Consolidated Plan

Annual Action Plan

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The 2021 - 2022 Annual Action Plan is year four of the five year Consolidated Plan (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2023.) The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) developed this plan through a comprehensive statewide effort that included a needs assessment leveraging existing data, input sessions and surveys, and consultations with housing and social service agencies and other entities. DHCD will use the resulting plan and document to allocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) program funds, and the National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF) within the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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.

The commonwealth is extremely diverse in its racial and ethnic composition, and there are numerous areas across the state with concentrated populations, including African American, Hispanic, Asian, and others. In addition, the state has multiple and varying housing and non-housing challenges. These challenges vary substantially from region to region.
The needs assessment and market analysis identified four priority needs:

- Lack of affordable housing
- Lack of housing for special needs populations
- Individuals and families experiencing homelessness
- Barriers to competitive and sustainable communities

Overall, DHCD's goals are to target these federal resources (CDBG, ESG, HOME, HOPWA, and NHTF) and to leverage other state resources to address these needs by:

- Increasing access to affordable housing
- Increasing housing options for special needs populations including increasing permanent supportive housing
- Reducing homelessness
- Creating competitive and sustainable communities

DHCD works with many partners to accomplish these goals. These partners include units of local government, other state agencies, housing developers, Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO), nonprofits, and regional planning groups.
While work on these goals is ongoing, the commonwealth will incorporate other specific strategies to

help meet these goals. These include a plan to address the barriers to fair housing, a plan to end homelessness, measures to address lead based paint hazards, and anti-poverty measures.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Over the past year, DHCD has strived to make progress towards its goals while simultaneously addressing the new and pressing housing insecurities brought forth by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to COVID-19, DHCD has utilized both CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds as well as Emergency Rental Assistance to address the immediate housing needs of individuals and families experiencing or at risk of experiencing housing instability. DHCD's response has included rolling out a statewide rental assistance program, funding motel/hotel vouchers to support social distancing within shelter settings, increasing rapid rehousing, and more.

Despite DHCD needing to take an active role in the emergency response, DHCD has maintained committed to making progress on the goals outlined in the plan. Over this year, DHCD has made significant progress toward increasing the number of affordable housing units and working with localities to create competitive and sustainable communities.

In addition, DHCD will continue work to decrease the number of people experiencing homelessness in Virginia. This work will also focus on reducing the length of time people are experiencing homelessness and reducing the number of people who return to homelessness. DHCD will leverage both state and federal (ESG) resources to continue its focus on these goals.

DHCD will continue activities and initiatives that have proven effective, as well as, look for opportunities to improve on the work that has been done in the past.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

DHCD public comment period opened in October of 2020 followed by a series of virtual input sessions held in March of 2021. To comply with state COVID-19 requirements, DHCD hosted virtual input sessions in lieu of in-person sessions. To encourage participation across the state, DHCD held four input sessions with each session designated to a specific region (Southwest/West Central, Central/Southside, Northern/Valley, and Eastern/Hampton Roads). Participants were encouraged to attend the session designated to their specific region but were allowed to attend any session they were available.
The Annual Action Plan input session covered all programs (CDBG, HOME, ESG, NHTF, and HOPWA) and utilized the technology platform to solicit feedback from participants using polling questions and the

chat function.
Participants in the input sessions included:
• Private and public housing providers
• Homeless service and prevention providers
• Regional planning organizations
• Local government and housing authorities
• Other state agencies
• Nonprofit and government service providers
• Advocates
The input sessions focused on gathering feedback on priorities and strategies to address the homelessness, housing, and community development needs in Virginia. In addition to these sessions, DHCD held a public hearing on April 15, 2021, and accepted public written comments through April 16, 2021.

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.

Please refer to the attached document: "Summary of Public Comments."

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

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PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.300(b)

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

The following are the agencies/entities 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	VIRGINIA	Department of Housing and Community Development
HOPWA Administrator	VIRGINIA	Department of Housing and Community Development
HOME Administrator	VIRGINIA	Department of Housing and Community Development
ESG Administrator	VIRGINIA	Department of Housing and Community Development
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Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is responsible for administering CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, ESG, and the NHTF for the Commonwealth of Virginai.

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1. Introduction

The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is in the fourth year of its five year Consolidated Plan (July 1, 2018-June 30,2023). The 2021-2022 Annual Action plan was developed through a comprehensive statewide effort that leveraged existing data, input sessions, surveys, and consultations. DHCD will use the plan to efficiently direct resources to projects that will create the highest value for communities. The resulting plan and document will be used by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to allocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), NationalÂ- Housing Trust Funds (NHTF), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program funds within the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Provide a concise summary of the state's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies

The Commonwealth of Virginia has multiple varying challenges. While these challenges vary considerably from region to region, the lack of affordable housing contributes considerably to the state's ability to foster healthy and sustainable communities. The Department of Housing and Community Development works to create safe, affordable, and prosperous communities to live, work, and do business with the help of many partners:
Local Government, State Agencies, Housing Developers, Community Housing Development Organizations, Nonprofits, and Regional Planning Groups

The Commonwealth of Virginia is also extremely diverse; it possesses a rich racial and ethnic composition: Indigenous, Hispanic, Asian, African American, and other populations. To ensure that the State's efforts are representative of the needs of all its citizens an assessment and market analysis was conducted. The assessment identified four areas that need to be given priority: the lack of affordable housing, the lack of housing for special needs populations, services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness, and barriers to competitive and sustainable communities.

The Department of Housing and Community Development utilized the insight gained in the assessment and market analysis to set purposeful goals that address the high priority areas through the allocation of state and federal resources. The work of building vibrant and sustainable communities is ever-evolving and ongoing, but the DHCD and Commonwealth of Virginia hope that their efforts will become a measurable factor and key driver in the plan to address critical needs in vulnerable communities.

Some collaborative teams that have been created to aid in the formulation and implementation of DHCD's goals and initiatives are the Housing and Supportive Services Interagency Leadership Team (ILT),

the Permanent and Supportive Housing Steering Committee, and various others. These groups are designed to coordinate multiple government, non-profit, public agencies, and individual stakeholders so that they can share knowledge and resources for the purpose of addressing needs such as housing for individuals with serious mental illness, chronic homelessness, rent-burdened communities, and others.

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

The Commonwealth of Virginia Continuum of Care is challenged with coordinating the efforts needed to achieve state and federal goals to address the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness. This is accomplished mainly through local planning groups: a collaborative effort from individuals with a diverse background and strong situational knowledge. Membership in local planning groups is required to include representation from homeless assistance providers, victim services providers, faith-based organizations, governments, businesses, advocates, public housing agencies, school districts, social service providers mental health agencies, hospitals, universities, affordable housing developers, law enforcement and organizations that serve veterans, homeless, and formerly homeless individuals.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the State 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

CoCs provide input into how Virginians allocate ESG funds, the development of measurable outcomes, funding policies, procedures, and determining the impact of DHCD efforts.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Homeward
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
2	**Agency/Group/Organization**	LENOWISCO
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
3	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Arlington Street Peoples Assistance Network
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
4	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Community Housing Partners
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
5	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

6	**Agency/Group/Organization**	PULASKI COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
7	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Harmonious Investment Solutions LLC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
8	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Miriam's House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
9	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Family Resource Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
10	**Agency/Group/Organization**	FRIESTOWN
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
11	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Summit Design and Engineering Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
12	**Agency/Group/Organization**	MARTINSVILLE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
13	**Agency/Group/Organization**	PEOPLE INCORPORATED OF VIRGINIA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
14	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CITY OF NORTON
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

15	**Agency/Group/Organization**	BLUE RIDGE INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
16	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Helping Other People Excel, LLC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
17	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Emory & Henry College
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

