



# Annual Action Plan

## Unified Government Wyandotte County/ Kansas City, Kansas FY 2018-2019

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## **Executive Summary**

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

#### **1. Introduction**

Each year, Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas receives funds from HUD for housing and community development activities to address priority needs locally identified by the County. To receive these federal funds, the County must submit a strategic plan — the Consolidated Plan — every five years that identifies local needs and how these needs will be addressed.

The primary federal funding resources in the 2017-2021 Consolidated Plan are the following:

- **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):** The primary objective of this program is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income levels. Funds can be used for a wide array of activities, including housing rehabilitation, homeownership assistance, lead-based paint detection and removal, construction or rehabilitation of public facilities and infrastructure, removal of architectural barriers, public services, rehabilitation of commercial or industrial buildings, and loans or grants to businesses.
- **HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME):** The HOME program provides federal funds for the development and rehabilitation of affordable rental and ownership housing for low- and moderate-income households. HOME funds can be used for activities that promote affordable rental housing and homeownership by low- and moderate-income households, including reconstruction, moderate or substantial rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, and tenant-based rental assistance.
- **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG):** The Emergency Solutions Grant program became the Emergency Solutions Grant program under the Hearth Act of 2009. Recognizing the need to end homelessness, the Hearth Act places more emphasis on homeless prevention and rapid re-housing and less on shelters and transitional housing. ESG funding can be used to support traditional shelters, transitional housing that is grandfathered from 2010 funding, supportive services, rent and utility payments and security deposits to prevent homelessness or to rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, street outreach, and management of a homeless management information system (HMIS).

#### **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.

For FY 2018-2019, the Unified Government (UG) has identified the following goals and outcomes:

- Improve access to and quality of affordable housing options
- Improve and expand public services to serve low income and special needs populations
- Support activities that prevent homelessness
- Support activities that move persons experiencing homelessness to permanent housing
- Improve and expand public facilities and infrastructure to serve low income populations

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

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

The UG's past performance in the administration and implementation of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs has fulfilled the spirit and intent of the federal legislation creating these programs. The UG has facilitated affordability for decent housing, availability and accessibility of suitable living environments, sustainability of suitable living environments, and the accessibility of economic opportunities. The following is a summary of UG's past performance as reported to HUD in the FY2016 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), the most recent report filed.

New Construction and Rehabilitation. The annual housing goal was exceeded using HOME funds:

- Goal for Construction of New Units: 3
- Actual Number of Units Completed: 2

CHIP Homeownership Down payment. The annual goal was exceeded with the use of HOME funds:

- Objective for CHIP: 16
- Actual Number Completed: 13

Rehab/Home Repair Program. The annual goal was exceeded with the use of CDBG funds:

- Objective for Rehab/Repair: 25
- Actual Number Completed: 92

Access to Housing by Barrier Removal. The annual goal was exceedingly close to achieving the goal with use of CDBG funds and other agencies that focus on disabilities:

- Objective for Barrier Removal: 3
- Actual Number Completed: 5

Homeless Objectives. The annual ESG federal funds matched with local agency funds were for the areas of Emergency Shelter, Rapid Re-Housing Administration, and Data Collection with achievements below. The figures capture number of people served.

Prevention: Goal 700 / Actual Served

- Emergency Shelter: Goal 500 / Actual Served
- Rapid Re-Housing: Goal 470/ Actual Served
- Transitional Housing: Goal 400/ Actual Served
- Operating – Willa Gill Center: Goal 1,000 / Actual Served 3205

Public Services. CDBG funds were used for the following services:

- Demolition: Goal 35 / Actual Completed 13
- Liveable Neighborhoods: Goal 500 / Actual Served 500

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

See AP-10 Consultation

**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 see attached Citizen Participation comments for a full summary of public comments.

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

No record of unaccepted comments.

**7. Summary**

In summary, the Annual Action Plan has been developed with community input and reflects the decisions and history of the County Commission in funding allocations.

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

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

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

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator		KANSAS CITY	Department of Community Development
HOME Administrator		KANSAS CITY	Department of Community Development
ESG Administrator		KANSAS CITY	Department of Community Development

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative (optional)

The lead agency for the Annual Action Plan (AAP) is the Department of Community Development for the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas. The Department serves the residents of Wyandotte County through its administration of the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership, and Emergency Solutions Grant.

### Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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

### **1. Introduction**

The Unified Government conducts outreach efforts to maximize input from a large cross-section of stakeholders. This outreach effort includes public meetings, published meeting notices, stakeholder meetings and public workshops.

