# 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan



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# **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

The City of Yakima's Five Year Consolidated Plan is a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) required document to inform the citizens of Yakima about the strategy to meet housing, community development and non-urgent needs using federal entitlement funds received by the city in the form of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and HOME Investment funds as managed through the City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services.

The "2020 - 2024 Yakima Washington Consolidated plan serves as a guide for developing the Annual Action Plans involved in each 5-year Consolidated Plan term, the first year of the Consolidated Plan being also the concurrent Annual Action Plan within the Consolidated Plan document. Each year there after a separate Annual Action Plan is submitted that aligns with this 5-year Consolidated Plan.

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

This section includes the Anti-Poverty Strategy as well as the institutional structure within which the Consolidated Plan is implemented.

The Strategic Plan is designed to achieve the following CDBG, HOME, and National Objectives:

#### **CDBG Objectives**

- Provide decent housing
- Create suitable living opportunities
- Expand economic opportunities

#### **HOME Objectives**

- Expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing, with primary attention to First-time homeownership for low-income persons
- Leverage private sector participation

Expand the capacity of non-profit housing providers

#### **National Objectives**

- Benefit low-income\* persons
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
- Meet a need having a particular urgency

(For the purposes of the Strategic Plan Section, the term "low-income" includes those households with income at or below 80% of the median income.)

#### PERFORMANCE OUTCOME MEASUREMENT

US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) expects Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Grantees to use performance measurement systems to address productivity and program impact. Beginning in 2006, HUD implemented a refined performance measurement system. The 5 components of the performance measuring system are: 1) Goals, 2) Inputs, 3) Activities, 4) Outputs, and 5) Outcomes.

Determining appropriate measurements for "outcomes" is critical to the performance measurement system. Developing "outcome" measurements is complex because CDBG and HOME funds can be used for a variety of activities with differing funding priorities from year to year. The amount of CDBG and HOME funds received by Yakima is small relative to the large amount of housing, human services, and economic development activities in Yakima and Yakima County.

#### 3. Evaluation of past performance

The 2020 will be the first year of this 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plans will report progress on addressing priority housing and non-housing community development needs each year from 2020-2024 as Yakima ONDS has annually reported progress for the previous 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

A detailed breakdown report of prior year uses and performances has also been provided in the Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) and which is available at the Yakima's ONDS office or on-line at Yakima's webpage (www.ci.yakimawa.gov)

# 4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

To Be Determined

# 5. Summary of public comments

To Be Determined

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

To Be Determined

#### 7. Summary

To Be Determined

# The Process

# PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.200(b)

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

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	Y	YAKIMA			Office of Neighborhood Development				
				Services					
HOME Administrator	Y	AKIMA		Office of Neighborhood Developmen					
				Servic	es				

Table 1 - Responsible Agencies

#### Narrative

The City of Yakima's office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) is the lead agency responsible for preparing Yakima's Consolidated Plan, and has been designated to be responsible for the planning, development, and implementation of its CDBG and HOME Programs by the Yakima City Council.

#### **Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information**

Key public and non-profit agencies that administer programs covered by the Consolidated Plan include;

Aging & Long Term Care (ALTC)AmeriCorps Association of Churches Avail Home HealthCare Net Cascade-Blue Mountain Food Share Catholic Charities Housing Services (CCHS)Community Living Inc. Community Presbyterian Church Central Washington Comprehensive Mental Health (CWCMH)Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Yakima Department of Veteran Affairs-Yakima Vet Center Elmview Enterprise for Progress in the Community (EPIC)Education Services District (ESD) 105For a Better Tomorrow Habitat for Humanity Homeless Network of Yakima County Merit Resources Services Neighborhood Housing Services of Eastern Washington (NHSEW)Next Step Housing Northwest Community Action Center Northwest Harvest Northwest Justice Project Office of Rural & Farmworker Housing (ORFH)Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC)People for People Project Warm-up Providence House Ridgeview Group Home Rural Community Development Resources (RCDR)St Vincent de Paul Center Sundown M Ranch Sunrise Outreach The Salvation Army Triumph Treatment Services Union Gospel Mission US Veteran's Affairs

#### Demo

Department Washington Department of Social & Health Services (DSHS)Workforce Washington-Veterans Yakima City Planning Department Yakima County Department of Human Services Yakima County Division of Alcohol & Other Substance Abuse Yakima County Veteran Programs Yakima Community Services Office (CSO)Yakima Health District Yakima Housing Authority Yakima Interfaith Coalition- La Casa Hogar Yakima Neighborhood Health Service Yakima School District #Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic Yakima Work Source Job Corps YWCA

# PR-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.110, 91.200(b), 91.300(b), 91.215(l) and 91.315(l)

#### 1. Introduction

The Consolidated Plan is a planning document required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to be submitted every three to five years by all jurisdictions that receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and HOME funds. The Consolidated Plan identifies housing and community development needs, and determines strategic priorities for the use of CDBG and HOME funds over the ensuing plan period.

Consultation for the Consolidated Plan includes the use of consultants generating statistical information needed to establish needs, gaps and barriers. ONDS consults with public and private agencies and citizens, including a Housing Advisory Committee composed of the Yakima Housing Authority, Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity, Office of Industrialization Center (OIC), as well as Yakima County, this is also known as the Community Development Advisory Board providing review and feedback.

The City of Yakima, Washington, in compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A.020(4)) maintains an adopted Comprehensive Plan with a Housing Element which includes a needs assessment, demographic data and projections of community need. The current City of Yakima Comprehensive Plan (adopted by City Resolution R-2017-071 on June 6, 2017) has a planning horizon of 2040.

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

The City of Yakima participates in numerous organizations and commissions with local service providers to share information and service goals. ONDS consults with public and private agencies that provide assisted housing, health services, and social and fair housing services-especially those focusing on services to children, the elderly, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, and homeless persons through the Homeless Coalition of Yakima County staffed by the Yakima County Department of Human Services for the purpose of the Continuum of Care responsibilities and the Homeless Network, an independent group of service providers dedicated to the sharing of information related to homeless issues in the Yakima community. The web sites for these groups

http://www.homelessnetworkyc.org/

https://www.yakimacounty.us/2229/Yakima-County-Homeless-Coalition

ONDS also consults with Washington State Department of Commerce (CTED) and the Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) to assure that the Yakima Consolidated Plan is inclusive and addresses statuatory purposes.

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

The Homeless Coalition of Yakima County is the coordinator of the Yakima County 5-Year Homeless Housing Plan. In 2017, the City of Yakima and all providers in Yakima County agreed to join the "Balance of State" group to handle the HUD compliant programs of the McKinney-Vento Act, such as HEN, TANF, ESG and the like. At the same time, Yakima County established the Homeless Coalition which oversees the local requirements for Balance of State as well as local funding for Homeless programs and Affordable Housing. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for the "Point in Time" homeless count.

The Homeless Network of Yakima County is a private, non-profit organization composed of a broad group of Yakima County public, non-profit, and private human services agencies including many of the groups listed above. The Homeless Network of Yakima County conducts regular meetings and agendas. The City of Yakima continues to coordinate and assist both the Network and the Coalition in all programs to promote the Continuum of Care with its efforts to assist persons at risk of homelessness and chronically homeless individuals and family.