18	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Virginia Rural Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
19	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Marilyn A. Scott Assisted Living Facility LLC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
20	**Agency/Group/Organization**	RUSH HOMES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

21	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Choices, Council on Domestic Violence for Page Co., Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
22	**Agency/Group/Organization**	PETERSBURG
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
23	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

24	**Agency/Group/Organization**	New River Valley Regional Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
25	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ECDC ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT GROUP
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
26	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CRATER SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
27	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Arlington Thrive
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
28	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ST. JOSEPH'S VILLA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
29	**Agency/Group/Organization**	DANVILLE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
30	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Richmond Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
31	**Agency/Group/Organization**	The Middlesex Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
32	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Halcon Companies, LLC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
33	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Cornerstones Housing Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
34	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Southside Planning District Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
35	**Agency/Group/Organization**	HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES MADE EQUAL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
36	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Central Virginia Planning District Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
37	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
38	**Agency/Group/Organization**	THOMAS JEFFERSON PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
39	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Bank of America
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders Private Sector Banking / Financing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
40	**Agency/Group/Organization**	HDAdvisors
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

41	**Agency/Group/Organization**	PIEDMONT HOUSING ALLIANCE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
42	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Empowerhouse
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
43	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Virginia Department of Social Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
44	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Better Housing Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

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45	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ACTS - Action in Community Through Service
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
46	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Uptown Partnership
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	community improvement
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
47	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Caroline County Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
48	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CLIFTON FORGE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
49	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Habitat For Humanity - Powhatan
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
50	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Operation Renewed Hope Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Needs - Veterans
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
51	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Loudoun Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
52	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Carpenter's Shelter
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
53	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Loudoun Department of Social Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
54	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

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	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
55	**Agency/Group/Organization**	County of Fauquier
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
56	**Agency/Group/Organization**	FAIRFAX COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
57	**Agency/Group/Organization**	LOUDOUN COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

58	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ALEXANDRIA, CITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
59	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Greater Fredericksburg Habitat For Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
60	**Agency/Group/Organization**	PORT ROYAL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

61	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Blue Grass Resource
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	library sciences
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
62	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Doorways For Women and Families
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
63	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Alexandria Housing Development Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
64	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Foothills Housing Network
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
65	**Agency/Group/Organization**	City of Falls Church
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
66	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Bridges to Independence
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

67	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Blue Ridge Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
68	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Catholic Charities of Eastern Virignia
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
69	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CHARLOTTESVILLE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

70	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ForKids Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless
	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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
71	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Services-Employment Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
72	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Endependence Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

73	**Agency/Group/Organization**	The Planning Council
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
74	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Eastville
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
75	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Mary N. Smith Alumni Association, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education cultural enrichment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

76	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Hampton Roads Community Action Program, Inc
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment
	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 Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
77	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Bay Aging
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
78	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Rappahannock Tribal Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Tribal Center

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Economic Development 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
79	**Agency/Group/Organization**	YORK COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy HOPWA Strategy Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
80	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Virginia Supportive Housing
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
81	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
82	**Agency/Group/Organization**	ESCADV
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
83	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CHESAPEAKE REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

84	**Agency/Group/Organization**	INSIGHT ENTERPRISES, INC. PENINSULA CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
85	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Portsmouth Volunteers for the Homeless, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless
	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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
86	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in virtual input sessions.
87	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Williamsburg House of Mercy
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy 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?	Participated in virtual input sessions.

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

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	Multiple	There are 16 separate CoCs in Virginia. Each CoC plan and the Commonwealth of Virginia's plan seeks to reduce the number of individuals experiencing homelessness; to shorten the length of time individuals experience homelessness; and to reduce the number of individuals returning to homelessness.
Governor's Housing Policy Framework	DHCD/Virginia Housing	Through the Housing Policy Advisory Council, these efforts seek to increase the availability of affordable and accessible housing; reduce the number of individuals experiencing homelessness; reduce the number returning to homelessness; and create competitive and sustainable communities.
VA Plan to Increase Independence	Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services	This state plan covering 2017-2021 was developed to address the needs of people with disabilities and their families.
VA Board for People with Disabilities	VA Board for People with Disabilities	This is a state plan for 2020-2021 to address the needs of people with disabilities and their families.
Olmstead Plan	DARS	This is a state plan to address the housing and service needs of individuals with disabilities.
Virginia Housing Strategic Plan	Virginia Housing	This plan addresses the housing needs of the special needs population and how to increase overall affordability.
Opening Doors	US Interagency Council on Homelessness	Virginia's strategic plan and the Opening Doors overlap in a number of ways. Specifically, both are focused on retooling the homeless response system by transforming homeless services to crisis response systems.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

AP-12 Participation - 91.115, 91.300(c)

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

DHCD held virtual Action Plan input sessions that covered CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA, NHTF, and the state Housing Trust Fund in March of 2021. More than 120 individuals participated in the sessions. Four separate sessions were held with each session designated for a specific region of the state.

Input session attendees represented service providers, housing developers, advocacy groups, localities, housing authorities, other state agencies, and private citizens.

A public hearing was also held in April. During the public hearing, the proposed 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan was discussed in addition to amendments to the CDBG-CV uses included in the 2020-2021 plan.

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	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	More than 120 attendees.	Please see attached summary of comments.		

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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)
2	Public Hearing	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	The public hearing and the written comment period are announced in published public notice in five newspapers across the commonwealth.	Please see attached summary of comments.		

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.320(c)(1,2)

Introduction

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	19,090,101	0	0	19,090,101	19,000,000	CDBG funding will be allocated to four principal categories of usage: State Administration, State Technical Assistance, Planning Grant, and Community Improvement GrantsIncludes public services as eligible activity.

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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	10,712,842	0	0	10,712,842	10,000,000	HOME funds are allocated through the Affordable Special Needs Housing(ASNH), Down Payment Assistance (DPA), and CHDO Operating,

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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: $		
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities STRMU Supportive services TBRA	1,375,054	0	0	1,375,054	1,000,000	HOPWA is administered through seven sub-grantees to provide housing assistance and support services.

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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	3,007,657	0	0	3,007,657	3,000,000	ESG is allocated through a community based process to provide rapid re-housing assistance.

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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: $		
HTF	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Homebuyer assistance Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership	14,340,031	0	0	14,340,031	0	NHTF is allocate through the ASNH program.

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

The federal resources will be leveraged along with other state resources to provide affordable housing, community development, and to address issues impacting the causes of homelessness. These resources include state allocations to increase the number of permanent supportive housing and affordable housing units, to provide rapid re-housing and homeless assistance, and to prevent homelessness.
For the HOME program, the state would normally meet the required 25 percent match through:
• The present value of interest reductions of below-market-rate loans, where a project also receives HOME assistance;
• State general revenue funds that are contributed to housing projects assisted with HOME funds and meet the HOME affordability requirements; and/or

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• The face value of State mortgage revenue bond loans (multi-family and single family loans).

CDBG projects do not have a specific match requirement, but applicants can enhance their competitiveness by incorporating local resources. ESG requires a dollar for dollar match. DHCD will use state general funds appropriation for homeless prevention and homeless services as the match for the ESG program.
The HOPWA program does not have a match requirement.