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

Meaningful collaboration as it relates to the development and implementation of housing and community development programs and services has become increasingly important as the federal resources available to these programs continue to decline. Collaboration with housing and service providers helps the Unified Government to capture the maximum benefit for each dollar it invests and ensures that investments strategically address both short-term needs and advance long-term goals. These agencies are proactively recruited to participate in the development of annual planning processes. Many local entities, such as business organizations, neighborhood-based organizations, lenders and realtors, and UG staff are working to establish a framework for multi-level collaboration at the neighborhood level to preserve and enhance residential areas.

### **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.**

Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is part of the Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness (GKCCEH), which is the region's Continuum of Care. The GKCCEH works to address homelessness and the priority needs of homeless individuals and families, including homeless subpopulations. The UG assigns a staff person to assist the GKCCEH, serving on the board of directors as a non-voting member.

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



When allocating ESG funding, the Unified Government issues a request for proposals to all agencies that are members of the Continuum of Care. A committee with at least one CoC member representative reviews all the applications and makes recommendations for that year's allocations. The UG typically funds homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, HMIS, and operations.

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

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	LIVEABLE NEIGHBORHOODS, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education Neighborhood Organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	CATHOLIC HOUSING OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	FRIENDS OF YATES, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Services - Victims
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HILLCREST TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Kansas City KS Housing Authority
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Public Housing Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Kim Wilson
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	METROPOLITAN LUTHERAN MINISTRIES
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	MOUNT CARMEL REDEVELOPMENT CORP.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.
9	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Salvation Army
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-homeless Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Anticipated outcomes of the consultation are to provide input for the most critical needs of the community for the next planning years.

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

There were no types of agencies that the UG did not consult and engage, either through phone, email, focus group meetings, personal interviews and/or questionnaires.

### 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		
2018 Annual Action Plan	Unified Government	Goals of the Strategic Plan relate to previous year's efforts, adjusting based on previous outcomes to maximize benefit of CDBG, HOME and ESG investments.
City-Wide Master Plan	Unified Government	Strategic Plan goals comply with long-range goals compiled by the City.
Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice	Kansas City Region	Strategic plan goals and objectives will intentionally, affirmatively further fair housing.
Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Plan	Mid-America Regional Council	Strategic plan acknowledges, and addresses needs identified for expanding economic opportunities.
Wyandotte County Health Assessment Report, 2012	Public Health Department	Strategies for serving individuals with HIV/AIDS identified in this plan are aligned with the Strategic Plan.
FY2018 Annual Plan	Kansas City, Kansas Housing Authority	Strategic Plan goals support the work undertaken by the Housing Authority.
10 Year Plan to End Homelessness, 2013	Wyandotte Homeless Services Coalition	The goals of the CoC were used in the development of the Strategic Plan.
Assessment of Service Needs for At-risk Child/Yout	Mid-America Regional Council	Strategic Plan incorporates needs and strategies identified by this report

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

### Narrative (optional)



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

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

The Unified Government’s goal for citizen participation is to ensure broad participation of County residents; housing, economic development, and other service providers; UG departments; nonprofit organizations; neighborhood groups; and other stakeholders in the planning and implementation of community development and housing programs. As such, the UG has laid out a Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) to broaden citizen participation.

Two public hearings were held during development of the Action Plan and budget process. The first was held on Mar 1, 2018. The second was to finalize the budget, held on July 30, 2018, with adoption on August 2, 2018. Citizens were encouraged to attend and participate in UG budget workshops held during July 2018 to solicit public participation and comments.

Public notices, detailing the dates, times, and locations of public meetings were placed in the *The Call*, *KC Hispanic News*, *Kansas City Globe*, *Dos Mundos* and the *Wyandotte Echo* newspapers, as well as on the Community Development website.

The citizen participation process created an opportunity to gain insight into the roles and plans of other organizations and agencies active in serving the community. Their goals and objectives were considered in development of the goals and objectives of the Annual Action 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 Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Citizen participation comments attached.	Citizen participation comments attached.	No comments made that required a change to the annual Action Plan.	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Non-targeted/broad community	Citizen participation comments attached.	Citizen participation comments attached.	No comments made that required a change to the annual Action Plan.	
3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Citizen participation comments attached.	Citizen participation comments attached.	No comments made that required a change to the annual Action Plan.	
4	Emails to stakeholders	Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Citizen participation comments attached.	Citizen participation comments attached.	No comments made that required a change to the annual Action Plan.	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**



## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

#### Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 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	2,237,090	0	0	2,237,090	5,862,162	

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	846,746	0	0	846,746	1,222,626	
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	181,922	0	0	181,922	551,374	

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**

Several potential funding sources have been identified to implement the strategies contained in the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan. The federal funds outlined above will leverage other sources such as state funds provided under various programs and private funds such as Low Income

Housing Tax Credits and mortgages.

