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5
- District 6

IS THIS A PURCHASING ITEM?

No

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND (*First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.*)

Fulton County received a revised notice dated May 13, 2021, informing Fulton County of funding awards allocation for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) in the amount of \$1,393,957, HOME Investment Partnership Program in the amount of \$670,081, and Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) in the amount of \$159,268, totaling \$2,223,306 for all programs.

The Chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners is authorized to disburse all CDBG, HOME, and ESG grant funds for the purpose to implement, aid programs, and to execute on behalf of Fulton County all supplemental Intergovernmental agreements.

contracts, and related documents, as necessary and consistent with these programs and program amendments as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

A Fulton County general fund match is not required for CDBG Program.
Fulton County uses general funds to support the required ESG and HOME programs with an annual 100% match and 25% match respectively.

Scope of Work: Click or tap here to enter text.

- I. CDBG- proposes to provide funding to municipalities under Cooperation Agreement status with Fulton County and non-profit agencies to administer CDBG 2021 funds for eligible projects and activities to assist low to moderate income communities as outlined below.
 - A 2021 grant application was released to municipalities on November 13, 2020, for a 25 day period.
 - A CDBG application technical assistance meeting was held on November 18, 2020 via ZOOM.

**2021 CDBG Proposed Budget and Project Funding,
FY 2021 CDBG budget total is \$1,393,957**

CDBG Budget Area	Description	CDBG National Objective	CDBG Proposed Funds Amount
Program Administration	Requirements to administer CDBG Program	N/A	\$278,705
Public Service	Fair Housing Activities	Fair Housing	\$23,334
Housing Rehab	Program Administration for Rehab Activities	Low to Moderate Income	\$214,020
College Park	Barrett Park Improvements	Area Benefit	\$102,700
East Point	Waterline Infrastructure Improvements	Area Benefit	\$152,700
Fairburn	ADA Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvements	Area Benefit	\$139,338
Hopeville	Tom E. Morris Splash Pad	Area Benefit	\$102,700
Palmetto	Veteran's Park improvements	Area Benefit	\$102,700
Union City	Oakley Road Infrastructure Improvements	Area Benefit	\$177,000
CDBG Total			\$1,393,957

- II. ESG- The budget below reflects the allocation of ESG Program funds by major funding categories. Specific sub recipients will be selected at a later date.
FY 2021 ESG budget total is \$159,268.

ESG	Grant	General Fund Match
Rental Assistance, Homelessness, Prevention, and Rapid Rehousing	\$63,707	\$63,707
Supportive Services for Homeless Individuals and Families	\$83,616	\$83,616
Admin and Planning	\$11,945	\$11,945

ESG Total	\$159,268
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- II. HOME- Applications were not solicited for FY 2021. The Home Ownership Program (HOP) and Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) applications are on-going.
 FY 2021 HOME budget total is \$703,996.32.

HOME Budget Area	Description	HOME Funds Amounts
Program Administration	Requirements to administer CDBG Program.	\$67,000.00
Home Ownership Program (HOP)	Down Payment and closing cost assistance for 1st time home buyers in unincorporated Fulton County.	\$125,093.40
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	Rental Assistance for Housing Authority of Fulton County public housing voucher participants.	\$477,000.00
Program Income	HOME funds received as income from the previous fiscal year.	\$30,915.32
HOME Total		\$703,996.32

Community Impact: HUD Entitlement funding for CDBG HOME and ESG will help the County provide services for its low and moderate-income citizens.

Department Recommendation: Approve the requested action.

Project Implications: Approval for the use of these funds will increase the Community Development Department's ability to timely provide community development services to Fulton County citizens who reside outside of Atlanta.

Community Issues/Concerns: A public hearing was held on February 11, 2021 and April 1, 2021. There were no community concerns identified.

Department Issues/Concerns: If 2021 Annual Action Plan is not approved, it will limit the County's ability to respond to community development needs of low to moderate income communities within Fulton County.



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May 13, 2021

The Honorable Robb Pitts
Chairman of Fulton County
141 Pryor Street SW
Atlanta, GA 30303-3464

Dear Chairman Pitts:

I am pleased to inform you of your jurisdiction's Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 allocations for the Office of Community Planning and Development's (CPD) formula programs, which provide funding for housing, community and economic development activities, and assistance for low- and moderate-income persons and special needs populations across the country. Public Law 116-260 includes FY 2021 funding for these programs. Please note that this letter reflects a revised amount for the Community Development Block Grant and Section 108 borrowing authority. Your jurisdiction's FY 2021 available amounts are as follows:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$1,393,957
Recovery Housing Program (RHP)	\$0
HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)	\$670,081
Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)	\$0
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	\$159,268

Individuals and families across the country are struggling in the face of four converging crises: the COVID-19 pandemic, the resulting economic crisis, climate change, and racial inequity. Through these bedrock programs, CPD seeks to develop strong communities by promoting integrated approaches that provide decent housing and suitable living environments while expanding economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income and special needs populations, including people living with HIV/AIDS. We urge grantees to strategically plan the disbursement of grant funds to provide relief for those affected by these converging crises and help move our country toward a robust recovery.

Based on your jurisdiction's CDBG allocation for this year, you also have \$6,969,785 in available Section 108 borrowing authority. Since Section 108 loans are federally guaranteed, this program can leverage your jurisdiction's existing CDBG funding to access low-interest long-term financing to invest in Opportunity Zones or other target areas in your jurisdiction.

HUD continues to emphasize the importance of effective performance measurements in all its formula grant programs. Proper reporting in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) is critical to ensure grantees comply with program requirements and policies, provide demographic and income information about the persons that benefited from a community's activities, and participate in HUD-directed grantee monitoring. Your ongoing attention to ensuring

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complete and accurate reporting of performance measurement data continues to be an invaluable resource with regard to the impact of these formula grant programs.

The Office of Community Planning and Development is looking forward to working with you to promote simple steps that will enhance the performance of these critical programs and successfully meet the challenges that our communities face. If you or any member of your staff have questions, please contact your local CPD Office Director.

Sincerely,



James Arthur Jemison II
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Community Planning and Development