The City of Yakima works with the Continuum of Care (Coalition) and the Network to strategize, plan and assist with Emergency Winter Shelters for the Homeless on a year by year basis, in order to ensure safe, decent, emergency winter shelters that are both suitable for the homeless but also suitable for the residents and businesses within those neighborhoods.

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

The City of Yakima is a member of the Yakima County Continuum of Care Coalition of providers and participates in joint affordable housing committee meetings, through email as well as reviewing individual service provider websites. The Yakima County and the Continuum of care hold scheduled meetings as well as request input from agencies as well as citizens on a regular basis. The City of Yakima works in partnership with Yakima County throughout the Strategic Planning process for both Yakima County and the City of Yakima to develop program performance standards and evaluate and adjust outcomes and develop funding, policies and procedures for a wide variety of programs and funding's, including the administration of the HMIS.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organizations who partic	Catholic Charities Housing Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	ONDS conducted meetings of the Community Development Advisory Board providing review and feedback of which Catholic Charities Housing Services (CCHS) was an integral part of. As in the past CCHS has assisted ONDS with developing housing market strategies as well as developing affordable housing projects within the City of Yakima for First Time Homebuyers, as well as affordable housing opportunities for low to moderate income Elderly.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	OIC OF WASHINGTON
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education Service-Fair Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
		Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	As a member of the Community Development Advisory Board a member of OIC attended committee meetings and provided review and feedback of Housing needs, affordable housing, homeless issues, lead based paint strategy, as well as Market Analysis research and Economic Development trends.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	YAKIMA VALLEY PARTNERS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Yakima Valley Habitat for Humanity as a member of the Community Development Advisory Board attends committee meetings and provides review and feedback for a wide variety of Affordable Housing issues, Homeless needs and strategy as well as Antipoverty strategy.

4	Agency/Group/Organization	Yakima County Department of Human Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings with the Yakima County Department of human Services in consultation about affordable housing and homelessness issues within the City of Yakima. Continued coordination in developing and maintaining affordable housing as well as continued cooperation in dealing with the Yakima County Continuum of Care Plan.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Yakima Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs

How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes	The Director Lowell Krueger is a member of the Community Development Advisory Board and attended meetings as well as consulted via email.
of the consultation or areas for	The City of Yakima continues to work closely with the
improved coordination?	Yakima Housing Authority to develop and maintain affordable housing.

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

No specific Agency was intentionally excluded from the consultation process as a 30 day written comment period will be advertised and open to any citizen or agency to give additional written comment, plus two advertised Public Hearings to give ample opportunity for input from individuals, groups, departments and/or agencies.

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

Name of Plan	Lead	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the
	Organization	goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Balance of	The City of Yakima works hand in hand with the local Balance
	State	of State through the Continuum of Care in working to provide
		emergency shelters, transitional housing and job programs
		designed to assist the Homeless within the city limits of
		Yakima.
Yakima Urban Area	The City of	The Yakima Comprehensive Plan guides Yakima's physical
Comprehensive	Yakima	development over the 2017-2040 period. It describes
Plan 2040	Planning Dept.	community values, directs municipal activities and services,
		and provides a statement of policy about Yakima's desire for
		growth and character. This 2017 Comprehensive Plan fulfills
		the periodic review requirements of the Washington State
		Growth Management Act (GMA;RCW 36.70A) and replaces
		the 2006 Comprehensive Plan and associated annual
		amendments.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(I))

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ONDS notifies adjacent units of local government, to the extent possible, of the priority non-housing community development needs, and submits the Consolidated Plan to Yakima County and Washington State agencies for review and comment. ONDS and other city staff also consult with and serve on the boards of adjacent units of general local government, including local agencies with wide-spread planning responsibilities such as the Yakima County Economic Development Council.

ONDS also consults with local human service agencies including the United Way of Yakima County, Yakima County as well as Yakima Mental Health regarding the non-housing needs of children, elderly, person's with disabilities, homeless persons, and other populations of need concerning priority needs and funding gaps. ONDS uses information generated in the Point-In-Time annual homeless count, United Way of Yakima County's State of Caring Index, (when published), and other sources to identify service trends, available services, and gaps.

Narrative (optional):

# PR-15 Citizen Participation – 91.105, 91.115, 91.200(c) and 91.300(c)

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

The City of Yakima has a City Council approved and adopted "Citizen Participation Process" that the Office of Neighborhood Development Services follows.

It is the intent of the City of Yakima, Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) to provide City of Yakima residents with the opportunity to be involved in the development and implementation of the City's Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, as well as the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). Residents are asked to be involved in developing plan objectives, reviewing and commenting on projects recommended for funding, and reviewing program performance.

Consultation is sought through a wide variety of organizations and citizens to produce a "Draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan that is then advertised as available for a thirty day written comment period, as well as two scheduled open Public Hearings, after which the proposed "Draft" will be presented to the Yakima City Counsel for review and adoption through a resolution process.

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# **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Minorities				
		Persons with				
		disabilities				
		low to moderate				
		income				
2	Public Meeting	Minorities	To be determined.	To be determined.	To be determined.	
		Persons with				
		disabilities				
		low to moderate				
		income				
3	Public Meeting	Minorities	To be determined.	To be determined.	To be determined.	
		Persons with				
		disabilities				
		low to moderate				
		income				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

# **Needs Assessment**

#### **NA-05 Overview**

#### **Needs Assessment Overview**

The City of Yakima recognizes the need for affordable housing within Yakima and understands that homelessness is the most severe housing problem. Therefore the city will continue to support and encourage affordable housing and supportive housing services for the following priority populations:

- Families
- Elderly
- Domestic violence victims
- Unaccompanied Youth
- Chronically mentally ill
- Persons with co-occurring disorders
- Persons with alcohol or drug addictions
- Veterans

# NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment - 24 CFR 91.205 (a,b,c)

#### **Summary of Housing Needs**

Interviews with agencies that provide housing and social services provided an overview on housing needs. The following is a summary of the key points from the surveys and the stakeholder interviews. Extremely-low, very-low, and low-income households have a very difficult time finding affordable housing. In addition, moderate-income households have a difficult time as well. For renter households, small related households had the highest level of cost burden; while for owner households the elderly had the highest level of cost burden. The lack of affordable housing continues to negatively affect some of the area's most vulnerable citizens, according to local non-profits.