HOME: The UG local jurisdiction has been granted a 100% match reduction for the HOME program due to severe fiscal distress. HOME funds leverage private mortgages through the CHIP program and partnerships with CHDOs and CDCs.

CDBG: Public Services grants leverage Unified Government General Fund dollars and cash and in-kind donations.

ESG: Non-profit organizations subcontracting with the UG are required (for UG to meet HUD regulations) to provide a 100% match for the grant that they are awarded. The match may be in the form of cash or in-kind services and/or donations.

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

The County owns about 1200 vacant lots through its land bank, which could potentially be used as locations for new affordable housing units.

## **Discussion**

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Improve access to and quality of housing	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units	CDBG: \$841,672 HOME: \$762,072	Homeowner Housing Added: 3 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 14 Households Assisted
2	Provide public services	2015	2019	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$168,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted Other: 500 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
3	Housing/services for persons who are homeless	2015	2019	Public Housing Homeless		Housing/Services for the Homeless/At-Risk	ESG: \$181,922	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 470 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 500 Persons Assisted Overnight/Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds added: 400 Beds Homelessness Prevention: 700 Persons Assisted
4	Planning & administration	2015	2019	Administration		Planning & Administration	CDBG: \$447,418 HOME: \$84,674	Other: 1 Other
5	Economic development	2017	2021	Non-Housing Community Development			CDBG: \$780,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3 Persons Assisted
6	AFH 1: Minor Home Repair	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units		
7	AFH 2: Code Assistance	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Blight Removal		

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
8	AFH 3: ReCap Housing Needs	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Blight Removal Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units		
9	AFH 4: Disability	2017	2021	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units		
10	AFH 5: Education	2017	2021	Education		Economic Development		
11	AFH 6: Jobs	2017	2021	Jobs		Economic Development		
12	AFH 7: Affordable Housing	2017	2021	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units		
13	AFH 8: Mobility	2017	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Economic Development		
15	Reg 2: Establish fair housing information website	2017	2021	Affordable Housing	City Wide	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities		

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
16	Reg 1: Expand use of CDFIs and NMTCs	2017	2021	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City Wide	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units		
17	Reg 3: Fair Housing education with stakeholders	2017	2021			Public Services		
18	Reg 4: Advocate for Universal Design standards	2017	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs				
19	Reg 5: Explore regional housing mobility program	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Housing/Services for the Homeless/At-Risk		
20	Reg 6: Develop model zoning code for "compact use"	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities		
21	Reg 7: Develop regional housing locator service	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities		
22	Reg 8: Encourage affordable TOD via zoning codes	2017	2021	Affordable Housing				



Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
23	Reg 9: Create incentives for universal design	2017	2021	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities		
24	Reg 10: Promote use of KC Degrees/KC Scholars	2017	2021					
25	Reg 11: Develop Education and Job Training	2017	2021	Education		Public Services		
26	Reg: 12 Transportation	2017	2021	Transportation				
27	Reg 13: Align regional transit plan to job centers	2017	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs				
28	Reg 14: Affordable housing educational materials	2017	2021	Affordable Housing		Public Services		
29	Reg 15: Metrics for fair/affordable housing goals	2017	2021	Affordable Housing				

**Table 6 – Goals Summary**

## Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Provide public services
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
3	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing/services for persons who are homeless
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Planning & administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Economic development
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 1: Minor Home Repair
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Review annually the feasibility of increasing CDBG and adding other resources to be allocated to the minor home repair program. This will be done as a part of the annual planning process and will begin in 2017.
7	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 2: Code Assistance
	<b>Goal Description</b>	In 2017 provide the UG Commission with report on the need for CDBG and other funds assistance to homeowners to address code violations. Based on report, consider allocation of CDBG and other funds to this programming during the annual planning process. If approved, beginning in 2018, implement the program with coordination between the Neighborhood Resource Center and the Community Development Department.