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

Not applicable.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives – 91.320(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Create Competitive and Sustainable Communities	2018	2022	Non-Housing Community Development		Barriers to competitive/sustainable communities	CDBG: $19,090,101	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 35000 Persons Assisted Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 45000 Households Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2000 Persons Assisted Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 60 Households Assisted Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 30 Business Jobs created/retained: 150 Jobs Businesses assisted: 40 Businesses Assisted Buildings Demolished: 90 Buildings

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Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
2	Reduce homelessness	2018	2022	Homeless		Individuals and families experiencing homelessness	ESG: $3,007,657	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 2500 Households Assisted
3	Increase housing options for special needs	2018	2022	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Lack of housing units for special needs population		Rental units constructed: 10 Household Housing Unit Rental units rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 175 Households Assisted
4	Increase access to affordable housing	2018	2022	Affordable Housing		Lack of affordable housing units		Rental units constructed: 80 Household Housing Unit Rental units rehabilitated: 80 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 80 Households Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	**Goal Name**	Create Competitive and Sustainable Communities
	Goal Description	
2	**Goal Name**	Reduce homelessness
	Goal Description	

3	**Goal Name**	Increase housing options for special needs
	Goal Description	
4	**Goal Name**	Increase access to affordable housing
	Goal Description	

AP-25 Allocation Priorities – 91.320(d)

Introduction:

Funding Allocation Priorities

Program	Goals		
CDBG			
HOME			
HOPWA			
ESG			

Table 7 – Funding Allocation Priorities

Reason for Allocation Priorities

How will the proposed distribution of funds will address the priority needs and specific objectives described in the Consolidated Plan?

AP-30 Methods of Distribution – 91.320(d)&(k)

Introduction:

This section provides a summary of the methods of distribution for each of program administered by DHCD designed to allocate these federal resources (CDBG, HOME, ESG, NHTF and HOPWA). Please see program guidelines, located online at www.dhcd.virginia.gov for more details. The program guideline details include specifics about eligible applicants, areas of the state covered by the program, eligible activities, the type of assistance available, and how to apply (if applicable) for funding.

Distribution Methods

Table 8 - Distribution Methods by State Program

1	**State Program Name:**	Affordable and Special Needs Housing
	Funding Sources:	HOME HTF
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	The Affordable Housing and Special Needs Housing program provides flexible, below-market-rate loans to projects that create or preserve affordable housing for lower-income Virginians. Broadly, eligible activity types include rental and homebuyer rehabilitation and new construction. Please see the Affordable and Special Needs Housing program guidelines for more details. DHCD allocates National Housing Trust Funds through the ASNH program. Please see the NHTF Allocation Plan for more details.

	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	HOME and NHTF allocations assigned to the Affordable and Special Needs Housing program will be distributed through a competitive application process that evaluates applicant projects on: • Meeting critical needs (worth 40 points) • Feasibility -likelihood of projects coming to a timely completion (worth 30 points) • Developer capacity -ability to successfully complete projects and deliver affordable housing (worth 30 points) DHCD will give HOME funding preference to projects located in non-HOME entitlement localities, CHDO projects, special needs projects and innovation. DHCD will give preference to projects that include permanent supportive housing units. DHCD staff will review all applications received by the deadline. Applications not meeting established thresholds for funding will not be eligible. Any applicant may request comments and feedback from DHCD staff. All applicants must score at least 60 points on the application in order to be qualified for funding. DHCD will rank all qualified applications based on score and the highest scoring applicants will receive a funding offer from DHCD based on project needs, up to the amount of funds available for the application period. If the full amount of available funding is not committed, it is carried forward into the next application period, as needed, to be made available to proposals meeting threshold requirements and scoring at least 60 points. Applicants that have outstanding audit or monitoring findings, unresolved IRS findings, and/or applicants not in compliance with previous DHCD agreements are ineligible for funding. Eligible applicants must be qualified developers of affordable housing, including certified CHDOs undertaking CHDO-eligible activities throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. All funds are intended for use with other types of financing including, but not limited to, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, bond financing, and other public and private funds. Please note that HOME and NHTF compliance requirements apply. Other funding source requirements must be compatible with HOME/NHTF program requirements. DHCD allocates NHTF through the ASNH program. Please see the NHTF Allocation Plan for more details.

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	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Not applicable.
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	Not applicable.
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	Not appicable.

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	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	DHCD will allocate funding by funding category based on submitted proposals, local market and need, and project eligibility. These categories include rental new construction, rental rehabilitation, and homebuyer development. NHTF is limited to rental projects and units targeted at 30 percent and below AMI.
	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	All proposals must meet threshold requirements for funding. These include: • Eligible project type • Eligible activity type • Eligible applicant (no outstanding findings) • Local match (25 percent) provided for projects in HOME entitlement areas • Proposal meets uniform relocation requirements • Proposal meets accessibility requirements • Must score at least 60 points Maximum funding amounts are $900,000 for projects that include qualified permanent supportive housing units and $700,000 for all other eligible projects. DHCD also administers state HTF, and this funding source is allocated through the ASNH program. The current maximum funding caps across all funding sources is $1,400,000 for projects without NHTF, $2,000,000 for projects with NHTF, and $2,400,000 for projects with NHTF and PSH units. DHCD allocates NHTF through the ASNH program. Please see the NHTF Allocation Plan for more details. Any remaining balances not allocated through the 2020/2021 application process will be carried over and allocated during the first round on the 2021/2022 round of ASNH applications.

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	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates funding approximately 11 affordable housing projects with federal funding sources through this open application process. The actual types, size, composition of projects will be based on this competitive process and will vary based on the proposal received, the local housing markets, and relative local need. Based on statewide trends and housing markets DHCD expects that most of the funded projects will be rental projects with at least some of these including permanent supportive housing units.
2	**State Program Name:**	CDBG Competitive Grants
	Funding Sources:	CDBG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	Competitive funds can be used to provide infrastructure for new or expanding industries, provide new or improved water and sewer systems in rural areas, rehabilitate housing in declining neighborhoods, revitalize commercial districts, provide support to small businesses, and provide facilities for a variety of needed services, such as health clinics in underserved areas. Applicants are required to prove that their project will meet one of three broad national objectives: principally benefit low- and moderate- income persons; prevent or eliminate slums or blight; or address an urgent community development need (public emergency or health threat).

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	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	Most CDBG assistance is distributed in the form of Competitive Grants with proposals due in the spring of 2021. As the name suggests, these grants are awarded following competitive evaluation of project proposals. Approximately $10.45 million will be available for Competitive Grants in 2021. There are six primary project types under the Competitive option: - Comprehensive Community Development - Building District Revitalization - Housing Rehabilitation - Public Infrastructure - Community Service Facility - Public Services Competitive grant proposals received by DHCD are evaluated qualitatively and quantitatively, and scored according to a 1000 point scale based on the items identified below. The highest ranking proposals are recommended for funding. Proposals are funded, in order of the ranking, to the greatest extent allowed by available funding. Following the closing date of the non-competitive programs, any funds remaining in the non-competitive programs and any program income received during the year are recaptured and made available to fund the next highest ranking competitive proposals. The next highest ranking additional proposals are funded to the greatest extent allowable by available funding. All competitive proposals are scored on a scale of 1,000 points with the following point values: • Composite Fiscal Stress (Maximum of 150 points) • Regional Priorities (Maximum of 50 points) • Project Needs and Outcomes (Maximum of 200 points) • Costs and Commitment (Maximum of 125 points) • Project Specific Evaluation, Readiness, Capacity and Impact (Maximum of 275 points) • Meeting a National Objective (Maximum of 200 points)

	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Grant administration manuals and the CDBG Program design are available from the DHCD website or by request.
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	

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	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	Funding which has not been committed as of December 31 may be committed to Open Submission projects, Urgent Need projects, or the 2nd round of Competitive Grant projects (to the established cut-off point), or Planning Grants.
	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Assistance is provided to non-entitlement units of local government. Up to $1,000,000 is available for building district revitalization, public infrastructure (including housing production), and community service facility projects, $200,000 for public services (or $1,000,000 for regional), $1.25 million for housing rehabilitation projects, and up to $1.5 million is available for projects that will comprehensively improve a neighborhood through water, sewer, street, and housing improvements (CCD with 3 or more activities). In cases of two or more localities participating in a project with a regional impact, some grant limits can increase. Broadband is available as an additional $250,000 grant to most CIG grants. A unit of local government may not have more than $2.5 million in CDBG open projects.
	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates infrastructure for new or expanding industries, new or improved water and sewer systems in rural areas, rehabilitated housing in declining neighborhoods, revitalized commercial districts, support to small businesses, and new facilities for a variety of needed services, such as health clinics in underserved areas.
	State Program Name:	CDBG Open Submission Program

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3	**Funding Sources:**	CDBG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	Approximately $7,000,000 is available under the Open Submission Programs. Proposals are received on an open basis from April 1 through the end of December, or until all funds are awarded.
	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	**Applications submitted through the Open Submission program are reviewed on a first-come first-served basis.**
	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Grant administration manuals and the CDBG Program design are available from the DHCD website or by request.

