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FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA**

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ES-05 Executive Summary - 91.300(c), 91.320(b)

1. Introduction

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding for housing and community development through several formula grant programs. Alaska receives approximately \$5 million annually for three of them: the HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME), the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG). In order to maintain eligibility for these, the State must engage in a consolidated planning process, which results in the development of this Annual Housing and Community Development Plan (HCD Plan) as well as several other documents.

In Alaska, two Participating Jurisdictions (PJs) receive formula funding for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs; the Municipality of Anchorage and the State of Alaska. The Municipality of Anchorage is responsible for the preparation and maintenance of its own HCD Plan. The State of Alaska's HCD Plan covers all geographic areas of Alaska outside of the Municipality of Anchorage; often referred to as the "balance of state."

The State of Alaska's HCD Plan is a cooperative effort among the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority (AMHTA), and the Alaska Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education. AHFC is the lead agency in the preparation and maintenance of the State's Consolidated Plan.

This Annual Action Plan(AAP) identifies housing and community development resources expected to be available and it provides the details for the use of HOME, CDBG and ESG funds during the year. The AAP includes a description of how funds will be allocated, the program activities to be undertaken, and the amount of funds to be distributed for each program activity. Also included in the AAP is an overview of homelessness needs and actions to be undertaken to address homelessness, special needs housing, lead based paint hazards, collaboration with the public housing agency, and non-housing community development concerns. The AAP will provide a basis for assessing effectiveness through completion of the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER).

As the Plan was developed, the following points were recognized:

- The seven Guiding Principles developed during the drafting of the Plan are the same as those found in the current HCD Plan based on public comment and with recognition of the increasing necessity to consider transportation when determining cost and location of housing development.

- The population of Alaska has grown approximately 4%, from 710,249 in 2010 to 738,432 in 2015ⁱ. During the same time period, the population in the “balance of state” (all areas, but Anchorage) grew 5.1%, from 418,423 to 439,737ⁱⁱ.
- The two biggest housing related issues moving forward into the next five years are in-state migration from rural areas to urban areas and the growth in the senior population.
- Some people are aware of fair housing laws, who to call if they have a complaint, but more work is needed to continue to increase awareness of the protections these laws provide tenants.
- Homelessness remains an important concern, particularly as uncertainty exists with the national and State economy and recidivism in the corrections system remains high.
- The availability of housing accessible for persons with a disability remains a barrier for many households.
- Compared to the rest of the country, Alaska has weathered much of the real estate turmoil from recent years. This has helped maintain the general health of the housing industry and demand for affordable housing and community development projects.
- Title 1 of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 established the Housing Trust Fund. The HTF may be used for the production or preservation of affordable housing through the acquisition, new construction, reconstruction, and/or rehabilitation of non-luxury housing with suitable amenities. All HTF-assisted units will be required to have a minimum affordability period of 30 days. A Cost Allocation plan must be developed by the participating states. AHFC has been designated by the State Governor to be the recipient of the HTF and to administer the funds. AHFC, as part of the planning process for the Annual Plan has requested the participation of the public for the allocation of HTF as part of the GOAL program and its activities. <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/htf/>.
- The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), on behalf of the State of Alaska, will administer the National Housing Trust Fund. Under NHTF regulations, the only jurisdiction, other than the state of Alaska, eligible to receive a sub-grant of NHTF is the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA). The MOA has requested a sub-grant of NHTF to administer directly in Anchorage. Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.320(k)(5), the State must submit and HUD must approve an HTF allocation plan that addresses its intent to award HTF funds to MOA.
- AHFC is considering providing the MOA with a sub-grant of \$545,085 in NHTF equivalent to the MOA FY2016 allocation of HOME funds. The remaining NHTF will be administered for the area of Alaska outside of Anchorage consistent with the participating jurisdictional boundaries of the HOME program. The balance of state funds will be allocated through the annual GOAL – Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living program. The Rating and Award Criteria Plan for the GOAL program will set the priorities for the allocation of NHTF. In this way it will be coordinated with the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, HOME Investment Partnership and Senior Citizens Housing development Fund programs, within a single

annual application process. Please visit the following URL for more information regarding the GOAL Program: <https://www.ahfc.us/pros/grants/development-grants/goal/>

- A sub-grant of NHTF to MOA would be made subject to a number of conditions regarding liability for non-compliance and repayment of funds that protects AHFC from damage. HUD has informed AHFC that AHFC will retain liability for non-compliance and repayment of any sub-granted funds to MOA. Pursuant to 24 CFR 93.404(b), the State must execute a written agreement awarding funds to the MOA for HTF activities. The MOA HTF allocation plan must address all required elements of the written agreement with the State.
- If a sub-grantee agreement is not reached with MOA, the funds will be allocated with the other NHTF through the GOAL program.

Overall, the housing and community development situation in Alaska has improved during the past five years. The work done during that period with HOME, CDBG and ESG funds, as well as other related state and federal monies, has had a positive effect, but there is more work to be done. This HCD Plan provides the strategy by which that work can be accomplished so that growth, improvement and success will continue for the next year.

i United States Census Bureau - Census.gov/quickfacts

ii Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development - labor.alaska.gov

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment

The statutory goal of the HCD Plan is to:

Provide decent housing, create suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities for Alaskans at or below 80% of median income.

Guiding Principles

A set of seven guiding principles direct the use of program resources covered by this Consolidated Plan. The wide range of housing and community development conditions across Alaska makes the use of guiding principles the most practical and effective means of targeting scarce HCD resources. The 2016-2020 guiding principles are:

- 1) **The use of federal housing and community development funds should emphasize benefit to low income Alaskans and increase sustainable housing and neighborhood options for Alaskans.** Rationale: The amount of federal funds is limited; greatest needs are among the lowest-income households. Low to moderate income Alaskans should not have their housing options limited to only lower-income neighborhoods.
- 2) **Use of community development funds should emphasize the creation of economic opportunity through development of infrastructure.** Rationale: Basic infrastructure is lacking in many of Alaska's communities and is a major barrier to economic self-sufficiency. Location-efficient facility decisions can reduce the operating and capital expenses associated with transportation.
- 3) **Preserve and upgrade existing housing supply through weatherization and rehabilitation.** Rationale: Because it is so expensive to develop new housing, every effort must be made to prolong the useful life and to lower operating costs of Alaska's existing housing.
- 4) **Use of federal homeless funds should emphasize activities that maintain and strengthen the service delivery system for Alaska's homeless, consistent with local strategies.** Rationale: Very little formula funding is available for services to help the homeless and near-homeless.
- 5) **Maximize the use of federal housing and community development funds by supporting projects that include significant leveraging resources.** Rationale: The amount of federal funds is limited; more can be accomplished if federal funds are combined with state and local resources.

- 6) **Expand the supply of affordable housing for Alaskans with special needs, incorporating universal design and appropriate supportive services.** Rationale: Existing housing supply is inadequate to meet current and projected need for this population, which has historically been underserved.
- 7) **Housing and community development projects should incorporate climate specific design and engineering, energy efficient community design and construction techniques and innovative technologies.** Rationale: Use of appropriate technologies insures long term viability of housing and community development projects. Communities designed in consideration of the link between transportation and housing costs, can minimize the consumption of energy used for mobility.

Outcome Performance Measures

The State uses the Outcome Performance Measurement System for Community Planning and Development Formula Grant Programs implemented in SFY 2007 (FFY 2006). In addition to comparing quantifiable achievements (i.e. units built) with projected goals to determine program success, performance evaluation includes a review of needs fulfillment. Each Goal is correlated with a Need of Priority, a measured outcome relevant to the activity type and purpose.

Outcome categories are:

- a. Reduction and Prevention of Homelessness—In general, this relates to activities that are designed to assist chronically homeless, families with children, veterans, unaccompanied youth and other homeless persons and those at-risk of homelessness.
- b. Decent Housing— The activities that typically would be found under this Outcome are designed to cover the wide range of housing possible under the HOME, CDBG or ESG programs. The objective is to focus on housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs; not programs where housing is an element of a larger effort, since such programs would be more appropriately reported under Suitable Living Environment.
- c. Creating Economic Opportunities— These are the types of activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization, or job creation.

Evaluation of past performance

The constant reduction in formula funds, due to inflation, that are allocated to Alaska makes the process of setting goals ever more challenging. Despite this increasing limitation, the State has managed to surpass the expected goals set by the previous Consolidated Plan.

During SFY16, the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation announced the suspension of the Home Energy Rebate Program waitlist with an effective date of March 25, 2016. The call center and online portal will no longer be accepting new applicants. The suspension is in response to the budgetary challenges faced by the State. The Home Energy Rebate program has set aside funds to honor all those that are already in the program.

Please visit https://akrebate.ahfc.us/rebate_home_energy.aspx for more information.

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation will continue to support the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness in its efforts to develop a framework and a plan to significantly and measurably reduce homelessness in Alaska. Although the movement to national or regional competitions has made Alaska less competitive for Section 202/811, the state was successful in receiving a five-year award of \$7.7 million in Section 811 rental assistance for persons with disabilities.

The process to develop the SFY2016 CAPER will begin in early July 2016 with a fifteen-day public comment period on the draft CAPER anticipated in late August or early September of 2016. The SFY2016 CAPER will be submitted to HUD by September, 2016. The SFY2015 Annual Performance Report is available at: <https://www.ahfc.us/pros/references/plans/>

THE PROCESS

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.300(b)

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

Alaska's Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan was created and maintained through a joint effort of several state agencies. An Interagency Steering Committee was created for this process. It includes representatives from AHFC, the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, and the Alaska Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education. As the lead agency in HCD planning, AHFC facilitates the process and provides a single point of contact for the public on matters relating to the HCD Plan. The Consolidated Plan reflects the collective priorities of many agencies, organizations and private citizenry within the State of Alaska. These groups and individuals represent a variety of housing and community development programs and concerns. Other entities giving input include state and local governments, non-profit organizations, regional housing authorities and representatives of the private sector.

Private Citizens (particularly those with low incomes or residing in areas in which community development activities are likely to take place) are encouraged to participate in the development and review of the AAP. Pursuant to federal regulation (24 CFR 91.115) the State of Alaska has developed and adopted a Citizen Participation Plan encouraging public participation in the HCD Planning process.

Alaska's size and wide range of social, economic and physical environments present many challenges to any planning process. A variety of approaches were used to ensure the public had opportunities to participate in the SFY2017 AAP. The Interagency Steering Committee met on January 26, 2016 and provided ongoing input and review of the AAP. Two statewide teleconferenced public hearings were held on March 16, and April 5, 2016 to obtain public comment regarding housing and community development in preparation for drafting the SFY2017 Annual Action Plan.

The draft AAP was made available for public review and comment on March 17, 2016 for a minimum of 30 days which ended on April 15, 2016. Notification of the availability of the draft plan, and the public hearings were advertised in the Anchorage Daily News, a newspaper of statewide circulation, and in a number of regional and community newspapers.



Announcements of the availability of the draft plan were sent to many individuals, organizations and local governmental entities via electronic list serve. The draft plan was made available on AHFC's website or in hard copy by contacting the HCD Plan Coordinator. The availability of the draft plan was posted on the AHFC Facebook page. Public comments on the draft Plan were received from March 17 to April 15, 2016 and from April 21 to May 20, 2016 and considered. The AHFC's Board of Directors reviewed the plan at their May 25, 2016 meeting prior to the plan being submitted to HUD in May, 2015.

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	State of ALASKA	Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
HOME Administrator	State of ALASKA	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Planning and Program Development
ESG Administrator	State of ALASKA	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Planning and Program Development

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PR-10 Consultation - 91.110, 91.300(b); 91.315(l)

1. Introduction

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 (91.215(l))

As the Housing Authority for the State of Alaska and the recipient of Continuum of Care and HOPWA competitive funds, AHFC applies for planning funds whenever possible. The State distributes these funds in the form of grants to the two CoCs in the state for coordinated assessment of needs. AHFC is at the same time an active participant in the institutional delivery consortium statewide. AHFC chairs the state Council on the Homeless which has representation from other state agencies, the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, and service providers on the Council. Council meetings serve as a coordinating opportunity for these groups and other interested housing providers. Council meetings are often held in conjunction with the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness, a statewide housing and supportive services coordinating body.

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

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) serves as both the designated homeless agency for the State of Alaska and a Collaborative Applicant for AK-501 Continuum of Care (CoC). Throughout the CoC application process, AHFC is intimately involved in assisting the CoC in establishing priorities and objectives to address the needs of Alaska's homeless. In addition, AHFC works closely with the CoC throughout the year to identify areas of unmet need and determine funding priorities. This relationship helps inform AHFC's funding priorities to address the needs of Alaska's homeless, especially the chronically homeless, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth.

Consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the state in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards and evaluate outcomes, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the administration of HMIS

As the designated housing agency and collaborative applicant for the AK-501 Continuum of Care (CoC), Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) consults with the Alaska CoC on an ongoing basis.

Annually, AHFC reports on the current and upcoming ESG and state-funded BHAP programs in conjunction with a meeting of the Alaska Coalition on Housing & Homelessness. The discussion

includes how the relatively small amount of ESG funds awarded to Alaska will be allocated and performance standards. AHFC provides periodic reports to the CoC on the use of SRA funds by recipients as well as other state and federal programs targeting homeless services.

AHFC helps fund the HMIS system for the Balance of State and is an integral part of all CoC meetings and the AKHMIS Advisory Board, which decide the operation and administration of the system.

Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdictions consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

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During the year leading up to, and in preparation for, the drafting of the SFY2016 Annual Action Plan, AHFC representatives have also gathered information on housing needs with such groups and in such forums as:

- Alaska Association of Housing Authorities
- Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness
- Annual Conference of the Alaska Coalition on housing and homelessness
- Alaska Commission on Aging Quarterly Meetings
- Alaska Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- Alaska Council on the Homeless (The Governor's Council)
- Alaska Department of Public Safety
- Alaska Federation of Natives Annual Convention
- Alaska Gateway School District
- Alaska Department of Labor Research & Analysis – Market Indicators Report
- Alaska Homeless Management Information System Advisory Board
- Alaska Mental Health Board
- Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Affordable Housing Work Group
- Alaska Prisoner Reentry Task Force and Housing Work Group
- Alaska State Demographers Report
- Aleutian Housing Authority
- Anchorage Continuum of Care

- Anchorage Coordinated Entry Design Team
- Anchorage Mayor's Transition Team on Housing and Homelessness
- Anchorage's Ad Hoc Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse
- Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Presentations on Affordable Housing
- Anchorage Economic Development Corporation Presentations on State Economy
- Anchorage Downtown Partnership, Inc. – Housing Anchorage
- Annual Tax Credit Conference by Novogradac & Co
- Annual report of statistics from the United Way of Anchorage on the Statewide 211 Information and Referral System
- Association of Village Council Presidents Regional Housing Authority
- Bering Strait School District
- Council of State Community Development Agencies Annual HOME, Supportive Housing Program Manager Training
- Governor's Housing Summit - 2016
- Governor's Council on Disabilities and Education - Developmental Disability Committee
- Juneau Affordable Housing Commission
- Local Homeless Coalitions (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Mat-Su, Kenai, Kodiak)
- Meetings with State Legislative Representatives from Juneau, Anchorage, Nome, and Kotzebue regarding affordable housing and related issues.
- Municipality of Anchorage Live Work Play Working Group
- National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) Spring and Winter Meetings
- National Finance Development Seminar Sponsored by NAHRO
- News Service Monitoring – Statewide and National Housing News
- Norton Sound Health Corporation
- Program Monitoring of thirty-four AHFC Grantees
- Public Housing Forums regarding Preferences and administration of Section 8 Program
- Southwest Region School District
- Statewide Independent Living Council
- Valley Charities, Inc. Wasilla, AK
- Wells Fargo Alaska Advisory Committee
- Weatherization Summit
- Yukon Kuskokwim School District

Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting
N/A

Cooperation and coordination among the State and any units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.315(l))

A number of other sources of data and planning input in the area of housing and community development have been used in the preparation of this SFY2017 Plan. The Consolidated Planning process is designed to incorporate a broad scope of input and perspectives, and a wide range of

resources targeted towards housing and community development. Examples of input from other planning and research efforts are included above:

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

- Comparative Analysis of Prescriptive, Performance-Based and Outcome-Based Energy Code Systems, May 2011, AHFC with Cascadia Green Building Council
- “Moving to Work” National Conference – February 2015
- Alaska Continuum of Care for the Homeless--Homeless Strategy for All Areas Outside of Anchorage.
- AHFC--Moving to Work Plan SFY17
- AHFC -- Housing Needs Assessment, 2014
- AHFC's Annual Homeless Point in Time Survey Results
- Alaska Homeless Management Information System Data
- Alaska Council on the Homeless, Alaska's Plan to End Long-term Homelessness
- Alaska Council on the Homeless, Ten-Year Plan to reduce Homelessness – Five-year update Working Group
- Cold Climate Housing Research Center Publications
- NCSHA Federal Liaisons Monthly Telephone Round Table
- Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation--Village Safe Water
- Alaska Department of Health and Social Services--Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Plan.
- Alaska Department of Transportation --Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
- Kenai Peninsula Borough--Quarterly Report of Key Economic Indicators
- 2014 Mat-Su Borough Housing Assessment and 2015 Housing Forum Report
- Alaska Tribally Designated Housing Entities-- NAHASDA Indian Housing Plans
- Spring and Fall 2015 Alaska Housing Market Indicators:
 - Quarterly Survey of Alaska Lenders
 - Quarterly Survey of Alaska Permitting Activity,
 - Annual State of Alaska Rental Market Survey and
 - Construction Cost Survey - The Foraker Group

- Alaska Economic Development Corporation Annual Economic Forecast Presentation – January 27, 2016
- Alaska Prisoner Reentry Task Force, Five Year Prisoner Reentry Strategic Plan 2011-2016; February, 2011
- State of Alaska – 2016 recidivism Reduction Plan: Cost-Effective Solutions to Slow Prison Population Growth and Reduce Recidivism
- State Interagency Working Group – 2015 National Resiliency Disaster Competition – Division of Emergency Services and Homeland Security, Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
- Alaska Long-term Disaster Recovery Housing Task Force – Galena Recovery Project

PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.115, 91.300(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation

Summary of citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The development of the HCD Plan is a result of input from a number of different sources. Those providing input include individuals, state agencies and local governments, non-profit organizations, regional housing authorities and tribally designated housing entities, and the private sector. The HCD Plan also encourages the involvement of private citizens, particularly those with low incomes or residents of areas in which community development activities are likely to take place. Federal regulations require the State adopt a Citizen Participation Plan, encouraging the public to participate in the development of the HCD Plan, and outlining the steps the State will take to solicit public input. Alaska's expansive geography and widely varying conditions offer challenges for the implementation of the State's Citizen Participation Plan. A number of different approaches may be used to maximize public input including:

- Interactive workshops
- Public hearings
- Teleconferences
- Working groups
- Focus Groups
- Linkages with other planning efforts
- Internet surveys
- Internet communications

The State uses teleconferencing and the internet to overcome the barriers of distance. Citizens, in even the most remote areas of the State, are given the opportunity to participate in the HCD process. AHFC's web-site (www.ahfc.us) provides an overview of the HCD planning process, and offers an electronic means of providing HCD input. Other state, federal and non-profit agency web-sites are linked to AHFC's web-site. Some of these links include the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority; the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness; the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development; and the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.

The public hearings held in conjunction with the development of the Plan were extensively advertised on the AHFC website, in statewide and local newspapers and via emails. An overview of the HCD planning process, anticipated timelines for completion and program performance were discussed at the events mentioned below; comments were encouraged. On March 16, and April 5,

and May 6, 2016 public hearing and statewide teleconference were held to obtain public input prior to drafting the HCD Plan. Additionally, AHFC consulted with the following entities in drafting the HCD Plan:

Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education – February and March, 2016

Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness – March, 2016

Alaska Interagency Steering Committee – January, 2016

Fairbanks Homeless Coalition

Kenai Homeless Coalition

Association of Alaska Housing Authorities

Juneau Homeless Coalition

Affordable Housing Partnership

Anchorage Coalition to End Homeless – March 2015

Matanuska Susitna Homeless Coalition

Anchorage Coalition General Meeting

The draft plan was released on March 17, 2016 with public comments accepted through April 15, 2016. The draft was also posted for additional comments from April 21 to May 20, 2016. A third Public Hearing was also scheduled on May 6, 2016. AHFC's Board of Directors approved the SFY 2017-HCD Plan on May 25, 2016 and directed AHFC staff to submit it to HUD. All public comments and the State's responses to the comments are in Appendix D.

SP-10 Geographic Priorities – 91.315(a)(1)

The State does not target specific geographic areas in the Consolidated Plan. The allocation criteria of several competitive programs have a priority that awards points to projects located in small communities, as defined by AHFC. A small community is a community of 6,500 or less that is not connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks. Or, a community of 1,600 or less that is connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks and is located at least 50 statute miles outside of Anchorage or 25 statute miles outside of Fairbanks. In this definition, “connected by road” does not include a connection by the Alaska Marine Highway System or roads outside the boundary of the State of Alaska.

Geographic Area

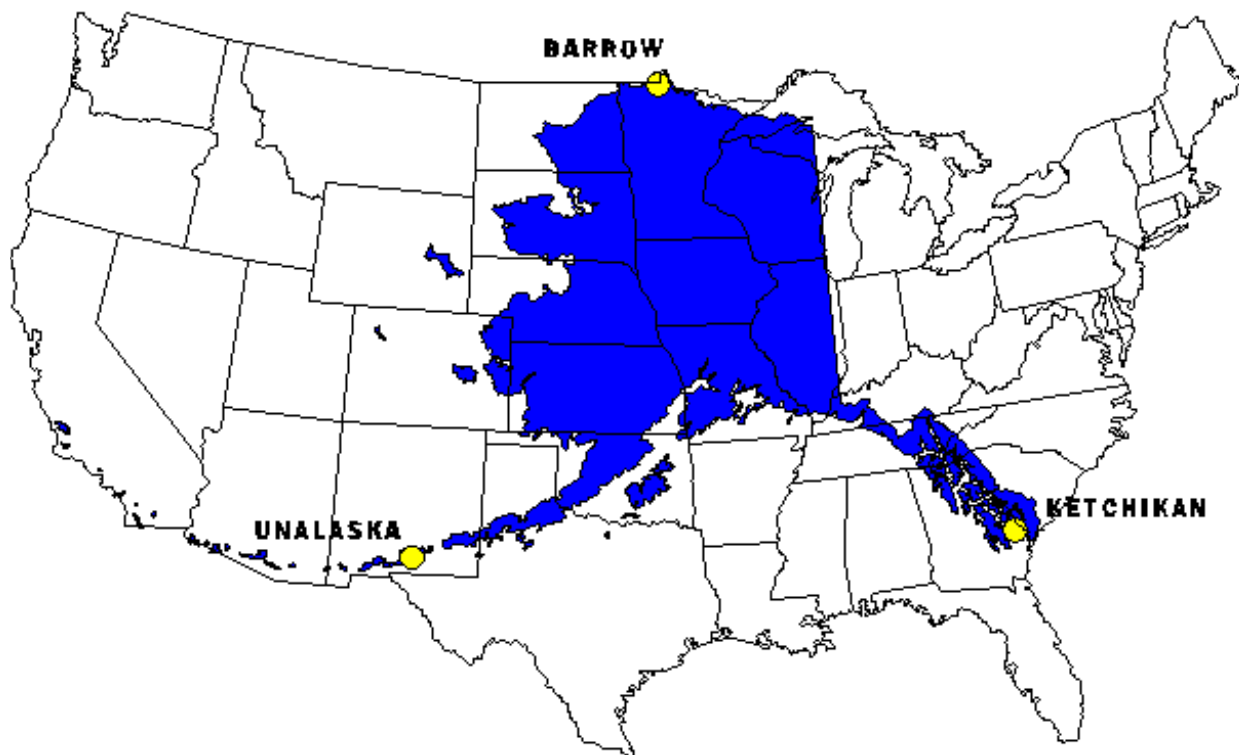


Table 2 - Geographic Priority Areas

General Allocation Priorities

Alaska's wide range of housing and community development conditions makes the use of guiding principles the most practical and effective approach of targeting scarce HCD resources. The seven guiding principles were developed from HCD public hearings; consultation with federal, state and local entities; involvement with housing and community development in both the private and

public sectors over the past year; and an analysis of the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for state fiscal years 2015. Data gathered in the development of this Annual Action Plan support the seven guiding principles above.

SP-25 Priority Needs – 91.315(a)(2)

The following have been identified as housing and economic development needs around the State, even though it is not a reflection of the priorities given by the funded programs.

Priority Need	Population	Geographic Areas	Priority Level	Associated Goal
Outreach	Unsheltered Persons Chronic Homeless		Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce & Prevent homelessness
Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing	Unsheltered Persons Families Low/Extremely Low Income Veterans		High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce & Prevent
Rapid Re-Housing	Unsheltered Persons Families Families with Children Low/Extremely Low Income Veterans		High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce & Prevent
Permanent Supportive Housing	Unsheltered Persons Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse		High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce & Prevent homelessness

	Veterans			
Homeless Prevention	Low/Extremely Low Income Families with Children Veterans		High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce & Prevent homelessness
Public Facilities	Rural Communities	Balance of State	High	Community Development
Public Improvements	Rural Communities	Balance of State	High	Community Development
Public Services	Rural Communities	Balance of State	High	Community Development
Continuing Education	Grant Administrators, Private Developers, Non-Profits, Construction Contractors, Architectural and Engineering, Non-Profits, Landlords	Statewide	High	Community Development
Rural Economic Opportunities	Grant Administrators, Teachers, Health Professionals, Public Safety Personnel, Construction Laborers, Construction Supply	Rural Alaskan Communities	High	Community Development
Rural Housing Energy Efficiency	Non-Profits, Public Service Professionals	Rural Alaskan Communities	High	Community Development
Skills Training	Rural Residents	Rural Alaskan Communities	High	Community Development
Rental	Families	Balance of	High	Provide Decent

Assistance	Low/Extremely low Income	State		Housing
Production of new homeownership units	Families Low/Extremely Low Income	Balance of State	High	Provide Decent Housing
Acquisition of existing homeownership units	Families Low/Extremely Low Income	Balance of State	High	Provide Decent Housing

Table 3 – Priority Needs Summary

Narrative

SFY14 AKHMIS Statewide data reports that 75% of persons experiencing homelessness or threatened with homelessness transitioned into a permanent housing situation within 30 days and 11% transitioned within 31 – 60 days for a total of 86% of individuals transitioning into permanent housing within 60 days of connecting with services.