Demographics	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Population	91,067	93,260	2%
Households	31,051	33,080	7%
Median Income	\$37,351.00	\$40,726.00	9%

**Table 5 - Housing Needs Assessment Demographics** 

**Data Source:** 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

#### **Number of Households Table**

	0-30% HAMFI	>30-50% HAMFI	>50-80% HAMFI	>80-100% HAMFI	>100% HAMFI
Total Households	4,560	5,280	6,350	3,590	13,300
Small Family Households	1,340	1,775	2,330	1,515	6,550
Large Family Households	665	555	945	510	1,040
Household contains at least one					
person 62-74 years of age	710	850	1,285	805	2,755
Household contains at least one					
person age 75 or older	475	920	960	410	1,550
Households with one or more					
children 6 years old or younger	1,100	1,355	1,575	840	1,340

**Table 6 - Total Households Table** 

**Data** 2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

# **Housing Needs Summary Tables**

1. Housing Problems (Households with one of the listed needs)

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30- 50%	>50-	>80-	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50%	>50-	>80-	Total
	AIVII	AMI	80% AMI	100% AMI		Alvii	AMI	80% AMI	100% AMI	
NUMBER OF HOL	JSEHOLD									
Substandard										
Housing -										
Lacking										
complete										
plumbing or										
kitchen										
facilities	130	215	105	10	460	0	10	0	0	10
Severely										
Overcrowded -										
With >1.51										
people per										
room (and										
complete										
kitchen and										
plumbing)	135	165	75	45	420	0	60	65	0	125
Overcrowded -										
With 1.01-1.5										
people per										
room (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	225	360	195	95	875	45	25	210	105	385
Housing cost										
burden greater										
than 50% of										
income (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	1,755	1,040	115	4	2,914	780	415	430	70	1,695

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30%	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total	0-30%	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total
	AMI	50%	80%	100%		AMI	50%	80%	100%	
		AMI	AMI	AMI			AMI	AMI	AMI	
Housing cost										
burden greater										
than 30% of										
income (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	295	1,305	1,405	220	3,225	185	500	665	370	1,720
Zero/negative										
Income (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	315	0	0	0	315	60	0	0	0	60

Table 7 – Housing Problems Table

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

2. Housing Problems 2 (Households with one or more Severe Housing Problems: Lacks kitchen or complete plumbing, severe overcrowding, severe cost burden)

			Renter					Owner		
	0-30%	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total	0-	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total
	AMI	50%	80%	100%		30%	50%	80%	100%	
		AMI	AMI	AMI		AMI	AMI	AMI	AMI	
NUMBER OF HOUSE	HOLDS									
Having 1 or more										
of four housing										
problems	2,250	1,785	485	160	4,680	825	505	705	175	2,210
Having none of										
four housing										
problems	750	1,800	2,925	1,560	7,035	360	1,190	2,235	1,695	5,480
Household has										
negative income,										
but none of the										
other housing										
problems	315	0	0	0	315	60	0	0	0	60

Table 8 – Housing Problems 2

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

# 3. Cost Burden > 30%

		Renter				0	wner	
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HO	USEHOLDS	,						
Small Related	865	1,200	585	2,650	245	300	500	1,045
Large Related	585	325	180	1,090	55	90	220	365
Elderly	305	600	460	1,365	420	355	285	1,060
Other	715	870	405	1,990	290	215	250	755
Total need by income	2,470	2,995	1,630	7,095	1,010	960	1,255	3,225

Table 9 - Cost Burden > 30%

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

# 4. Cost Burden > 50%

		Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total	
NUMBER OF HOL	JSEHOLDS								
Small Related	700	300	15	1,015	215	130	170	515	
Large Related	465	60	0	525	55	45	50	150	
Elderly	235	370	165	770	350	135	115	600	
Other	660	450	0	1,110	210	120	150	480	
Total need by	2,060	1,180	180	3,420	830	430	485	1,745	
income									

Table 10 – Cost Burden > 50%

Data

2011-2015 CHAS Source:

# 5. Crowding (More than one person per room)

	Renter				Owner					
	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSE	HOLDS									
Single family										
households	385	445	190	125	1,145	45	60	155	45	305

			Renter	ı		Owner				
	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total
Multiple, unrelated family										
households	0	60	70	15	145	0	25	120	60	205
Other, non-family										
households	0	15	10	0	25	0	0	0	0	0
Total need by income	385	520	270	140	1,315	45	85	275	105	510

Table 11 - Crowding Information - 1/2

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

	Renter				Owner			
	0-	>30-	>50-	Total	0-	>30-	>50-	Total
	30%	50%	80%		30%	50%	80%	
	AMI	AMI	AMI		AMI	AMI	AMI	
Households with								
Children Present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 12 - Crowding Information - 2/2

Data Source Comments:

Describe the number and type of single person households in need of housing assistance.

In the City of Yakima, about 29 percent of households consist of single persons (9,591). Of those, 2,235 households are elderly person living alone that are Cost Burdened.

Another 14 percent of households (4,630) are single parents with children.

Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who are disabled or victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

Reliable data on these populations are very difficult to estimate. A good indicator of these residents in need is the 2019 Point In Time Count of homeless persons for Yakima County. The count included 539 surveys. Of those families surveyed, 266 included persons who were disabled (49%); 65 included persons fleeing domestic violence (12%) and 54 were veterans (10%).

#### What are the most common housing problems?

Overall, the City of Yakima struggles with housing affordability. To make this challenge more severe, in the City, 22.8 percent of the residents have incomes below the Federal poverty level.

Preservation of the existing housing stock is very important in the City of Yakima to maintain affordability and avoid displacement. Adequate maintenance of the units can be challenging. Strict enforcement of building code standards can result in displacement of vulnerable persons.

The housing stock in the City of Yakima in 2014 was approximately 60 percent single family homes. Another 4 percent of the units are duplex type construction. Only 7.4 percent of the housing units are located in structures that have 20 or more units. Additionally, in 2014, only 10 percent of the housing stock was built after the year 2000 and over 50.1 percent of the units are at least 40 years old.

Are any populations/household types more affected than others by these problems?

The Senior/Disabled households are more affected than others by these problems due to the extremely limited fixed income, rising healthcare costs and ever increasing cost of living. This extremely vulnerable group has no viable expectation of improving their situation due to their declining physical conditions.

Describe the characteristics and needs of Low-income individuals and families with children (especially extremely low-income) who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered 91.205(c)/91.305(c)). Also discuss the needs of formerly homeless families and individuals who are receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance

If a jurisdiction provides estimates of the at-risk population(s), it should also include a description of the operational definition of the at-risk group and the methodology used to generate the estimates:

Specify particular housing characteristics that have been linked with instability and an increased risk of homelessness

#### Discussion

#### Demo

# NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

#### Introduction

HUD designates that for the purpose of assessing the need of any racial or ethnic group that is disproportionally greater in need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole, (for this purpose, disproportionately greater need exists when the percentage of the persons in a category of need who are members of a particular racial or ethnic group is at least 10% points higher than the percentage of persons in any category as a whole.)