8	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 3: ReCap Housing Needs
	<b>Goal Description</b>	In 2017, working with LISC and learning from their initiative in Kansas City, MO, develop a strategy to create a Pre-Development Fund for Kansas City, KS. In 2017 and 2018 Unified Government, LISC, and community development corporations will raise funds and develop detailed investment policies for the fund. If successful, the fund will begin operations in 2018 and will work with CDCs and private developers to initiate new development projects in R/ECAPS and other disadvantaged neighborhoods.
9	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 4: Disability
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Including accessibility requirements for new housing will expand housing options for the disabled. The UG's Neighborhood Resource Center and Urban Planning and Zoning Departments will assess current building codes and recommend to UG commission changes that will enhance accessibility of new housing and encourage universal design. If approved, these changes will be incorporated into building requirements in 2019.
10	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 5: Education
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The UG has been working with USD 500 to support its Diploma Place Program and other programs, such as the College Advising Corps, that low-income and minority students gain access to college. The city/county government will continue to support these initiatives and evaluate new approaches for local school districts.
11	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 6: Jobs
	<b>Goal Description</b>	In 2017 KCK, along with its economic development partners, will review its economic development policies and strategies to make sure it is focusing on quality jobs, and high wages with a career path in a growing industry.
12	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 7: Affordable Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The city will foster more access to opportunity for protected classes by including this objective as a specific element in its planning processes. In 2017 the city and particularly its planning department will review its citizen participation process to include access to resources for low income and persons of protected classes into local and comprehensive planning processes. The city will implement this process in 2018-2021.

13	<b>Goal Name</b>	AFH 8: Mobility
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Increased mobility will aid members of protected classes connect with opportunity and housing options. In 2017 the UG will work with MARC and other community partners to develop the specific strategy to meet this goal.
15	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 2: Establish fair housing information website
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Establish <a href="http://www.kcmetrohousing.org">www.kcmetrohousing.org</a> as a central location for the public to access fair housing information.  Providing increased access to affordable housing information and fair housing information will help to address the quality of affordable housing information, increase access to affordable housing, decrease segregation, and increase access to opportunity.
16	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 1: Expand use of CDFIs and NMTCS
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Expand the use of CDFIs and New Market Tax Credits in neighborhoods with concentration of persons in protected classes and low income residents.
17	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 3: Fair Housing education with stakeholders
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Establish a fair housing education program for landlords, realtors, and lenders.
18	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 4: Advocate for Universal Design standards
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Advocate to Missouri Housing Development Commission and Kansas Housing Resources Commission to include universal design standards beyond HUD and ADA minimums in their projects.
19	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 5: Explore regional housing mobility program
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Work with local housing authorities to explore a regional approach to housing voucher utilization
20	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 6: Develop model zoning code for "compact use"
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Develop model zoning code for smaller homes on smaller lots and small (4-12 unit) multi-family

21	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 7: Develop regional housing locator service
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Develop regional housing locator service to help voucher holders find the most appropriate housing
22	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 8: Encourage affordable TOD via zoning codes
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Develop model zoning codes to encourage accessible affordable housing units near transit or other key services at activity centers
23	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 9: Create incentives for universal design
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Develop model incentive policy to require any multi-unit housing construction or substantial renovation receiving a public subsidy to include some affordable, accessible units that met universal design standards
24	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 10: Promote use of KC Degrees/KC Scholars
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Promote use of KC Degrees and KC Scholars to help adults in protected populations return to and complete college
25	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 11: Develop Education and Job Training
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Continue to develop and refine the education and job training component of KC Rising and provide guidance to local institutions in targeting these efforts.
26	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg: 12 Transportation
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Form partnerships between local governments, private employers, and neighborhood organizations to develop transportation options that connect low income and protected populations living in concentrated areas of poverty with job opportunities.
27	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 13: Align regional transit plan to job centers
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Update the regional transit plan and reconfigure transit routes to better connect affordable housing and their protected population residents, with employment centers

<b>28</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 14: Affordable housing educational materials
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Develop informational materials for local governments and community organizations to use to educate the public about the need for affordable housing
<b>29</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Reg 15: Metrics for fair/affordable housing goals
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Establish metrics to meet fair housing and affordable housing goals

## Projects

### AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

The finalized amount of 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Unified Government is \$2,237,090. The 2018 HOME Investment Partnerships program (HOME) funds for the UG is \$846,746. The 2018 Emergency Solutions Grant program (ESG) is \$181,922.

#### Projects

#	Project Name
1	Public Facilities & Improvements - NRSA Park Drive
2	Emergency Home Repair
3	Livable Neighborhoods
4	Willa Gill Multi-Service Center
5	Rehab Project Delivery
6	CD Administration
7	CHIP Program
8	CHDO Set Aside (Rehab/New Construction)
9	HOME New Construction/Rehab
10	HOME Administration
11	ESG Program Activities

**Table 7 - Project Information**

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

The Unified Government is committed to allocating funds that serve the needs of low- to moderate-income (LMI) residents. Funding awards are based on need and activity eligibility. Actual locations are determined by applications received and funding availability.

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is the limited resources available to address identified priorities. The UG will partner with other public agencies and non-profit organizations, when feasible, to leverage resources and maximize outcomes in housing and community development.