Data for this measure was collected from the Alaska Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for individuals experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness. This data is input into the system by many homeless programs throughout the state. AHFC, in conjunction with the Anchorage and Balance of State Continuum of Care, are currently restructuring the HMIS so that data can be reported for each individual community. This community specific reporting will allow homeless programs to dive into the data for their community.

Connecting individuals to permanent housing is a challenge in Alaska as available and affordable housing is limited. Affordable housing is being developed as funding becomes available; however, funding is limited and does not meet current demand. As housing development levels are expected to remain consistent, Alaska will continue to see similar trends in the number of persons experiencing homelessness or threatened with homelessness.

SP-45 Goals Summary – 91.315(a)(4)

GOAL	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
Provide Decent Housing	Affordable Housing	Balance of State	Rental Assistance Production of new homeownership units Acquisition of existing homeownership units	HOME Investments Partnership Program allocation \$3,000,000/year
	Star Year 2016	End Year 2020		
	Description: Funds will be used to provide rental assistance and production or acquisition of decent and affordable housing.			
	Goal Outcome Indicator:		Unit or Measure	Quantity
	Rental Assistance		Vouchers	150
Reduce and Prevent Homelessness	Homeless		Production of new homeownership units	Units 45
			Acquisition of existing homeownership units	Units 100
	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
	Homeless	Balance of State	Outreach, Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-housing, Permanent supportive	\$1,075,000 (\$215,000/year)

			Housing, homeless Prevention	
	Star Year 2016	End Year 2020	Objective: To Reduce and Prevent Homelessness	Outcome: Reduce and Prevent Homelessness
	Description: Funds will be used to assist chronically homeless, families with children, veterans, unaccompanied youth and other homeless persons and those at-risk of homelessness. Planned activities include outreach, emergency shelter and transitional housing support, rapid re-housing assistance, and prevention assistance.			
	Goal Outcome Indicator Outreach Unit of Measure Alaska Housing Locator and Alaska 211 Quantification Increased Reporting Goal Outcome Indicator Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing Unit of Measure PIT/HIC Quantification Reduction in # of Unsheltered & No Net Loss of Beds Goal Outcome Indicator			

	Permanent Supportive Housing Rapid Re-housing			
	Unit of Measure HMIS & APR Reports Quantification ES Average Length of stay is 2 months or less & 80% exiting TH for permanent housing Goal Outcome Indicator Homeless Prevention Unit of Measure HMIS AHAR Reports Quantification Reduce % of persons discharged into homelessness from institutions. Increase # of persons assisted with prevention funds.			
Community Development	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
	Non-housing Community Development	Balance of State	Public Facilities & Improvements	2.4 Million
	Start Year 2016		End Year 2020	
	Description: Funds will be used for a variety of public facility, public improvement, and special economic development projects primarily in rural communities with high proportions of low-and moderate-income persons. Specific projects will be determined by a competitive application process focusing on improving self-sufficiency, eliminating public health and safety hazards, and reducing the costs of essential community services.			
	Geographic Area	Addressed Need		Funding

	Balance of State	Public Facilities & Improvements	2.4 Million/year
	Goal Outcome Indicator	Unit or Measure	Quantity
	Create Suitable Living Environment	Communities	17-25

Table 4 – Goals Summary

Projected number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

Outcome/Objective	Population Benefitted	Performance Indicators	Program Year	Expected Number	Actual Number	Percent Completed
Specific Annual Objectives						
Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing						
Home Opportunity Program and Creating opportunities for home ownership through education, financial assistance	Moderate Income	Number of homebuyers receiving assistance.	2015	20/30	40/83	200/276
			2016	20/30		
			2017	20/30		
			2018	20/30		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance: Improving the availability of affordable housing options through rental subsidies. 20% of beneficiaries are very-low Income	Low Income	Number of tenant households receiving rental assistance.	2019	20/30		
			MULTI-YEAR GOAL		100/150	40/83
Affordability of Decent Housing						
Homeownership Dev. Program: Creating affordable housing through assistance with the cost of development.	Low Income and Moderate Income	Number of affordable units developed. NOTE: For the rental development program, only the federal HOME units are reported.	2015	9	7	77%
			2016	9		
			2017	9		
			2018	9		
			2019	9		
			MULTI-YEAR GOAL		45	

STATE FISCAL YEAR 2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

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

Introduction

The State anticipates that there will be approximately \$19 million in federal funds and \$22 million in State funds for a total of \$41 million available for programs that affect beneficiaries statewide. The Annual Funding Plan for Housing Table, reflects anticipated funding levels for SFY2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017), and covers all areas of Alaska outside of Anchorage. The state funding indicated in the funding table reflects the amounts in the Governor's SFY2017 Capital Budget request to the Alaska Legislature. AHFC updated the Federal figures in the table based on the latest information available at the time of the release of the final SFY2017 Annual Action Plan. The recent developments in the price of crude oil around the country may affect the funding allocations for various state programs administered by AHFC; however, those programs shown to have received a \$0.00 budget for the 2017 Fiscal Year will continue to be active programs pending higher funding in subsequent years.

Anticipated Resources for SFY 2017

HCD Plan Annual Action Plan Annual Funding Plan For Housing State of Alaska (Excluding Municipality of Anchorage) Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017)

Program Name	Program Type	Anticipated Funding			
		Federal	State	Other	Total
Beneficiary and Special Needs Housing	Housing for people with disabilities		\$ 1,500,000		\$ 1,500,000
Capital Fund Program	Public Housing Improvements	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -		\$ 2,500,000
CDBG	HUD - Community Development Block Grant Program	\$ 2,418,984	\$ 42,622		\$ 2,461,606
Competitive Grants for Public Housing	Matching Funds Public Housing Resident Programs	\$ 750,000	\$ 350,000		\$ 1,100,000
Energy Programs	Weatherization Assistance and Home Energy Rebates	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 6,600,000		\$ 8,100,000
ESG	HUD - Emergency Solutions Grant Program	\$ 198,264	\$ 98,264		\$ 296,528
Federal and Other Competitive Grants	Matching Funds for Federal Grant Programs	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 1,500,000		\$ 4,500,000
AHFC Facility Management Program	Maintenance of Fire Systems AHFC Public Housing	\$ 5,000,000			\$ 5,000,000
HOME	Rehab, new const, rental and homebuyer assistance	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 750,000		\$ 3,750,000
Homeless Assistance Program	Funding For Homeless Programs and Prevention		\$ 4,396,600	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 6,096,600
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AID	Rental Assistance - HOPWA	\$ 781,269	\$ 100,000		\$ 881,269
Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund	Senior Housing Rehabilitation and Construction		\$ 1,750,000	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 3,500,000
Supplemental Housing Development Program	Rural Housing Infrastructure Improvements and Rehab.		\$ 3,000,000		\$ 3,000,000
Teacher, Health, and Public Safety Housing	Rental Housing for Teachers, Health Prof, Public Safety		\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 2,300,000
Cold Climate Housing Research Center			\$ 1,000,000		\$ 1,000,000
Total Grants:		\$19,148,517	\$22,087,486	\$4,750,000	\$45,986,003

Table 5 - Expected Resources - Priority Table

Federal funds will leverage additional resources (private, state and local funds), (A description of how matching requirements will be satisfied)

Affordable Housing is a big issue in Alaska and as a result, the Participating Jurisdiction (PJ) works with the Department of Health and Social Services, the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, and among others, private foundations like the Rasmuson Foundation to get the most out of all the available resources, specifically the State has taken forward steps as follows: merged the HOME Rental Development funds with the Senior housing and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit programs; provided HOME assistance to the Rural CAP and the Alaska Community Development Corporation for self-help programs under the USDA program so that a small amount of the HOME Ownership Development Program can help purchase the land and contribute to low-income clients becoming home owners. AHFC combines state Special Needs Housing Grant funds with HOME funds to make

it possible to fund projects for people with mental illness and supportive housing. AHFC has created a preference in the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) allocation plan for the preservation of USDA projects. This way HOME and LIHTC are leveraged in with USDA financing to preserve affordable housing.

- a. On an annual basis through the Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living (GOAL) program and/or the Special Needs Housing Grant (SNHG) program, AHFC announces the availability of HOME funds for rental development. The SNHG program allocates capital development funds to develop rental housing projects that will serve special needs, and low-income households. In SFY2017, HOME rental development funds may also be awarded through the SNHG award process, in addition to the GOAL process.
- b. The SFY2017 (FFY 2016) allocation of HOME funds carries a twenty-five percent (25%) matching requirement. The PJ anticipates meeting the match through a contribution of AHFC general funds. This contribution effectively increases the total amount of HOME funds available during SFY2017 (FFY 2016) to \$3,750,000. Whenever feasible, recipients of HOME funds will be encouraged to make additional contributions to HOME projects that will qualify as match under the federal regulations. This will allow the PJ to further stretch HOME funds to assist low-income Alaskans. If for some reason these strategies do not meet the twenty-five percent (25%) matching requirement, AHFC will utilize banked HOME match.
- c. HOME funding, where appropriate, will continue to be used with other federal and state funds to achieve the goal of upgrading existing housing stock. Such funding sources include, but are not limited to AHFC/DOE Weatherization funds, Senior Citizen Housing Development Funds, DHSS Accessibility Brokerage Program funds, and USDA Housing Preservation funds.

The State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) will encourage applicants to secure at least 25% matching funds in order to obtain the highest score possible during the competitive application cycle. All matching funds needed to complete the project must be in place prior to award. Applicants frequently coordinate with other funding sources such as the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development, the Economic Development Administration, the State of Alaska Designated Legislative Grant Program, the Administration for Native Americans, Native Corporations, tribes, and other appropriate federal, state, and private funding sources.

Publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan.

The State encourages the utilization and leverage of publicly-owned land that is available to be leased and to consider all opportunities to protect these public properties from being privately acquired. Potential publicly-owned property located in the Balance of State that could be available

to help address the needs identified in the Plan includes land that AHFC owns, property owned by different cities across the State, properties owned by the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, and Alaska Native corporations and tribes.

Discussion:

Over the last several years, AHFC has increased the emphasis on rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable housing resources in the rating criteria for the LIHTC, HOME and Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund (SCHDF) programs. As a result, more affordable housing rental units have been renovated and several federally subsidized rental projects have remained in the affordable housing stock. Yet, throughout the state, there are still serious shortages of affordable, decent housing for low-income Alaskans.

Constraints of financial feasibility impede the development of affordable housing, in both rural and urban communities. Critical to the implementation of the strategies contained in this Plan is a dedicated source of funds to leverage other funding sources for the development of new affordable housing opportunities, as well as the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing structures. Of the funds available under the CDBG program, the majority of project funds will be targeted toward community development and planning activities which address health and safety needs, or which support future economic development and community self-sufficiency.

Special emphasis will be placed on coordinating with other funding sources such as United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development, the office of Native Americans Programs, HUD, private foundations and local governments; and other appropriate federal, state, and private funding sources. The State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) will encourage applicants to include or secure outside funding for design, engineering, and feasibility planning for projects as appropriate, prior to applying for CDBG funding for construction or project implementation.

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

GOAL	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
Provide Decent Housing	Affordable Housing	Balance of State	Rental Assistance Production of New Homeownership Units Acquisition of existing Homeownership units	HOME Investment Partnership Program allocation \$3,000,000
	Fiscal Year 2016 – July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017			
	Description: Funds will be used to provide rental assistance and production or acquisition of decent and affordable housing			
	Goal Outcome Indicator:	Unit or Measure	Quantity	
	Rental Assistance	Vouchers	30	
	Production of new homeownership units	Units	9	
	Acquisition of existing homeownership units	Units	25	

	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
Reduce and Prevent Homelessness	Homeless	Balance of State	Outreach, Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-housing, Permanent supportive Housing, homeless Prevention	\$215,000/year
	Period Covered 7-1-2016 /6-30-2017		Objective: Reduce and Prevent Homelessness	Outcome: Reduce and Prevent Homelessness
	Description: Funds will be used to assist chronically homeless, families with children, veterans, unaccompanied youth and other homeless persons and those at-risk of homelessness. Planned activities include outreach, emergency shelter and transitional housing support, rapid re-housing assistance, and prevention assistance.			
	Goal Outcome Indicator Outreach Unit of Measure Alaska Housing Locator and Alaska 211 Quantification Increased Reporting Goal Outcome Indicator Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing			

	Unit of Measure				
	PIT/HIC				
	Quantification				
	Reduction in # of Unsheltered & No Net Loss of Beds				
	Goal Outcome Indicator				
	Permanent Supportive Housing Rapid Re-housing				
	Unit of Measure				
	HMIS & APR Reports				
	Quantification				
	ES Average Length of stay is 2 months or less & 80% exiting TH for permanent housing				
	Goal Outcome Indicator				
	Homeless Prevention				
	Unit of Measure				
	HMIS AHAR Reports				
	Quantification				
	Reduce % of persons discharged into homelessness from institutions. Increase # of persons assisted with prevention funds.				
	Develop Community	Category	Geographic Area	Addressed Need	Funding
			Balance of State	Public Facilities & Improvements	2,400,000
		Fiscal Year 2017			
		Description: Funds will be used for a variety of public facility, public improvement, and special economic development projects primarily in rural			

	communities with high proportions of low-and moderate-income persons. Specific projects will be determined by a competitive application process focusing on improving self-sufficiency, eliminating public health and safety hazards, and reducing the costs of essential community services.		
	Goal Outcome Indicator	Unit or Measure	Quantity
	Create Suitable		
	Living Environment	Communities	5-6

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b)

Specific Obj. #	Outcome/Objective	Sources of Funds	Performance Indicators	Program Year	Expected Number	Actual Number	Percent Completed
	Specific Annual Objectives						
DH-1	Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing						
DH-1.1	Home Opportunity Program: Creating opportunities for home ownership through education and financial assistance. Tenant Based Rental Assistance: Improving the availability of affordable housing options through rental subsidies.	HOME	Number of homebuyers receiving assistance.	2015	22 10	40 83	181% 830%
DH-1.2				HOME	Number of tenant households receiving rental assistance.	2016	22 10
		2017	22 10				
			2018			22 10	
				2019	22 10		
		MULTI-YEAR GOAL		110 50	36% 166%		
DH-2	Affordability of Decent Housing						
DH-2.1	Rental Housing Dev - Creating affordable decent housing opportunities through rehabilitation and preservation of existing housing resources. Homeownership Dev. Program- Creating affordable housing for LMI families through assistance with the cost of development.	HOME	Number of affordable units developed. NOTE: For the rental development program, only the federal	2015	6 8	0 7	0% 87%
DH-2.2				HOME	HOME units are reported.	2016	6 8
		2017	6 8				
			2018			6 0	
				2019	6 0		
		MULTI-YEAR GOAL		30 24	0 7	0% 29%	
DH-3	Sustainability of Decent Housing						
DH-3.1	Owner Occupied Rehab- Create decent housing with improved or new sustainability.	HOME	Number of homeowners receiving assistance.	2015	14	7	11%
				2016	14		
				2017	14		
				2018	14		
				2019	14		
		MULTI-YEAR GOAL		70	7	10%	

AP-25 Allocation Priorities – 91.320(d)

Introduction:

AHFC did not allocate any SFY2015 HOME funds to ORP. Any uncommitted ORP funds in SFY2016 will be reallocated to another eligible activity in accordance with the priorities outlined in Section VII. L. HOME Program Development.

Funding Allocation Priorities

Percentage of Federal Funds per Program					
	Rental Development	Reduce and Prevent Homeless	Home Ownership	Community Development	Total %
CDBG				100%	100%
HOME	50%	22%	23%		100%
HOPWA					
ESG		100%			100%

Table 51 – Funding Allocation Priorities

Reason for Allocation Priorities

National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF): The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), on behalf of the State of Alaska, will administer the National Housing Trust Fund. Under NHTF regulations, the only jurisdiction, other than the state of Alaska, eligible to receive a sub-grant of NHTF is the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA). The MOA has requested a sub-grant of NHTF to administer directly in Anchorage. Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.320(k)(5), the State must submit and HUD must approve an HTF allocation plan that addresses its intent to award NHTF funds to MOA.

AHFC is considering providing the MOA with a sub-grant of \$545,085 in NHTF equivalent to the MOA FY2016 allocation of HOME funds. The remaining NHTF will be administered for the area of Alaska outside of Anchorage consistent with the participating jurisdictional boundaries of the HOME program. The balance of state funds will be allocated through the annual GOAL – Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living program. The Rating and Award Criteria Plan for the GOAL program will set the priorities for the allocation of NHTF. In this way it will be coordinated with the

Low Income Housing Tax Credit, HOME Investment Partnership and Senior Citizens Housing development Fund programs, within a single annual application process.

A sub-grant of NHTF to MOA would be made subject to a number of conditions regarding liability for non-compliance and repayment of funds that protects AHFC from damage. HUD has informed AHFC that AHFC will retain liability for non-compliance and repayment of any sub-granted funds to MOA. Pursuant to 24 CFR 93.404(b), the State must execute a written agreement awarding funds to the MOA for HTF activities. The MOA HTF allocation plan must address all required elements of the written agreement with the State.

If a sub-grantee agreement is not reached with MOA, the funds will be allocated with the other NHTF through the GOAL program.

HOME: Based on an assessment of projected growth in the need for rental housing and rental assistance for low-income and more vulnerable households, funding was eliminated in the ORP program in SFY2016.

AHFC has identified the need to provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to eligible households that are at or below 60% of the median area income. Preference is given to special needs and at-risk populations as articulated in the Five Year (SFY2016 through 2020) Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan. In SFY2017 (FFY2016), HOME funding for TBRA will be allocated in the amount of up to \$660,000.

The State recognizes that a few HOME rental housing development properties that are in the fifteenth year of the affordability period have deferred maintenance, limited or negative net operating income, or have high vacancy rates and marketability issues. The State has included in this AAP a process and criteria for identifying "troubled" rental housing development projects and a process for evaluating whether additional HOME funds may be needed in order to preserve existing HOME affordable housing stock. AHFC may pursue a waiver from HUD regarding the prohibition against investing additional HOME dollars in rental properties past the first year of project completion if AHFC deems it to be necessary to preserve units.

ESG: In addition to administrative activities, ESG funds may be used for five program components: street outreach, emergency shelter, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS). All of the previously mentioned components pertain to the goal of Reduce and Prevent Homelessness.

CDBG: The State's CDBG program allocates funding towards the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, installation, and improvements of public facilities and public improvements and occasionally special economic development.

Ways in which the proposed distribution of funds address the priority needs and specific objectives described in the Consolidated Plan

Alaska's Continuum of Care for the Homeless. This portion of the Annual Action Plan describes the actions addressing the emergency shelter (including ESG) and transitional housing needs of homeless families and individuals, as well as those who meet the definition of "at-risk" of homelessness. Activities to assist homeless households will be discussed. The goal of Alaska's Continuum of Care is to help homeless persons make a rapid transition to permanent, affordable housing. For some individuals, appropriate supportive services will be a critical component of this strategy.

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

Introduction:

HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

State program addressed by the Method of Distribution.

The Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) was created by the National Housing Affordability Act of 1990. The statutory purposes of this Act are:

Expanding the supply of safe, decent, energy-efficient housing for low income families;
Strengthening the abilities of state, local and non-profit agencies to design and implement strategies for affordable housing; and Creating and strengthening partnerships to produce and manage affordable housing.

The State of Alaska's HOME allocation for SFY2017 is anticipated to be \$3,000,000. Additionally, AHFC will provide \$750,000 in state matching funds to contribute to the federal matching requirements under the HOME program; subject to legislative authorization.

AHFC (AHFC) is responsible for the administration of the State's formula HOME allocation. As a separate Participating Jurisdiction, the Municipality of Anchorage receives its own formula allocation of HOME funds. Anchorage is the only Alaska community receiving separate HOME funds. No State HOME funds will be used within the Municipality of Anchorage.

Priorities for the use of HOME funds are established in the Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan (HCD). The following program description outlines HOME funded activities for State Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017) funded from Federal Fiscal Year 2016 (FFY 2016) appropriations.

Rental Development Activities; Homeownership Development Activities; Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Development Activities; Rental and Homeownership Housing Development Technical Assistance or Pre-development Activities; Tenant Based Rental Assistance; Operating Expense Assistance for CHDOs; and Homebuyer Assistance Programs.

All HOME Program activities work towards the statutory goal of the 2016-2020 HCD Plan to provide decent housing, create suitable living environments, and expand economic opportunities for Alaskans with incomes at or below eighty percent (80%) of the median income. The seven general principles from this five-year HCD Plan guide the direction and implementation of HOME

Program activities. Priorities and Objectives for the coming program year are summarized in the Appendix C table and are detailed in the program descriptions that follow. Additionally, program achievements from SFY2016 are included in Appendix C as a measure of how the State is meeting its stated goals as outlined under the Five Year Consolidated Plan (2016-2020).

Criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.

Applicants for HOME funds now use an online application system that affords them an equal opportunity to submit within the same timeframe regardless of their remote location or transportation challenges. Most agencies applying for HOME funds are returning grantees seeking funding to continue their services into the next program year. Past performance in achieving service projections and unit construction constitutes a significant portion of the ranking factors each year.

If the applicant is not a returning grantee, they must provide a narrative explanation for 1) how they developed their service projections, 2) what they will do to monitor and report on housing creation, and 3) the applicant's experience and capability to construct or create affordable housing for low income families and meet all of the regulatory and administrative requirements. Up to 10 points may be deducted for a pattern of late reports or unresolved findings. In the next competition cycle, repeated findings for the same infraction in the 36 months prior to the application date will be added to the point deduction section. With the exception of the narrative answers, AHFC has converted to an objective scoring system.

How resources will be allocated among funding categories.

Resources are allocated competitively by need and by local area population among funding categories. The Home Opportunity Program is the only HOME component where a percentage of the total grant is allocated among census or large geographical areas.

Threshold Factors

- For all HOME activities: Applicants are required to possess, or partner with entities that have, experience with the HOME program for the activity being proposed (i.e. rental development, owner occupied rehabilitation, etc.).
- For Rental Development activities: Applicants are required to possess, or partner with entities that have, experience operating properties encumbered by HOME Program use restrictions.

Grant size limits and outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution



Grant Size Limits for HOME Program – outcome measures in sub-bullets

- Home Ownership Opportunity Program (HOP) – up to \$30,000 per homeowner
 - Outcomes are geographic areas served by program funds
- Homeownership Development Program (HDP) – up to \$40,000 per unit
 - Units funded within close proximity to public services and facilities
- Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Program (ORP) – up to \$50,000 per homeowner
 - Units funded in specific geographic areas
- Rental Development (RD) – none
 - Units funded and income targeting level

Emergency Solutions Grant

State program addressed by the Method of Distribution.

All Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program activities work towards providing safe, secure housing for Alaska's homeless and those at risk of homelessness. This is accomplished by providing operating support to emergency shelters and funding programs designed to prevent homelessness and/or rapidly re-house homeless persons. The estimated amount the State will receive in SFY2017 is \$215,000. ESG funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to units of local government and non-profit organizations.

Criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria

The ESG regulations now restrict the use of funds for emergency shelter or street outreach activities to “the greater of 60 percent of the recipient’s fiscal year grant; the amount of Fiscal Year 2010 grant funds committed” for emergency shelter or street outreach activities. The remaining 40 percent of the annual allocation must be used for homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, or HMIS activities.

To qualify for ESG assistance, program participants must meet the expanded definitions of “homeless” or “at risk of homelessness” described in 24 CFR 2.

Program participants in the “at-risk of homelessness” category must also have incomes below 30% of area median income to qualify for ESG assistance. In addition to documenting client eligibility, agencies providing rental assistance are required to inspect all units to document compliance with HUD’s habitability standards and to execute a written rental assistance payment agreement with the landlord.

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)

ESG funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to units of local government and non-profit organizations. Applications are received annually, in response to a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). To incentivize coordination between the state HAP grant and ESG, AHFC conducts a joint application process for both of these resources. Applicants requesting funding for Emergency Shelter or Street Outreach may request no less than \$20,000 and no more than \$30,000. The reason for these funding limitations is to achieve both administrative efficiency and broader geographic distribution of funds among Alaska's shelters. Should ESG allocations for this component rise above \$160,000, the funding limit will rise commensurately to \$40,000. No funding limits for the Homeless Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing set-aside will be considered until after a funding cycle occurs in which multiple applicants seek ESG funding for these activities.

How resources will be allocated among funding categories.

The ESG regulations restrict the use of funds for emergency shelter or street outreach activities to "the greater of 60 percent of the recipient's fiscal year grant; the amount of Fiscal Year 2010 grant funds committed" for emergency shelter or street outreach activities. The remaining 40 percent of the annual allocation must be used for homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, or HMIS activities.

Threshold factors and grant size limits.

Applicants for ESG/HAP funding now use an online application system that affords them an equal opportunity to submit within the same timeframe regardless of their remote location or transportation challenges. Most agencies applying for HAP/ESG funding are returning grantees seeking funding to continue their services into the next program year. Following the lead of the CoC process, past performance in achieving service projections and housing stability constitutes a significant portion of the ranking factors each year. If the applicant is not a returning grantee, they must provide a narrative explanation for 1) how they developed their service projections, 2) what they will do to monitor and report on housing retention, and 3) the applicant's experience and capability to serve homeless persons and meet all of the regulatory and administrative requirements.

Another ranking factor is relationship of their proposed activities to achieving the goals of state & local homeless plans. Other ranking factors include local progress toward a centralized or coordinated assessment process, the extent to which efforts are made to link program participants to mainstream resources, policies and procedures for prioritizing the delivery of homeless services

and the degree to which each budget line item requested is thoroughly explained. Bonus points for small, rural communities and multi-agency partnerships are also part of the rating criteria.

