



City of Racine, Wisconsin
Agenda Briefing Memorandum

AGENDA DATE:

March 13, 2023 – CDBG Advisory Committee
March 21, 2023 – Common Council

SUBJECT:

Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason to approve the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

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BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:

The HOME-American Rescue Plan Program Allocation Plan (HOME-ARP) is required by HUD for the City of Racine to receive federal HOME-ARP grant funds. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is a strategic plan detailing the allocation of funding to assist individuals or households who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, and other populations to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability. The City of Racine was awarded \$2,080,178 in HOME-ARP funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

HOME-ARP may be used for the following eligible activities:

- Production or preservation of affordable rental housing
- Acquisition and development of Non-Congregant Housing
- Supportive services
- Tenant-based rental assistance

Eligible Populations

HOME-ARP funds must be used to primarily benefit individuals or families from the following qualifying populations:

- Homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302(a));
- At-risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1));
- Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as defined by the Secretary;
- In other populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability;
- Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the preceding criteria.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The CDBG Advisory board will oversee the HOME-ARP grant of \$2,080,178 in which funds must be fully expended by December 31, 2029.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the CDBG Advisory Committee approves the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.