**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

1	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Facilities & Improvements - NRSA Park Drive
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facility Improvements
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$780,000
	<b>Description</b>	Public Facilities & Improvements - Park Drive NRSA. Improvements may include park improvements, including ADA restrooms, playgrounds, curbs and sidewalks and other public facility improvements,
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
2	<b>Project Name</b>	Emergency Home Repair
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing AFH 1: Minor Home Repair
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$400,000
	<b>Description</b>	Emergency Home Repair Program for single-family owner-occupied houses. Repair includes electrical, furnace, plumbing, plumbing and roofs.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Up to 40 households
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
	<b>Project Name</b>	Livable Neighborhoods

<b>3</b>	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Provide public services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$20,000
	<b>Description</b>	Funding for Livable Neighborhoods
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Up to 500 persons assisted
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Work with neighborhood groups
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Willa Gill Multi-Service Center
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing/services for persons who are homeless
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing/Services for the Homeless/At-Risk Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$148,000
	<b>Description</b>	Operating costs for center that provides services to homeless and near homeless persons
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Up to 1000 persons
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Will
<b>5</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Rehab Project Delivery
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Units

	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$441,672
	<b>Description</b>	Rehab project delivery
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CD Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Planning & administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$447,418
	<b>Description</b>	Administration
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CHIP Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$222,072
	<b>Description</b>	Down payment assistance
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	15 households
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CHDO Set Aside (Rehab/New Construction)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$180,000
	<b>Description</b>	CHDO Set aside
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	2 households
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME New Construction/Rehab
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Improve access to and quality of housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Expand Affordable Housing Opportunities
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$360,000
	<b>Description</b>	New construction/rehab
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	4 households
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	

<b>10</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Planning & administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Planning & Administration
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$84,674
	<b>Description</b>	Home Administration
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2019
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	ESG Program Activities
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing/Services for the Homeless/At-Risk
	<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$181,922
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2020
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	

## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)**

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

Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is located in the northeast part of Kansas and is part of the Kansas City, Missouri metropolitan region. Housing values are some of the lowest in the region, but the County also has a higher unemployment and lower poverty rate than the majority of Kansas.

According to the 2011 AI for the Kansas City Region, concentrations occur when the percentage of residents of a particular racial or ethnic group is 10 percentage points or more above the community-wide average. In 2011, Wyandotte County was approximately 40% non-White and 25% Hispanic.

The largest concentrations (>50%) of the Black/African-American population are in the Northeast neighborhood. For Hispanics, the largest concentrations (>35%) are in the Argentine, Kensington, and Riverview neighborhoods. There are no areas with high concentrations of Asians.

Using poverty rate as a proxy for low-income residents and a definition of “concentrated” as being 10 percentage points or more above the community-wide average (22%), there are concentrations of poverty located in the neighborhoods of Northeast, Kensington, Riverview, Coronado/Bethel/Welborn, and Rosedale.

The greatest racial/ethnic concentrations of poverty are located in the Northeast neighborhood.

Ultimately, Wyandotte County/Kansas City is working to ensure that a mix of housing types exists within each community to accommodate households of all types and income levels. The County housing strategies will be especially guided by the increasing mismatch between incomes and housing costs and the specific accommodations necessary to ensure that special needs populations have adequate affordable housing options with appropriate supportive services where needed.

### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City Wide	100

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution**

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

The Unified Government did not set priorities for allocating investments geographically, except for the area designated as a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) identified as the Park Drive

Neighborhood NRSA.

## **Discussion**



## Affordable Housing

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

#### Introduction

The Unified Government will use HOME funds and a portion of CDBG funds for new affordable housing and to rehabilitate existing housing units. The special needs population will be served through the rehabilitation of an existing structures. The homeless population will be served through assistance grants to local service providers. Therefore, these two groups do not have easily quantifiable goals.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	506
Non-Homeless	15
Special-Needs	3
Total	524

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	6
Rehab of Existing Units	50
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	56

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

#### Discussion

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

The Kansas City, Kansas Housing Authority's (KCKHA) mission is to help families and individuals with low and moderate incomes achieve greater stability and self-reliance by providing safe, affordable, quality housing and partnering with community services and agencies and promoting economic opportunity in a suitable living environment free from discrimination. According to the 2016 Wyandotte County/Kansas City/Kansas City CAPER (most recent available), 2,058 families are served by public housing and 1,469 are served by Section 8 vouchers.

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

KCKHA will continue improving the quality of its housing by investing in the capital (CAP) fund allocation to make units competitive with housing in the private sector. CAP funds will be used for HVAC improvements in family development community centers, interior modernization, roof replacements, fencing, mechanical improvements, exterior repair, painting and parking lot expansion.