Up to 10 points may be deducted for a pattern of late reports or unresolved findings. In the next competition cycle, repeated findings for the same infraction in the 36 months prior to the application date will be added to the point deduction section. With the exception of the narrative answers, AHFC has converted to an objective scoring system. Applications from agencies that did not receive funding in the prior year will be forwarded to a Project Evaluation Committee (PEC) to assign points to any subjective (narrative) sections of the application.

Outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?

3000 unduplicated persons through ES-operations

10HH/25PP: homeless households/persons moving to permanent housing through –Homeless Assistance

10HH/25PP: households/persons stabilized with rent/utility through Homeless Prevention

20HH/50pp: households/persons receiving case management through RRH/HP Case Management

Community Development Block Grant

Criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria

Project Description & Selection/Citizen Participation Plan (15%), Project Plan & Readiness (25%), Project Impact (25%), Budget/Match/In-Kind (25%), Administrative Capabilities (10%)

If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG Only)

Each application cycle DCCED sends a letter to every community in the state, including those over 51% low- to moderate-income informing them of the application deadline and how to access the application manual and application materials. This information is also available on the DCCED website. Hard copies may be requested from DCCED and electronic copies can be accessed online.

How resources will be allocated among funding categories N/A

Threshold factors and grant size limits.

Grants are limited to \$850,000 or less. Threshold factors include, but are not limited to: establishing a benefit to low- to moderate-income persons, meeting the federal requirements for public participation, application by eligible municipality, providing all requested application materials, and substantially completing prior CDBG-funded projects.

Recaptured funds are unspent funds which DCCED recovers from grantees when it is clear that an approved activity is no longer viable or that the recapture will not preclude local ability to complete the approved activities or when the activities have not been completed and funds remain in the grant agreement.

Recaptured funds will either be reallocated to existing grantees who demonstrate a need for additional funds (not exceeding a grant cap of \$850,000) or be reallocated to applicants between award cycles when it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Department that an immediate and pressing need exists and it is in the best interests of the program and applicant to award funds immediately.

Reallocated funds will be reported by year of annual grant.

Outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution

The State of Alaska expects CDBG projects to benefit approximately 700 low- to moderate-income individuals.

AP-35 Projects

Introduction:

1	Project Name	Rental Housing Development
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Availability and Accessibility of Decent Housing
	Needs Addressed	Renter Small Related extremely low and low income Renter Small Related Medium Income Renter Large extremely low and low income Renter Large medium income Renter Elderly Extremely low and Low Income Renter All Other Types Elderly -Special Needs Homeless Special Needs
	Funding	HOME: \$1,570,000
	Description	Over the last several years, AHFC has increased the emphasis on rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable housing resources in the rating criteria for the LIHTC, HOME and Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund (SCHDF) programs. As a result, more affordable housing rental units have been renovated and several federally subsidized rental projects have remained in the affordable housing stock. Yet, throughout the state, there are still serious shortages of affordable, decent housing for low-income Alaskans. Constraints of financial feasibility impede the development of affordable housing, in both rural and urban communities. Critical to the implementation of the strategies contained in this Plan is a dedicated source of funds to leverage other funding sources for the development of new affordable housing opportunities, as well as the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing structures.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program meets the HUD objective of providing decent housing with improved or new affordability. The following outcomes are estimations that will be used to measure the progress of this program: · It is estimated that five (5) units will be HOME assisted. · It is estimated that five (5) units will be AHFC HOME set asides. · It is estimated that none of those units will be made available to the elderly. It is estimated that two (2) of those units will be made accessible.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

2	Project Name	Homeownership Development Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordability of Decent Housing
	Needs Addressed	Creating affordable housing for LMI families through assistance with the cost of development.
	Funding	HOME: \$300,000
	Description	The project sponsor is responsible for identifying homebuyer assistance resources that may be necessary for low-income homebuyers to purchase the home for the proposed sales price. Units assisted with homeownership development funds under this program are not eligible for buy down assistance under the Home Opportunity Program (HOP) but are eligible to receive down payment and closing cost assistance.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program meets the HUD objective of providing decent housing with improved affordability. The following outcomes are estimations that will be used to measure the progress of this program: It is estimated that twelve units will be developed. It is estimated that twelve units will meet the Alaska equivalent of the Energy Star standard.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

3	Project Name	Home Opportunity Program
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Affordability of Decent Housing
	Needs Addressed	Creating affordable housing for LMI families through down payment assistance
	Funding	HOME: \$870,000
	Description	In the State of Alaska the greatest obstacles to achieving homeownership is generally an inability to qualify for conventional financing at the loan amount necessary to purchase homes; accumulate savings sufficient to satisfy down-payment and closing cost requirements. A total of \$870,000 in SFY2017 (FFY 2016) HOME funds is reserved to provide down-payment, closing costs and buy down assistance to lower income homebuyers. The Home Opportunity Program (HOP) will be administered by non-profit corporations and/or public agencies that have been competitively awarded funds by AHFC. A Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) or a Request for Qualification (RFQ) will be announced. Interested agencies are invited to respond by the published deadline and proposals are evaluated by AHFC. Prospective borrowers will be required to complete an orientation to homeownership through AHFC's innovative HOME CHOICE workshop offerings, or an equivalent program offered by private lenders and other qualified entities. Eligible borrowers must have annual incomes at or below 80 percent of the area median, as determined by HUD, adjusted for household size. Additionally, they must exhibit the ability to meet the on-going responsibilities of homeownership, including the repayment of the primary mortgage loan. The HOP program will primarily utilize the recapture model. The resale model is only allowable when HOP funds are being used in conjunction with other HOME projects that have received prior approval from AHFC to utilize the resale model.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>This program meets the HUD objective of providing decent affordable housing with improved availability. The following outcomes are estimations that will be used to measure the progress of this program:</p> <p>It is estimated that forty homebuyers will receive assistance.</p> <p>It is estimated that twenty will be first-time homebuyers.</p> <p>It is estimated that twenty homebuyers will receive down payment or closing cost assistance.</p> <p>It is estimated that thirty homebuyers will receive buy downs.</p> <p>There are several factors that will influence these outcomes such as: market conditions, interest rates, changes in lending criteria and the income of households who apply.</p>
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Affordability of Decent Housing
	Needs Addressed	<p>Renter extremely low and low income</p> <p>Renter Medium Income</p> <p>Renter All Other Types</p>
	Funding	HOME: \$660,000
	Description	<p>AHFC has identified the need to provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to eligible households that are at or below 60% of the median area income. Preference is given to special needs and at-risk populations as articulated in the Five Year (SFY2015 through 2019) Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan. In SFY2017 (FFY2016), HOME funding for TBRA will be allocated in the amount of \$660,000. AHFC has partnered with State of Alaska Department of Corrections and Office of Children's Services to target special needs and at-risk populations who will be transitioning from State supervision or programs into permanent housing. In addition, AHFC may select sub-recipients through a NOFA or RFQ process to assist with the administration of TBRA. TBRA is essential to meeting the unmet needs of special needs and at-risk populations by providing opportunities for those seeking individual living options in normal residential settings or in need of subsidized rental housing; TBRA will help narrow the gap in benefits and services received.</p>
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that sixty-two LMI households will be assisted.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	<p>TBRA is an essential part of AHFC's housing strategy and market conditions make TBRA a viable option; rental unit availability data indicates that there is an ample supply of units to make TBRA a viable housing strategy.</p> <p>TBRA Vouchers may not be used within the Municipality of Anchorage. The TBRA service area will include communities that are served by the AHFC Public Housing Division, outside of Anchorage.</p> <p>There are a number of factors that will influence this outcome such as the length of the assistance provided to each household and the time it takes to perfect the TBRA delivery system. If households are renewed or require additional months of assistance than initially planned for, the number of households served may be reduced. In addition, outcomes may not be realized until future plan years as AHFC perfects the TBRA delivery system and forges partnerships necessary to implement TBRA.</p>

5	Project Name	CHDO Operating Expense Assistance (OEA)
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	HOME: \$150,000
	Description	CHDO Program Funds are set aside for Community Housing Development Organizations to own, develop or sponsor HOME assisted units through the RHD program, subject to the limitations of 24 CFR 92.300
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5
	Location Description	

6	Project Name	13-CDBG-01 City of Stebbins
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$850,000
	Description	This project creates an overhead electrical power line between the communities of Stebbins and St. Michael in western Alaska. The intertie consists of 11 miles of overhead line and will allow the two communities to utilize a consolidated power plant in Stebbins and a new standby module in St. Michael. The new electrical system will utilize renewable resources and provide more reliable and affordable electric service.
	Target Date	
	Number and type of families that will benefit	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to both communities, affecting a total population of 957.
	Location Description	Stebbins, St. Michael
	Planned Activities	

7	Project Name	13-CDBG-02 City of Coffman Cove
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$609,791
	Description	This project replaces the drive-down ramp to the Coffman Cove Boat Harbor. The old ramp is nearly 40-years-old and is closed to all but foot traffic due to the weakened condition of the structural frames. Replacing the ramp guarantees the stability of the local economy, which is heavily dependent on harbor access, and it eliminates the imminent public safety threat posed by the old ramp.
	Target Date	
	Number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Coffman Cove, affecting a total population of 176.
	Location Description	Coffman Cove
	Planned Activities	

8	Project Name	13-CDBG-05 City of Unalakleet
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$225,000
	Description	This project provides funding for the development of design and construction documents to enable the City of Unalakleet to construct an elders' assisted living facility. No such facility currently exists within 180 miles of the community despite a strong local commitment to maintaining elders as close to home as possible.
	Target Date	
	Number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Unalakleet, affecting a total population of 688.
	Location Description	Unalakleet
	Planned Activities	

9	Project Name	13-CDBG-06 City of Aleknagik
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$150,000
	Description	This project provides funding for the development of design and construction documents to enable the City of Aleknagik to construct a public safety and heavy equipment warm storage building. The new facility will ensure that essential equipment is stored in a warm and dry place in order to save parts, emergency medical supplies, and the fire truck's water supply from freezing. This will allow the City to be better prepared for emergency response and maintaining public services during the winter months.
	Target Date	
	Number and type of families that will benefit	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Aleknagik, affecting a total population of 219.
	Location Description	Aleknagik

10	Project Name	13-CDBG-07 City of Pilot Point
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$172,500
	Description	This project purchases a fire tanker vehicle for the community of Pilot Point on the Alaska Peninsula. The old fire truck has a ruptured water tank and is in major disrepair. This project increases the safety of firefighters and the entire community, and provides the Fire Department with modern equipment which meets current safety and regulatory requirements.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Pilot Point, affecting a total population of 68.
	Location Description	Pilot Point
	Planned Activities	

11	Project Name	13-CDBG-08 City of Pilot Station
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$84,725
	Description	This project provides funding for the development of a feasibility study for a new landfill. The current landfill is less than 200 feet away from a primary educational institution and is nearing its total capacity. The plan for the new landfill will comply with all state and federal guidelines concerning air and water quality, and solid waste management.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Pilot Station, affecting a total population of 568.
	Location Description	Pilot Station
	Planned Activities	

12	Project Name	13-CDBG-09 City of Scammon Bay
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$198,437
	Description	This project provides funding for the development of design and construction documents to enable the City of Scammon Bay to construct a community hall which will act as a gathering place for public meetings and cultural events. It will also act as a teen center to help combat the recent high suicide rate among the growing youth population.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Scammon Bay, affecting a total population of 474.
	Location Description	Scammon Bay
	14 - Project Name	13-CDBG-10 City of Eek
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$400,876
	Description	This project constructs a new solid waste facility for the community of Eek that complies with all state and federal regulations. The current facility is out of compliance and poses a significant health threat to the community.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Eek, affecting a total population of 296.
	Location Description	Eek

13	Project	14-CDBG-01 City of Saxman
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$180,000

	Description	This project provides funding for the expansion and renovation to the 40-year-old Edwin Dewitt Carving Center. The expansion and renovation will improve energy efficiency and ADA accessibility, and provide additional carving bays for local carvers to work on traditional Alaska Native arts.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Saxman, affecting a total population of 411.
	Location description	Saxman

14	Project Name	14-CDBG-02 City of Allakaket
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvement
	Funding	CDBG: \$850,000
	Description	This project provides funding for the construction of a new health clinic. The new clinic facility will improve the health and safety of all residents by providing comprehensive preventive and primary medical, behavioral, and oral health care services to all residents of the Allakaket region in a medically safe and functional clinic environment.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Allakaket, affecting a total population of 105
	Location Description	Allakaket

15	Project Name	14-CDBG-03 Lake and Peninsula Borough
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$850,000

	Description	This project provides funding to mitigate riverbank damage adjacent to the Igiugig fuel farm, which is located near the bank of Kvichak River. This project will prevent the fuel tanks from sliding into the river and the subsequent community disaster that would follow. It will also prevent costly fuel farm repairs, interruption of services to the community, and loss of local business.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Igiugig, affecting a total population of 50
	Location Description	Igiugig

16	Project Name	14-CDBG-04 Aleutians East Borough
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$532,000
	Description	This project provides funding to mitigate erosion in Nelson Lagoon by replacing the seawall with geotextile containers. The borough and the community of Nelson Lagoon recognize that erosion is a concern and that they need to take action to minimize its impacts on the community. This project will improve the safety and welfare of Nelson Lagoon residents.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Nelson Lagoon, affecting a total population of 50
	Location Description	Nelson Lagoon

17	Project Name	14-CDBG-05 City of Ekwok
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$850,000
	Description	This project provides funding to construct a landfill access road to a new landfill site. The new landfill will allow the city to start operating solid waste service in compliance with all state and federal solid waste regulations, eliminate multiple health and safety issues presented by the current landfill, and meet FAA runway separation distance requirements.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Ekwok, affecting a total population of 115
	Location Description	Ekwok

18	Project Name	14-CDBG-06 City of Saint Mary's
	Target Area	Balance of State
	Goals Supported	Community Development
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$250,000
	Description	This project will provide funding for the development of design and construction documents to enable the City of Saint Mary's to construct a community hall. The new facility will provide an adequate and safe space for community-wide gatherings and events.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will provide an area-wide benefit to Saint Mary's affecting a total population of 507
	Location Description	Saint Mary's

Table 52 – Project Information

The reasons for allocation priorities and obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The main three obstacles that complicate the process of addressing needs in the State of Alaska are cost and the lack of capacity and resources.

Most applicants find it very challenging to identify funding sources to fill the gap between HOME funds and other grants and the actual cost of projects. The cost of construction in rural Alaska is much higher than in urban areas and the cost of construction in the urban areas of Alaska is much higher than in other states.

The building season in Alaska is shorter than in most states and it shortens more dramatically the farther north the project. Costs are driven higher where materials must be flown or barged to the project site. In order to obtain experience and develop the qualifications necessary to create the efficiencies that keep project costs within budget, workers and organizations in rural areas face challenges not always evident in urban Alaska. Training, modern technologies and other resources may not be readily available in small communities. Local organizations or communities and regional Housing Authorities continue to work diligently, and successfully, to identify and bridge these gaps.

Another obstacle is the growing number of labor-intensive requirements to administer the ESG program, especially the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing components. Many homeless service providers around the state are small, faith-based operations with only one or two paid staff and a corps of volunteers. The complexity of qualifying and assisting ESG program participants requires significant capacity building efforts.

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?

The State has no plans to make available Section 108 Loan Guarantees through CDBG.

Available Grant Amounts

N/A

Acceptance process of applications

N/A

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

N/A

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

The State does not target specific geographic areas in the Consolidated Plan. The allocation criteria of several competitive programs have a priority that awards points to projects located in small communities, as defined by AHFC. A small community is a community of 6,500 or less that is not connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks. Or, a community of 1,600 or less that is connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks and is located at least 50 statute miles outside of Anchorage or 25 statute miles outside of Fairbanks. In this definition, “connected by road” does not include a connection by the Alaska Marine Highway System or roads outside the boundary of the State of Alaska.

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Because funds are distributed through a competitive process, the State cannot predict who will apply or how funds will be distributed geographically. The State does, however, emphasize funding for rural community needs, especially as they relate to low- and moderate-income (LMI) population.

Alaska’s wide range of housing and community development conditions makes the use of guiding principles the most practical and effective approach of targeting scarce HCD resources. The seven guiding principles were developed from HCD public hearings; consultation with federal, state and local entities; involvement with housing and community development in both the private and public sectors over the past five years; and an analysis of the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPERs) for state fiscal years 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. Data gathered in the development of this five year plan support the seven guiding principles above.

Affordable Housing

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

Introduction: Over the last several years, AHFC has increased the emphasis on rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable housing resources in the rating criteria for the LIHTC, HOME and Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund (SCHDF) programs. As a result, more affordable housing rental units have been renovated and several federally subsidized rental projects have remained in the affordable housing stock. Yet, throughout the state, there are still serious shortages of affordable, decent housing for low-income Alaskans. Constraints of financial feasibility impede the development of affordable housing, in both rural and urban communities. Critical to the implementation of the strategies contained in this Plan is a dedicated source of funds to leverage other funding sources for the development of new affordable housing opportunities, as well as the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing structures.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	10
Non-Homeless	40
Special-Needs	15
Total	65

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	20
The Production of New Units	45
Rehab of Existing Units	20
Acquisition of Existing Units	20
Total	65

Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion:

On average, our rental and homeownership development programs facilitate the new construction and / or rehabilitation of approximately 160 units throughout the State. While our programs collectively achieve a significant geographic distribution of resources, the majority of these units created through the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program.

Using historical production date and assumptions for leverage funding, the numbers reported in tables 58 and 59 represent conservative performance targets for the Balance of State.

*the total household goal of 65 assumes that the 20 units paired with rental assistance will be connected to acquisition and rehabilitation activities.

On an annual basis through the Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living (GOAL) program and/or the Special Needs Housing.

Grant (SNHG) program, AHFC announces the availability of HOME funds for rental development. The SNHG program allocates capital development funds to develop rental housing projects that will serve special needs, and often low-income households. In SFY2017, HOME rental development funds may also be awarded through the SNHG award process, in addition to the GOAL process, if AHFC deems that it is in the best interest of the HOME program to do so.

Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) Development Activities

The National Housing Affordability Act placed a high priority on using community-based non-profit organizations to develop affordable housing. A set-aside of 15 percent of each Participating Jurisdiction's HOME funds was mandated for the exclusive use of CHDOs. The standards for certification as a CHDO were established by federal regulation. Only certified CHDOs will be eligible to access the set-aside of CHDO funds for the development of affordable housing. This program meets the HUD objective of providing decent housing with improved affordability.

CHDO set-aside funds are a sub-set of HOME funds reserved for the development of affordable housing. In the State of Alaska HOME Program, these funds may be used for allowable HOME activities outlined in the Rental Development Activities, through the GOAL and SNHG programs described above, subject to the limitations of 24 CFR 92.300. If an eligible CHDO is awarded HDP funding, those funds may be designated as CHDO set-aside or CHDO reserve funds. To participate in the CHDO set-aside, an organization must complete the following steps:

- a. Complete and submit an annual application to AHFC for certification as a CHDO with the appropriate supporting documentation;
- b. Receive certification from AHFC, after compliance with CHDO criteria about legal status, board structure and composition and demonstrated capacity;
- c. Submit a Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living (GOAL), Special Needs Housing Program (SNHG) or HDP program proposal for evaluation. Proposals will be solicited through a NOFA process.

Operating Expense Assistance Program for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs)

HUD gives the option to states of providing a limited amount of operating support funds to CHDOs actively expanding affordable housing opportunities with HOME funds. A maximum of five percent (5%) of the state's annual HOME allocation may be used for this purpose.

A total of \$150,000 in SFY2017 (FFY 2016) HOME funds may be used for the Operating Expense Assistance Program for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). If these funds are not used for CHDO operating support they will be used for rental housing development or other eligible HOME activities.

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

Introduction:

AHFC produces an annual Moving to Work Plan and an annual Moving to Work Report. These are available for review on AHFC's website <http://bit.ly/1Xbkfq8> as well as HUD's Moving to Work website - <http://1.usa.gov/1l0tOwe>

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

See AHFC's Moving to Work Plan and an Annual Moving to Work Report at:

<https://www.ahfc.us/publichousing/resources/mtw-plans-and-reports/>

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

The purpose of AHFC's Resident Advisory Board (RAB) is to provide advice and comment to AHFC on proposed operations, the annual Moving to Work Plan, proposed construction activities, and other items of interest to AHFC's public housing and housing choice voucher clients. Comments received from the RAB are reported to AHFC's Board of Directors. The RAB is composed of eleven members from AHFC's Public Housing (PH), Section 8 New Multifamily Housing (S8N), and Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) programs

The RAB is composed of eleven members from AHFC's Public Housing (PH), Section 8 New Multifamily Housing (S8N), and Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) programs:

- Two (2) members from Anchorage
- Two (2) members from Juneau
- Two (2) members from Fairbanks
- One (1) member from Mat-Su
- One (1) member from Soldotna and Homer
- Three (3) members from Bethel, Cordova, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Nome, Petersburg, Seward, Sitka, Valdez, and Wrangell

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

N/A

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

Introduction

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation will administer federal and state resources throughout the Alaska Continuum as appropriate to meet the specific needs of each community as identified through community plans and data gathered from the annual Point-In-Time Count of homeless persons, Housing Inventory Chart, and Alaska Homeless Management Information System. Funding considerations include maintaining current homeless facilities, supporting homeless prevention services, providing homeless outreach, and activities to assist homeless persons transition to permanent housing and independent living.

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

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation will continue to assist local homeless coalitions and the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness to conduct outreach activities to homeless persons through the annual Point-In-Time Count and events such as Project Homeless Connect. In addition, the state will continue to coordinate with Alaska 2-1-1 to ensure that persons in need are connected to appropriate services. Goal: Increase in utilization of the Alaska Housing Locator and 2-1-1 system for housing resources. Indicators: Annual 2-1-1 report to AK Council on the Homeless & Annual Housing Locator Report.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The State will use a combination of federal and state resources to ensure that no homeless persons are forced to sleep in places not meant for human habitation. Alaska will use the maximum amount of ESG funds allowable to help shelters meet their operating costs. Funding to adequately staff and operate emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities will also remain a high priority for the State's Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP). Goal: ES-Reduction in the number of unsheltered homeless count; ES/TH-no net loss of beds where utilization remains 75% or higher. Indicators: ES-# of Unsheltered persons in Point-In-Time count; ES/TH-# of beds vs. utilization rate in Homeless Inventory Chart.

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 State will use a combination of federal and state resources to rapidly re-house and stabilize homeless persons, especially chronically homeless individuals & families, families with children, veterans and their families and unaccompanied youth. ESG-funded medium-term rental assistance, VASH vouchers for homeless veterans, state-funded permanent housing placement programs and properties funded under the Special Needs Housing Grant (SNHG) are just some of the examples of resources that will be utilized to shorten the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness. Goal: ES- maintain average length of stay at 2 months or less; TH-80% exiting TH for permanent housing. Indicators: ES-HMIS report; TH-Annual Performance Reports drawn from HMIS of TH providers.

AHFC has partnered with the State of Alaska Department of Corrections and Office of Children's Services to target special needs and at-risk populations who will be transitioning from State supervision or programs into permanent housing. TBRA is essential to meeting the unmet needs of special needs and at-risk populations by providing opportunities for those seeking individual living options in normal residential settings or in need of subsidized rental housing; TBRA will help narrow the gap in benefits and services received.

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.

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation will continue to provide funding through the Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP) that provides direct financial assistance with rent, mortgage, and utility arrearages for low-income individuals and families threatened by homelessness.

AHFC will continue to implement the TBRA program that assists persons discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care. Council members will continue to support the Department of Correction's review of and strengthening policies that require housing plans prior to discharge. Resources targeting persons leaving state custody such as HOME TBRA vouchers and assisted living facilities will be utilized and new resources such as the HUD 811 PRA program will be developed for this purpose. Goal: Reduction in the percentage of persons entering homeless facilities from public institutions or systems of care. Indicator: AHAR reports drawn from HMIS.

The State will incentivize agencies that apply for funding by awarding significant points to those that endeavor to ensure that homeless persons are receiving assistance from public and private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education or youth needs. The State will also coordinate through the Alaska Council on the Homeless and the Alaska Coalition on Housing & Homelessness activities and programs that more effectively connect homeless persons to those support connections. GOAL: 30% of persons in TH/PSH programs employed at end of program year/65% of persons in TH/PSH receiving non-cash (mainstream) supports at end of program year. Indicator: Annual Performance Reports drawn from HMIS of TH/PSH providers.

Nursing Facilities

In its efforts to help elderly persons and individuals with disabilities transition from nursing facilities back into the community, AHFC would like to include to its list of partnerships, future work with The Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education and the Division of Senior and Disability Services' Nursing Facility Transition Fund. Directly from SDS's website <http://1.usa.gov/1W7xw2l>

"The funds from the Nursing Facility Transition Program can be used to help an elderly person or individual with a disability transition from a nursing facility back into the community. We can provide one-time funds for:

- 1. Home or environmental modifications;*
- 2. Travel/room/board to bring caregivers in from a rural community to receive training;*
- 3. Trial trips to home or an assisted living home;*
- 4. Payment for an appropriate worker for skill level needed;*
- 5. Security deposits;*
- 6. One-time initial cleaning of home;*
- 7. Basic furnishings necessary to set up a livable home;*
- 8. Transportation to the new home.*
- 9. Other needed items or services may be approved by Program Coordinators."*

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

Introduction:

Actions 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

Development costs and stagnant incomes are the two biggest barriers to affordable housing across the State. In response, HOME Investment Partnership funding has been focused on rental development and homeownership assistance to reduce the cost of buying or renting a home. Furthermore, rental assistance through the HOME program has also been used to support the most vulnerable populations from children aging out of foster care to newly released prisoners whose abilities to generate income and find housing are hampered by criminal histories.

Please see section AP-85 for a description of the Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Grant Program.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.320(j)

Introduction:

Other activities to be undertaken during SFY2017 (FFY2016) including actions to promote the development and maintenance of affordable housing, including the use of public housing resources and the development of public housing resident initiatives.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

A number of actions during SFY2017 will address housing and community development barriers. These actions include the improvement of organizational capacity; the development of infrastructure for housing and community development; the role of local governments in this area targeting and leveraging resources; and protecting and improving housing and community development assets.