	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	
	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	Proposals are received on an open basis from April 1 through the end of December, or until all funds awarded. Funding not committed as of December 31, may be committed to a second round of Competitive Grants, Urgent Need Open Submission grants, or Planning Grants.

	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	The Open Submission grant caps are as follows: $1,000,000 for Urgent Need and Economic Development & Entrepreneurship projects ($1.25 million for regional EDE projects); $800,000 for Construction-Ready Water and Sewer projects; $2.5 million for Regional Water and Wastewater; Planning Grants are capped at $700,000 total for varying grant thresholds.
	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates infrastructure for new or expanding industries, new or improved water and sewer systems in rural areas, revitalization of housing and infrastructure following natural disasters, support to small businesses and entrepreneurs, and projects that meet unique community development needs.
4	**State Program Name:**	CDBG Planning Grants
	Funding Sources:	CDBG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	Virginia's CDBG Planning Grant program is designed to aid in developing clearly articulated strategies for addressing communities' greatest community development needs following meaningful citizen participation.

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	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	Planning Grants will receive funding on an open, first-come, first-served basis between April 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021. Projects that meet one or more CDBG national objectives and meet the below stated criteria will be offered an award as long as funds are still available.
	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Grant administration manuals and the CDBG Program design are available from the DHCD website or by request.
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	

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	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	
	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	Funding which has not been committed as of December 31 may be committed to Open Submission projects, Urgent Need projects, or for a second round of Competitive Grant projects (to the established cut-off point).

	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Non-entitlement local governments are eligible for assistance. There are five categories of Planning Grants: - Comprehensive Community Development - Housing Rehabilitation - Downtown Revitalization - Regional Projects (including Infrastructure) - Broadband CDBG Planning Grants of up to $60,000 ($60,000 for Comprehensive Community Development) are available for needs analysis and prioritization, preliminary design, and strategy development activities in preparation for a future Community Improvement Grant application. Up to $50,000 for downtown revitalization, public infrastructure, public services, community service facilities, and housing rehabilitation; up to $40,000 per project is available for broadband planning grants; and up to $60,000 is available for regional project planning. Eligibility under this program is subject to the following minimum criteria: • Demonstration of a clear indication of community development needs and/or opportunities. • The needs identified must generally be eligible targets for future CDBG investments. • There must be evidence that local officials and stakeholders alike are committed to fully identifying and addressing local needs. • There must be evidence that the locality and management team have the time, funding, and expertise to follow through with the planning process. • There must be a clear demonstration for the need of planning grant funds.

	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	**DHCD anticipates the development of clearly articulated strategies for addressing communities' greatest community development needs.**
5	**State Program Name:**	CDBG Urgent Need
	Funding Sources:	CDBG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	Urgent Need Open Submission (UNOS) applications will be accepted between April 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

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	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	All UNOS applications and activities must meet the following thresholds: • The proposed project must alleviate existing conditions which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community; and, • Applications for Urgent Need projects must be submitted to DHCD within 18 months of the declaration announcement date; and, • The applicant locality is unable to finance the project on its own, no other funding is available to address the problem, and the CDBG funding will be directly targeted towards alleviation of the threatening conditions; and, The threat must be supported by either: • A current declaration of an emergency by the Governor of Virginia relative to a flood, a hurricane, a tornado, an earthquake, or other disaster event, not including droughts, snow, or ice conditions. OR • A current declaration of an immediate and severe health threat by the State Commissioner of Health relative to the complete failure of a public water or sewer system or incident of similar significance.
	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Grant administration manuals and the CDBG Program design are available from the DHCD website or by request.

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	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	
	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	CDBG Urgent Need Open Submission funding is available to enable prompt response to existing serious and immediate threats to local health and safety. Urgent Need Open Submission Projects will receive funding on an open, first-come, first-served basis between April 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	A current declaration of an emergency by the Governor of Virginia relative to a flood, a hurricane, a tornado, an earthquake, or other disaster event, not including droughts, snow, or ice conditions OR A current declaration of an immediate and severe health threat by the State Commissioner of Health relative to the complete failure of a public water or sewer system or incident of similar significance. Up to $1,000,000 is available for Urgent Need projects.
	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates prompt response to existing serious and immediate threats to local health and safety.
6	**State Program Name:**	CHDO Operating Support
	Funding Sources:	HOME
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	The CHDO Operating Support Program will provide operating support to state-certified CHDOs with operating budget needs.

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	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	The CHDO must be able to demonstrate a need for operating support, must have an ASNH - HOME project award with a project not yet completed. Applications will be accepted on an open submission basis while funds are available.
	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	

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	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	
	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	Only CHDO operating expenses are considered eligible expenses. Project costs are not eligible.
	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	CHDOs with demonstrated needs and ASNH HOME awards are eligible for up to $30,000. CHDO Operating Support grants will be issued as one-year reimbursement-only contracts. Based on available funds -CHDO in good standing with projects underway may requests a one-year renewal.

	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates supporting three CHDOs during the program year with the CHDO Operating Support Program.
7	**State Program Name:**	Down Payment Assistance
	Funding Sources:	HOME
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	DPA provides down payment and closing costs assistance to income eligible (80 percent or below AMI) first-time homebuyers to obtain homes that are decent, safe and accessible. The program goal is to provide homeownership opportunities to households that otherwise may not have the opportunity to own a home. By providing these opportunities, DHCD helps to sustain affordable housing units and overall growth in personal wealth and equity for low-income Virginians. The DPA program seeks to provide this assistance statewide through local sub-recipients that provide comprehensive homeownership services including for example housing counseling, debt repair services, and foreclosure prevention.

	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	DPA is administered on a calendar year with the next grant year beginning (January 2022). DPA will be administered by regional state sub-recipients selected through a competitive application process prior to the start program year. Sub-recipient selections are made as a result of an open competitive application process whereby proposals meeting threshold requirements are scored and ranked based on the following categories: • Need (40 percent) • Organizational capacity (30 percent) • Program approach (30 percent) Applicants must be a non-profit or a unit of government targeting services to individuals living within Virginia. All nonprofit applicants must have and be current on 990 filings (not applicable to units of government). Applicants must demonstrate the ability to manage all applicable state and federal policies and procedures including compliance with federal and state non-discrimination laws. Applicants must be experienced with providing similar assistance and should provide a comprehensive approach to homeownership. All applicants must demonstrate the ability to coordinate DPA assistance with other HOME funds or other types of assistance. Applicants must have established internal control and fiscal accounting procedures and be able to track agency and program budgets by revenue sources and expenses. Applicants with outstanding audit findings, IRS findings, DHCD monitoring findings or other compliance issues are not eligible applicants and any sub-recipient selected for funding will not be eligible for subsequent allocations if any of these conditions occur. Please note that DHCD will work with all interested parties toward the resolution of unresolved matters, where appropriate. Applicants must demonstrate the ability to meet all reporting and record keeping requirements. Please note, 2021 (January 1 - December 31) is year-two of a two year funding cycle