#### 0%-30% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	3,555	635	375
White	1,965	435	190
Black / African American	40	10	0
Asian	29	40	10
American Indian, Alaska Native	90	0	0
Pacific Islander	20	0	0
Hispanic	1,305	130	155

Table 13 - Disproportionally Greater Need 0 - 30% AMI

**Data** 2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4.Cost Burden greater than 30%

#### 30%-50% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	4,100	1,185	0
White	1,845	890	0
Black / African American	120	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>The four housing problems are:

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Asian	30	4	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	85	20	0
Pacific Islander	4	0	0
Hispanic	1,895	265	0

Table 14 - Disproportionally Greater Need 30 - 50% AMI

**Data** 2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4.Cost Burden greater than 30%

#### 50%-80% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	3,260	3,090	0
White	1,890	1,870	0
Black / African American	65	35	0
Asian	35	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	20	15	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	1,205	1,165	0

Table 15 - Disproportionally Greater Need 50 - 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Source

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4.Cost Burden greater than 30%

<sup>\*</sup>The four housing problems are:

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#### 80%-100% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	925	2,660	0
White	515	1,475	0
Black / African American	0	15	0
Asian	15	50	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	15	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	380	1,070	0

Table 16 - Disproportionally Greater Need 80 - 100% AMI

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4.Cost Burden greater than 30%

#### Discussion

All the statistical data above was compiled and reported within the Federal IDIS reporting system.

Any questions and/or concerns about the information or discussion thereof should be directed to HUD.

<sup>\*</sup>The four housing problems are:

# NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

#### Introduction

As seen in the following statistics as reported by HUD in the IDIS reporting system, 0% to 30% Whites are the greatest affected by one or more of four housing problems, and also show the greatest numbers of having none of the four housing problems and also has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems.

Furthermore, HUD also points out that 30% - 50% area median income Hispanics or a total of 1015 has one or more of four housing problems while 1005 Whites have the same condition. HUD also expresses the need for elaboration as the how 1730 Whites have none of the four housing problems, while 1145 Hispanics did likewise.

#### 0%-30% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	3,075	1,110	375
White	1,660	740	190
Black / African American	40	10	0
Asian	29	40	10
American Indian, Alaska Native	75	15	0
Pacific Islander	20	0	0
Hispanic	1,155	280	155

Table 17 - Severe Housing Problems 0 - 30% AMI

**Data** 2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4.Cost Burden over 50%

<sup>\*</sup>The four severe housing problems are:

#### 30%-50% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	2,290	2,990	0
White	1,005	1,730	0
Black / African American	80	40	0
Asian	10	25	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	85	20	0
Pacific Islander	4	0	0
Hispanic	1,015	1,145	0

Table 18 – Severe Housing Problems 30 - 50% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

\*The four severe housing problems are:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4.Cost Burden over 50%

#### 50%-80% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	1,190	5,160	0
White	600	3,160	0
Black / African American	0	100	0
Asian	0	35	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	40	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	575	1,795	0

Table 19 - Severe Housing Problems 50 - 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Source

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4.Cost Burden over 50%

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<sup>\*</sup>The four severe housing problems are:

#### 80%-100% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	335	3,255	0
White	115	1,880	0
Black / African American	0	15	0
Asian	0	60	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	25	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	220	1,235	0

Table 20 - Severe Housing Problems 80 - 100% AMI

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4.Cost Burden over 50%

#### Discussion

Once again as this information was gathered and reported by HUD within the tables above and mandated to the City of Yakima to make both introduction and discussion of, any questiions, concerns or comment should be directed to HUD.

<sup>\*</sup>The four severe housing problems are:

# NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

#### Introduction:

As reported by HUD and mandated to the City of Yakima in reporting that the following ethnic groups were at least 10 percentage points higher than the percentage of persons in the <=30% category experienced a Housing Cost Burden; the jurisdiction as a whole reported 14,245 Whites, 5,875 Hispanics and 295 Asians were in the top three categories.

In the 30-50% Housing Cost Burden, the jurisdiction as a whole was 6,575 with 3,670 Whites, 2,545 Hispanics and 105 Black / African American being the top three categories.

In the >50% Housing Cost Burden, the jurisdiction as a whole was 5,295 with 3,030 Whites, 1,745 Hispanics and 135 American Indian, Alaska Native being the top three categories.

Furthermore, the jurisdiction as a whole reporting 415 No/Negative income, with 230 Whites, 155 Hispanics and 10 Asian showed in the top three categories.

#### **Housing Cost Burden**

Housing Cost Burden	<=30%	30-50%	>50%	No / negative income (not computed)
Jurisdiction as a whole	20,800	6,575	5,295	415
White	14,245	3,670	3,030	230
Black / African				
American	80	105	120	0
Asian	295	85	40	10
American Indian,				
Alaska Native	130	80	135	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	25	0
Hispanic	5,875	2,545	1,745	155

Table 21 - Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens AMI

**Data** 2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

#### **Discussion:**

Housing cost burdens continue to hamper City of Yakima residents. By HUD's statistics White's, Hispanics, Asian, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Black/African American, Pacific Islander in that order are negatively impacted by housing cost burdens.

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# NA-30 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion – 91.205(b)(2)

Are there any Income categories in which a racial or ethnic group has disproportionately greater need than the needs of that income category as a whole?

As reported by HUD and mandated to the City of Yakima in reporting that the following ethnic groups were at least 10 percentage points higher than the percentage of persons in the <=30% category experienced a Housing Cost Burden; the jurisdiction as a whole reported 14,245 Whites, 5,875 Hispanics and 295 Asians were in the top three categories.

## If they have needs not identified above, what are those needs?

Decent safe affordable housing, decent paying jobs that will enable them to pay the rent or mortgage.

# Are any of those racial or ethnic groups located in specific areas or neighborhoods in your community?

As reported by HUD in CPD Maps-Census-Grantee jurisdiction as of January 14, 2020, and since a more detailed answer was limited by IDIS as exceeding the amount of text allowable, the answer is "YES".

# **NA-35 Public Housing – 91.205(b)**

#### Introduction

The Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) plays an integral part in meeting the Consolidated Plan Objectives. YHA funding is obtained through the Capital Fund Grant under a separate public process, and from other grants and local funds.

The Capital Fund Grant is a separate HUD grogram that Yakima does not oversee. Yakima has no troubled Public Housing agencies. The YHA is a very well run agency excelling in providing housing for Low-income and special needs households.

The YHA included annual budgets in their Annual Agency Plan for management and operational improvements. These monies are used to fund a Preventative Maintenance Inspection Support Program, capital improvements, community policing, computer software purchase and other management improvements that support public housing, including staff training. For complete information on planned physical improvements to living environment of public housing units and sites, contact the Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) at www.yakimahousing.org for their Agency Plan.