The three most significant obstacles to meeting needs addressed by the CDBG program are (1) a short construction season, (2) high cost of construction in remote communities, and (3) lack of administrative capability in rural communities. Obstacle (1) is being addressed by an accelerated application selection process that will make grant funding available for many projects one construction season earlier than in past years. Obstacle (2) is addressed by encouraging communities to access multiple funding sources through required matching funds and encouraging cost-saving measures when possible. Obstacle (3) is addressed by tightening threshold requirements to ensure only those communities with the highest administrative capabilities are considered for funding, continuing to develop accessible training materials, and holding management workshops for communities awarded CDBG funding.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing:

Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Grant Program

Constant turnover of public service professionals plague our rural communities. Housing has been cited as a major contributor to their decision in leaving their position. Attracting and maintaining qualified teachers, health professionals, and public safety officials in rural Alaska is a priority for the State of Alaska. In order to achieve this, housing for these professionals must be available, affordable and of a quality that encourages these professionals to locate in rural settings. Under the Teacher, Health Professional and Public Safety Housing (THHP) Grant Program, funding is available for the acquisition, rehabilitation, and/or new construction of dedicated professional housing for eligible staff in rural Alaska.

In SFY 2016, AHFC received a total of fifteen applications requesting over \$18.17 million in funding. With \$2.6 million available for funding, AHFC awarded \$2.54 million in THHP funds to five projects for the new construction of 16 units.

Project	Applicant	AHFC Funding Recommendation
Alakanuk teacher and Public Safety Housing	Lower Yukon School District	\$850,000
Minto Teacher Housing	Yukon Koyukik School District	\$334,445
Port Alsworth Teacher Housing	Lake and Peninsula School District	\$371,921
Savoonga Health and Public Safety Housing	Norton Sound Health Corporation	\$441,873
Saxman Teacher and Public Safety Housing	City of Saxman	\$540,350
	TOTAL	\$2,538,589

AHFC will solicit applications for the SFY 2017 THHP Application Round in the spring of 2016. Applicants will submit their proposals to AHFC through a web-based application. Subject to Legislative Appropriation, AHFC will announce the SFY 2017 THHP Awards in the fall of 2016.

Since program inception in SFY 2004, the Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Grant Program has funded the construction or rehabilitation of 434 units of housing totaling \$151 million in total project cost. 392 of these units are completed and in service.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan supports actions to evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards. The Interagency Steering Committee for the Consolidated Plan will continue to work with the Alaska Division of Public Health, Section of Epidemiology to monitor the blood lead levels in tested Alaskan children.

All covered projects under the HOME, CDBG, HOPWA, Public Housing and Section 8 programs will be administered to conform to the applicable lead based paint regulations. Rehabilitation of housing constructed pre-1978 using HUD housing assistance programs covered by the lead based paint rule (Subpart of the Rule Within 24 CFR Part 35), will follow the applicable HUD procedures, reporting and record keeping standards outlined.

Section 1018 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard reduction Act of 1992 requires that sellers, landlords and agents warn homebuyers and tenants of lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards in pre-1978 housing. A prospective home purchaser or prospective tenant must receive the following information prior to becoming obligated under any contract to lease or purchase a property covered by this Act:

An EPA approved information pamphlet on identifying and controlling lead-based paint hazards.

Any known information concerning lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards.

Any records or reports on lead-based paint which are available to the seller or landlord.

An attachment to the contract or lease which includes a Lead Warning Statement and confirms that the seller or landlord has complied with all of the notification requirements.

Sellers must provide homeowners a 10-day period to conduct a paint inspection or risk assessment for lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards. Parties may mutually agree, in writing, to lengthen or shorten the time period for inspection. Homebuyers may waive this inspection. Sellers are not required by law to allow homebuyers to void their contract based on the results of the lead based paint evaluation.

Beginning in April 2010 and according to EPA-issued new rule, contractors performing renovation, repair and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in homes, child care facilities and schools built before 1978 must be certified and must follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination.

Although the testing done so far does not point to a great lead-based paint hazard in Alaska, an estimated 15% to 20% of all of the housing stock in the state may contain lead based paint. The State concurs with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that increased education about the potential health risks from exposure to lead based is an important step in reducing health related problems involving lead poisoning. AHFC will continue to seek alliances with other agencies invested in the pursuit of eradicating the potential for Lead-Based Paint in the state's housing stock. These agencies might include the Environmental Conservation Agency (EPA), the Alaska Center for Disease Control (ACDC), and the Department of Health and Social Services (HSS).

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

AHFC entered into a Moving To Work Agreement (MTW Agreement) with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). MTW is a demonstration program authorized by Congress that gives AHFC the flexibility to waive certain statutes and HUD regulations to test approaches for providing housing assistance. A waiver of statutory or regulatory language must address at least one of three goals:

Reduces cost and achieves greater cost effectiveness in Federal expenditures; Gives incentives to families with children whose heads of household are either working, seeking work, or are participating in job training, educational or other programs that assist in obtaining employment and becoming economically self-sufficient; and, Increases housing choices for low-income families.

For a comprehensive review of MTW programs nationwide, please visit the HUD website at: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/mtw/index.cfm>

Please also visit the AHFC website to view the full text of the fiscal year 2012 Moving to Work Program Annual Plan at: <http://www.ahfc.us/reference/plans.cfm>

Actions planned to develop institutional structure:

Across Alaska, organizational capacity for the effective delivery of housing and community development programs is very unevenly distributed. Many communities, particularly in rural areas, lack the organizational capacity to effectively implement projects using the multitude of housing and community development programs available. The involvement of several agencies and a variety of funding programs in a single project usually complicates the development process, and places additional demands on the project sponsor.

Limited state-funded technical assistance will also be offered to HOME and CHDO grantees and other non-profit housing providers, including those serving Alaska's homeless and special needs populations. Training and technical assistance opportunities, due to the loss of local HUD CPD-TA dollars, will be limited. A menu of opportunities will be offered, which will include direct technical assistance, topic-based Alaska Training Events, as well as scholarship opportunities to attend local, regional or national training events.

AHFC plans to host one or more Alaska Training Events each year and offer scholarships to approved trainings and conferences for eligible attendees. Participants are required to document the objectives that will be achieved through attendance at a specific training activity. Activities will be available to other providers and/or the general public on a space-available basis on topics such

as Fair Housing/Section 504 that affect a broad spectrum of Alaskan providers. AHFC will also plan training events in coordination with training activities hosted by other groups, such as HUD or the homeless coalition, to maximize training resources and training availability.

AHFC will hold application workshops and grant management workshops based on need as identified through the respective programs. The workshops may cover application processes and technical criteria such as design, energy efficiency, environmental review, Davis-Bacon, fair housing, section 504, and other HUD or AHFC requirements. AHFC may also elect to host grant management training for new or less regular grantees. In addition, AHFC may provide manuals, technical assistance, and templates to develop institutional structure.

The State of Alaska will hold a series of application workshops and management workshops for awarded grantees each year. The workshops will cover specific environmental review, civil rights, Davis-Bacon and other CDBG program requirements. Limited state-funded technical assistance may be offered to municipality personnel, which may include scholarship opportunities for attendance at regularly scheduled application and grant management workshops. In addition the state will provide manuals and technical assistance.

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

The State of Alaska hosts its own trainings by contracting with experienced housing. AHFC participates in all Project Homeless Connect events and supports the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness, which integrates members from private and public agencies.

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

Introduction:

The State will consider funding only those projects that meet the first national objective. The overall mission of the State's CDBG program is to enhance the quality of life for LMI persons, particularly in rural Alaska. The CDBG program fulfills this mission by emphasizing the following objectives during the selection process:

- Potential for long-term positive impact and increase in community self-sufficiency
- Reduction of clear and imminent threats, and conditions detrimental to the health and safety of local residents
- Construction and improvement of public facilities and the reduction of maintenance and operation costs
- Development and use of design, engineering, architectural, or feasibility plans as appropriate
- Economic development—including business development, job creation, planning, and special projects
- Evidence of strong local support, i.e., inclusion in a local community, economic, or capital improvement plan
- Use of local resources in combination with CDBG funding

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
The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities: \$0

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:** No other forms of investments will be used by the HOME program
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:**
 - a. Resale Model

The HDP resale model requires that when a homeowner sells their home, he or she sells it for a restricted price to a low income household (80% below the median income). HDP funds up to \$40,000 may be provided in assistance. HOP funds can only be used for down payment and closing cost assistance in a project assisted with HDP funds. Interest buy downs are not an eligible cost.
 - b. Recapture Model

Under the recapture model the first \$10,000 in direct assistance is provided as a forgivable loan. Direct assistance is defined as the difference between the market value and sales price of the home in addition to any HOME assistance. For every year the homeowner continues to own the home and make it his or her primary residence, the loan will be forgiven by a maximum of \$2,000, or twenty percent (20%) of the loan, whichever is less. Any remaining HDP assistance provided will be secured against the home as a loan with zero percent (0%) interest, repayable at the time the homebuyer no longer owns the property. If the homeowner fails to meet the primary residency requirement during the affordability period, the full amount of assistance is due and owing. The recapture provisions will be triggered by a sale prior to the completion of the affordability period. The amount subject to recapture is the total amount of direct assistance less the prorated amount of the first \$10,000 forgiven per the terms described above plus any amounts that are not forgiven.
 - c. In the case of a sale (voluntary or otherwise) the maximum amount of funds subject to recapture is limited to whatever net proceeds (if any) are available. The homeowner must show that the appraised value of the home is not sufficient to pay off the HOME loan(s) in addition to any other lien in superior position, and standard and customary seller's closing costs. Net proceeds are calculated by the sales price less any non-HOME loans or repayments less closing costs.
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:**

Please see Appendix H for a more complete description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds according to 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4)

- 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:**

AHFC has no plans to refinance existing debt for the SFY2017 for the Balance of State

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

Written standards for providing ESG assistance

As of this writing, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program is still operating under the Interim Rule issued December 5, 2011. In addition to administrative activities, ESG funds may be used for five program components: street outreach, emergency shelter, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS).

The ESG regulations restrict the use of funds for emergency shelter or street outreach activities to 60 percent of the recipient's fiscal year grant. The remaining 40 percent of the annual allocation must be used for homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, or HMIS activities.

To qualify for ESG assistance, program participants must meet the definitions of "homeless" or "at risk of homelessness" described in 24 CFR 2. Program participants in the "at-risk of homelessness" category must also have incomes below 30% of area median income to qualify for ESG assistance. In addition to documenting client eligibility, agencies providing rental assistance are now required to inspect all units to document compliance with HUD's habitability standards and to execute a written rental assistance payment agreement with the landlord.

Written Standards

In recognition of the large geographic area covered in the Alaska CoC geography and the varying needs and conditions of local communities, Alaska is adopting the provision outlined in 24 CFR 576.400(e)(2)(i)(B) that enables states to require each sub-recipient to establish their own written standards for providing ESG assistance and apply them consistently within the sub-recipient's program. This approach is consistent with the guiding principles of the Alaska HCD Plan which supports the use of local strategies for determining unmet needs and targeting of resources. All requirements for written standards and policies will be incorporated in the grant agreement issued to the sub-recipient, including the following:

- a) Standard policies and procedures for evaluating individuals' and families' eligibility for assistance under Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).
- b) Policies and procedures for coordination among emergency shelter providers, essential service providers, homeless prevention and rapid re-housing assistance providers, other homeless assistance providers and mainstream service and housing providers.

- c) The sub-recipient will incorporate into their ESG policies and procedures, by reference, existing cooperative agreements they have in place with the local Public Housing agency, the Indian Housing Agency, the domestic violence shelter, the Dept. of Public Assistance (TANF), and the community behavioral health center.
- d) Policies and procedures, consistent with CoC-adopted guidelines, for determining and prioritizing which eligible families and individuals will receive homeless prevention assistance and which eligible families and individuals will receive rapid re-housing assistance.
- e) Standards, consistent with CoC-adopted guidelines, for determining the share of rent and utility costs that each program participant must pay, if any, while receiving homeless prevention or rapid re-housing assistance.
- f) Standards for determining how long a particular program participant will be provided with rental assistance and whether and how the amount of that assistance will be adjusted over time.
Due to the amount of funding available to Alaska, assistance is likely to be limited to no more than 12 months. Adjustments to rental assistance in the event of changes in income will be addressed in a manner similar to the local housing authority for consistency and preparation of the program participant to transfer to a longer term program should the opportunity arise.
- g) Standards for determining the type, amount, and duration of housing stabilization and/or relocation services to provide a program participant, including the limits, if any, on the homeless prevention or rapid re-housing assistance that each program participant may receive, such as the maximum amount of assistance; or the maximum number of times the program participant may receive assistance.

Due to funding limitations, the only housing stabilization service anticipated is case management. The sub-recipient will revise their written policies to incorporate the requirement for program participants to meet with their case manager at least monthly while receiving ESG assistance.

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

The CoC is increasing efforts toward compliance with the requirement for a centralized or coordinated assessment system including discussions with technical assistance advisors to determine how best to coordinate assessment among so many distinctly different communities in a standardized way.

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

ESG funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to units of local government and non-profit organizations. Applications are received annually, in response to a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). To incentivize coordination between the state BHAP grant and ESG, AHFC conducts a joint application process for both of these resources. Applicants requesting funding for Emergency Shelter or Street Outreach may request no less than \$20,000 and no more than \$30,000. The reason for these funding limitations is to achieve both administrative efficiency and broader geographic distribution of funds among Alaska's shelters. When ESG allocations for this component rise above \$160,000, the funding limit rises commensurately to \$40,000. No funding limits for the Homeless Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing set-aside will be considered until after a funding cycle occurs in which multiple applicants seek ESG funding for these activities.

Applicants for ESG/HAP funding now use an online application system that affords them an equal opportunity to submit within the same timeframe regardless of their remote location or transportation challenges. Most agencies applying for HAP/ESG funding are returning grantees seeking funding to continue their services into the next program year. Following the lead of the CoC process, past performance in achieving service projections and housing stability constitutes a significant portion of the ranking factors each year. If the applicant is not a returning grantee, they must provide a narrative explanation for 1) how they developed their service projections, 2) what they will do to monitor and report on housing retention, and 3) the applicant's experience and capability to serve homeless persons and meet all of the regulatory and administrative requirements.

Another ranking factor is relationship of their proposed activities to achieving the goals of state & local homeless plans. Other ranking factors include local progress toward a centralized or coordinated assessment process, incorporation of the Opening Doors Federal Homeless plan, the extent to which efforts are made to link program participants to mainstream resources, policies and procedures for prioritizing the delivery of homeless services and the degree to which each budget line item requested is thoroughly explained. Bonus points for small, rural communities and multi-agency partnerships are also part of the rating criteria. Up to 10 points may be deducted for a pattern of late reports or unresolved findings. Points are also deducted for repeated findings for the same infraction in the 36 months prior to the application date.

With the exception of the narrative answers, AHFC has converted to an objective scoring system. Applications from agencies that did not receive funding in the prior year will be forwarded to a Project Evaluation Committee (PEC) to assign points to any subjective (narrative) sections of the

application. The PEC will primarily be recruited from members of the CoC Decision Making Group that do not have a conflict of interest.

Due to the small amount of ESG funds that are allocated to Alaska each year and the documented high need among shelters for operating assistance, the State will award the maximum amount of its allocation for that purpose, by rank order in the competition. The remaining amount will be awarded to projects that proposed a financially feasible medium-term rental assistance program to prevent homelessness or rapidly re-house those who have been displaced.

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.

Homeless participation requirement (not applicable to states)

Performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Consistent with HUD/CoC performance measures and Alaska's 10-Year Plan to End Long Term Homelessness, the following standards will be used to evaluate ESG activities (and source to determine performance):

Emergency Shelters: Utilization rate of at least 65% (Source: AHAR)

Rapid Re-Housing: 6+ months housing stability rate at least 82% (Source: HMIS/Provider reports)

Homeless Prevention: 90-day housing retention rate of at least 80% (Source: Provider reports).

APPENDIX A

Home Unexpended Funds By Fiscal Year

As of March 11, 2016

Source	Year	Category	Allocated	Committed	Expended	Uncommitted	Unexpended
HOME - Corp	SFY 2010	DHSS - OCS TBRA Admin	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$ 7,177.75	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,822.25
HOME - Corp	SFY 2012	GOAL Housing Production	\$350,000.00	\$350,000.00	\$341,477.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,522.50
HOME - Corp	SFY 2013	GOAL Housing Production	\$410,633.86	\$394,030.58	\$157,213.86	\$16,603.28	\$253,420.00
HOME - Corp	SFY 2013	HOME-HDP	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000.00
HOME - Corp	Sub-Total					\$16,603.28	\$271,764.75
HOME - HUD	FFY 2009	HOME - ORP	\$278,737.15	\$278,737.15	\$276,548.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,188.39
HOME - HUD	FFY 2011	GOAL Housing Production	\$148,183.28	\$148,183.28	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$148,183.28
HOME - HUD	FFY 2012	GOAL Housing Production	\$760,586.19	\$760,586.19	\$527,501.09	\$ 0.00	\$233,085.10
HOME - HUD	FFY 2012	HOME-HDP	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00	\$349,010.32	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,989.68
HOME - HUD	FFY 2013	HOME - HOP	\$981,700.85	\$981,700.85	\$973,530.77	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,170.08
HOME - HUD	FFY 2013	HOME - ORP	\$ 95,493.10	\$ 95,493.10	\$ 76,849.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,644.10
HOME - HUD	FFY 2013	HOME - ORP Admin	\$ 33,516.27	\$ 33,516.27	\$ 30,507.20	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,009.07
HOME - HUD	FFY 2013	HOME - TBRA	\$295,000.00	\$206,877.00	\$206,877.00	\$ 88,123.00	\$ 88,123.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	GOAL Housing Production	\$624,226.95	\$290,000.00	\$261,000.00	\$334,226.95	\$363,226.95
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	GOAL Housing Production	\$367,608.79	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$367,608.79	\$367,608.79
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - CHDO	\$452,683.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$452,683.05	\$452,683.05
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - HOP	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00	\$451,962.58	\$ 0.00	\$298,037.42
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - HOP Admin	\$ 72,032.15	\$ 72,032.15	\$ 46,204.11	\$ 0.00	\$ 25,828.04
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - OEA	\$150,894.35	\$ 95,365.78	\$ 92,665.78	\$ 55,528.57	\$ 58,228.57
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - TBRA	\$300,000.00	\$210,000.00	\$210,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME - TBRA Admin	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,033.15	\$ 25,033.15	\$ 4,966.85	\$ 4,966.85
HOME - HUD	FFY 2014	HOME-HDP	\$438,293.95	\$138,293.95	\$134,293.95	\$300,000.00	\$304,000.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	GOAL Housing Production	\$781,516.90	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$781,516.90	\$781,516.90
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - CHDO	\$450,325.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$450,325.05	\$450,325.05
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - HOP	\$750,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - HOP Admin	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - OEA	\$150,108.35	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$150,108.35	\$150,108.35
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - TBRA	\$300,000.00	\$157,016.00	\$157,016.00	\$142,984.00	\$142,984.00
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME - TBRA Admin	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 16,864.06	\$ 16,864.06	\$ 13,135.94	\$ 13,135.94
HOME - HUD	FFY 2015	HOME-HDP	\$270,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$270,000.00	\$270,000.00
HOME - HUD	SFY 2015	GOAL Housing Production	\$55,003.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55,003.00	\$55,003.00
HOME - HUD	Sub-Total					\$4,376,210.45	\$5,200,045.61
HOME-GF	SFY 2014	HOME - HOP Admin	\$137,621.00	\$137,621.00	\$133,204.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,416.24
HOME-GF	SFY 2014	HOME - ORP	\$107,903.03	\$107,903.03	\$106,797.67	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,105.36
HOME-GF	SFY 2014	HOME - TBRA	\$295,000.00	\$264,753.94	\$264,753.94	\$ 30,246.06	\$ 30,246.06
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	GOAL Housing Production	\$340,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$340,000.00	\$340,000.00
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	HOME - HOP	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 15,384.21	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,615.79
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	HOME - HOP Admin	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 25,000.00
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	HOME - TBRA	\$300,000.00	\$210,000.00	\$210,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	HOME - TBRA Admin	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
HOME-GF	SFY 2015	HOME-HDP	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 16,500.00
HOME-GF	Sub-Total					\$ 465,246.06	\$521,883.45

APPENDIX B

Alaska's Plan to End Long-term Homelessness

Alaska's Plan to End Long Term Homelessness

Alaska Council on the Homeless
Adopted October 13, 2015

Vision

Every Alaskan will have access to safe, affordable, and accommodating housing and no man, woman, or child should be forced to sleep on the streets, in the woods, or in a shelter. Ending homelessness is a statewide priority.

As stated in *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*, ending homelessness is an ambitious goal, however, “we believe it is important to set goals, even if aspirational, for true progress to be made.” It is critical that, as a state, we work together to provide the most vulnerable members of our society with access to the housing, services, and income supports they need.

Addressing homelessness must come from the local community. Each community is unique in how homelessness impacts them, the types of resources they have access to, and their ability to engage partners and the public to address homelessness. This plan is a framework for communities to build upon through collaboration with local constituent groups: shelters, housing providers, service providers, state and local agencies, foundations, education entities, businesses, faith-based organizations and private citizens. Communities know what they need in terms of resources, housing units, and services in order to successfully intervene in the lives of those who are homeless. With this information they can work with other local, state, and federal government agencies as well as private and nonprofit sources to address the needs of their community. These local efforts are instrumental to the success of this Plan.

This Plan is for the State of Alaska to identify responsibility and accountability within its systems to address and end homelessness. In developing this Plan, the State identified agencies to take the lead in strengthening existing partnerships and exploring new collaborations in order to achieve overall success. State funding is consistently in a state of flux and, as such, the State recognizes possibilities and limitations to providing support annually. It is at this stage that lead partners (state agencies) can identify collaborations within and between other state agencies and non-governmental organizations and agencies. This Plan is intended to gather information from local communities and, using data and knowledge, prepare a report to be presented annually during the Fall meeting of the Alaska Council on the Homeless.

History

On April 30, 2004, Governor Frank H. Murkowski signed an executive order establishing the Alaska Council on the Homeless as a cabinet-level interagency task force comprised of state commissioners and the executive directors of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority. This order tasked the Council with developing a plan to combat homelessness in Alaska.

In October 2005, the Council released the report *Keeping Alaskans Out of the Cold* which contained key recommendations for addressing homelessness throughout the state. In May 2007, Governor Sarah Palin reauthorized the Council and expanded its membership to include representatives from local government, Native Housing Authorities, homeless advocates, and members of the public-at-large. The Council was then charged with building on the strategies

established in the 2005 report, developing a statewide homeless action plan, and monitoring progress during the implementation of the plan. This resulted in the creation of the *10 Year Plan to End Long Term Homelessness in Alaska* which was adopted in May 2009.

Council Structure

Chaired by the executive director of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, the Council meets biannually with council membership appointed by the governor. The Council is responsible for reporting to the Governor on progress made throughout Alaska to reduce and end homelessness and recommends future action to achieve this goal.

To encourage cross departmental collaboration on issues addressing homelessness, the Alaska Council on the Homeless is comprised of four (4) commissioners from the following State departments.

- Department of Corrections
- Department of Education
- Department of Health and Social Services
- Department of Public Safety

Eight (8) additional members comprise the remaining seats on the Council. Members include:

- Executive Director of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
- Executive Director of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
- Representative of Municipal Government
- Representative of a Regional Housing Authority
- Public Members

The Council may also invite non-voting representatives from federal and local government agencies, the business community, providers of services to the homeless, philanthropic agencies, faith-based organizations, homeless advocacy organizations, homeless persons, and community leaders to participate in meetings. Historically, representatives from the Office of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development have participated in this capacity.

Accomplishments

Alaska has made significant progress in achieving the goals adopted in the *10 Year Plan to End Long Term Homelessness*. Some Plan accomplishments from 2009 – 2014 include:

- Point-in-Time Count data reports a 56% decrease in unsheltered homeless persons, 25% decrease in veterans experiencing homelessness, and 44% decrease in persons experiencing chronic homelessness.
- More than thirteen new supportive housing programs were developed throughout the state which resulted in the creation of over 350 new permanent supportive housing beds through the Special Needs Housing Grant program.
- Development of the Tenant Based Rental Assistance program with over 140 vouchers available for youth aging out of foster care and prisoner re-entry clients.

- Increased collaboration between the Department of Corrections and homeless housing and service providers to develop strategies to increase the number of individuals exiting incarceration into stable housing.
- The Alaska Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) reports that 57% of households with children experiencing homelessness were rehoused within 90 days.
- Creation of a coordinated homeless fund through the Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP) to support households at risk of homelessness through rent, mortgage, and utility arrearage assistance. BHAP reporting indicates that this resulted in an increase of 164% among the number of households receiving prevention assistance with 79% maintaining stable housing.
- Creation of the Empowering Choice Housing Program to provide housing assistance to 250 families displaced due to domestic violence and sexual assault throughout Alaska.
- An additional 156 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers were made available throughout the state.
- Increased service provider participation in the HMIS.

Alaska's Homeless

Alaska's homeless housing and service providers collect and report data on homeless persons through various methods. Annually, the two Alaska Continuum of Care (CoC) recognized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) are required to participate in a Point-in-Time Count (PIT) of homeless persons. During this effort, both CoC's work with state partners and homeless housing and service providers to conduct a count of all persons experiencing homelessness on one night in January. The PIT report captures sheltered persons staying in emergency shelters and transitional housing in addition to unsheltered persons sleeping in places not meant for human habitation; such as on the street, in a car, or in the woods.

Housing and service providers connected to the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) submit PIT data through that system. Services which are not connected to the HMIS system are reported through paper forms. Service providers may coordinate street outreach efforts to coincide with the PIT count to capture data for those individuals who do not access homeless services the night of the count. In addition, some communities conduct a Project Homeless Connect event which is a one-stop-shop for persons experiencing homelessness to connect with housing and service providers in their community. Data collected through street outreach and Project Homeless Connect events are also included in the PIT data collection process.