	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	

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	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	In the DPA program, HOME funds are limited to needed down payment and closing costs, the costs associated with conducted required inspections, and housing counseling.
	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Applicants for subrecipient contracts must meet threshold requirements (listed above) and score at least 60 points based on a panel review of each proposal. Grant sizes to sub-recipient are awarded based on score, local market, and available funds. Assistance to homebuyers is based on underwriting criteria and based on need. Please note, 2021 (January 1 - December 31) is year-two of a two year funding cycle. Any balance not expended during the 2020/2021 program year will be allocated to a Performance Pool. Please note, the next round of applications for a new two year cycle is Fall 2021.
	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates assisting approximately 80 low/moderate income first-time homebuyers (households) with the DPA method of distribution.
	State Program Name:	Virginia Homeless Solutions Program (VHSP)

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8	**Funding Sources:**	HOPWA ESG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	This method of distribution will allocate all the ESG and HOPWA funds. The goals of the Virginia Homeless Solutions Program are: • To reduce the number of individuals/households who become homeless; • To shorten the length of time an individual or household is homeless; and • To reduce the number of individuals/households that return to homelessness DHCD will meet these goals through supporting Continuum of Care (CoC) strategies and homeless service and prevention programs that align with these goals.

	Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	All funding requests must be justified by the application and meet a 60 point threshold for funding. DHCD reserves the right to make funding commitments below 60 points to assure geographic coverage. Scoring criteria are as follows: • Need (25 points) • Approach (25 points) • Local Coordination (25 points) • Capacity (25 points) Actual funding will be based on the following: • Requested amount (total request and spending plan) • Available funds • Application score • Local need • Alignment with state and federal strategies • Approach (proposed grantees, activities, and organizational capacity) • Negotiations Applications are scored lower where ineligible activities or activities that are not aligned with state and federal goals to prevent and reduce homelessness are proposed. Lower scores impact actual funding level. Spending requests are reduced based on ineligible activities, where activities are not in alignment with state and federal goals, and/or where proposed grantees are either ineligible or lack the capacity to carry out proposed activities. DHCD meets with each CoC to negotiate needed adjustments to proposed activities and spending plans. Please note, the 2021 – 2022 program year is year-two of a two year funding cycle. Year two funding is a renewal based on prior year performance and available funds.

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	If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other **state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)**	Not applicable.
	Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available **to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based** **organizations. (ESG only)**	Eligible grantees include community and faith-based non-profits and units of local governments. There are 16 CoCs in the state of Virginia including the Balance of State CoC. The balance of State CoC includes 90 localities and is organized into 12 separate planning groups. For the purpose of this application these planning groups are considered CoCs. Written agreements for the upcoming program year will be issued to individual grantees by July 1, 2021. Please note, the 2021– 2022 program year is year-two of a two year funding cycle. Year-two renewals amounts will be based on available funding and year-one performance.
	Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other **community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)**	This application is a CoC-based application. Only applications submitted by the lead CoC organization are considered for funding. The application submitted by the lead CoC organization has to identify the local process for decision-making and the proposed grantees to be responsible for carrying out the HOPWA and ESG eligible activities. Eligible grantees include community and faith-based non-profits and units of local governments. There are 16 CoCs in the Commonwealth of Virginia including the Balance of State CoC. The balance of State CoC includes 90 localities and is organized into 12 separate planning groups. For the purpose of this application these planning groups were considered CoCs. Written agreements for the upcoming program year will be issued to individual grantees by July 1, 2021. Please note, the 2021 – 2022 program year is year-two of a two year funding cycle. Year two renewals amounts will be based on available funding and year-one performance.

	Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	ESG is allocated to rapid re-housing, prevention and as needed to shelter operations (essential services to include hotel/motel vouchers to shelter households experiencing homelessness in non-congregate settings), and HMIS activities. Priority is given to rapid re-housing expenditures with ESG. Please note, that ESG is allocated in combination with state-funded homeless resources to fund an emergency crisis response system of services. HOPWA is allocated to tenant-based rental assistance, short-term rent, mortgage, and utility (STRMU) assistance, housing placement, housing information services (limited to HMIS related expenses) and supportive services based on actual contracted amounts.

	Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Grantees are funded as a result of a CoC-based application process. The CoC-based application identified specific organizations that will carry out ESG and HOPWA activities. DHCD contracts directly with these individual organizations or grantees. Grantees must be non-profits or units of local government and current on 990 filings (not applicable to units of government). See the Other Requirements section of this document for more details on limits to funding primarily religious organizations. Grantees must be in compliance with program guidelines and applicable state and federal policies and procedures, including compliance with federal and state non-discrimination laws. Grantees must have established standard accounting practices including internal controls, fiscal accounting procedures and cost allocation plans, and be able to track agency and program budgets by revenue sources and expenses. Grantees with outstanding audit findings, IRS findings, DHCD monitoring findings or other compliance issues are not eligible grantees and any grantee will not be eligible to receive allocations if any of these conditions occur within the grant period. Please note that DHCD will work with all interested parties, where appropriate, toward the resolution of unresolved matters. Prior funding agreements must be within the past two years for one or more of DHCD's homeless or special needs services programs (HOPWA or VHSP). An organizational assessment includes a review of organization finances, accounting standards, internal controls, grievance policies, record keeping policies, confidentiality practices, conflict of interest policies, and fair housing practices. DHCD reserves the right to require and conduct organizational assessments of any proposed grantee prior to the execution of any agreement. Please note, the 2021 – 2022 program year is year-two of a two year funding cycle. Year two renewals amounts will be based on available funding and year-one performance.

	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	DHCD anticipates serving 500 households with tenant-based rental assistance and short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance through the HOPWA funding stream. An additional 1200 households will be transitioned quickly from homelessness to permanent housing with ESG rapid re-housing assistance.

Discussion:

AP-35 Projects – (Optional)

Introduction:

This section is not applicable.

#	Project Name

Table 9 – Project Information

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

This section is not applicable.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

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AP-40 Section 108 Loan Guarantee – 91.320(k)(1)(ii)

Will the state help non-entitlement units of general local government to apply for Section 108 loan funds?

No

Available Grant Amounts

Not applicable.

Acceptance process of applications

Not applicable.

AP-45 Community Revitalization Strategies – 91.320(k)(1)(ii)

Will the state allow units of general local government to carry out community revitalization strategies?

No

State's Process and Criteria for approving local government revitalization strategies

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.320(f)

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

This Action Plan is for a State grantee. The commonwealth is extremely diverse in its racial and ethnic composition, and there are numerous areas across the state with concentrated communities of color, including African American, Hispanic, Asian, and others. The commonwealth's methods of distribution selects projects and proposals targeted at meeting priority local needs. During implementation, steps are taken to affirmatively further fair housing.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

There are concentrations of poverty in every region of the state. This concentration varies based on local factors. The commonwealth's methods of distribution will select projects and proposals that address these needs within the context of local and regional needs.

Discussion

Please see individual program guidelines for program details.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 24 CFR 91.320(g)

Introduction:

Action Plan resource will assist more than 3,000 households within the Commonwealth of Virginia.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	2,500
Non-Homeless	375
Special-Needs	195
Total	3,070

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	2,675
The Production of New Units	95
Rehab of Existing Units	230
Acquisition of Existing Units	70
Total	3,070

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion:

Please see individual program guidelines for more details.

AP-60 Public Housing - 24 CFR 91.320(j)

Introduction:

Please see below for action taken to address the needs of public housing.