#### **Totals in Use**

Program Type										
	Certificate	Mod-	Public	Vouchers						
		Rehab	Housing	Total	Project -	Tenant -	Speci	al Purpose Vo	ucher	
					based	based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *	
# of units vouchers in use	0	0	149	644	58	553	33	0	0	

**Table 22 - Public Housing by Program Type** 

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

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<sup>\*</sup>includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition

# **Characteristics of Residents**

Program Type											
	Certificate	Mod-	Public	Vouchers							
		Rehab	Housing	Total	Project -	Tenant -	Special Purp	ose Voucher			
					based	based	Veterans Affairs	Family Unification			
							Supportive Housing	Program			
Average Annual Income	0	0	14,000	11,552	9,970	11,822	9,800	0			
Average length of stay	0	0	4	5	0	5	0	0			
Average Household size	0	0	3	2	3	2	1	0			
# Homeless at admission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
# of Elderly Program Participants											
(>62)	0	0	12	146	1	138	7	0			
# of Disabled Families	0	0	26	199	11	171	17	0			
# of Families requesting											
accessibility features	0	0	149	644	58	553	33	0			
# of HIV/AIDS program											
participants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
# of DV victims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Table 23 – Characteristics of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

# **Race of Residents**

			ı	Program Type							
Race	Certificate	Mod-	Public	Vouchers							
		Rehab	Housing	Total	Project -	Tenant -	Speci	al Purpose Vou	ıcher		
					based	based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *		
White	0	0	142	570	48	492	30	0	0		
Black/African American	0	0	2	45	5	37	3	0	0		
Asian	0	0	1	7	1	6	0	0	0		
American Indian/Alaska											
Native	0	0	4	21	4	17	0	0	0		
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0		
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Table 24 – Race of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

**Data Source:** PIC (PIH Information Center)

# **Ethnicity of Residents**

				Program Type					
Ethnicity	Certificate	Mod-	Public	Vouchers					
		Rehab	Housing	Total	Project -	Tenant -	Speci	Purpose Voucher	
					based	based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
Hispanic	0	0	117	163	21	137	5	0	0
Not Hispanic	0	0	32	481	37	416	28	0	0
*includes Non-Elderly Disab	bled, Mainstrear	n One-Year,	Mainstream	Five-year, and N	Nursing Home T	ransition			

Table 25 – Ethnicity of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

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**Data Source:** PIC (PIH Information Center)

## Section 504 Needs Assessment: Describe the needs of public housing tenants and applicants on the waiting list for accessible units:

The needs for public housing tenants on the waiting list for accessible units are in need of HDA accessible units to enable not only basic access to the unit itself, but units that lend themselves to both handicap walkers and wheelchair bound individuals. Basic bathroom facilities that are safe and have accessible bathing enclosures as well as working fixtures.

#### Most immediate needs of residents of Public Housing and Housing Choice voucher holders

Currently as reported by the Yakima Housing Authority to ONDS;

- 1. There are 450 applicants on the Section 8 waiting lists.
- 2. 350 applicants have indicated extremely low income.
- 3. 61 have indicated very low income.

The immediate need for applicants after they receive a voucher is assistance with application fees and deposits.

#### How do these needs compare to the housing needs of the population at large

Many low to moderate income renters are stretched and hard pressed to pay first and last month's rent, many landlords are requiring damage deposits nowadays.

More and more often the damage deposits are not refunded which compounds the problem for renters to move into another rental with even less money available.

#### Discussion

The Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) continues to offer decent, safe, affordable housing through a variety of programs.

Currently YHA is developing veterans housing by converting the former United States Marine Corp Armory located at 1702 Tahoma Ave.

This redeveloped Armory will create 40 housing units of supportive housing for homeless veterans along with social service programs for homeless veterans in the community.

## NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment – 91.205(c)

#### Introduction:

These statistics represent information data through the Balance of State Continuum of Care Washington State Point in Time Count of Persons experiencing Homelessness- January 2019.

When this document was prepared the 2020 Point in Time Count of Persons Experiencing Homelessness was not yet available.

#### **Homeless Needs Assessment**

Population	Estimate the # of persons experiencing homelessness on a given night		Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year	Estimate the # becoming homeless each year	Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year	Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness
	Sheltered	Unsheltered				
Persons in Households with Adult(s)						
and Child(ren)	94	234	328	19	6	345
Persons in Households with Only						
Children	0	0	0	0	0	0
Persons in Households with Only						
Adults	91	194	285	17	4	345
Chronically Homeless Individuals	47	46	93	3	0	365
Chronically Homeless Families	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veterans	0	27	32	0	0	0
Unaccompanied Child	0	0	0	0	0	0
Persons with HIV	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 26 - Homeless Needs Assessment** 

"0" represents a suppressed result of more than zero and fewer than ten persons as noted in the January 2019 Washington State Point in Time Count of Persons Experiencing Homelessness.

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OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 06/30/2018)

**Data Source Comments:** 

Indicate if the homeless population Has No Rural Homeless is:

If data is not available for the categories "number of persons becoming and exiting homelessness each year," and "number of days that persons experience homelessness," describe these categories for each homeless population type (including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth):

See the table above.

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#### Nature and Extent of Homelessness: (Optional)

Race:	Sheltered:		Unsheltered (optional)
White		0	0
Black or African American		0	0
Asian		0	0
American Indian or Alaska			
Native		0	0
Pacific Islander		0	0
Ethnicity:	Sheltered:		Unsheltered (optional)
Hispanic		0	0
Not Hispanic		0	0

Data Source

Comments:

Yakima County Point in Time does not differentiate Race or Ethnicity in their Point in Time Count.

## Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance for families with children and the families of veterans.

328 families with children were reported homeless and in need of housing assistance and 32 veterans were reported through the Yakima Counties Point in Time count as homeless and in need of housing assistance.

#### Describe the Nature and Extent of Homelessness by Racial and Ethnic Group.

Due to the limited nature of the Yakima County Point in Time Survey, this information is unavailable at this time.

#### Describe the Nature and Extent of Unsheltered and Sheltered Homelessness.

The Homeless Network of Yakima County describes Unsheltered as living outside or in places not meant for human habitation, while sheltered Homeless are persons who are homeless and are currently housed in a shelter, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing or are temporarily living with family or friends. (on average about 331 Persons and 234 households are sheltered by various agencies in Yakima County.)

An estimated 108 persons and 94 households have been counted as Unsheltered with the Yakima County.

#### **Discussion:**

The Homeless Network of Yakima County listed its Strategic Priorities in November 2018 as;

- 1. Youth and young adults experiencing homelessness
- 2. Community Education and awareness
- 3. safe and affordable housing
- 4. Increased case management and supports

#### Strategies for implementing these priorities include:

- Improve access to emergency assistance, housing, and supports for youth and young adults.
- Educate the public on the scope, causes, costs, and solvability of homelessness.
- Reduce criminalization of homelessness by defining constructive approaches to unsheltered homelessness.
- Increase Safe and Affordable Housing-with a primary focus on the chronically homeless and Veterans
- Increase coordination of employment services with housing and homelessness assistance.
- Co-Locate, coordinate, or integrate health, behavioral health, safety, and welled services with housing.
- Provide guidance and tools regarding emergency shlter standards and operations.

## NA-45 Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment - 91.205 (b,d) Introduction:

The City of Yakima has a large number of retired Senior/Disabled homeowners in dire need of rehabilitation to keep their existing housing decent, safe and affordable. Without significant rehabilitation this special needs population may become displaced and either forced into public housing assistance through nursing or assisted living facilities or homeless. Most if not all of these displaced individuals are not able to cover the expenses of such assisted living housing and must rely upon the State for assistance in paying for this kind of facility. The economic impact of such housing and care can become an extensive burden upon the State and local resources. The City of Yakima continues to offer a Senior/Disabled emergency rehabilitation program to fix life and safety issues that would otherwise displace these elderly and frail homeowners into care facilities or risk homelessness.