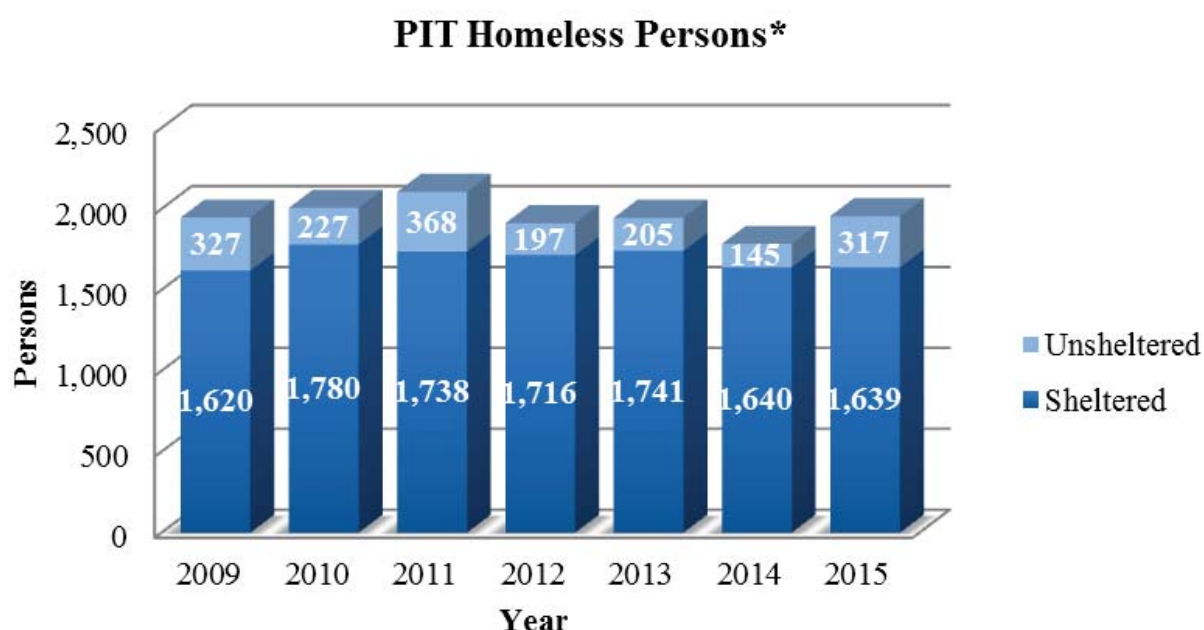
Data collected through the HMIS, paper forms, street outreach, and project homeless connect efforts are combined and reviewed to ensure that information is unduplicated and individuals are only included once in the final PIT report. The HMIS system is further described in Appendix D.

The PIT report includes data for a number of homeless subpopulations. These subpopulations include veterans, individuals under age 18 who are not accompanied by an adult, victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault, families with children which includes at least one adult and one child under the age of 18, and chronic homeless. The definition of chronic homeless for

the PIT count is defined by HUD as “an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition or a family with at least one adult who has a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more or has had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years.”

Persons experiencing a disability are another notable subpopulation among the homeless. However, PIT disability data is limited to adults with a serious mental illness and adults with a substance use disorder. This limited reporting only captures a portion of the population who experience a disability. As a result, disability is not included as a subpopulation in this report.

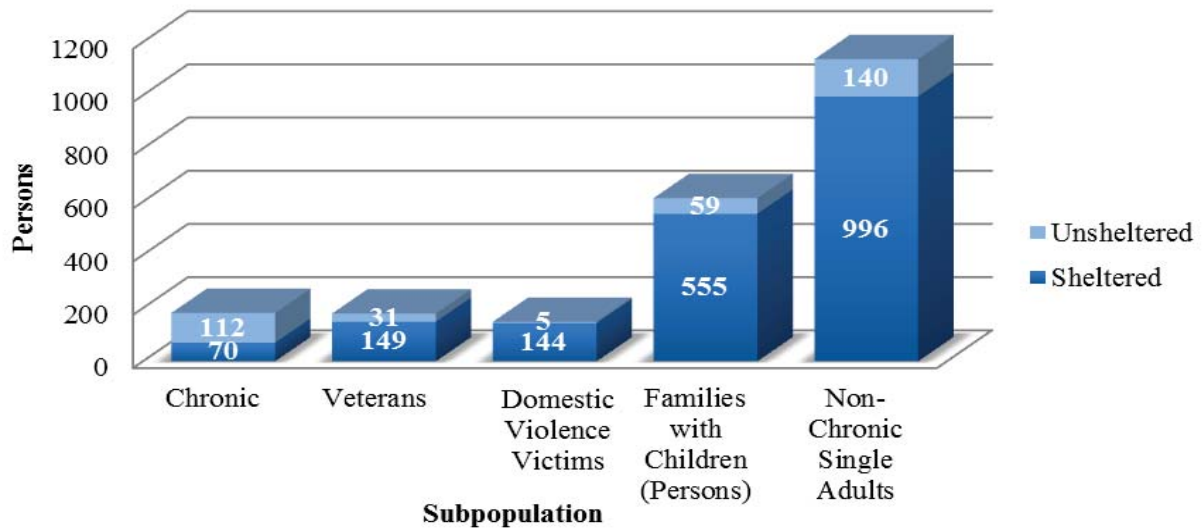
The 2015 PIT Count of homeless persons reports a total of 1,956 Alaskan’s experiencing homelessness on one night in January. This is a 3% decrease in unsheltered persons and 1% increase in sheltered persons compared to the 2009 count. The gender, age, race, and ethnicity characteristics of homeless persons from the 2015 report can be found in Appendix A.



* Point-in-Time Count data from one day in January.

Of the 1,956 homeless Alaskan’s reported in the 2015 Point-in-Time Count, 180 (9%) were veterans, 182 (9%) were chronic homeless, 614 (31%) were families with at least one adult and one child under the age of 18, and 1,136 (58%) were non-chronically homeless single adults without children.

2015 PIT Homeless Subpopulations*



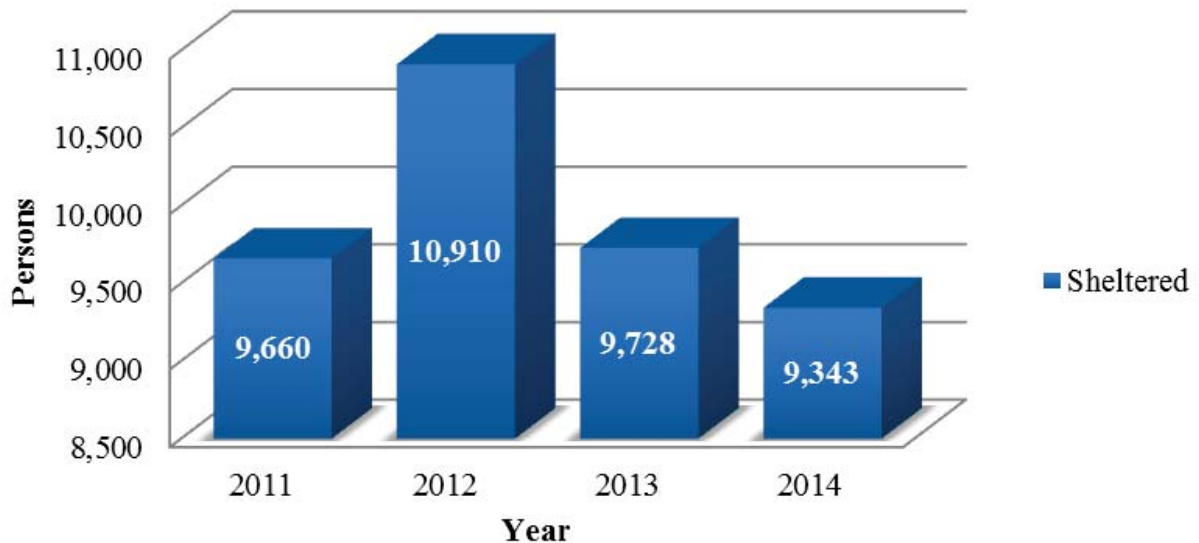
*Point-in-Time Count data from one day in January. Excludes unaccompanied youth subpopulation (under age 18) with 18 sheltered and 6 unsheltered for a total of 24 homeless.

A comparison of subpopulation reporting from 2009 - 2015 indicates a decrease in chronic homelessness of 43%, decrease in veteran homelessness of 24%, 40% decrease in homelessness among victims of domestic violence, decrease in homelessness for families with children of 18%, and increase in homelessness among non-chronically homeless single adults of 30%. Individual subpopulation data from the 2009 – 2015 Point-in-Time Count reports can be found in Appendix B.

In addition to the Point-in-Time Count, HUD produces an Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) that captures unduplicated data drawn from the HMIS during four points-in-time throughout the year. The AHAR incorporates a method of data extrapolation to estimate the number of homeless persons not captured in the HMIS system. Unlike the Point-in-Time Count report, the AHAR does not include data for unsheltered persons. The result, is a report that estimates the total number of Alaskans receiving services through an emergency shelter or transitional housing program throughout the year. AHAR analysis within this document is limited to the 2011 – 2014 reports as consistent data was not available prior to 2011.

The most recent Alaska AHAR report, 2014, estimates that 9,343 persons slept in an emergency shelter or transitional housing during the twelve month reporting period. This is a 3.2% decrease compared to 2011.

AHAR Homeless Persons*



* One year estimate of homeless persons in emergency shelter and transitional housing.

The 2014 AHAR report estimates that there were 920 (9.8%) homeless veterans and 1,552 (16.6%) homeless persons in families with at least one adult and one child under the age of 18 who stayed in an emergency shelter or transitional housing. Compared to 2011, this is a decrease of 48% for homeless veterans and 2.8% for families. Individual subpopulation data from the 2011 – 2014 AHAR reports can be found in Appendix C.

Alaska's Plan to End Long Term Homelessness

Capturing the successes of local community efforts to end homelessness is an integral part to tracking statewide performance in achieving the strategies outlined in this Plan. In an effort to better inform the statewide homeless conversation, the Plan is designed as a framework for communities to utilize in their local planning efforts. Annually, communities will be encouraged to share those efforts with the Council which will be included in a yearly Plan progress report.

This framework is organized around the five priorities of *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*: housing development, supportive services, education, engagement and policy, prevention, and data.

Council membership representing state agencies and departments have been identified as central and lead partners to represent and direct the priorities and strategies outlined in the Plan. The central and lead partners will support community and state partners to facilitate the strategies and report annually on the Plan's progress. Supporting partners have been identified, however, this does not encompass a full list of collaborators and partners who help address homelessness in Alaska.

In addition to the efforts of local communities, the Council on the Homeless has committed to

the following actions to address the priorities and strategies outlined in this Plan.

- Identify and review central and lead partners to assist with the strategies outlined in the plan.
- Develop a structure to support lead agencies to identify strategies and ensure follow through.
- Develop a structure for local coalitions to report homeless efforts to the Council.
- Request that the Governor appoint a representative from the Office of Veterans Affairs and Department of Labor and Workforce Development to the Council.
- Engage tribal housing authorities and encourage coordination with local coalitions.

Alaska's Plan to End Long Term Homelessness

Alaska Council on the Homeless

Priority 1: Housing Development

Central Partner: AHFC

Every Alaskan should have access to an affordable, accommodating, and safe place to call home.

Strategies	Lead Partners	Supporting Partners
a. Expand Housing Options (Construction/Rehab/Rental Assistance)	AHFC	Regional Housing Authorities
b. Increase Pool of Operating Support to Preserve Existing Housing Stock	AHFC, DHSS, AMHTA	
c. Increase Number of Units Available to Priority Populations	DHSS, AHFC	Volunteers of America, RurAL CAP, Neighborworks

Priority 2: Supportive Services

Central Partner: DHSS/AMHTA/DOC

Individuals and families experiencing or at-risk of homelessness should have access to all eligible services and supports.

Strategies	Lead Partners	Supporting Partners
a. Increase Funding and Sources of Supportive Services in Underserved Areas	DHSS, AMHTA, DOC	
b. Increase Income and Employment Opportunities for Persons in Transition	DHSS, DOL, VA, AMHTA, DOC	
c. Increase Outreach Services	DHSS, AMHTA, DOC	ACMHS, RurAL CAP, Re-Entry and Youth Providers
d. Maintain and/or Expand Emergency Lodging Options as Needed	AHFC, DHSS	Emergency Cold Weather Plan, Faith Based Groups, Anchorage Emergency Shelter Providers Group

Priority 3: Education, Engagement, and Policy**Central Partner: AHFC**

Community and statewide education, engagement, and policy efforts among stakeholders and interested parties is central to addressing issues of homelessness.

Strategies	Lead Partners	Supporting Partners
a. Landlord Engagement, Education, and Support	AHFC, AMHTA	AKCH2, ACEH
b. Encourage Housing Policy at the Local Level	AML	AKCH2, ACEH, Homeless Coalitions
c. Support Local Housing Organizations to Coordinate Planning Services and Reporting		AKCH2, ACEH, Homeless Coalitions
d. Expand Outreach on Use of Alaska Housing Locator	AHFC	

Priority 4: Prevention**Central Partner: DHSS/AHFC**

Prevention support is essential to mitigating episodes of homelessness.

Strategies	Lead Partners	Supporting Partners
a. Eliminate Discharge to Homeless Shelters and the Streets from State Institutions	DOC, DHSS	
b. Improve Outreach and Linkages to Housing Resources and Services	DHSS, DOC, DEED	2-1-1, AKCH2, ACEH
c. Maintain Centralized Pool of Prevention Resources	AHFC	Homeless Coalitions

Priority 5: Data**Central Partner: AHFC**

Timely and accurate data is essential to making housing and homeless policy decisions.

Strategies	Lead Partners	Supporting Partners
a. Expand Homeless Service Provider HMIS Coverage	AHFC	AKCH2, ACEH, AKHMIS,
b. Develop Strategies for Gathering Homeless Data from Organizations Not Connected to HMIS	AHFC, DOC, DEED	AKCH2, ACEH, AKHMIS
c. Coordinate Community Prevention Services	AHFC	AKCH2, ACEH, Homeless Coalitions

Appendix A – 2015 Point-in-Time Count Characteristics of Homeless Persons

2015 Point-In-Time Count Characteristics of Homeless Persons*

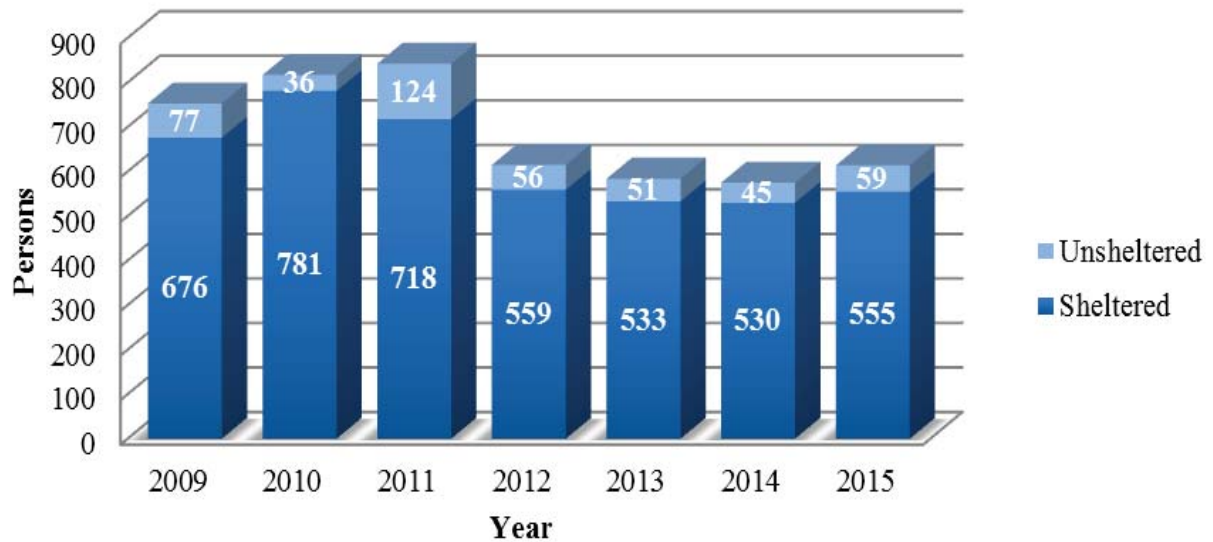
Client Characteristics		Families with Children** (Persons)	Unaccompanied Youth (Under Age 18)	Single Adults (Age 18+)	Total Homeless
Total		614	24	1,318	1,956
Gender	Female	61.6%	50.0%	29.1%	39.5%
	Male	38.4%	50.0%	70.8%	60.4%
	Transgender Male to Female	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
	Transgender Female to Male	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Age	Age 0-17	63.0%	100.0%	0.0%	21.0%
	Age 18-24	6.8%	0.0%	11.8%	10.1%
	Over Age 24	30.1%	0.0%	88.2%	68.9%
Race	White	31.8%	29.2%	41.2%	38.1%
	Black or African American	7.0%	16.7%	7.4%	7.4%
	Asian	0.5%	0.0%	1.1%	0.9%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	43.6%	50.0%	45.8%	45.1%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	8.0%	4.2%	0.9%	3.2%
	Multiple Races	9.1%	0.0%	3.6%	5.3%
Ethnicity	Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	91.2%	100.0%	97.0%	95.2%
	Hispanic/Latino	8.8%	0.0%	3.0%	4.8%

*Point-in-Time Count of homeless persons in emergency shelters, transitional housing, and unsheltered during one day in January.

** Families include at least one adult and one child under age 18.

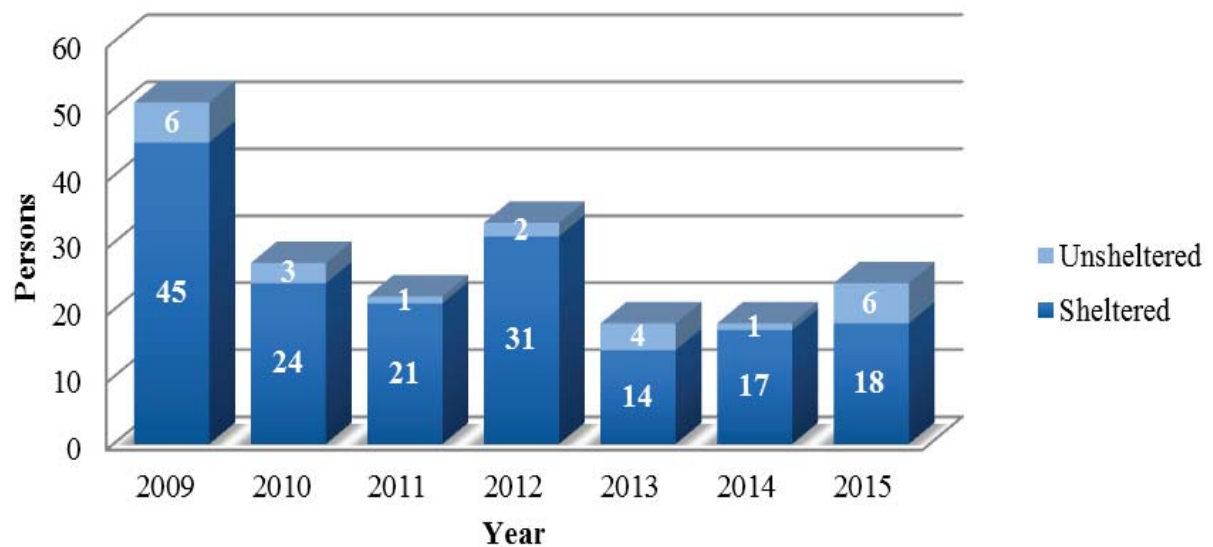
Appendix B – Point-In-Time Count Subpopulation Trends 2009 – 2015

PIT Families with Children (Persons)*



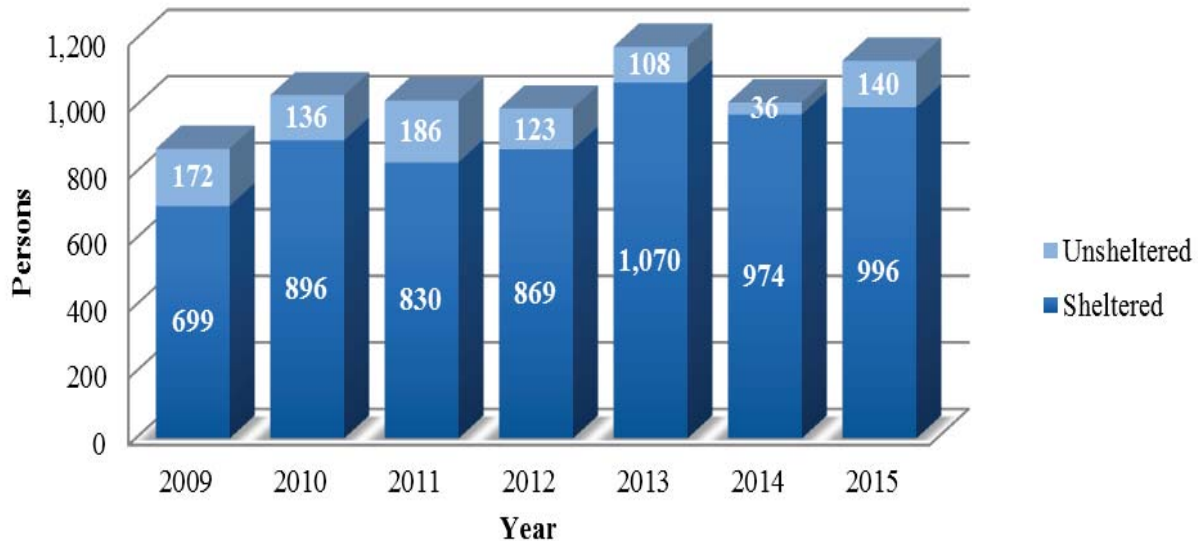
* Point-in-Time Count data from one day in January. Families include at least one adult and one child under age 18.

PIT Unaccompanied Youth (Under Age 18)*



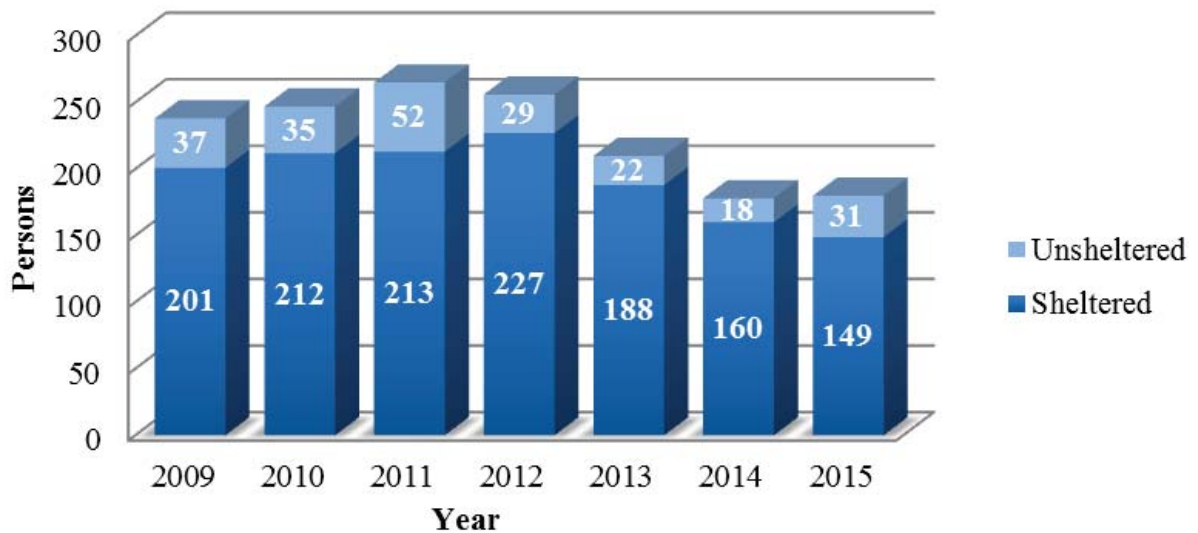
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PIT Non-Chronic Homeless Single Adults*



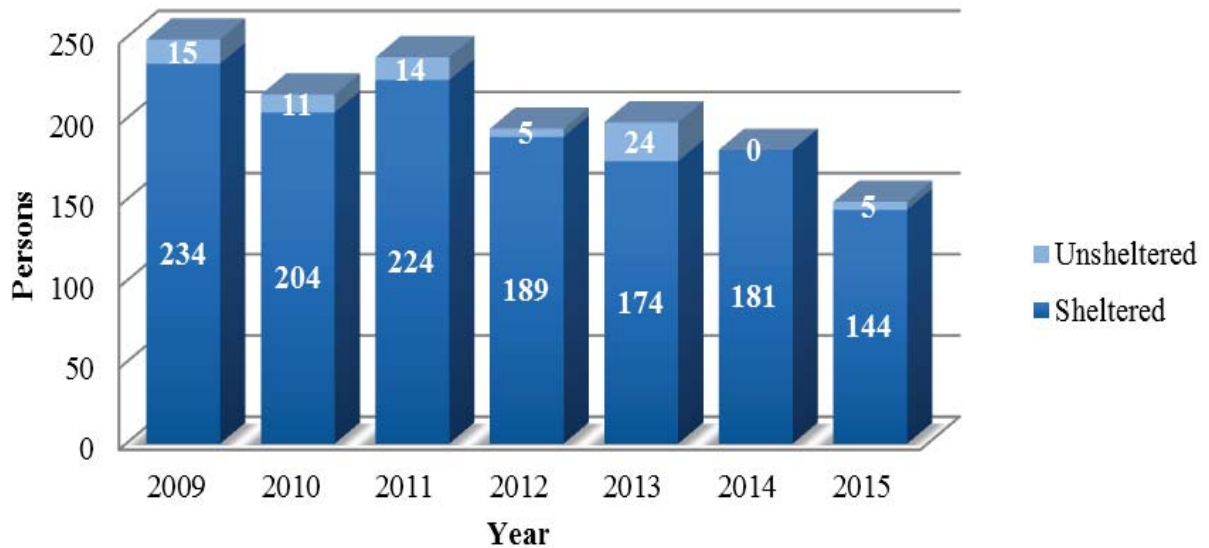
* Point-in-Time Count data from one day in January.