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

Public housing authorities are eligible applicants for the state's HOME Affordable and Special Needs Housing program. This is an open competitive application process for affordable housing (homebuyer and rental projects). While assistance cannot be provided in public housing units, these funds may be used in projects that transition units and public housing residents from public housing. The ASNH program awarded several Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) projects with HOME and NHTF commitments.

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

DHCD supports PHAs and projects that encourage residents to become more involved in the management of rental properties. All CHDO projects must include residents in planning and management.

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

There are no PHAs in Virgnia with a troubled status.

Discussion:

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.320(h)

Introduction

The Commonwealth of Virginia has established a policy framework and the infrastructure to address homelessness and to better serve special needs populations. The policy framework, Governor's Coordinating Council on Homelessness, and the associated committees, subcommittees, and workgroups are organized around priorities such as youth and older adult homelessness, solutions including rapid re-housing and permanent supportive housing, data, family and chronic homelessness, and veterans.

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

Since 2010, the commonwealth has decreased overall homelessness by 36%. The goal is to continue the decline annually through the administration of ESG, HOPWA, and state homeless assistance funding.

By focusing on community coordination of a crisis response system that includes outreach, coordinated entry and assessment, targeted prevention, low-barrier and housing focused emergency shelter, and housing first permanent housing solutions, the commonwealth seeks positive outcomes for the following goals:
- Decreasing the number of individuals experiencing homelessness
- Decreasing the length of time households are homeless
- Reducing the number of households returning to homelessness

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

In cases where the prevention of homelessness is not possible or safe, emergency shelter is supported as a temporary measure. DHCD funds shelter operations that are low-barrier, housing-focused emergency shelter for households experiencing homelessness in Virginia. Types of shelters may include scattered site, congregate, seasonal, or hotel/motel vouchers.

DHCD does not fund transitional housing (TH), but all resources are leveraged with those throughout the commonwealth's CoCs and where TH is deemed appropriate, HUD CoC funds are requested.
The goals of all shelter stays are:
• First, quickly obtain permanent housing
• Second, to obtain housing stability

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families

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

The commonwealth has adopted these goals and through the CoC-based funding application is able to ensure CoC/ LPGs are making community-based decisions to ensure each CoC/LPG has an effective crisis response system.

An effective crisis response system is able to identify and quickly connect people who are experiencing or are at risk of experiencing homelessness to housing assistance and other services. It works because it aligns a community, its programs and services around one common goal – to make homelessness rare, brief, and nonrecurring.

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

The commonwealth leverages state resources to prevent households from becoming homeless. These resources are targeted to households seeking shelter who are currently housed by at imminent risk of homelessness (within 14 days).

The following are examples of situations where prevention from homelessness may be feasible:
• Household living in someone else's unit (doubled up) where the right to occupy has been terminated
• Household living in their own unit where housing loss, and the person will be in a shelter or a place not meant for human habitation, within 14 days is imminent and homelessness could be averted
• Household living in hotel/motel (paid for by household) and the household is unable to pay for additional nights

Prevention assistance is limited to those households who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence within 14 days, household income must be below 30 percent of AMI with no more than $500 in assets (including all checking, savings, retirement accounts, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and real estate).

Additionally, DHCD staff participates in numerous state level committees to address the intersections of homelessness and health care, mental health, criminal justice and the foster care system.

AP-70 HOPWA Goals – 91.320(k)(4)

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:	
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family	150
Tenant-based rental assistance	50
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Total	200

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.320(i)

Introduction:

The following are key barriers to fair housing in Virginia. DHCD structures policies and programs to help address the barriers and helps to inform localities of the barriers and their responsibility to help address the impediments to fair housing.

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

1. Discrimination in the rental and sales housing markets. Particularly, discrimination based on disability and race:
• Increase testing and enforcement efforts in the rental and sales housing markets to ensure that members of protected classes are being offered an equal opportunity to access all housing options in their communities; publicize results of testing programs.
• Increase education efforts for landlords, leasing agents, and real estate professionals about their fair housing responsibilities; in particular, stress the importance of making reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities.
• Increase education efforts for individuals seeking housing so they are aware when they are victims of discrimination and so that they are aware of their options to resolve the situation.
• Increase enforcement of affirmative marketing of affordable housing options to members of the protected classes.

2. Constraints in the mortgage lending market. Minorities experience higher denial rates in the mortgage markets at all income levels, particularly at the lowest income levels in the conventional loan market:
• Increased oversight of mortgage lending and denial practices.
• First-time homebuyer education, affirmatively marketed to minorities.
• Continued support of financial literacy and credit counseling initiatives.
• Increased awareness regarding the availability of Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and other government supported loans.
• Reassess HMDA data once 2018 changes have occurred which include additional applicant data (including creditworthiness).

3. Additional fair housing education among real estate agents, landlords, housing providers, local officials, and especially, individuals is needed. Training available outside the major metro areas is needed:
• Increase fair housing educational opportunities for renters and homebuyers; in particular, members of the protected classes.

• Increase the availability of seminars and classes for housing providers regarding fair housing law; expand such educational opportunities to include rural and non-metro areas, consider online venues.
• Up-to-date, relevant, and clearly written fair housing materials for individuals made readily available on multiple state websites and in housing providers' offices.
• Encourage housing providers and other relevant stakeholders to utilize social networking and social media to inform both clients and landlords of fair housing policy.

4. Availability and access to quality affordable housing; there are a large number of low-income households in need of affordable housing and there are a large number of cost-burdened households, especially in the rental housing market. "Crowding out," and combined transportation and housing costs are areas of concern regarding affordable housing:
• Continued support of federal, state, and local efforts to preserve and produce quality affordable housing.
• Continued support of partnerships between nonprofit, state, local, and federal partners to efficiently leverage resources for the production of affordable housing.
• Support of public-private partnerships that create affordable and mixed-income housing.
• Support of efforts that match appropriately priced housing with varied transportation options.
• Promote the use of housing databases such as those offered by Virginia Housing. http://www.virginiahousingsearch.com/.

Discussion:

Please see the full Analysis of the Impediments, located of DHCD's website, for more details.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.320(j)

Introduction:

The Commonwealth of Virginia has established a Housing Policy Framework that includes a number of working committees that actively work to address underserved needs in Virginia. These committees are working to improve interagency coordination, to improve service coordination outcomes, and to address barriers.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

DHCD structures programs, policies, and procedures to help address underserved needs. These efforts include partnerships with affordable housing developers and the local housing authorities as well as other community development organizations. In addition, DHCD leverages HOME and CDBG funds with state resources to provide financial and technical assistance to affordable housing development projects across the commonwealth.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

DHCD structures programs, policies, and procedures to help foster and maintain affordable housing in the commonwealth. These efforts include partnerships with affordable housing developers and the local housing authorities as well as other community development organizations. In addition, DHCD leverages HOME and CDBG funds with state resources to provide financial and technical assistance to affordable housing development projects across the commonwealth.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

DHCD received a Lead Paint and Healthy Homes grant, to be used for lead abatement, administrative, and capacity building activities across the Commonwealth except in those localities that have their own HUD lead grants - Richmond, Roanoke, and Chesterfield. DHCD is partnering with local health departments, and with other state agencies (ie, Department of Health, Department of Social Services), and with our existing network of providers within our Rehab Program Portfolio to implement the program statewide, except as noted above.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

A number of DHCD programs support efforts to reduce the number of families living at or below the poverty level. These efforts include construction projects where assisted projects are required to provide local benefit in the form of hiring and/or contracting with qualified (local and low-income) individuals or businesses. In addition, DHCD leverages small businesses as well as other community development resources to develop economic opportunity in areas where employment and economic

benefits are limited. DHCD also promotes access to affordable housing in areas of opportunity.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Commonwealth of Virginia has established a Housing Policy Framework that includes a number of working committees that actively work to address underserved needs in Virginia. These committees are working to improve interagency coordination, to improve service coordination and outcomes, to address barriers, and to establish the necessary institutional structures.

