

The Department of Workforce Services, Housing and Community Development Division (HCD) and Office of Homeless Services (OHS) is holding a public comment period regarding its 2021 Comprehensive Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). This plan reports on the accomplishments of the HUD funded state run community planning and development programs. These programs include the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Program, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program. This plan covers the 2021 program year (FY21) that ran from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

In 2021, HCD received \$14.4 Million in new federal funding for these programs and another \$6 Million from program income and unspent prior year's resources. Additionally, Utah is providing \$2 Million in match funding for these programs.

The HOME program received \$3,500,083 in new HUD funding. In FY 21, The HOME Program funded eight housing projects. Most of these projects were funded with FY 20 funds so those accomplishments will not be reflected in this plan. Projects funded with FY 22 funds have not been completed due to the long development/construction timelines for large multi-family housing developments.

The HTF program received \$3,268,898 in new HUD funding for FY21. The HTF Program funded three new construction projects in FY 21. As with the HOME projects, these projects are still underway and will not be listed under accomplishments until construction is completed.

The CDBG program received \$5,825,398 in new funding for FY21. The 2021 CDBG allocation supported nine public facilities projects, eleven infrastructure projects, thirteen housing projects for single-family housing rehabilitation and homeownership activities and three public service projects in support of operations and planning activities.

The ESG program received \$1,335,886 in new funding in FY21. The listed anticipated accomplishments in this plan are based on old methods of measuring outputs. For that reason those goals were not completed. However, the ESG program was very successful in providing value to the community. In particular, the ESG program added a number of new shelter beds to meet the demand caused by covid-19.

The HOPWA program received \$273,103 in HOPWA funds in FY22. These funds provide rent assistance for persons with AIDS. This program is not making any notable changes during FY22.

The 2021 CAPER is attached to this notice. To comment on this plan please contact Elias Wise at (385) 535-7952 or by email at ewise@utah.gov. Comments can be given anytime between December 15, 2022 and January 3, 2023, including at the public hearing to be held on Tuesday January 3, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the 2021 CAPER before final submission to HUD.

Copies of the 2021 plan can be found at DWS employment centers in Salt Lake City, Provo, Ogden, Richfield, Price, Saint George, and Logan Utah. These copies are available to the public.

The meeting will be held virtually at: <https://meet.google.com/deb-dedy-xpd>

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