PIT Homeless Veterans*



* Point-in-Time Count data from one day in January.

PIT Victims of Domestic Violence*



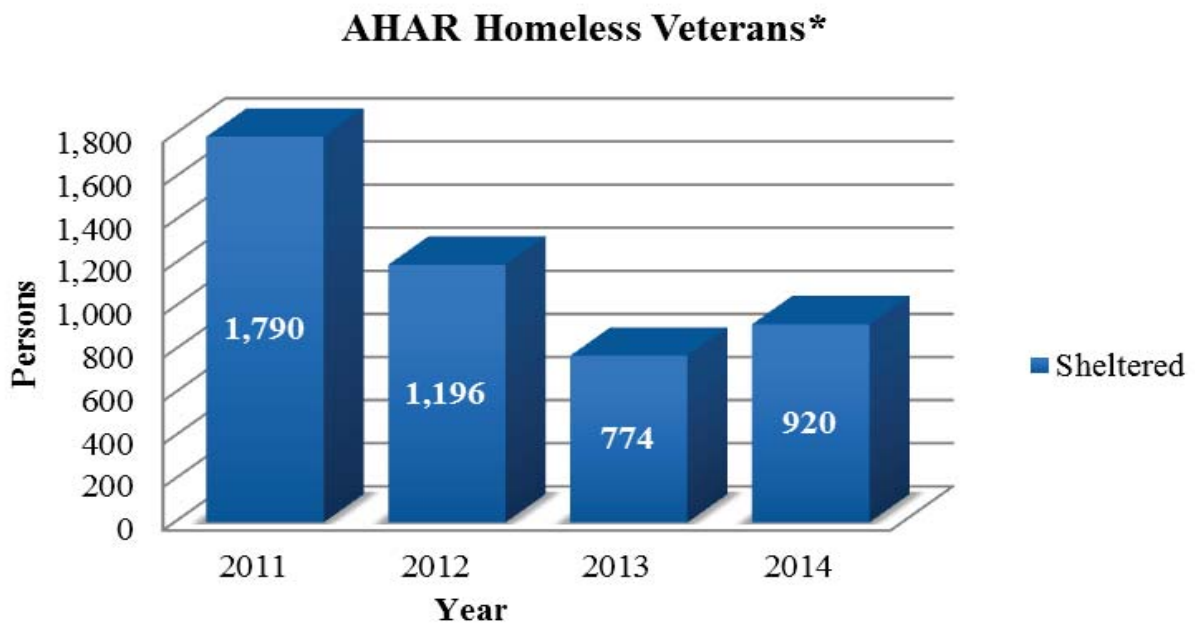
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PIT Chronic Homeless*

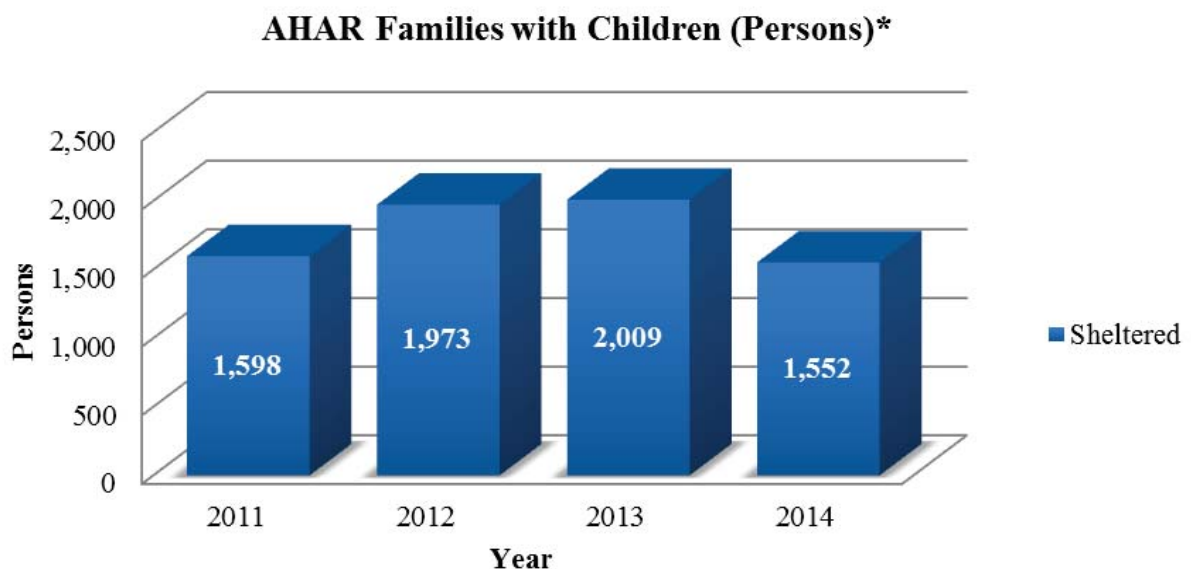


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Appendix C – Annual Homeless Assessment Report Subpopulation Trends 2011 - 2014



* One year estimate of homeless persons in emergency shelter and transitional housing.



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Appendix D – Definitions, Acronyms, Statewide Programs and Funding Sources

Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (AKCH2): A statewide organization working to develop strategies to increase the availability of affordable housing and eliminate homelessness. AKCH2 is the lead agency for the Balance of State Continuum of Care (CoC) and, as such, responsible for management and oversight of the Homeless Management Information system in conjunction with the Anchorage CoC.

Alaska Council on the Homeless: Established by Governor Frank H. Murkowski in 2004 and reauthorized by Governor Palin in 2007, the role of the Alaska Council on the Homeless is to provide a public policy forum for recommendations on the use of state and federal resources to address homelessness. Council membership includes the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, the Alaska State Departments of Education, Public Safety, Corrections and Health and Social Services, six public members from the homeless provider community, rural housing authorities, local government and the real estate industry and is chaired by AHFC.

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS): The mission of DHSS is to promote and protect the health and well-being of Alaskans. This is accomplished through grants to providers; certification and licensing of providers; emergency preparedness planning with partner agencies statewide; supporting and promoting child and family safety and wellness through educational campaigns and interventions; providing financial, medical and nutritional safety nets and self-sufficiency support for our most vulnerable residents; health care workforce development; and research and demonstration projects to improve and strengthen the overall health care system in Alaska.

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC): AHFC's mission is to provide Alaskans access to safe, quality, affordable housing. This is accomplished by providing affordable loans, public housing programs, energy efficiency and weatherization programs, senior housing programs, programs for low-income Alaskans, and programs for homeless and near homeless individuals and families.

Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority (the Trust): The Trust is dedicated to assisting those who experience mental illness, developmental disabilities, chronic alcoholism, and Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. The Trust funds nonprofits, state agencies, projects and activities that promote long-term system change, including capacity building, demonstration projects, funding partnerships, and other activities to assist Trust beneficiaries.

Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH): One of the two Continuums of Care in Alaska as designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. As the Anchorage Continuum of Care lead agency, ACEH is one of the entities responsible for management and oversight of the Homeless Management Information system within Alaska.

Balance of State (BoS): All Alaska communities outside of Anchorage.

Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP): The BHAP program provides funding to non-profit organizations providing emergency shelter, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, and

homeless prevention services to homeless individuals or those threatened by homelessness. Administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, this program is supported by State General Funds and Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority funds.

Chronic Homeless Definition: As defined by HUD, “an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition OR a family with at least one adult who has a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more OR has had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years”.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): Works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, engage neighborhoods in long-term community development planning, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of business. This program is supported by federal funds and managed by the Municipality of Anchorage for the Anchorage community and the Division of Community and Regional Affairs Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development for all other communities.

Continuum of Care Program (CoC): A federal program designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness. There are two CoC’s in Alaska designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; one for Anchorage and one for the Balance of State which supports all other communities.

Emergency Shelter (ES): A facility whose primary purpose is to provide temporary or transitional shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless for a period of 90 days or less. Supportive services may be provided in addition to the provision of shelter.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program: The ESG program awards funding to non-profit organizations providing emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, and homeless prevention services. This federally funded program is administered within Anchorage by the Municipality of Anchorage and by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation for all other communities.

Empowering Choice Housing Program: This federally funded program is a referral-based, transitional rental assistance program to assist families displaced due to domestic violence and sexual assault. Participants must be referred to Alaska Housing Finance Corporation through a program approved by the Alaska Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and are required to pay a portion of their income to rent.

Foraker Group: A nonprofit organization that provides a wide range of services, training, and educational opportunities to help assure the success of Alaska’s nonprofit organizations. Opportunities include organizational development, strategic planning, pre-development training, financial management, and fundraising and grant writing.

Grant Match Program (GMC): This program awards grants to organizations to meet match requirements of federal, state, or private foundation grant programs which provide affordable housing or supportive services for homeless, special needs, or other persons who are unable to achieve self-sufficiency. Supported by State General Funds and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living (GOAL) Program: The GOAL program provides a single application round for statewide rental development proposals to access three capital funding resources to build housing for low-income and senior Alaskans. Program funding includes federal **low-income housing tax credits**, state and corporate grants for senior housing through the **Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund** and federal grants for low-income housing through the **HOME Investment Partnership Act**. This program is administered through Alaska Housing Finance Corporation with HOME funds restricted to communities outside of Anchorage. The Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) manages HOME funds for that community and proposals for the use of HOME funds in Anchorage should be directed to the MOA.

HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME): Federal funding available to develop new affordable rental housing through new construction, rehabilitation or acquisition. The Municipality of Anchorage administers this program for Anchorage and Alaska Housing Finance Corporation administers the program for all other communities through the GOAL program.

Homeless Definition: As defined by HUD.

(1) An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

- (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
- (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or
- (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

(2) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:

- (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
- (ii) No subsequent residence has been identified; and
- (iii) The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing;

(3) Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:

- (i) Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)) or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);
 - (ii) Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;
 - (iii) Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
 - (iv) Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment; or
- (4) Any individual or family who:
- (i) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
 - (ii) Has no other residence; and
 - (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS): The HMIS is an electronic database used to collect information on the characteristics and service needs of homeless individuals. This program is used by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to define the extent of homelessness throughout Alaska. Programs receiving federal funding to support homeless persons are required to enter data into the HMIS. This program is supported by state and federal funds and administered by the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness, the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness, and the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

Homeless Prevention Services: Used to help individuals and families at-risk of homelessness maintain their existing housing or transition to new permanent housing through housing relocation and stabilization services and/or short-and medium-term rental assistance.

Homeownership Development Program (HDP): Funding to support real property acquisition and site improvements for new construction of permanent, single-family housing. This program is supported with federal funding, administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, and available in all communities outside of Anchorage.

Home Opportunity Program (HOP): Provides down payment and closing cost assistance to low-income individuals and families who are trying to purchase a home. This program is supported through federal funding and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation in coordination with nonprofit intermediaries.

Housing Choice Vouchers: This program helps eligible low-income Alaskans lease privately owned rental units from participating landlords. Families whose income is at or below 50% of the area median income are eligible to apply for this program. Tenants pay 30% of their income directly towards rent. This program is administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and supported through federal funding.

Housing First Model: An approach to ending homelessness that centers on providing individuals experiencing homelessness with housing as quickly as possible and then providing services as needed. Income, sobriety, and/or participation in treatment or other services are not a required condition for entering or retaining housing and all services are voluntary. This is a permanent housing model with no time limit for program participants.

Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA): This is a program for nonprofit AIDS assistance organizations which provides supportive services and housing assistance so that persons with AIDS can find and maintain safe, affordable and decent housing. This program is supported by federal funding and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC): This program provides federal tax incentives to for-profit or nonprofit organizations to develop affordable rental housing for low and very low-income households through new construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation. This program is funded through federal support and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation through the GOAL program.

Moving Home Program: Provides rental assistance for low-income, disabled individuals who are eligible for community-based, long-term services. This is a federally funded program administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services Division of Behavioral Health.

Municipality of Anchorage (MOA): Manages the Emergency Solution Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Act, and Community Development Block Grant funds for Anchorage.

Operating Expense Assistance Program (OEA): Provides direct operating expense funding to nonprofit organizations that are certified by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). This program is supported with federal funding and administered by AHFC in communities outside of Anchorage.

Permanent Housing: Community-based housing without a designated length of stay in which formerly homeless individuals and families live as independently as possible. As defined by HUD, there are two forms of permanent housing.

- **Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH):** Indefinite leasing or rental assistance

paired with supportive services designed to assist homeless persons with a disability or families with an adult or child member with a disability.

- **Rapid Re-Housing (RRH):** Emphasizes housing search and relocation services and short-and medium-term rental assistance to move homeless persons and families (with or without a disability) as rapidly as possible into permanent housing.

Point-in-Time Count (PIT): Conducted within the last ten (10) days of January, this annual count of homeless persons provides a snapshot of the number of persons accessing homeless services that night. Homeless housing and service providers gather information on the individuals served and report it through the Homeless Management Information system for communication to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This process includes street outreach activities to connect with individuals who are not engaged in homeless services the night of the count. This is a HUD mandated reporting process and one of the main sources of homeless data collection and reporting for Alaska.

Public Housing: Families whose income is at or below 80% of the area median income are eligible for this program which provides affordable rental units to families who pay a portion of their monthly income in rent. These units are owned and managed by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and supported through federal funds.

Rasmuson Foundation: A private foundation that supports Alaskan non-profit organizations in the pursuit of their goals with emphasis on organizations that demonstrate strong leadership, clarity of purpose, and cautious use of resources. This is accomplished through grants for capital projects, technology updates, capacity building, and program expansion.

Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (811 PRA): This program provides rental assistance and supportive services to individuals with disabilities in assisted living facilities who are appropriate candidates for independent supportive housing. This program allows for transition from assisted living facilities to independent living with the individuals contributing a portion of their income to the monthly rent. This program is supported by State General Relief funds and federal funds and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and the Department of Health and Social Services.

Senior Access Program (SAP): Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) provides funds to allow senior citizens (those over 55 years of age) to make accessibility modifications to their homes. Eligible properties include single-family homes up to fourplexes and should be the senior's primary residence. This program is supported with AHFC Corporate Receipts and State General funds and administered by AHFC.

Senior Citizens Housing Development Fund (SCHDF): Provides housing for Alaska's senior citizens so that they may remain in their home communities as they age. This funding is distributed under Alaska Housing Finance's (AHFC) GOAL program and can be used for acquisition, rehabilitation and new construction of senior housing. This program is funded with support from AHFC Corporate Receipts and State General funds and administered by AHFC.

Sheltered Homeless Persons: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development defines sheltered persons as those residing in emergency shelter and transitional housing facilities.

Special Needs Housing Grant (SNHG) Program: The SNHG program provides a one-stop-shop for capital, operating and supportive service grants to expand long term housing for special needs persons with intensive supportive service requirements. Funding to support new rounds and renew existing grants is comprised of Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) Corporate Receipts, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority grants and State General funds. This program is administered by AHFC.

Sponsor-Based Rental Assistance (SRA) Program: The SRA program is a federally funded program that provides rental assistance to homeless individuals with disabilities throughout Alaska. It is designed to fund non-profit agencies that provide or procure the provision of housing and supportive services for the homeless population. This program is administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

Street Outreach: Activities designed to meet the immediate needs of unsheltered homeless persons by connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, and/or critical health services.

Supplemental Housing Development Grant Program: Provides funding to Regional Housing Authorities to supplement housing projects approved for development under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Housing Development Programs. Supported by State General funds and administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

Supportive Services: Services such as case management, medical or psychological counseling and supervision, childcare, transportation and job training provided for the purpose of facilitating independence and self-sufficiency.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF): Federally funded program through the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide supportive services to very low-income veteran families living in or transitioning to permanent housing. Services include outreach, case management, and assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits. This program also includes time-limited rental and utility assistance to help veteran families stay in or acquire permanent housing.

Teacher, Health Professional and Public Safety Housing Program (THHP): Funds the development of teacher, health professional and public safety housing through the rehabilitation, construction or acquisition of rural housing projects. This program is administered by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and supported through State General funds and the Rasmuson Foundation.

Technical Assistance Program: Funds are used to sponsor training workshops, direct technical assistance and training scholarships for grantees and potential grantees under the Supportive Housing or HOME Investment Partnership Programs and for Community Housing Development Organizations. Supported by State General funds and administered by Alaska Housing Finance

Corporation.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA): The TBRA program provides eligible low-income families with 12 - 24 months of financial assistance to obtain affordable housing. Eligible applicants include persons who will remain under the Department of Corrections community supervision for the term of TBRA and youth aging out of foster care. This program is supported by federal funds and administered through AHFC.

Transitional Housing (TH): Designed to provide homeless individuals and families with the interim stability and support to successfully move to and maintain permanent housing. Most programs cover the costs of up to 24 months of housing and accompanying supportive services.

Unsheltered Persons: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development defines unsheltered persons as those residing on the streets or other places not meant for human habitation (e.g., car, park bench, abandoned building).

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. HUD provides federal funding for a number of programs throughout Alaska including HOME Partnership Investment Act, Emergency Solutions Grant, Sponsor Based Rental Assistance, Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids, Continuum of Care, Public Housing, Supportive Services for Veterans Families, and Section 811 Project Rental Assistance.

U.S. Interagency Council on the Homeless (USICH): The mission of the USICH is to coordinate the Federal response to homelessness and to create a national partnership at every level of government and with the private sector to reduce and end homelessness in the nation while maximizing the effectiveness of the Federal Government in contributing to the end of homelessness. USICH is the author of *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness* which identifies four key goals to ending homelessness throughout the nation.

Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH): This is a referral-based, rental assistance program for homeless veterans and their families. Program participants are referred to Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) through the Alaska Veterans Affairs Healthcare System and contribute a portion of their income to rent. This program is supported through federal funding and administered by AHFC.

Weatherization and Energy Rebate Programs: Provides support for improving energy efficiency of low-income homes. Funding is provided through State General funds, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, and the U.S. Department of Energy. This program is administered through Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

APPENDIX C

TABLE 3A, Summary of Specific Annual Objectives

TABLE 3C, Planned Project Results

Table 3A, Summary of Specific Annual Objectives

Outcome/Objective	Population Benefitted	Performance Indicators	Program Year	Expected Number	Actual Number	Percent Completed
Specific Annual Objectives						
Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing						
Home Opportunity Program and Creating opportunities for home ownership through education, financial assistance	Moderate Income	Number of homebuyers receiving assistance.	2015	20/30		
			2016	20/30		
			2017	20/30		
			2018	20/30		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance: Improving the availability of affordable housing options through rental subsidies. 20% of beneficiaries are very-low Income	Low Income	Number of tenant households receiving rental assistance.	2019	20/30		
			MULTI-YEAR GOAL		100/150	
Affordability of Decent Housing						
Homeownership Dev. Program: Creating affordable housing through assistance with the cost of development.	Low Income and Moderate Income	Number of affordable units developed.	2015	9		
			2016	9		
		NOTE: For the rental development program, only the federal HOME units are reported.	2017	9		
			2018	9		
			2019	9		
	MULTI-YEAR GOAL		45			

**Optional Table 3A Summary of Specific Annual Objectives
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Specific Obj. #	Outcome/Objective Specific Annual Objectives	Sources of Funds	Performance Indicators	Progra m Year	Expecte d Number	Actual Numbe r	Percent Comple d
SL-1 Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment							
SL-1.1	Create a suitable living environment through new construction or renovation of public facilities to benefit low to moderate income persons.	CDBG	Number of persons with new access to a public facility or infrastructure benefit.	2015	700 0/0	2193 0/0	
SL-1.2	Create a suitable living environment by providing funding for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation services which address emergency needs and health and safety measures for LMI households.	CDBG		2016	2650 0/0		
				2017	1600 0/0		
				2018	1200 0/0		
			Number of LMI households receiving funding to address health and safety issues and number of persons in those households benefitting.	2019	1200 0/0		
			MULTI-YEAR GOAL	7,350			
SL-2 Affordability of Suitable Living Environment							
SL-2.1	N/A			2010			
				2011			
				2012			
				2013			
				2014			
			MULTI-YEAR GOAL				

Table 3C (Optional)			
Annual Action Plan Planned Project Results			
Outcomes and Objectives	Performance Indicators	Expected Number	Activity Description
DH 1.1	Number of homebuyers receiving assistance.	30	HOME Opportunity Program
DH 1.2	Number of tenant households receiving assistance.	50	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
DH 2.1	Number of HOME units developed.	8	Rental Development Program
DH 2.2	Number of affordable units developed.	12	Homeownership Development Program
DH 3.1	Number of homeowners receiving assistance.	0	Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program
SL 1.1	CDBG- Number of persons with new access to a public facility or infrastructure benefit.	2650	CDBG- Community Development
SL 1.2	CDBG- Number of LMI households receiving funding to address health and safety issues and number of persons in those households benefitting.	0	CDBG Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program
SL-1.3	ESG- Number of homeless facilities upgraded	0	Rehabilitation/ Renovation
SL-1.4	ESG- Number of bednights provided in homeless facilities	25,000	Maintenance & Operating Costs
SL-1.5	ESG- Number of homeless persons who benefited from shelter or services	3,000	Essential Services
*Use one of 9 outcome/objective categories			
	Availability/Accessibility	Affordability	Sustainability
Decent Housing	DH-1	DH-2	DH-3
Suitable Living Environment	SL-1	SL-2	SL-3
Economic Opportunity	EO-1	EO-2	EO-3

APPENDIX D

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ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

**PUBLIC HEARING
SFY-2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN and
the NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND**

March 16, 2016
4300 BONIFACE PARKWAY
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PUBLIC HEARING 03/16/16



P R O C E E D I N G S

(On record - 3:00 p.m.)

CEDANO: Good evening, for the record it is 3:00 o'clock p.m. on March 16th, 2016. My name is Oscar Cedano, I am a Planner for the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

We are here to take testimony for the Annual Action Plan for the State Fiscal Year 2017 and for the National Housing Trust Fund.

This Public Hearing is being recorded and the transcript will be available as part of the final document submitted to HUD.

I am going to give a brief description of what the plan is about, then I will describe the NHTF.

The Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan is a federally mandated planning process that serves as an application for several formula grant programs of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, HUD. These formula grant programs are the Community Development Block Grant, CDBG, HOME Investment Partnership Act, HOME, and Emergency Solutions Grant, ESC.

In Alaska, two Participating Jurisdictions, PJ's, receive formula funding for the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs for Anchorage and the State of Alaska.

1 The Municipality of Anchorage is responsible for
2 the preparation and maintenance of their own
3 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan.

4 The State of Alaska's HCD or Housing and Community
5 Development Plan covers all the geographic areas of
6 Alaska outside of the Municipality of Anchorage which
7 is known as the balance of state. And that's what
8 we're here to talk about, the balance -- the plan for
9 the balance of state.

10 The Plan is a cooperative effort of the Alaska
11 Housing Finance Corporation, the Alaska Department of
12 Commerce, Community and Economic Development, the
13 Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, the
14 Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and the Alaska
15 Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special
16 Education, but AHFC is the lead agency in the
17 preparation and maintenance of the plan.

18 So, so far the process has had a meeting with the
19 Steering Committee which is formed by representatives
20 from the departments I just mentioned, but I just
21 (indiscernible - telephone interference). And the
22 plan covers the period from July 1st, 2016 until June
23 30 of 2017.

24 Now, this plan will identify housing and community
25 development resources expected to be available during

1 the year and detail the State's plan for the use of
2 HOME, CDBG and ESC funds.

3 We will also include a description of how funds
4 will be allocated, program and activities to be
5 undertaken and the amount of funds to be distributed
6 for each program activity.

7 It will also include an overview of homelessness
8 needs and proposed actions to address homelessness,
9 special needs housing, lead-based paint,
10 collaboration with the public housing agency and non-
11 housing community development concerns. It will
12 provide a basis for assessing effectiveness through
13 annual performance reports.

14 So I'll describe a little bit about the three
15 programs that we're talking about. The main three
16 programs which are CDBG, HOME and ESG.

17 So the ESG Program or Emergency Solutions Grant is
18 a program that receives around \$155,000 per year and
19 that -- those funds are to assist homeless
20 individuals.

21 So it can be spent on rehab of temporary shelters,
22 essential services such as health care and
23 transportation, operating costs for temporary
24 shelters or transitional housing or homelessness
25 prevention services, so that is the ESG Program.

1 The HOME Program receives around approximately \$3
2 million per year and that can be used for a wide
3 range of activities that build, buy and/or rehab
4 affordable housing for rent or home ownership or
5 provide direct rental assistance to low income
6 people.

7 The CDBG Program or Community Development Block
8 Grant Program receives around \$2 million per year to
9 be used for community development such as clinics,
10 fire stations, water/sewer, et cetera.

11 It can also be used for planning such as
12 comprehensive community development plans and
13 feasibility studies, special economic development
14 that creates jobs and housing rehab, but it cannot be
15 used for new construction.

16 Now, like I said, these amounts are only for the
17 balance of state. It doesn't include -- they don't
18 include Anchorage.

19 So this plan is going to be posted tomorrow for a
20 30 day public comment period and the way to access
21 the plan to see it is by going to our web page, so
22 AHFC's web page which is ahfc.us and then we go to a
23 link called rents and then rental programs and then
24 plans.

25 To submit the comments you can e-mail me at

1 ocedano@ahfc.us, that is, o-c-e-d-a-n-o at ahfc.us
2 and that's going to be on the AHFC website.

3 So those are the basics of the plan, the Annual
4 Action Plan for 2017 fiscal year.

5 And included in that plan -- now I'm going to talk
6 about the National Housing Trust Fund which is --
7 it's a fund that was created in 2008 as part of the
8 Housing and Economic Recovery Act. And these funds
9 are coming to the State probably by the -- before
10 June 30 of this year.

11 And so in order for the State to receive these
12 funds, the State is required to submit a cost
13 allocation plan which is also included in the Annual
14 Action Plan that I just described. So I will touch
15 on a few basics about the National Housing Trust Fund
16 even though there is an entire web page that we can
17 go to, to get all the details.