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

The Housing Policy Framework and committee structure is composed of public and private housing providers and social services agencies that are working together across multiple subpopulations and state and federal agencies to enhance coordination. In addition, the Housing and Supportive Services Interagency Leadership Team, which is comprised of agency heads of state agencies, is actively working to improve the integration of community-based housing and services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, people with serious mental illness, and people who are chronically homeless.

Discussion:

More details are available online at www.dhcd.virginia.gov.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.320(k)(1,2,3)

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(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	12,229,213
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.	77.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(2)

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

   The commonwealth utilizes only forms of investment included in Section 92.205.

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:

   Recapture Provision: Direct Buyer Assistance

   Homebuyer HOME-assisted units structured as direct buyer assistance are subject to a recapture provision that ensures that DHCD recovers its HOME investment in the event of voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property during the period of affordability. Direct homebuyer assistance consists of any financial assistance that reduces the purchase price from fair market value to an affordable price, or otherwise subsidizes the purchase (e.g., downpayment or closing costs assistance). Please note that in some instances, there may also be HOME assistance toward development costs along with direct homebuyer assistance. In these cases the amount to be recaptured is limited to the amount of direct buyer assistance/subsidy (and does not include the development assistance).

   The homebuyer must maintain the property as their principal residence throughout the period of affordability. If the property is voluntarily or involuntarily transferred during the period of affordability, the property is subject to the recapture provisions outlined here.

   Virginia will use the recapture provision at §92.254(a)(5)(ii)(1) and recapture the entire amount of the direct HOME subsidy. The total original amount of the direct buyer assistance is recaptured from the net proceeds in the case of sale, refinance (see exception below), or foreclosure. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and any closing costs. In these cases, the required amount returned (total assistance amount from net proceeds) is due and payable in full to DHCD. The HOME recaptured amount may not exceed available net proceeds. In the event net proceeds are insufficient to recover the full amount due, the DHCD will recapture the available net proceeds and the HOME obligation will be satisfied. The HOME assistance may not be subordinated to refinancing of the first lien position primary mortgage or an equity loan or line of credit during the period of affordability except under special hardship conditions at DHCD's discretion.

   Affordability requirements are secured by a Restricted Deed of Covenant in the amount of direct assistance. In addition, DHCD executes an agreement with the homebuyer to secure the affordability requirements (terms of recapture, principal residency requirement, and noncompliance.) If the property is not sold or transferred during the affordability period, the HOME loan is forgiven in full at the end of the affordability period.

   Resale Requirement: (Homebuyer Development Subsidy Only)

   In situations where the HOME assistance is structured as a development subsidy only (i.e., there is no direct subsidy to the homebuyer and the only HOME assistance is the amount of funds between the total cost to rehabilitate or construct the unit and the fair market value), Virginia requires the

use of a resale provision. This means, upon voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property within the applicable affordability period, the home must be resold to an income eligible homebuyer at an affordable price, and the original homebuyer must receive a fair return on his/her investment.

The full provision is on file with the HUD field office.

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:

   Reasonable Range of Low-Income Buyers

   A "reasonable range of low-income buyers" is defined in the Virginia Program as a household or family with income not greater than 80 percent AMI but at least 60 percent AMI. DHCD defines the sales price that is affordable to this group as an amount whereby the household mortgage payment requires it pay no more than 30 percent of its income for housing costs (principal, interest, property taxes, and insurance).

   Please note that the resale price is based on a fair return on investment outlined above. If the resale price is not affordable to the reasonable range of low-income buyers, downpayment assistance and/or second mortgage assistance may be provided by DHCD and/or sub-recipients in order to assure affordability to the homebuyer.

   Virginia will use deed restrictions or covenants running with the land to impose the resale and continued affordability requirements as outlined in §92.254(a)(5)(i)(A) of the HOME Rule.

   Noncompliance

   During the period of affordability, the owner's compliance with the principal residency requirement will be monitored. A homebuyer is noncompliant with the HOME affordability requirements if he/she fails to reside in the unit as their principal residence without transferring title (i.e., by either vacating or renting the unit to another occupant), or if he/she sells the property without complying with the applicable resale or recapture provision. In the event of noncompliance, DHCD reserves the right to require the buyer to repay the entire HOME investment (including the direct subsidy and any additional development subsidy provided).

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:

   HOME funds will not be used to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is

rehabilitated with HOME funds.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Reference 91.320(k)(3)

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

   The commonwealth requires that all ESG sub-grantees submit to DHCD written standards (policies and procedures) for providing ESG assistance. At a minimum, written standards must be low-barrier and housing focused. The standards are required to cover process for determining program eligibility, prioritization, and level of assistance; confidentiality procedures; conflict of interest policies; data collection requirements; as well as applicable federal and state regulations (fair housing, involuntary separation, ADA, etc.).

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

   All CoCs, Balance of State local planning groups, and all DHCD homeless services grantees must use a local centralized or coordinated assessment/entry system. A local centralized or coordinated assessment/entry system is best practice for a housing-focused approach targeted to helping households experiencing homelessness quickly regain stability in permanent housing. This best practice is also essential to help divert, where possible, households seeking homeless services from shelter – preventing new cases of homelessness.
   A centralized or coordinated assessment/entry system must:
   • Provide coordinated program participant intakes, assessments, and referrals
   • Cover the CoC or local planning group geographic area
   • Provide easy access for individuals and families seeking housing or services
   • Provide a comprehensive and standardized assessment tool

   Each centralized or coordinated assessment system must have in place written standards for determining program eligibility, prioritization, and level of assistance. Each system must conduct regular evaluations to determine overall effectiveness for process improvement measures.

   CoCs and local planning groups must provide a local method and point-of-contact appropriate for referrals from state agencies and providers outside of their CoC or local planning group. This contact must directly link individuals or providers to the centralized or coordinated assessment system.

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).

   The commonwealth will make sub-awards through a CoC-based application process. CoCs must

submit applications for funding through DHCD's online Centralized Applications and Management System (CAMS). The application will be reviewed by a panel and evaluated based on local need, capacity, approach, and local coordination. Applications will identify specific grantees within the CoC to carry out eligible activities. DHCD will contract directly with these grantees. Both nonprofits and units of local government are eligible grantees. Faith-based organizations are required to have separate 501 c 3 status established to meet eligibility requirements. DHCD will monitor individual grantees. Performance measures will be evaluated on both the grantee and CoC levels.

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 to state grantees.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

   Performance measures are evaluated on both the grantee and CoC levels. Specifically DHCD's goals are to reduce the number of individuals experiencing homelessness, to shorten the length of time people experience homelessness, and to reduce the number of individual returning to homelessness.

   DHCD has had each CoC and local planning group provide an annual Homeless Outcomes Community Report to include HMIS and non-HMIS participant data. This report aligns with HUD's System Performance Measures report and is used to rate the performance of each CoC/LPG's crisis system and impacts state funding decisions including ESG.

Housing Trust Fund (HTF)
Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(5)

1. How will the grantee distribute its HTF funds? Select all that apply:

☑ Applications submitted by eligible recipients

2. If distributing HTF funds through grants to subgrantees, describe the method for distributing HTF funds through grants to subgrantees and how those funds will be made available to state agencies and/or units of general local government. If not distributing funds through grants to subgrantees, enter "N/A".

Not applicable.