#### Describe the characteristics of special needs populations in your community:

- Elderly/Frail elderly
- Chronically mentally ill
- Physically and developmentally disabled
- Persons with co-occurring disorders
- Persons with alcohol or drug addictions
- Victims of domestic violence
- Pregnant and parenting women.

## What are the housing and supportive service needs of these populations and how are these needs determined?

Decent, Safe, Affordable housing both long and short term depending upon the specific needs of the individual special needs population, as well as supportive services needed by individual special needs populations offered by the following agencies. Individual programs and assistance varies and these agencies can be accessed through the Yakima 211 information system for specific contact information.

- Aging long term care
- Yakima Mental Health
- Yakima Memorial Hospital
- Triumph Treatment
- YWCA
- Yakima County Human Services
- City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services.

## Discuss the size and characteristics of the population with HIV/AIDS and their families within the Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area:

The Washington State HIV Surveillance Report for November of 2019 showed Yakima County as of July 31,2019 a total of 6 new HIV cases.

242 Living HIV cases were reported and of those cases 225 were "engaged in care" with 201 showing "Suppressed Viral Load"

#### **Discussion:**

Due to the limited federal budget, limited entitlement funds and ever growing need, the City of Yakima continues to downsize and shrink its affordable housing programs offered through the Office of Neighborhood Development Services in assisting it's special needs citizens.

# NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs – 91.215 (f) Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities:

As stated in the City of Yakima's "Comprehensive Plan 2040".

The City manages municipal and cultural buildings including City Hall, Capitol Theatre, and the Convention Center, of which the latter two are managed by the Capitol Theatre Committee and the Yakima Valley Visitors and Convention Bureau. The City identifies capital maintenance, replacements, and other needed investments in its City Budget that help develop the capital improvement program and identify available revenues. The City does not have a level of service standard for public buildings, and facilities are anticipated to be adequate to meet the needs of current population and future growth.

#### How were these needs determined?

# 1.2 Comprehensive Plan 2040 Key Principles Guiding Yakima's Capital Investments

There are two main guiding elements behind the capital facilities planning: fiscal policies and the GMA. These principles interact to guide capital investments. Fiscal policies are tools that the City can use to adjust spending and revenues by changing tax rates and identifying specific areas for expenditure.

#### Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Improvements:

Within the City of Yakima's Comprehensive Plan 2040 is the "Capital Facilities Plan" which outlines basic public improvements including the growing need for water systems, storm and sanitary sewer systems, Transportation, Parks and Recreational facilities, Streets, sidewalks, street lighting systems, schools.

#### How were these needs determined?

The Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) requires that the Capital Facilities Element of a Comprehensive Plan include an inventory, projected needs, and funding and financing for facilities and infrastructure. This Capital Facilities Plan is intended to provide the technical foundation – inventory, service standards, capacity, proposed projects, and funding as appropriate – for the Capital Facilities Element. The goals and policies for the Capital Facilities Element is included in the body of the Comprehensive Plan.

Furthermore, needs for Public Improvements are developed and regularly updated through the city of Yakima's Comprehensive Plan through committee, agency and city and county department input, as well as through Public Hearings and Surveys.

#### Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:

Public Services include law enforcement, fire protection and suppression, public health, education, recreation, environmental protection, and other governmental services. All of these public services are a crucial part of maintaining a healthy community that provide for the individuals as well as the community as a whole. Capitol Facility Projects and Services are outlined in detail in the City of Yakima's Comprehensive plan, including Transportation, Parks and Recreations & Open Space (PROS) Plan.

#### How were these needs determined?

Needs for Public Improvements are developed and regularly updated through the City of Yakima's Comprehensive Plan through committee, agency, city and county input, as well as through Public Hearings and Surveys.

## **Housing Market Analysis**

#### **MA-05 Overview**

#### **Housing Market Analysis Overview:**

As stated in the April 9 2020 Memorandum from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development from John Gibbs, Acting Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development concerning the Cares act flexibilities for CDBG funds used to Support Coronavirus Response and plan amendment waiver:

To expedite grantees' use of CDBG-CV funds, HUD is waiving the requirements at 42 U.S.C. 1270(a)(2) to the extent it requires updates to the housing and homeless needs assessment, **housing market analysis**, and strategic plan and 24CFR 91.220 and 91.320 to the extent the action plan is limited to a specific program year to permit grantees to prepare substantial amendments to their most recent annual action plan, including their 2019 annual action plan. Grantees must identify the proposed use of all funds and how the funds will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

## **MA-10 Number of Housing Units – 91.210(a)&(b)(2)**

#### Introduction

Based on the information available to the jurisdiction, as provided by HUD in the following tables, the Housing Market analysis shows the Property types and number of units as well as the percentage of those units as part of the whole and unit size by tenure.

#### All residential properties by number of units

Property Type	Number	%
1-unit detached structure	21,145	60%
1-unit, attached structure	1,545	4%
2-4 units	4,985	14%
5-19 units	3,200	9%
20 or more units	2,615	7%
Mobile Home, boat, RV, van, etc	1,885	5%
Total	<i>35,375</i>	100%

Table 27 – Residential Properties by Unit Number

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

#### **Unit Size by Tenure**

	Owners		Renters	
	Number	%	Number	%
No bedroom	90	1%	870	6%
1 bedroom	450	3%	3,915	26%
2 bedrooms	4,395	25%	6,040	40%
3 or more bedrooms	12,905	72%	4,420	29%
Total	17,840	101%	15,245	101%

Table 28 – Unit Size by Tenure

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

## Describe the number and targeting (income level/type of family served) of units assisted with federal, state, and local programs.

The City of Yakima Housing Authority targets households with income at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) low income (51-80% AMI). Very low (31-50% MI) and extremely low income (under 30% AMI).

The Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) no longer operate public housing units, but has the following units for the very low and low households:

- 1. 238 family housing units
- 2. 162 farmworker housing units
- 3. 15 seasonal farmworker units
- 4. 99 senior housing units.

In addition, the City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood development Services assist approximately 100 Senior/Disabled low to moderate income Homeowner units a year with CDBG Single Family Rehabilitation program.

Provide an assessment of units expected to be lost from the affordable housing inventory for any reason, such as expiration of Section 8 contracts.

The City of Yakima doesn't expect to see any decline of affordable housing inventory within the next several years due to the continued efforts to maintain and increase available housing inventory now and in the future.

#### Does the availability of housing units meet the needs of the population?

Affordable housing needs continue to far exceed the availability of affordable housing within the City Limits of Yakima.

#### Describe the need for specific types of housing:

The City of Yakima continues to need low-income Senior, low-income individual and family and low-income individual and family with special needs, homeless and at risk of becoming homeless, including veterans.

#### Discussion

The City of Yakima continues to support affordable housing and strives to partner with Community Housing Development Organizations to affirmatively further fair and affordable housing within it's city limits.