18 So this trust fund, we're talking about
19 approximately \$3 million for the State of Alaska.
20 And one of the requirements, like I said, is to
21 submit a cost allocation plan and this is funding
22 that will -- that covers the entire -- the Trust Fund
23 is a fund that was intended to provide funding for
24 the entire country. And it is around \$120 million
25 for the whole country and Alaska is receiving a

1 portion of that.

2 The uses for this funding are very similar to the
3 HOME regulations, the HOME Program that I described
4 for the Annual Action Plan.

5 Now, the National Housing Trust Fund law requires
6 money to be distributed to states by formula and this
7 formula is based on the shortage of rental
8 properties, affordable and available to extremely low
9 income and very low income households.

10 It's also based on the number of extremely low
11 income and very low income renter households paying
12 more than 50 percent of their income for rent and
13 utilities which are considered according to our
14 planning efforts to be a severe cost burden.

15 And so priority will be given extremely low income
16 households and, like I said, the amount is going to
17 be approximately \$3 million so we have -- the State
18 has not received an allocation yet. We only have a
19 notification that the funding is coming.

20 The law creating the National Housing Trust Fund
21 requires that at least 90 percent of the State's
22 funding be used to produce, preserve or rehab or
23 operate rental housing and up to 10 percent may be
24 for homeowner activity.

25 Now, in rural areas the National Housing Trust

1 Fund also considers households with income below
2 poverty line as very low income. And the allocation
3 plan for this funding must show how the states will
4 distribute the funds that it's going to receive the
5 following year.

6 So the reason these two plans are together and the
7 reason we are including both in this Public Hearing
8 is because the distribution of the funds of the Trust
9 Fund will be based on priority housing needs stated
10 in the Consolidated Plan which is the Annual Action
11 Plan.

12 So since we already have -- we also have Daniel
13 Delfino on the phone, if you have questions about the
14 Trust Fund you can ask me or you can ask Daniel and
15 -- but primarily we're here to take testimony for the
16 two documents, for the two plans.

17 So with that I will ask for the record who has
18 joined us and if you can please spell your name so
19 that we can have it correctly for the record. So
20 here with us we have.....

21 WACKROW: Paul Wackrow, W-a-c-k-r-o-w.

22 CEDANO: So we have Paul.

23 MYERS: Dana Myers.

24 CEDANO: Give me just one second.

25 MYERS: Okay.

1 CEDANO: How do you spell your last name, Paul?

2 WACKROW: W-a-c-k-r-o-w.

3 CEDANO: Okay. And who was the next person? Go ahead.

4 MYERS: Dana Myers.

5 CEDANO: Would you spell your name for the record, please?

6 MYERS: D-a-n-a M-y-e-r-s.

7 CEDANO: Okay, thank you.

8 HAWVER: Monte Hawver, M-o-n-t-e H-a-w-v-e-r.

9 CEDANO: Okay. And where are you calling from?

10 MYERS: Brother Francis Shelter in Kodiak.

11 CEDANO: Okay. Where are you calling from, Monte?

12 MYERS: Same (ph).

13 CEDANO: Monte?

14 HAWVER: Yeah, I'm calling from the same, Brother Francis,

15 Kodiak.

16 CEDANO: Okay, thank you. So now if anyone wishes to

17 render comment, we'll just hear your comment.

18 Now, let me remind you that all of these comments

19 are going to be -- they're going to be recorded and

20 the State will submit a response to all the comments

21 that we receive.

22 They will also be included in the plan in an

23 attachment that includes all the comments, all the

24 public comments to the plan.

25 HAWVER: I just have a question, Oscar, do either one of

1 these -- either one of programs that you're talking
2 about, does that have to do with the Moving to Work
3 Program with AHFC or is that something down the line
4 here we're talking about (ph)?

5 CEDANO: The Moving to Work Program is included in the plan
6 because we work closely with the Public Housing
7 Department, but my understanding is that the funding
8 that we're talking about from the Trust Fund is
9 separate, separate from the Moving to Work Program.

10 DELFINO: Yeah, I'll share -- this is Daniel, just to jump
11 in. The Moving to Work Program is something that our
12 Public Housing Division formally puts out for
13 comment, Monte, and then presents to the Board
14 separately. So the larger comments about the Public
15 Housing Division and the way that they're operating
16 their portfolio, I think that would be a little bit
17 of a different process.

18 HAWVER: I see. Well, I appreciate that verfi- --
19 clarification. Yeah, I was asking -- more interested
20 -- I guess I'm interested in ESG, but it -- we went
21 through it (ph), it looks pretty straight forward.
22 And I was more interested in the Moving to Work
23 Program and, you know, it sunsets in 2018 and I was
24 wondering what the process was and if that was going
25 to be extended forward or apply for an extension

1 forward or if they were going to let it sunset?

2 DELFINO: Do you have the contact information for Cathy
3 Stone our Public Housing Director?

4 HAWVER: No, I'd love to have that.

5 DELFINO: Okay. I assume you get -- I'll get your e-mail
6 address and I'll send you the contact info for the
7 folks to follow-up on that.

8 HAWVER: That would be great, thank you.

9 DELFINO: No problem.

10 HAWVER: Other than that, that's pretty much what we were
11 interested in. I'm not sure that the rest of it --
12 we'll go through it and if we have any comments, I
13 think, we'll just put them in writing.

14 CEDANO: Monte, I -- this is Oscar. I think the Public
15 Housing Department is also having a Public Hearing
16 today and.....

17 HAWVER: Is that right?

18 CEDANO: Yes. And that might -- that might interest you,
19 too, because they're -- it's happening at the same
20 time. If you go to our website --.....

21 HAWVER: Okay (ph).

22 CEDANO:if you go to our website where the -- where
23 we have the comment -- the notices, you will find the
24 information that if you -- if you still want to dial
25 in.

1 HAWVER: Okay, Oscar, that's great information, thank you
2 much. I think I'll switch over to there.

3 CEDANO: Okay, you're welcome. Do we have anybody else who
4 would like to provide comment? Hello?

5 (Off record comments)

6 CEDANO: If we don't have anybody else who is going to
7 provide comments, we'll wait a few minutes and see if
8 somebody else dials in. If not, then we'll go off
9 the air until about 3:45.

10 (Off record comments)

11 (Off record - 3:37 p.m.)

12 (On record - 4:00 p.m.)

13 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano again. It's 4:00
14 o'clock and we're here to take testimony for the
15 development of the State Fiscal Year 2017 Annual
16 Action Plan and the National Housing Trust Fund.

17 Do we have anybody else call in? Hearing none, we
18 will get back off the air and we'll return in 15
19 minutes.

20 (Off record - 4:00 p.m.)

21 (On record - 4:17 p.m.)

22 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano again. We're here to
23 receive comments for the 2017 Annual Action Plan and
24 for the National Housing Trust Fund. It is 4:17 and
25 I would like to see if someone else has joined us?

1 Well, seeing none and hearing none, we'll go off
2 record until 4:30.

3 (Off record - 4:17 p.m.)

4 (On record - 4:35 p.m.)

5 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano. It is 4:35. We're
6 taking comments for the State Fiscal Year 2017 Annual
7 Action Plan and the National Housing Trust Fund.

8 I'm trying to see if we have anybody -- anybody
9 join us since the last time we went on record? Well,
10 hearing none and seeing none, we will get off record
11 -- we'll go off record until 4:45.

12 (Off record - 4:36 p.m.)

13 (On record - 4:47 p.m.)

14 CEDANO: Hello, it is 4:47. This is Oscar Cedano and we're
15 here to take testimony for the State Fiscal Year 2017
16 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community
17 Development.

18 Has anybody joined us? Has anybody dialed in?
19 Well, we don't -- seeing none and hearing none, we'll
20 go off record until 5:55 (sic) to check one last time
21 to see if anyone is -- wants to join us to submit a
22 comment. Thank you.

23 (Off record - 4:47 p.m.)

24 (On record - 5:00 p.m.)

25 CEDANO: Well, it is 5:00 o'clock. This is Oscar Cedano

1 again and we're concluding the Public Hearing for the
2 20- -- the State Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Action Plan
3 and the National Housing Trust Fund.

4 We will post the Annual Action Plan on our
5 website, ahfc.us as of tomorrow. It will be out for
6 comment for a period of 30 days and you can submit
7 comments to me ocedano@ahfc.us, that's
8 o-c-e-d-a-n-o @ a-h-f-c.u-s. Thank you.

9 (Adjourned - 5:00 p.m.)
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5 I, Suzan Kay Olson, Notary Public in and for the
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19 THAT I am not a relative, employee or attorney of any
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P R O C E E D I N G S

(On record - 3:02 p.m.)

CEDANO: Good evening, for the record it is 3:00 o'clock -- 3:02 on April 5th, 2016. My name is Oscar Cedano, I am a Planner for the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.

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AUSTIN: Yes.

CEDANO: It is you, Dan?

AUSTIN: Yes. Yeah, it's me, Dan Austin, St. Vincent DePaul, Juneau, Alaska.

CEDANO: Dan Austin. Would you -- yeah. Dan, would you mind spelling your name for the record?

AUSTIN: Yes, that's Dan Austin, A-u-s-t-i-n.

CEDANO: Okay.

AUSTIN: The St. Vincent DePaul Society in Juneau, Alaska.

1 CEDANO: Thank you. Do we have anyone else on line?

2 CIAMBOR: Hi, this is Scott Ciambor, CBJ Housing officer.

3 CEDANO: Thank's, Scott.

4 CIAMBOR: And.....

5 CEDANO: Okay. Go ahead.

6 AUSTIN: Hi -- hi, Scott.

7 CEDANO: Juneau is present. Okay. So.....

8 AUSTIN: (Indiscernible).....

9 CEDANO:the Consolidated Housing and Community
10 Development Plan is a federally mandated planning
11 process that serves as an application for several
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8 Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, the
9 Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and the Alaska
10 Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special
11 Education. And AHFC is the lead agency in the
12 preparation and maintenance of the plan.

13 So far the process has had a meeting with the
14 Steering Committee which is formed by the
15 representatives from the departments I just
16 mentioned. And the plan covers the period from July
17 1st, 2016 to June 30 of 2017.

18 This plan will identify housing and community
19 development resources expected to be available during
20 the year and detail the State's plan for the use of
21 HOME, CDBG and ESG funds.

22 We will also include a description of how funds
23 will be allocated, program and activities to be
24 undertaken and the amount of funds to be distributed
25 for each program activity.

1 It will also -- the plan also include an overview
2 of homelessness needs and proposed actions to address
3 homelessness, special needs housing, lead-based
4 paint, collaboration with the public housing agency
5 and non-housing community development concerns. It
6 will provide a basis for assessing effectiveness
7 through annual performance reports.

8 And so I'll describe a little bit about these
9 three programs -- these two (ph) programs that we're
10 talking about CDBG, HOME and ESG.

11 The ESG Program or Emergency Solutions Grant is a
12 program that receives about \$155,000 per year and
13 those funds are geared towards assisting homeless
14 individuals. It can be spent on rehab of temporary
15 shelters, essential services such as health care and
16 transportation, operating costs for temporary
17 shelters or transitional housing for homelessness
18 prevention services, so that is the ESG Program.

19 The HOME Program receives around approximately \$3
20 million per year and can be used for a wide range of
21 activities that build, buy and/or rehab affordable
22 housing for rent or home ownership or provide direct
23 rental assistance to low income people.

24 The CDBG Program or Community Development Block
25 Grant receives around \$2 million per year to be used

1 for community development such as clinics, fire
2 stations, water/sewer, et cetera.

3 It can also be used for planning such as
4 comprehensive community development plans and
5 feasibility studies, special economic development
6 that creates jobs and housing rehab, but it cannot be
7 used for new construction.

8 These amounts are only for the balance of state.
9 It does not include Anchorage.

10 At this time if you go to -- to be posted -- or is
11 posted already for a 30 day period of comment and all
12 comments will be replied to. They will be included
13 in an attachment as part of the document that's going
14 to be submitted to HUD.

15 You can also submit your comments to
16 ocedano@ahfc.us, that is my e-mail address. That is
17 o-c-e-d-a-n-o at ahfc.us.

18 Those are the basics of the plan, the Annual
19 Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2017.

20 And included in the plan -- now I'm going to talk
21 about the National Housing Trust Fund which is a fund
22 that was created in 2008 as part of the Housing and
23 Economic Recovery Act. And these funds are coming to
24 the State probably by the end of June, prior to that
25 most likely.

1 And so in order for the State to receive these
2 funds, the State is required to submit a cost
3 allocation plan which is also included in the Annual
4 Action Plan that I just described. So I will touch
5 on a few basics about the National Housing Trust Fund
6 even though there is an entire website that we can go
7 to, to get all the details.

8 The trust fund is approximately \$3 million for the
9 State of Alaska. And one of the requirements is to
10 submit a cost allocation plan and this is funding
11 that covers the entire. The trust fund is a fund
12 that was intended to provide funding for the entire
13 country. And the amount that covers the entire
14 country is around \$120 million.

15 (Telephone interruption)

16 CEDANO: Excuse me? The uses for this funding are very
17 similar to the HOME regulations for the HOME Program
18 that I described for the Annual Action Plan.

19 The National Housing Trust Fund law requires money
20 to be distributed to states by formula. And this
21 formula is based on the shortage of rental
22 properties, affordable and available to extremely low
23 income and very low income households.

24 It's also based on the number of extremely low
25 income and very low income renter households paying

1 more than 50 percent of their income for rent and
2 utilities which is considered according to our
3 planning efforts to be a severe cost burden.

4 (Telephone interruption)

5 CEDANO: And so priority will be -- priority will be given
6 to extremely low households and the amount is going
7 to be approximately three million, so the State has
8 not received an allocation yet. We only have a
9 notification that the funding is coming.

10 The law creating the National Housing Trust Fund
11 requires that at least 90 percent of the State's
12 funding be used to produce, preserve or rehab or
13 operate rental housing and up to 10 percent may be
14 for homeowner activity.

15 In rural areas the National Housing Trust Fund
16 also considers households with incomes below poverty
17 line as very low income. And the allocation plan for
18 this funding must show how the states will distribute
19 the funds that it's going to receive the following
20 year.

21 The reason these two plans are together and the
22 reason we are including both in this Public Hearing
23 is because the distribution of the funds of the Trust
24 Fund will be based on priority housing needs stated
25 in the Consolidated Plan which is the Annual Action

1 Plan.

2 So since we already have -- we also have three
3 people on line -- do we have somebody else on line?

4 Okay. If you have any more questions -- any
5 questions about the Housing Trust Fund I can give you
6 the website where we can go and get all the
7 information, all the details.

8 So this Public Hearing is to gather testimony. If
9 you have any comments about it or if you have any
10 suggestions, then we will record all of your comments
11 and the State will provide a reply to your comments
12 and it will be also on record.

13 So, do we have anybody in the room that wants to
14 provide testimony?

15 CIAMBOR: Oscar, this is Scott, I just have a quick
16 question, please (ph)?

17 CEDANO: Yes.

18 CIAMBOR: So where -- what page in the Annual Action Plan is
19 the cost allocation plan for the trust fund.

20 CEDANO: Say, what part, where in the plan?

21 CIAMBOR: Yeah.

22 CEDANO: Okay. The compilation is going to be part of the
23 GOAL Program, the discussion of the GOAL Program
24 since most likely those funds are going to be used
25 for that program. And the GOAL Program is a

1 combination of different sources of funding.

2 And do we have -- if we have Daniel Delfino on
3 line, he can explain that to you a bit more than me
4 (ph). Let me check. But yeah, that's where --
5 that's where you're going to find it.

6 CIAMBOR: Okay. In the GOAL section of the.....

7 CEDANO: Yeah, in the description of the GOAL Program.
8 So.....

9 CIAMBOR: Thank you.

10 CEDANO: Did that answer your question?

11 CIAMBOR: Yeah, I just -- I'll look it up.

12 CEDANO: Okay. So do we want -- do we have someone who
13 wants to provide testimony?

14 AUSTIN: And this -- you talk -- 'cause this is
15 particularly on the HTF that you're talking about or
16 do you want just testimony in general?

17 CEDANO: Yeah, we would like testimony in general about the
18 plan and/or the Housing Trust Fund.

19 AUSTIN: So this could be an appropriate time to raise
20 comments and questions about the general action plan,
21 as well as the Housing Trust Fund description that
22 you just gave?

23 CEDANO: Correct. Most likely comments because we're
24 not.....

25 AUSTIN: Okay.

1 CEDANO: Yeah, you can reply any comments.....

2 AUSTIN: Okay.

3 CEDANO: Go ahead.

4 AUSTIN: Right, okay, if I may, this is Dan Austin, St.
5 Vincent DePaul in Juneau.

6 And Oscar, on page 20 of the Action Plan we
7 discuss the -- there's a comment made in here about
8 the HMIS data, the FY-14 AK HMIS data reports that 75
9 percent of persons experiencing homelessness or
10 threatening with homelessness transitioned, past
11 tense, into a permanent housing situation within 30
12 days and that 11 percent transitioned within 31 to 60
13 days meaning that 86 percent of the individual --
14 homeless individuals in Alaska transitioned to
15 permanent housing within 60 days of connecting with
16 services.

17 So what I'm trying to understand from that
18 statement, Oscar, is what are we measuring? Are we
19 measuring that from the time a perspective client,
20 for example, a shelter plus care SRA eligible person
21 walked into a room and we begin to take them in,
22 input them into the system, the HMIS system, are we
23 saying that from that moment it's an average of 30
24 days we'll be able to place them in housing or at
25 least 75 percent of them and within 60 days 86

1 percent of them, as I correct in understanding that's
2 what we're talking about here?

3 CEDANO: Actually, Dan, that's a very good question, but
4 I'm not -- I'm trying to locate Carrie Collins who is
5 our homelessness expert.

6 AUSTIN: Um-hum (ph). (Affirmative)

7 CEDANO: If she's here she'll answer your question. If
8 not, then we'll get her to call you and reply to that
9 question.....

10 AUSTIN: Great.

11 CEDANO:exactly, but I know what section you're
12 talking about. So if you give me one second -- do
13 you have any -- any other part of a comment?

14 AUSTIN: I do, I have two other comments and then I can
15 shut-up. Should I go ahead then?

16 CEDANO: Yeah, go ahead.

17 AUSTIN: Okay. And then on page 29 there's a really nice
18 statement in the last paragraph and it's talking
19 about -- and I want -- I want to say I totally
20 support this concept described here and want to do
21 whatever we can to make it work.

22 In that last paragraph it talks about a special
23 emphasis, and I quote here, will be placed on
24 coordinating with other funding sources such as the
25 United States Department of Agriculture, USDA, Rural

1 Development, Economic Development Administration, et
2 cetera, et cetera, et cetera.

3 And I want to again say, you know, that is
4 absolutely what we need to do. We need better
5 cooperation and coordination with the different
6 agencies that have a little piece, each having a
7 little piece some larger than others of the resources
8 we need to deal with homelessness and affordable
9 housing.

10 My question, Oscar, is have we developed some sort
11 of a specific plan that will enhance cooperation
12 between AHFC and USDA Rural Development, for example?

13 And I say that in lieu -- in view of the fact
14 that, you know, recently in this last year or so
15 there's been quite a bit of problems back and forth
16 that I've observed as a -- more as a spectator on the
17 sidelines of issues between AHFC and for profit and
18 not for profit developers and the Rural Development
19 Program as we tried to bring the old Rural
20 Development Program into the Tax Credit Program.

21 We don't seem to have a smooth way of expediting
22 that cooperative process. And I'm just wondering has
23 AHFC come up with some ideas on how we can better
24 cooperate with USDA Rural Development, for example?

25 CEDANO: I would have to -- again, I would have to refer

1 you to Daniel Delfino who might be here. And also,
2 by the way, Carrie Collins is coming down to answer
3 your first question.

4 AUSTIN: Great, thank you.

5 CEDANO: Yeah.

6 AUSTIN: And so let me finish up with my final question.
7 The \$3 million for the Housing Trust Fund I think
8 that we're hoping to get, I was unclear is the \$3
9 million for the entire State and how does that
10 breakout in terms of Anchorage versus balance of
11 state?

12 CEDANO: Oh, for the HOME Program?

13 AUSTIN: Right. Well, for the Housing Trust Fund that's
14 being dumped into the GOAL Program.

15 CEDANO: Oh, yeah, that.....

16 AUSTIN: Does it go by the same allocation system? In
17 other words, Anchorage will get the lion's share of
18 everything and the rest of us will just, kind of,
19 have to do with the scraps or how is that going to
20 work?

21 CEDANO: That's also a good question. The funds -- the
22 entirety of the funds is coming for the whole State
23 and -- but because -- and Daniel Delfino will be able
24 to verify this better, but because the GOAL Program
25 covers the entire State, then that's how it will be

1 distributed. As opposed to HOME, the HOME.....

2 AUSTIN: (Simultaneous speech).....

3 CEDANO:Program -- as opposed to the HOME Program
4 which is -- in which the Municipality receives its
5 own allocation and then the balance of state receives
6 the \$3 million hopeful (ph), that's a little
7 different. In this case.....

8 AUSTIN: Sure.

9 CEDANO:the money comes from the HOME (ph) for the
10 whole state, but.....

11 AUSTIN: Right.

12 CEDANO:he will be able to tell you how it is that we
13 are planning to use the funds in or -- with or
14 without Anchorage.

15 AUSTIN: Um-hum. (Affirmative)

16 CEDANO: Yeah.

17 AUSTIN: Okay. So one of the comments I'd like to make
18 then is that it's my understanding from what I've
19 read on the Housing Trust Fund is that, that money --
20 some of that money would be available, for example,
21 to enhance our voucher program in this State.

22 So do we have -- are we go- -- it all goes to the
23 GOAL Program, will any of it be able to be used to
24 enhance the voucher program particularly -- for both
25 classes of vouchers, those that are permanent for the

1 disabled and the elderly or those that are Step
2 Program vouchers because we're experiencing a lot of
3 difficulty with the Step Program right now and if
4 anything we could do to enhance the availability of
5 funding for those vouchers would be really helpful?

6 CEDANO: So you're asking me or.....

7 AUSTIN: I'm trying to get an idea of how they're planning
8 to spend the money and if any of it is going to go
9 into vouchers or not.....

10 CEDANO: Oh,.....

11 AUSTIN:and we'll see more vouchers in for us (ph).

12 CEDANO: Well, we -- we wouldn't be able to -- I wouldn't
13 be able to tell you exactly how it's going to be
14 distributed yet. And the reason is because we only
15 have a notification from HUD that the money's coming,
16 but we don't know the amount, so until we have -- we
17 don't know the exact amount.

18 We know that approximately every state is going to
19 receive \$3 million, so once we know that amount we
20 will be able to say okay -- or if it's bigger or if
21 it's a smaller amount, then we'll be able to say this
22 much money is going into each -- each one of these.

23 However, I can tell you that this money is going
24 to be -- most likely be used for the GOAL Program
25 which is a combination of funding. So if you --.....

1 AUSTIN: Right.

2 CEDANO:if you know what the GOAL Program is going --

3 is going to go -- it's going to be used for.....

4 AUSTIN: Um-hum. (Affirmative)

5 CEDANO:then that -- that's most likely what's going

6 to happen with that -- with those funds. And so.....

7 AUSTIN: (Simultaneous speech)

8 CEDANO: Oh, I do also have Carrie Collins here who is

9 going to --.....

10 AUSTIN: Great.

11 CEDANO:who was very nice to come from her

12 office.....

13 AUSTIN: Okay.

14 CEDANO:and give us a hand with your question. So

15 would you mind repeating the question for her?

16 AUSTIN: Sure, sure. Hi, Carrie, how are you?

17 COLLINS: I'm good, thank you.

18 AUSTIN: Great, excellent. So my question was in regards

19 to the way -- they made a statement on page 20 of the

20 draft Action Plan. It says the SFY-14 AK HMIS data

21 reports that 75 percent of persons experiencing

22 homelessness or threatened with homelessness

23 transitioned to permanent housing situations within

24 30 days, et cetera.

25 What I'm trying to understand is, is what are we

1 actually measuring? You know, are we measuring the
2 time from when a homeless person who is eligible for
3 a shelter plus care voucher, for example, walks in
4 the door and we get them into the HMIS system and if
5 they're eligible and if we have voucher money, than
6 are we saying that within 30 days they're going to
7 find housing? They're going to be permanently
8 situated?

9 COLLINS: Right. So this is showing those who were entered
10 into HMIS, so once they entered the system, they were
11 placed into permanent housing within 30 days whatever
12 that permanent housing situation might have been. It
13 may not have been a voucher for everyone. It just
14 looks at all the data in the system during that time
15 frame.

16 AUSTIN: Wow. I guess I -- I guess we're -- I have a
17 problem with that because at least in my experience
18 -- I mean, I have -- I have folks living in our
19 homeless shelters that have been there two years and
20 they've been entered in the system for more than two
21 years.

22 And I have -- and we have folks that -- that come
23 in and out of the system (indiscernible) of the time
24 and I'm -- our experience is not that we're housing
25 them in 30 days. There must be -- I must either be

1 misinterpreting the way this is rolling up or there's
2 some sort of a glitch in the system that I don't
3 understand.

4 COLLINS: Okay. So.....

5 AUSTIN: The average -- for example -- Carrie, for example
6 the vulnerability index that we ran, the
7 vulnerability survey in Juneau indicates that the
8 average -- the average time spent on the street
9 homeless for our homeless population is nine years.
10 And those -- and many of those folks are entered in
11 the system, of course. So we're not -- there must be
12 -- I must be missing something. I'm not
13 understanding something correctly here, I guess.

14 COLLINS: Okay. So I can, Dan, see about providing you with
15 some additional information about how that
16 information was gathered. Please note that it is for
17 -- for all communities, so it's not just one
18 community so depending -- you know, they look
19 different in different communities.

20 AUSTIN: Right, right. So maybe what we should do is see a
21 breakdown by community and then we can find the
22 communities that are doing a much better job than we
23 are obviously and we can confer with them and find
24 out how it is that they're getting that job done
25 better. I don't.....