Since taking over responsibility of the Rosedale Ridge apartment complex, KCKHA is in the process of issuing 116 Section 8 vouchers to those families.

The Unified Government, acting as the Responsible Entity, will work in conjunction with the Kansas City, Kansas Public Housing Authority to ensure that the requirements of 24 CFR Part 58 are adhered to.

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

Residents of the KCKHA are encouraged to participate in decision making in all aspects of the agency's operations. This involvement typically occurs through the Resident Associations and Resident Councils that exist at each KCKHA public housing development. Each Resident Association or Council has its own membership made up of residents from that specific community, and each is led by an elected board of directors.

The Resident Associations and Resident Councils work to improve the conditions of the residents they represent in their specific communities. The presidents of each Resident Association or Council then are able to join together to form a jurisdiction-wide council that allows residents' concerns and involvements to be addressed at a broader Agency level. The jurisdiction-wide council may advise the Board of Commissioners and Executive Director in all areas of KCKHA operations, including occupancy,

general management, maintenance, security, resident training, social services, modernization, etc. The KCKHA has two jurisdiction-wide councils: the United Presidents Council is comprised of Presidents and other officers of the individual family development resident associations, and the Council of United Residents is comprised of Presidents and other officers of the individual elderly and disabled developments. These two jurisdiction-wide councils are contacted in advance to participate in the planning and development of the KCKHA's Annual Plan.

Another way to ensure resident input and participation of residents in KCKHA operations is by the election of a Resident Commissioner to the KCKHA Board of Commissioners.

KCKHA currently operates a homeowner program. Participants must pay 30% of their household income toward a mortgage, the housing authority pays the remainder. Once the family is able to pay the full cost of the mortgage for six months, they graduate from the program. Participants must qualify for a standard mortgage, so only those with a decent credit history are eligible. Elderly and disabled residents can receive KCKHA assistance for the life of the loan.

KCKHA is in the process of implementing a new Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. Approximately 10-15 individuals are currently being trained to staff the program.

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

N/A

**Discussion**

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

### **Introduction**

The Unified Government is a partner with Continuum of Care to address homelessness and the priority needs of homeless individuals and families, including homeless subpopulations.

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

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

The lead entity for the Continuum of Care is the Greater Kansas city Coalition to End Homelessness (GKCCEH). This is a partnership of organizations and individuals including: nonprofit organizations, public sector agencies, formerly homeless persons, business community persons, housing developers, faith-based community organizations and other key stakeholders. The UG provides funding to support a full time Coordinator and provides administrative support through UG general funds.

The Finance committee and the Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness (GKCCEH) Board plan and coordinate various fundraisers throughout the year to help fund the annual operational budget of the organization. Every year during National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week in November the GKCCEH works to bring awareness to the community and will continue to do this each year. Other activities include the State of Our Homelessness in the Kansas City metropolitan area, Point-in-Time Count, and work to ensure the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) delivers needed data used for HUD and local government reporting. Each year the GKCCEH conducts a single day “Point-In-Time” count for sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons and families.

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

ESG funds are awarded annually to eligible nonprofit agencies that provide emergency shelter and transitional housing.

#### **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**

Wrap around support services provided through the CoC's permanent supportive housing (PSH) programs are key to the high success agencies have experienced keeping homeless persons in PSH for at least six months (prior to exit). The PSH grantees collaborate and share housing retention strategies to support each project in achieving the housing maintenance goal. A chief strategy in achieving the stated goal has been to relocate individuals who experience housing difficulties before a loss of housing occurs. Because 80% of our CoC's PSH units are dedicated to serve households with severe mental illness or addictions, relocation is often a key strategy in giving someone a fresh start to be successful in housing.

**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 UG promotes four (4) eligible ESG activities that are intentionally focused on housing —either financial assistance to help pay for housing or services designed to keep people in housing or to obtain housing. This assistance is not intended to provide long-term support for program participants, nor will it be able to address all of the financial and supportive services needs of households that affect housing stability. Rather, assistance should be focused on housing stabilization, linking program participants to community resources and mainstream benefits, and helping participants develop a plan for preventing future housing instability.

### **Emergency Shelter**

- Essential Services: Case management related to emergency shelter, referrals to employment,

healthcare, substance abuse and related services within the community.

- Shelter Operations: including maintenance, rent, repair, security, fuel, insurance, and utilities.