3. If distributing HTF funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients,

a. Describe the eligibility requirements for recipients of HTF funds (as defined in 24 CFR § 93.2). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Eligibility requirements are as follows:
• Must be an organization, agency, or other entity (including a public housing agency, or a for-profit entity or a nonprofit entity)
• Must be owner or developer of proposed project
• Must agree to comply with NHTF requirements and all cross-cutting federal requirements
• Must demonstrate the financial capacity to undertake and manage the project development and long-term compliance)
• Must have experience with development and management of similar projects (project type, funding/regulatory requirements, and target population)

b. Describe the grantee's application requirements for eligible recipients to apply for HTF funds. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Applicant must be an eligible organization with eligible projects. Applications must be submitted in CAMS through the Affordable and Special Needs Housing Program application by the due dates. DHCD provides two application rounds each program year. Please see program guidelines and/or the methods of distribution for more details.

c. Describe the selection criteria that the grantee will use to select applications submitted by eligible recipients. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

DHCD will select applications using a competitive application process that evaluates proposals on the criteria listed below. Please note there are several individual measures included under each of these basic criteria:
• Meeting critical local need (worth 40 points)
• Feasibility – likelihood of projects coming to a timely, successful completion and likelihood of compliance through affordability period (worth 30 points)
• Developer capacity –ability to successfully complete projects and deliver affordable housing (worth 30

points)
• Minimum of 60 out of 100 points required as threshold for funding
Please see the Affordable and Special Needs Housing program guidelines for more details.

d. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on geographic diversity (as defined by the grantee in the consolidated plan). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Virginia's project selection process is an open and competitive application where eligible applicants submit project proposals and all proposals meeting threshold requirements are reviewed and scored. Priority and scoring preferences are given to high quality projects meeting the highest needs based on income targeting and local market needs. Please see the methods of distribution for more details.

e. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the applicant's ability to obligate HTF funds and undertake eligible activities in a timely manner. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Overall project readiness is evaluated under elements of feasibility (see above). DHCD's application review process is designed to score projects relatively higher based on the degree to which the project is positioned to proceed in a timely manner.

Overall development team capacity is evaluated under elements of capacity (see above). DHCD's application review process is designed to score applications relatively higher based on the degree to which the development team has demonstrated success with similar projects. Project management's experience managing similar projects is also a scoring criteria under overall capacity.

f. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the extent to which the rental project has Federal, State, or local project-based rental assistance so that rents are affordable to extremely low-income families. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Applications including rental asssitance receive points under the Need criteria (above).

g. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the financial feasibility of the project beyond the required 30-year period. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

DHCD is not currently considering affordability beyond the required 30 years.

h. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the merits of the application in meeting the priority housing needs of the grantee (such as housing that is accessible to transit

or employment centers, housing that includes green building and sustainable development features, or housing that serves special needs populations). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Project must include units targeted at 30 percent or below to be eligible. Those projects also including permanent supportive housing units targeted to special needs population including people with intellectual/developmental disabilities, people with serious mental illness, and people who are chronically homeless will receive scoring preference under the Need criteria (above). In addition, applicants receive points under Need (above) for green-building certification, universal design elements, exceeding accessibility (504) requirements, and access to community based services.

i. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the extent to which the application makes use of non-federal funding sources. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Typically, projects require multiple funding sources in order to address cash flow needs. Applications are evaluated based on the degree to which the requested funds are needed in the project, the degree to which other funding commitments are in place, and the degree to which these funds will help to leverage other resources. Projects that leverage a diversity of resources will be given a scoring preference.

4. Does the grantee's application require the applicant to include a description of the eligible activities to be conducted with HTF funds? If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, select "N/A".

Yes

5. Does the grantee's application require that each eligible recipient certify that housing units assisted with HTF funds will comply with HTF requirements? If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, select "N/A".

Yes

6. **Performance Goals and Benchmarks.** The grantee has met the requirement to provide for performance goals and benchmarks against which the grantee will measure its progress, consistent with the grantee's goals established under 24 CFR 91.315(b)(2), by including HTF in its housing goals in the housing table on the SP-45 Goals and AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives screens.

Yes

7. **Maximum Per-unit Development Subsidy Amount for Housing Assisted with HTF Funds.** Enter or attach the grantee's maximum per-unit development subsidy limits for housing assisted with HTF funds.

The limits must be adjusted for the number of bedrooms and the geographic location of the project. The limits must also be reasonable and based on actual costs of developing non-luxury housing in the area.

If the grantee will use existing limits developed for other federal programs such as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) per unit cost limits, HOME's maximum per-unit subsidy amounts, and/or Public Housing Development Cost Limits (TDCs), it must include a description of how the HTF maximum per-unit development subsidy limits were established or a description of how existing limits developed for another program and being adopted for HTF meet the HTF requirements specified above.

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The maximum per-unit subsidy limits for the NHTF will be set at HUD's applicable limits for the to the HOME program. These will be applied statewide and are adjusted by the number of bedrooms per unit. These limits are currently as follows:
Maximum Subsidy Limits
0-Bedroom $149,868
1-Bedroom $171,801
2-Bedroom $208,912
3-Bedroom $296,666
4+-Bedroom $277,344

The decision to use the HOME subsidy limits and apply them statewide is based on an analysis of actual development costs for properties in Virginia where there was little variation in average project costs during 2010- 2019 across the state's counties.
Please note that in addition to the subsidy limit, DHCD also applies a subsidy layering analysis to assure that the level of subsidy does not exceed the actual allowable development costs of the unit, that the costs are reasonable and in line with similar projects across the state, that the developer is not receiving excessive profit, and that the NHFT funding does not exceed the amount necessary for the project to be successful for the required 30-year affordability period.

While Virginia does not include any geographic priorities for funding, funding requests are evaluated based on local needs/demand relative to all applications submitted for review.

8. **Rehabilitation Standards.** The grantee must establish rehabilitation standards for all HTF-assisted housing rehabilitation activities that set forth the requirements that the housing must meet upon project completion. The grantee's description of its standards must be in sufficient detail to determine the required rehabilitation work including methods and materials. The standards may refer to applicable codes or they may establish requirements that exceed the minimum requirements of the codes. The grantee must attach its rehabilitation standards below.

In addition, the rehabilitation standards must address each of the following: health and safety; major systems; lead-based paint; accessibility; disaster mitigation (where relevant); state and local codes, ordinances, and zoning requirements; Uniform Physical Condition Standards; and Capital Needs Assessments (if applicable).

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9. **Resale or Recapture Guidelines.** Below, the grantee must enter (or attach) a description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HTF funds when used to assist first-time homebuyers. If the grantee will not use HTF funds to assist first-time homebuyers, enter "N/A".

Not applicable.

10. **HTF Affordable Homeownership Limits.** If the grantee intends to use HTF funds for homebuyer assistance and does not use the HTF affordable homeownership limits for the area provided by HUD, it must determine 95 percent of the median area purchase price and set forth the information in accordance with §93.305. If the grantee will not use HTF funds to assist first-time homebuyers, enter "N/A".

Any limitation or preference must not violate nondiscrimination requirements in § 93.350, and the grantee must not limit or give preferences to students. The grantee may permit rental housing owners to limit tenants or give a preference in accordance with § 93.303(d)(3) only if such limitation or preference is described in the action plan.

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DHCD will give scoring preference to projects that will include more than the minimum 504 units and also to those that target special needs population. Targeting units to special needs populations has been identified as a need and a goal in the annual action plan.

12. **Refinancing of Existing Debt.** Enter or attach the grantee's refinancing guidelines below. The guidelines describe the conditions under which the grantee will refinance existing debt. The grantee's refinancing guidelines must, at minimum, demonstrate that rehabilitation is the primary eligible activity and ensure that this requirement is met by establishing a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing. If the grantee will not refinance existing debt, enter "N/A."

Not applicable.

Discussion:

Please see DHCD's website page on ASNH for more details: https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/asnh