## MA-15 Housing Market Analysis: Cost of Housing - 91.210(a)

#### Introduction

The median sales price for homes in Yakima from December to March was \$209,200 based on 66sales. Compared to the same period one year ago, the median sales price increased 16.6%, or \$29,750 and the number of sales decreased approximately 25%.

The averale listing price for homes in Yakima in March was approximately \$161,276 to \$384,632 respectively which represents an increase of 5.9%, or \$21,499 compared to the prior week.

#### **Cost of Housing**

	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Median Home Value	144,100	156,700	9%
Median Contract Rent	529	632	19%

Table 29 - Cost of Housing

Data Source: 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Rent Paid	Number	%
Less than \$500	4,185	27.5%
\$500-999	9,370	61.5%
\$1,000-1,499	1,125	7.4%
\$1,500-1,999	305	2.0%
\$2,000 or more	260	1.7%
Total	15,245	100.0%

Table 30 - Rent Paid

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

### **Housing Affordability**

% Units affordable to Households earning	Renter	Owner
30% HAMFI	745	No Data
50% HAMFI	3,220	1,335
80% HAMFI	9,790	4,340
100% HAMFI	No Data	6,985
Total	13,755	12,660

Table 31 - Housing Affordability

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

#### **Monthly Rent**

Monthly Rent (\$)	Efficiency (no bedroom)	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
Fair Market Rent	582	673	872	1,189	1,353
High HOME Rent	582	673	872	1,065	1,169
Low HOME Rent	568	609	731	845	942

**Table 32 – Monthly Rent** 

Data Source: HUD FMR and HOME Rents

#### Is there sufficient housing for households at all income levels?

Population growth within the City of Yakima has continued to grow at just over 5% within the past several years, thus the increased demands of available affordable homeownership housing to low to moderate income families is limited and since a large percentage of the population cannot afford homeownership, there is no alternative other than to rent.

## How is affordability of housing likely to change considering changes to home values and/or rents?

With the increasing demand for housing and the limited existing housing stock available as well as the rising cost of construction materials and labor, the value of existing housing continues to rise in both homeownership and the needs for rentals.

## How do HOME rents / Fair Market Rent compare to Area Median Rent? How might this impact your strategy to produce or preserve affordable housing?

Low-income renters are in generally greater need at approximately 32% of all renters with less than 30% of the Area Median Income having housing problems.

A minimum wage earner would have to work 54 hrs. per week, 52 weeks per year to afford a two bedroom unit renting at the Fair Market Rent of \$837/month.

Despite the dire need for increased affordable housing within Yakima, we are currently preserving affordable housing stock to the best of our ability with the Single Family Rehabilitation program through the Senior/Disabled Emergency home repair program and continue to work with local Community Housing Development Organizations to build more affordable housing as funding allows.

#### Discussion

The City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) continues to work with local qualified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) to construct multi-family housing

units, as well as continue to partner with Yakima Valley Habitat for Humanity to provide newly constructed single family homes for low to moderate income families.

ONDS continues to assist with preserving existing affordable housing using CDBG funds through the Single Family Rehabilitation program for Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair program.

# MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing – 91.210(a) Introduction

The City of Yakima takes housing conditions seriously. Since much of Yakima has older housing stock and a lot of that older housing is either used as rentals or is owned by older homeowners, the city of Yakima has made "Rehabilitation" a main priority through its office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS).

Due to limited funding, ONDS has focused its single family rehabilitation resources in assisting low to moderate income Senior and/or Disabled homeowners. The Office of Neighborhood Development Services has had the Senior/Disabled Home Repair Program/s for well over 30 years. These programs address all kinds of rehabilitation to qualified applicants to enable them to continue to live within their homes and not be displaced into a care facility, or become homeless.

Since rentals have landlords to care for and make needed repairs, the city focuses its housing programs mostly towards homeownership and homeownership programs. The philosophy being, there are Landlords that own and/or operate rentals, there are very limited agencies assisting Senior/Disabled with emergency and none emergency home repairs.

#### **Definitions**

The city of Yakima's definition for "substandard condition and not suitable for rehabilitation" is a dwelling unit/s in such por condition as to be neither structurally nor financially feasible for rehabilitation.

While the local definition for "substandard condition and suitable for rehabilitation" is a dwelling unit/s that do not meet standard conditions but are both financially and structurally feasible for rehabilitation. This does not include units that require only cosmetic work, correction of minor livability problems, or maintenance work.

#### **Condition of Units**

Condition of Units	Owner-	Occupied	Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
With one selected Condition	4,555	26%	7,120	47%
With two selected Conditions	335	2%	1,265	8%
With three selected Conditions	0	0%	35	0%
With four selected Conditions	0	0%	0	0%

Condition of Units	Owner-Occupied		Renter	-Occupied
	Number %		Number	%
No selected Conditions	12,955	73%	6,815	45%
Total	17,845	101%	15,235	100%

**Table 33 - Condition of Units** 

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

#### **Year Unit Built**

Year Unit Built	Owner-Occupied		Renter	-Occupied
	Number	%	Number	%
2000 or later	1,830	10%	1,700	11%
1980-1999	3,290	18%	3,525	23%
1950-1979	7,730	43%	6,450	42%
Before 1950	4,985	28%	3,565	23%
Total	17,835	99%	15,240	99%

Table 34 - Year Unit Built

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

#### **Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard**

Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
Total Number of Units Built Before 1980	12,715	71%	10,015	66%
Housing Units build before 1980 with children present	2,425	14%	745	5%

Table 35 - Risk of Lead-Based Paint

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Total Units) 2011-2015 CHAS (Units with Children present)

#### **Vacant Units**

	Suitable for Rehabilitation	Not Suitable for Rehabilitation	Total
Vacant Units	0	0	0
Abandoned Vacant Units	0	0	0
REO Properties	0	0	0
Abandoned REO Properties	0	0	0

**Table 36 - Vacant Units** 

Data Source: 2005-2009 CHAS

#### **Need for Owner and Rental Rehabilitation**

Due to the fact that over 70% of Yakima's housing stock is over 30 years old, a quarter or 25% of homeowners reported at least one "Condition" of need with their home, while almost half or 47% of the

renters reported one "Condition". (one selected condition being the definition of "Lacks complete kitchen facilities". While a second condition being the definition of "Lacks complete plumbing facilities", according to HUD)

Only 1% of homeowners reported a second condition or "Lacking complete plumbing facilities", while 5% of renters reported a second condition.

Although no homeowners reported a third selected condition of "More than one person per room", as HUDS Renter-Occupied statistics show, there were some renters that reported that condition present.

## Estimated Number of Housing Units Occupied by Low or Moderate Income Families with LBP Hazards

HUD statistic indicate there is potential for approximately 23,160 housing units in Yakima that are at risk of lead based paint hazards, while it's estimated that approximately one half or an estimated 11,580 housing units are likely to be occupied by low or moderate income families.