### **Homelessness Prevention Assistance**

- Housing relocation and stabilization services (case management).
- Leasing assistance, as necessary, to prevent the individual or family from becoming homeless when the assistance is necessary to help program participants regain stability in their current permanent housing or move into other permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. Eligible costs include housing search and placement, housing stability case management, rental arrearages, leasing assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, utility arrearages, mediation, and cost for obtaining identification. **Rapid Re-housing Assistance**
- Housing relocation and stabilization services (case management).
- Leasing assistance as necessary to help individuals or families living in shelters or in places not meant for human habitation to move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. Eligible costs include housing search and placement, housing stability case management, leasing assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, utility arrearages, mediation, and cost for obtaining identification.

**Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services** - Funds must be used to create and implement a comprehensive, easily accessible service and housing response system that addresses the needs of those who are homeless or at serious risk of homelessness.

### **Eligible activities include:**

- Housing stabilization services include arranging, coordinating, linking and monitoring the delivery services that assist participants to obtain and sustain housing stability; this includes the salary of the Housing Resource Specialist(s)/Case Manager;
- Transportation/travel for supportive housing stabilization services, i.e. visit a participant;
- Costs associated with cell phones to support housing stabilization services.

**HMIS/Data Collection and Evaluation** will be conducted via HMIS. Cost associated with data collection is limited to one percent (1%) of the total grant amount. The HEARTH Act requires that data collection and

reporting for ESG be conducted via HMIS.

## **Discussion**

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

### **Introduction:**

Eliminating barriers to affordable housing is critical for increasing economic opportunities and access to prosperity.

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

The Unified Government will continue to implement the Home Repair Grant Program which provides repairs to homes where the owner is income eligible and living in the home. The program's other component is Barrier Removal.

In addition we participated in a Regional Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Plan. The Plan includes goals and objectives to addressing housing issues in the region.

The UG will continue to review housing to be constructed with UG or CDBG/HOME assistance to ensure it meets acceptable standards. Quality design and neighborhood compatibility will assist with neighborhood and community acceptance of affordable housing.

The UG will support the rehabilitation of existing units and construction of new units in low income neighborhoods and work with private property owners to preserve affordable housing throughout neighborhoods in Wyandotte County.

### **Discussion:**



## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

#### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

The primary obstacles to meeting underserved needs are lack of financial and human resources, and a growing gap between housing costs and incomes. The County will continue to use its resources carefully and strategically as evidenced in this plan to reduce the effects of the cost/income gap.

#### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

A lack of affordable housing is a primary obstacle to addressing unmet needs. The UG will continue to support its goals of maintaining and expanding affordable housing by utilizing its CDBG and HOME allocations to create new opportunities for affordable homeownership and rehabilitate existing affordable units.

#### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

Information about lead-based paint hazards is distributed to households participating in HOME and CDBG-funded programs. The UG Community Development, in partnership with the Wyandotte County Public Health Department received a \$1,500,000 grant award from HUD for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program, along with \$150,000 in Healthy Homes Supplemental Grant funds. The program will seek to reduce lead and provide healthy homes intervention in the KCK area, to increase awareness of lead poisoning and prevention through community outreach and education and to build capacity for lead abatement through training of low income residents in lead hazard controls.

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

CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding is integrated into the programs that address poverty and homelessness by participating agencies that are served by the Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness. These agencies, and others, provide much needed services to assist residents that are living in poverty. Further programs such as job training, child care, and transportation assistance reduce the impact of

poverty and provide for income growth for families living in poverty.

Through its policies and planning, the UG will continue to encourage business growth in the community. Efforts will continue to support programs to maintain the quality and integrity of the low and moderate income neighborhoods where older housing is found. Support will continue for infrastructure improvements in these areas, and code enforcement will be apparent throughout the County. In recognition that some families cannot afford to correct code violations, the UG provides referrals services to help income-eligible homeowners correct the property deficiency. Program referrals are made to Christmas in October, Coalition for Independence, ECKAN, KC Church of Christ, Hope Builders and LIEAP and other organizations.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

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

Public agencies, for-profit and non-profit private organizations all play a part in the provision of affordable housing, social services, capital improvements, and economic development. However, the lack of financial resources for development, operations, and support services is a huge gap to overcome. Addressing these gaps will be a high priority for the County. The Unified Government will continue to work to provide stronger coordination between agencies and local organizations.

### **Discussion:**

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction:

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

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

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

#### Other CDBG Requirements

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

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

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

as follows:

There are no other forms of investment

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:

When the PJ, CHDO or Housing Partner sells a HOME Assisted House to an income eligible household the HOME Agreement with the homebuyer is executed along with the executed and recorded Second Mortgage. These documents state the recapture provision will be used, below is the language.