1 COLLINS: Absolutely.

2 AUSTIN:see that in my community. Yeah, great, thank
3 you, Carrie.

4 COLLINS: You're welcome.

5 CEDANO: Dan, do you have any other comment?

6 AUSTIN: Those were my three comments.

7 CEDANO: Okay. So.....

8 AUSTIN: Thank you, thank you.....

9 CEDANO:Daniel Delfino is not here right now to
10 answer your first question, but because your comments
11 are going to be recorded -- or are being recorded,
12 then you will get a reply -- a written reply from the
13 State.

14 AUSTIN: Great, thank you, Oscar.

15 CEDANO: Thanks, thanks for calling, Dan. Do we have
16 someone else on line that has joined us recently? We
17 have someone else wanting to provide comment?

18 CIAMBOR: Yeah, so Oscar, this is Scott and so I'll just
19 make one comment with my Alaska Coalition on Housing
20 and Homelessness Chair hat. And.....

21 CEDANO: Yes, Scott.

22 CIAMBOR:it's just it would be great to get more
23 clarification for the general public on how the
24 National Housing Trust Fund will go into the GOAL
25 Program and what those details are so that

1 communities can start making plans to utilize those
2 dollars.

3 CEDANO: There was a notification that came out before the
4 Annual Action Plan in the month of February, I think,
5 about the --.....

6 CIAMBOR: Um-hum. (Affirmative)

7 CEDANO:about the GOAL Program and there was
8 a --.....

9 CIAMBOR: (Simultaneous speech)

10 CEDANO:there was a public comment period also that
11 already expired. So what I can do is I can -- I can
12 make available all those comments that were asked for
13 that period and also the notification and the
14 publication that went out for the GOAL Program and
15 that is going to explain that in more detail.

16 CIAMBOR: Yeah, that's great 'cause I think we just want to
17 be clear for communities on what's happening and how
18 they can participate.

19 CEDANO: Yeah. Do we have any other comments?

20 CIAMBOR: No. Well, thanks, Oscar.

21 CEDANO: Thank you, Scott.

22 CIAMBOR: We'll see you later. (Simultaneous speech) Bye,
23 Carrie.

24 COLLINS: Thanks.

25 CEDANO: Thanks for calling.

1 AUSTIN: Bye-bye, thank you.

2 CEDANO: Do we have someone else on line that has joined us
3 recently?

4 DeLACEE: Are you asking who is listening, I guess, who got
5 on?

6 CEDANO: Yes, please.

7 DeLACEE: My name is Catherine DeLacee and I'm calling from
8 (indiscernible) to the Kenai Peninsula and I'm just
9 listening in.

10 CEDANO: Okay. Cathy, would you mind spelling your name
11 for the record?

12 DeLACEE: Okay. It's Catherine with a C and DeLacee is
13 D-e capital L-a-c-e-e.

14 CEDANO: Thank you.

15 DeLACEE: Thank you.

16 CEDANO: Okay. Since we don't have anyone else join us
17 recently, we will go off the record and we will come
18 back at 3:45.
19 (Off record - 3:30 p.m.)
20 (On record - 3:47 p.m.)

21 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano again. It is 3:47
22 p.m. and we're here to take testimony for the
23 development of the State Fiscal Year 2017 Annual
24 Action Plan and the National Housing Trust Fund.
25 I would like to ask first if we have anyone else

1 on line who has joined us recently? Okay. Seeing
2 none and hearing none, we will go off the record
3 until 4:00 o'clock.

4 (Off record - 3:48 p.m.)

5 (On record - 4:00 p.m.)

6 CEDANO: Good evening, this is Oscar Cedano. We're here to
7 receive comments for the 2017 Annual Action Plan and
8 for the National Housing Trust Fund. It is 4:00
9 o'clock right now and I would like to ask if we have
10 someone else join us recently on line? Well, seeing
11 none and hearing none, we will go off line until
12 4:30.

13 (Off record - 4:00 p.m.)

14 (On record - 4:30 p.m.)

15 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano again. It is 4:30
16 p.m. We're here to receive comments for the 2017
17 Annual Action Plan and for the National Housing Trust
18 Fund.

19 I would like to ask if we have anyone join us
20 recently or is anyone else on line? Well, seeing
21 none and hearing none, we will go off the record
22 until 5:00 p.m.

23 (Off record - 4:31 p.m.)

24 (On record - 5:02 p.m.)

25 CEDANO: Hello, this is Oscar Cedano again. It is 5:02

1 p.m. and we're here to collect comments for the State
2 Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Action Plan.

3 We're concluding the Public Hearing and we will
4 post the Annual Action Plan on our website at
5 ahfc.us. It's (indiscernible) posted already until
6 April 15th. And all the comments that we receive
7 will be replied to and there will be a record of this
8 hearing and the prior -- previous hearing that we had
9 in March.

10 You can submit your comments still to
11 ocedano@ahfc.us, that's o-c-e-d-a-n-o @ahfc.us.
12 Thank you very much.

13 (Adjourned - 5:03 p.m.)
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
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STATE OF ALASKA)

I, Suzan Kay Olson, Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska, residing at Anchorage, Alaska, and Electronic Reporter, do hereby certify:

THAT the annexed and foregoing PUBLIC HEARING of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation regarding **SFY-2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN and the NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND**, was taken on the 5th day of April, 2016, commencing at the hour of 3:00 o'clock p.m., at the offices of Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, 4300 Boniface Parkway, Anchorage, Alaska, pursuant to Notice;

THAT this Transcript, as heretofore annexed, is a true and correct transcription of said Public Hearing, thereafter transcribed by Suzan Olson;

THAT the original of the Transcript will be lodged with the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation;

THAT I am not a relative, employee or attorney of any of the parties, nor am I financially interested in this action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 8th day of April, 2016.

Notary Public in and for Alaska
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APPENDIX E

PUBLIC COMMENTS

According to the State's Citizen Participation Plan, and as part of the outreach effort to promote citizen participation in the Annual Action Plan (AAP) planning process, AHFC held two public hearings, participated in several community development events, and solicited and received individual comments from citizens throughout the state. The State also solicited public input regarding the upcoming National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF).

AHFC conducted a first public hearing on March 16, 2016 at the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation main offices in Anchorage, Alaska prior to the release of the AAP draft to gain public input into the development of this plan and the NHTF. It also held a second Public hearing during the public comment period on April 5, 2016. The second hearing was held on April 5, 2016; at the hearings AHFC provided an overview of the consolidated planning process and the programs it covers; a description of the performance of the current HOME, ESG and CDBG programs, the timeline for the development of the AAP; and a description of the NHTF. The hearings were teleconferenced statewide and the records were transcribed and are attached to the AAP in Appendix D. There were two public comments submitted at the second hearing.

The AAP was published on the AHFC website on March 17, 2016 and remained available for public comment until close of business on April 15, 2016. During this public comment period written comments were received from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, the City & Borough of Juneau, and the Municipality of Anchorage. These comments are summarized below and the State's responses are provided.

Comments 1 and 2 were submitted by the City and Borough of Juneau:

Comment 1: Scott Ciambor from the City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) and Mandy Cole, Co-Chair of the Juneau Coalition for Housing and Homeless stated that for various reasons the CBJ should be considered a sub-grantee for the National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF). Their comments lists four reasons to be considered:

1. The CBJ created the Juneau Affordable Housing Fund as an entity capable of managing NHTF funding allocated to the CBJ.
2. Through the Point-in-time count and other indexes, the CBJ has established the need for housing for its low and extremely low income residents.
3. There is a 32-unit permanent supportive housing project for the chronic homeless underway with \$3.3 million in committed funds, which can expand to 52 units in a future phase II with the help of NHTF funds.
4. The CBJ is developing a Housing Action Plan, already in draft form.

State Response to Comment 1: According to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) No. 24 CFR 93.2 defines a “subgrantee” as a unit of general local government that has an approved consolidated plan submitted in accordance with 24 CFR 91. The regulations at 24 CFR Part 91 require units of general local government which receive CDBG, HOME, ESG or HOPWA formula funds to develop and submit a consolidated plan and/or annual action plan, outlining the use of the formula funds. Therefore, by definition, an eligible HTF sub-grantee must be a direct formula grantee that submits a consolidated plan and annual action plans.

Comment 2: The City and Borough of Juneau disagrees with the State’s plans to add the coming NHFT funding to the Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living (GOAL) program. Doing so would only continue funding existing projects that don’t take Juneau into account based on its priority needs. One of which the CBJ has gone to great lengths to demonstrate such as the need for low-income housing.

Ciambor offered to help the State develop a formula that leads to a fair distribution of NHTF funds to the CBJ based on a fair and representative number. This formula could be used each time NHTF are awarded to the State.

State Response to Comment 2: Since 2013, AHFC has funded all six rental development proposals received from Juneau through the GOAL and SNHG programs. These developments include over 150 units of newly constructed rental housing. Given the strong allocation rate to proposals from Juneau in recent years, AHFC does not anticipate the community will experience any competitive disadvantage when applying for NHTFs through the GOAL program.

Comments 3 and 4 were submitted by the Municipality of Anchorage:

Comment 3: John C Laux, from the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA), shared the Municipality’s National Housing Trust Fund Resolution, through which the Municipality’s Department of Health and Human Services Commission recommends that AHFC designates “the Municipality of Anchorage as the sub-recipient for all Housing Trust Fund allocations within the municipality in the amount proportionate to the population and income demographics”.

State Response to Comment 3: As the recipient of NHTF, AHFC is ultimately responsible to HUD for the performance obligations of the NHTF. In the event of NHTF noncompliance that triggers recapture, AHFC would ultimately be the agency responsible for repaying HUD any program funds. AHFC has confirmed that the agency’s liability to HUD would remain even if the noncompliance was from activities funded through a sub-grantee such as the Municipality of Anchorage. Consequently, AHFC will require the Municipality of Anchorage to indemnify AHFC in the event of noncompliance as a condition of any funding that is sub-granted from AHFC to the

Municipality of Anchorage under the NHTF. In the event that NHTFs monies are allocated by the Municipality of Anchorage and subsequent recapture event takes place due to noncompliance, or any other triggering event, the Municipality will be required to repay AHFC the full amount of any recapture and / or repayment obligations stemming from their awards to Anchorage grantees.

Comment 4: Municipality of Anchorage Mayor Ethan Berkowitz requests that the MOA be designated as the sub-recipient of all NHTF allocations within the municipality in the amount proportionate to the population and income demographics.

State Response to Comment 4: The NHTF and HOME program both make \$3,000,000 available to Alaska. Under the HOME program, the Municipality of Anchorage does not receive a prorated share of the \$3M figure using the State formula. If the Municipality of Anchorage agrees to indemnify AHFC for the NHTF awards made within its jurisdiction (see comment & response #3), AHFC will sub-award an amount equal to the most recent HOME allocation to the Municipality of Anchorage in FY 2016, \$545,085.

Comments 5 through 8 were submitted by the Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Comment 5: Dan Austin from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society expressed support for the efforts of the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development to secure matching funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development and other funding sources.

State Response to Comment 5: The State wishes to thank Mr. Austin for his support.

Comment 6: Saint Vincent de Paul wishes to know if a specific plan has been designed to enhance cooperation between AHFC and USDA Rural Development.

State Response to Comment 6: AHFC and the USDA have an information sharing Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate the dissemination of information across agencies. AHFC funding has a strong track record of leveraging USDA funding through the homeownership sweat equity funding (in the case of HDP funded activities through AHFC) and through projects with Section 515 rental assistance that are renovated with LIHTC proceeds.

Comment 7: Austin inquired about the National Housing Trust Fund and whether those funds will enhance the voucher programs for the disable and the elderly or even the step program vouchers.

State Response to Comment 7: NHTF may be paired with rental development proposals that utilized HUD 811 funding through AHFC. Although the 811 rental assistance will be available to Alaskans affected by disabilities, the 811 funding is not available for elderly projects.

Comment 8: Dan Austin from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in Juneau inquired about the statement in the Annual Action Plan on page 20. “SFY14 AKHMIS data reports that 75% of persons experiencing homelessness or threatened with homelessness transitioned into a permanent housing situation within 30 days and 11% transitioned within 31 – 60 days for a total of 86% of individuals transitioning into permanent housing within 60 days of connecting with services.”

Regarding the statement, Austin needed clarification as to why these percentages don’t apply to his community.

State Response to Comment 8: Data for this measure was collected from the Alaska Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for individuals experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness. This data is input into the system by many homeless programs throughout the state. AHFC, in conjunction with the Anchorage and Balance of State Continuum of Care, are currently restructuring the HMIS so that data can be reported for each individual community. This community specific reporting will allow homeless programs to dive into the data for their community and specifically address questions such as those presented by Mr. Austin.

APPENDIX F

A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds according to 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows a

HDP Resale Model

The resale model requires that when a homeowner sells their home, he or she sells it for a restricted price to a low income household (80% below the median income). HDP funds up to \$40,000 may be provided in assistance. HOP funds can only be used for down payment and closing cost assistance in a project assisted with HDP funds. Interest buy downs are not an eligible cost.

When using the resale method, the original HOME-assisted buyer must receive a fair return on investment if the property is sold during the period of affordability. A fair return on investment is calculated as shown in Resale Methodology demonstrated below.

Capital improvements are permanent structural improvements or restoration of some aspect of the property that will either enhance the property's overall value or increases its useful life. Capital improvements have to last for more than one year and add value to the home, prolong its life, or adapt it to new uses. The improvements must still be evident when the home is being sold. Repairs and maintenance items are not considered capital improvements. Repairs return something to its original condition and are done to maintain a home's good condition without adding value or prolonging its life (e.g., painting, fixing sagging gutters).

Capital improvements that are no longer a part of the home or that have reached their useful life will not be included when determining the fair return on investment.

The value of capital improvements will be based on the actual costs of improvements as demonstrated by the homeowner's receipts.

It is important to note that if the house depreciates in value, the original homebuyer may not receive a return on his or her investment because the home sold for less or the same prices as the original purchase price. In addition, a homeowner's return on investment is limited by the amount of the market appreciation.

Housing under the resale provision must remain affordable to a reasonable range of low-income homebuyers. Low-income households between 30 to 80 percent of area median incomes are considered to be within the reasonable range of borrowers that should be targeted for the subsequent purchase of units utilizing the resale method. A household's monthly PITI payments must be at least 23% of the borrower's monthly income as qualified by the primary Lender and in no circumstances exceed 40%. If funding is available and the homebuyer is eligible, HOP assistance may be used to assist the subsequent low-income borrower.

For purposes of the HOME program, acceptable HDP projects using the resale option must include the following features:

1. HDP restrictions must remain in place for the minimum period affordability. The resale affordability period will be determined by amount of direct development assistance provided under the HDP in addition to any HOP assistance provided to the original homebuyer. The affordability period is based on the amount of assistance and is as follows:

Less than \$15,000	5 years
\$15,000 to \$40,000	10 years
More than \$40,000	15 years

For example, a unit may receive \$40,000 in HDP development subsidy and \$10,000 in down payment assistance from the HOP program. The total HOME assistance is \$50,000 and the affordability period is 15 years. All subsequent homebuyers for 15 years will need to be eighty percent (80%) below the median income.

2. An assistance agreement with the original homebuyer and all subsequent homebuyers must be established based on the affordability period.
3. In the event that the original homebuyer sells the home and the subsequent homebuyer receives HOP assistance the resale period restarts, based on the amount of new HOP assistance received. For example, the original homebuyer received \$50,000 in HOME assistance (development subsidy + down payment assistance) and the affordability period was 15 years. The homebuyer sold the home after owning it for 5 years and the new homebuyer received \$10,000 in HOP assistance. The affordability period would restart at time of sale and would now be 5 years.
4. A sample ground lease for the property must be approved by AHFC before any assistance will be approved. The lease must specify the grantees first right of refusal, the homeowner's maximum share of appreciation, resale formula, and other restrictions required by 24 CFR Part 92.
5. The resale formula may allow the homeowner to realize a maximum of 50 percent of the home's (market) appreciation. Increased home value due to the homeowner's capital investment in the home may be retained in full by the homeowner.
6. The remaining (market) appreciation (at least 50 percent) must be factored into the resale formula to reduce the home's subsequent sales price, making the home increasingly more affordable over the lease period.
7. The grantee must agree to exercise a first right of refusal in any subsequent sales of the home.

8. The grantee must agree to verify incomes of the original homebuyer and any subsequent homebuyers, and provide documentation of income verification to AHFC during the affordability period.

RESALE FORMULA

The Maximum Sales Price is the maximum amount the homeowner may receive when selling the property to a low-income household. The Maximum Sales Price shall be the lesser of the current appraised value at the time of sale or the price determined by the following formula:

Homeowner's Purchase Price [see step (a)]

\$ _____

Plus Appreciation Due to Homeowner Capital Improvements

+ _____

Plus Homeowner's Share of Pro-Rated Market Appreciation
[see step (e)]

+ _____

Equals Maximum Sales Price:

\$ _____

- (a) Determining Homeowner's Purchase Price: Homeowner and Grantee agree that the Homeowner's Purchase Price is calculated as follows:

Total Initial Sales Price:

\$ _____

Less any grant or subsidy assistance provided to Homeowner
to assist in the purchase of the home

\$ _____

Equals Homeowner's Purchase Price:

\$ _____

The Initial Sales Price for any subsequent owner shall be the sales price of the property at the time of that owner's purchase. The Homeowner's Purchase Price shall be recalculated using the formula above at the time of that owner's purchase, and may be recorded as an amendment to this agreement at the time of that subsequent sale.

- (b) Determining Market Appreciation: At the time of sale by Homeowner the Market Appreciation is calculated as follows:

Current Appraised Value

\$ _____

Less Initial Appraised Value [see step (c)]

-

Less Appreciation Due to Homeowner Capital Improvements

-

Equals the Market Appreciation

\$ _____

(c) Determining Initial Appraised Value: Homeowner and Grantee agree that at the time Homeowner purchased the property, the Initial Appraised Value of the property was \$[Input Initial Appraised Value]. The initial appraised value for any subsequent owner shall be the appraised value of the property at the time of that owner's purchase, and such amount may be recorded as an amendment to this agreement at the time of that subsequent sale.

(d) Prorating the Homeowner's Investment as part of Market Appreciation

To preserve the public subsidy that helped to make possible this affordable homeownership opportunity, it is necessary to determine the ratio of public subsidy and private investment that contributed to the Market Appreciation. The ratio is calculated by comparing Homeowner's Purchase Price to the Initial Appraised Value. Appreciation is then prorated by this ratio. Following is a step-by-step approach for calculating Prorated Appreciation.

Homeowner's Purchase Price [see step (a)]

\$ _____

Divided by Initial Appraised Value [see step (c)]

/ _____

Times Market Appreciation [see step (b)]

x _____

Equals Prorated Appreciation

\$ _____

(e) Determining Homeowner's Share of Prorated Market Appreciation:

The Homeowner's Share of Appreciation shall be determined by multiplying the Market Appreciation by the 50% (fifty percent). Following is a step-by-step approach for calculating Homeowner's Share of Appreciation:

Prorated Appreciation [see step (d)]

\$ _____

Multiplied by the Shared Appreciation Factor

x _____ .50

Equals Homeowner's Share of Prorated Market Appreciation

(if amount is negative, enter 0)

x _____

F. HDP Recapture Model

Under the recapture model the first \$10,000 in direct assistance is provided as a forgivable loan. Direct assistance is defined as the difference between the market value and sales price of the home in addition to any HOME assistance. For every year the homeowner continues to own the home and make it his or her primary residence, the loan will be forgiven by a maximum of \$2,000, or twenty percent (20%) of the loan, whichever is less.

Any remaining HDP assistance provided will be secured against the home as a loan with zero percent (0%) interest, repayable at the time the homebuyer no longer owns the property. If the homeowner fails to meet the primary residency requirement during the affordability period, the full amount of assistance is due and owing.

The recapture provisions will be triggered by a sale prior to the completion of the affordability period. The amount subject to recapture is the total amount of direct assistance less the prorated amount of the first \$10,000 forgiven per the terms described above plus any amounts that are not forgiven.

In the case of a sale (voluntary or otherwise) the maximum amount of funds subject to recapture is limited to whatever net proceeds (if any) are available. The homeowner must show that the appraised value of the home is not sufficient to pay off the HOME loan(s) in addition to any other lien in superior position, and standard and customary seller's closing costs. Net proceeds are calculated by the sales price less any non-HOME loans or repayments less closing costs.

APPENDIX G

SFY2017 Annual Action Plan

State Certifications CDBG, HOME, ESG

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Specific CDBG Certifications

The State certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §91.115 and each unit of general local government that receives assistance from the State is or will be following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §570.486.

Consultation with Local Governments -- It has or will comply with the following:

1. It has consulted with affected units of local government in the nonentitlement area of the State in determining the method of distribution of funding;
2. It engages in or will engage in planning for community development activities;
3. It provides or will provide technical assistance to units of local government in connection with community development programs; and
4. It will not refuse to distribute funds to any unit of general local government on the basis of the particular eligible activity selected by the unit of general local government to meet its community development needs, except that a State is not prevented from establishing priorities in distributing funding on the basis of the activities selected.

Local Needs Identification -- It will require each unit of general local government to be funded to identify its community development and housing needs, including the needs of low-income and moderate-income families, and the activities to be undertaken to meet these needs.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objectives of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. (See 24 CFR 570.2 and 24 CFR part 570)

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

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2016-2018 (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;

3. Special Assessments. The state will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify to the following:

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

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

It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify that they have adopted and are enforcing:

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

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

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



Signature/Authorized Official

3/15/16

Date

Commissioner of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Title

STATE CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The State will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the state, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

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

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

under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of State -- The submission of the consolidated plan is authorized under State law and the State possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs under the consolidated plan for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



Signature Authorized Official
Bryan Butcher, CEO

Title

4-15-16

Date

Specific HOME Certifications

The State certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the State's consolidated plan.

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

Appropriate Financial Assistance -- Before committing any funds to a project, the State or its recipients will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;



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ESG Certifications

Each State that seeks funding under the Emergency Solutions Grants Program must provide the following certifications:

Matching Funds – The State will obtain any matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201 in a manner so that its subrecipients that are least capable of providing matching amounts receive the benefit of the exception under 24 CFR 576.201(a)(2).

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

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

The State will ensure that its subrecipients comply with the following criteria:

Major rehabilitation/conversion – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

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

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

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

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

Consolidated Plan – All activities the subrecipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the State's current HUD-approved consolidated plan.



Signature/Authorized Official

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING REQUIREMENTS:

A. Lobbying Certification

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

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7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*a. Legal Name: State of Alaska/Alaska Housing Finance Corporation

*b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

92-0047291

*c. Organizational DUNS:

010192953

d. Address:*Street 1: P. O. Box 101020/P.O. Box 110800Street 2: 4300 Boniface Parkway*City: Anchorage/Juneau

County: _____

*State: Alaska

Province: _____

*Country: USA*Zip / Postal Code 99510-1020/99811**e. Organizational Unit:**

Department Name:

Planning & Program Development

Division Name:

N/A

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:Prefix: Mr.*First Name: OscarMiddle Name: A.*Last Name: Cedano

Suffix: _____

Title: Planner I

Organizational Affiliation:

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Planning & Development, HOME/DCCED-CDBG & ESG

*Telephone Number: 907-330-8417

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Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

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*Other (Specify)

State Housing Finance Agency for the State of Alaska

***10 Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.228

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grants

***12 Funding Opportunity Number:**

*Title:

Community Development Block Grants

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

Alaska At-Large

***15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

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*a. Applicant: Alaska At-Large

*b. Program/Project: Alaska At-Large

17. Proposed Project:

*a. Start Date: 7/1/2016

*b. End Date: 6/30/2017

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

*a. Federal	2,418,984
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	42,622
*d. Local	
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	2,461,606

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

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

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U. S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

☒ ** I AGREE

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

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr. *First Name: Bryan

Middle Name: _____

*Last Name: Butcher

Suffix: _____

*Title: Chief Executive Officer

*Telephone Number: 907-330-8452

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* Email: bbutcher@ahfc.us

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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14.231

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Emergency Solutions Grants

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17. Proposed Project:

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*b. End Date: 6/30/2017

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

*a. Federal	\$215,620
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	
*d. Local	\$115,620
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	\$331,240

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr. *First Name: Bryan

Middle Name: _____

*Last Name: Butcher

Suffix: _____

*Title: Chief Executive Officer

*Telephone Number: 907-330-8452

Fax Number: 907-338-2585

* Email: bbutcher@ahfc.us

*Signature of Authorized Representative: 

*Date Signed: 4-15-16

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***1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

***2. Type of Application**

- ☐ New
☒ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s)

*Other (Specify) _____

3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

*5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*a. Legal Name: State of Alaska/Alaska Housing Finance Corporation

*b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

92-0047291

*c. Organizational DUNS:

010192953

d. Address:*Street 1: P. O. Box 101020/P.O. Box 110800Street 2: 4300 Boniface Parkway*City: Anchorage/Juneau

County: _____

*State: Alaska

Province: _____

*Country: USA*Zip / Postal Code 99510-1020/99811**e. Organizational Unit:**

Department Name:

Planning & Program Development

Division Name:

N/A

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:Prefix: Mr.*First Name: OscarMiddle Name: A.*Last Name: Cedano

Suffix: _____

Title: Planner I

Organizational Affiliation:

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Planning & Development, HOME/DCCED-CDBG & ESG

*Telephone Number: 907-330-8417

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***9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

A.State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

*Other (Specify)

State Housing Finance Agency for the State of Alaska

***10 Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships

***12 Funding Opportunity Number:**

*Title:

Home Investment Partnerships

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

Alaska At-Large

***15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

HOME: First-Time Homebuyer Assistance, Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation, Rental Housing Development; CDBG: Community Facilities, Planning, Economic Development; ESG: Assistance to Homeless.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

*a. Applicant: Alaska At-Large

*b. Program/Project: Alaska At-Large

17. Proposed Project:

*a. Start Date: 7/1/2016

*b. End Date: 6/30/2017

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

*a. Federal	3,002,167
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	750,000
*d. Local	
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	3,752,167

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