Sale to a New Homebuyer: Full recapture will occur upon sale, transfer, or conveyance of the property to a new homebuyer prior to the expiration of the prescribed affordability period. The HOME-assisted buyer must repay the full amount of the entire HOME subsidy less any owner-paid closing costs and owner equity included therein; provided, that if the property is sold for market value and net proceeds from the sale is insufficient to pay the full subsidy amount, the difference between the net proceeds and the HOME subsidy amount may be forgiven.

Conversion to Business or Rental Use: Full Recapture will occur upon sale or conversion of the property for rental or business purposes prior to the expiration of the prescribed affordability period. The HOME-assisted buyer must repay the full amount of the HOME subsidy. No pro-rata reduction may be made.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

The UG will hold a lien on property for the amount of the HOME subsidy to assure that the assisted household continues to meet program guidelines throughout the affordability period. The minimum affordability period required is based on the amount of HOME assistance and is as follows:

Each property assisted with HOME funds must also have deed restrictions that run with the land, in addition to the applicable affordability period. These restrictions ensure the property remains affordable to a low to moderate income household for the applicable period and stipulate that: 1)

The property must be the principal and primary residence of the purchaser; 2) All or any portion of the property may not be used as rental property or as investment property; and 3) Any portion of the property assisted with HOME funds may not be used as a business.

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

Not Applicable – the Unified Government does not use HOME funds for this purpose

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

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

FY 2015 ESG funds were awarded by HUD under the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act). The HEARTH Act improves administrative efficiency and enhances response coordination and effectiveness in addressing the needs of homeless persons. The Act adds short- and medium-term rental assistance and services to rapidly re-house homeless people, and places greater emphasis on helping people quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. In addition, the HEARTH Act provides grantees with the programmatic framework to maximize communitywide planning and strategic use of resources, and to improve coordination and integrate with mainstream services to increase efficiency, including services funded by other programs targeted to homeless people.

HUD drew from its recent program experience with the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP), a temporary program, to establish the regulations for the ESG program, a permanent program. **These funds must exclusively be used for Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention Assistance, Rapid Re-housing Assistance, Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS), and Administration.**

**Refer to the Unique Appendices for the ESG Policy and Procedures.**

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

The Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness operates as the regional Continuum of Care applicant. Currently, the coordinated system in place is HMIS; all HUD and non-HUD funded agencies are required to enter beneficiary data into this system. Other CoC responsibilities include holding monthly membership meetings, adopt and follow written process to select a board to act on behalf of the CoC, collaborate with the HMIS lead.

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 Unified Government submits a Request for Proposal in local newspapers and announces ESG funding allocations to the Continuum of Care membership. Eligible applicants are non-profit organizations and Continuum of Care participants; an ESG application must be submitted to the Program Coordinator of the grant program. The Unified Government coordinates with the Continuum of Care to evaluate applications and fund sub recipients. A ranking and reviewing committee (consist of 3-4 persons) will meet to score applicants based on the attached ranking and review scoring.

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.

Sub-recipients are required to have participation of not less than one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors; this is verified through annual monitoring reviews and required documentation of board of directors and recent board minutes.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

There are two primary data sources CoC's and ESG recipients will use to collect system-level performance measures:

1. Sheltered and unsheltered PIT count data reported through HUD's Homelessness Data Exchange (HDX)

2. Client-level outcome information based on data collected in HMIS and unduplicated across all continuum and ESG projects that contribute data to HMIS with the CoC.

System Performance Measurement Parameters also include the following:

1. Project Type
2. Reporting Period
3. Client Universe (adults, leavers, stayers)
4. Setting Local Performance Targets
5. HMIS Bed Coverage and Data Quality

Please review attached performance and evaluation of projects procedures.

## Attachments



## **Citizen Participation Comments**

### Citizen Participation Public Comments

#### Unified Government of Wyandotte County / Kansas City, KS

Two public hearings were held for the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan. The first hearing was held on March 1, 2018 and 6 citizens made comments. Two citizens commented on the need for 4H programs. One citizen/Piper School board resident commented on the need for green space for youth for practice fields. One citizen commented on the holding the line on property taxes. One citizen requested additional funds for the downtown district business. One citizen made general comments on streets, streetlights, police and fire, codes and neighborhood watch groups.

The second public hearing was held on July 30, 2018 and 6 citizens made comments. In general, the public comments received during the public meetings were directed towards the Unified Government's general fund budget. Three citizens commented about funding the District Attorney's request for funds for a conviction and integrity unit. One citizen commented about UG parks and their history. One citizen commented on the continuation of a sales tax on the election ballot and finally one citizen commented on transparency for giving out raises to non-profit organizations funded by the general fund.