#### Discussion

The city of Yakima's office of Neighborhood Development Services continues to address deteriorated housing conditions and lead based paint hazards through it's Single Family Housing Programs. Qualified low to moderate Senior/Disabled Homeowners that qualify can seek assistance for a wide variety of home repairs, including "Emergency Repairs" that address immediate life safety issues such as; no heat, no power, no water, no sewer, leaking roofs. There is also the "Wheel Chair Ramp Program" that assists qualified applicants with the loan of a wheelchair ramp until such time as they no longer need the ramp. Then the ramp is removed and used at another qualified applicants location.

ONDS also has an "Exterior Paint Program" for qualified low to moderate income Senior/Disabled Homeowners and lead based paint is addressed according to HUD and Washington State Lead Based Paint regulations, as with all rehabilitation programs. (all ONDS programs are subject to change due to funding availability and program limitations).

## MA-25 Public and Assisted Housing – 91.210(b)

#### Introduction

The Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) offers affordable housing through a variety of programs;

- Housing for Families, which includes 150 units at scattered sites across Yakima, with rents based on family income, as well as Housing
  Choice Vouchers (a Section 8 Program) where families will receive rental assistance and can rent from any landlord that accepts Section
  8 youchers.
- **Housing for the Homeless**, which includes 75 units located throughout Yakima County specifically set aside for individuals and families that qualify as homeless.
- **Housing for Veterans,** which offers a section 8 Voucher Program specifically for Veterans who also qualify as homeless under the Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing Program (VASH).
- **Housing for Farmworkers,** YHA owns and manages 173 units throughout Yakima County which are set aside for farmworkers and their families, with reduced rents and rental assistance available.
- Housing for the Elderly, YHA owns and manages a 38-unit apartment building in Yakima for the elderly.
- **Housing for the Disabled,** YHA offers a Section 8 Voucher program specifically for Non-Elderly Disabled Individuals through the NED Voucher Program.

Other housing providers include;

The **Catholic Charities Housing Service (CCHS)**, a division of the Yakima Catholic Diocese which currently owns and manages 40 senior and 36 Farmworker units with approximately another 231 low-income family units.

The Yakima Valley Partners of Habitat for Humanity have Constructed 78 low-income homes within the City of Yakima averaging 3 a year in partnership with the Office of Neighborhood Development Services, and a total of 160 low-income homes county wide with three currently under construction.

The **Office of Industrialization Center of Washington (OIC)** have constructed approximately another 72 low to moderate income family units, averaging about 5 units a year with homeowner self-help and volunteer assistance.

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Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS)-assists in the development of opportunities for first-time homebuyers by providing technical assistance and/or partnering with non-profit agencies such as the Yakima Valley Partners of Habitat for Humanity and the Office of Industrialization Center (OIC) in the creation of new, affordable homes or the rehabilitation of existing houses.

ONDS also assists eligible homeowners in rehabilitation of their homes by providing inspections, reasonable designs, cost estimates, and detailed specifications for each project. In 2013, ONDS:

- served 100 low to moderate income Senior/Disabled Homeowners through the Senior/Disabled Emergency Repair Program,
- assisted 15 qualified Senior/Disabled homeowners through the Senior/Disabled Regular Repair Program,
- completed 26 exterior paint jobs through the Senior/Disabled Exterior Paint Program,
- organized 8,986 volunteers painting over graffiti, and
- cleaned up 137 illegal dump sites

#### **Totals Number of Units**

				Program Type					
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public	Vouchers					
			Housing	Total	Project -based	Tenant -based	Specia	al Purpose Vouch	er
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
# of units vouchers									
available	0	0	150	688	49	639	197	0	0
# of accessible units									

includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition:

Table 37 - Total Number of Units by Program Type

**Data Source:** PIC (PIH Information Center)

### Describe the supply of public housing developments:

Describe the number and physical condition of public housing units in the jurisdiction, including those that are participating in an approved Public Housing Agency Plan:

The City of Yakima has approximately 1035 public housing units in "Good to better" physical condition, with another 210 units listed in the "Fair

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to poor" condition.

#### **Public Housing Condition**

Public Housing Development	Average Inspection Score

**Table 38 - Public Housing Condition** 

#### Describe the restoration and revitalization needs of public housing units in the jurisdiction:

210 public housing units listed in the "Fair to Poor" condition are in need of restoration/revitalization.

Describe the public housing agency's strategy for improving the living environment of lowand moderate-income families residing in public housing:

Public Housing Agencies improve existing living units as funding allows in partnership with the City of Yakima when funding becomes available.

#### **Discussion:**

The City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services continues to partner with the Yakima Housing Authority and other public housing agencies as well as qualified Community Housing Development Organizations to address affordable housing rehabilitation of existing buildings as well as development and construction of new multi-family units.

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## MA-30 Homeless Facilities and Services – 91.210(c)

#### Introduction

There are several factors that contributed to the significant reduction in reported homeless community members from HMIS data in 2019:

- · A significant drop in transitional housing stays the night prior to the PIT Count was reported from HMIS for 2019 from 2018. This could be due to programs no longer serving those who are "literally homeless" or programs shutting down altogether. Survey data reflects a more consistent count however from the 2018 reported totals from HMIS.
- · Any emergency shelter and transitional housings stays reflected in survey data as being provided by agencies within the Yakama Nation are not included in HMIS as these agencies are not required to utilize HMIS for data entry.
- · Approximately 3.5 times more survey respondents indicated the prior night's stay was with family and friends in 2019 a significant increase from 2018. This is a positive sign for community members experiencing homeless who may otherwise be sleeping unsheltered, but because this classification is excluded from the HUD definition of homelessness, it is also excluded from the total reported by the WA Department of Commerce.

### **Facilities and Housing Targeted to Homeless Households**

	Emergency Shelter Beds		Transitional Housing Beds	Permanent Supportive Housing Beds	
	Year Round Beds (Current & New)	Voucher / Seasonal / Overflow Beds	Current & New	Current & New	Under Development
Households with Adult(s) and					
Child(ren)	42	22	80	144	120
Households with Only Adults	12	8	4	22	4
Chronically Homeless Households	8	3	4	0	0
Veterans	8	2	4	16	44
Unaccompanied Youth	4	4	0	0	0

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**Data Source Comments:** 

Describe mainstream services, such as health, mental health, and employment services to the extent those services are used to complement services targeted to homeless persons

There are currently approximately 41 organizations that offer a full range of services to the homeless in Yakima County. Services available include clothing and supplies, transportation assistance, mental health, employment and training, legal, medical and dental services. Examples of some specific services offered include:

- Salvation Army: Vision Care
- Northwest Justice Project: Legal Services
- Triumph Treatment Services: Chemical Dependency Treatment
- Yakima Interfaith Coalition- 107 house, a local walk-in service center for the homeless where people can get referrals, gas vouchers, bus tokens and hygiene packs.
- Yakima Neighborhood Health Services-Connections: Health and Dental Treatment

List and describe services and facilities that meet the needs of homeless persons, particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth. If the services and facilities are listed on screen SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure or screen MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services, describe how these facilities and services specifically address the needs of these populations.

## MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services – 91.210(d) Introduction

Certain Populations require special housing and services tailored to their specific conditions and problems including victims of domestic violence, people with development disabilities, the mentally ill, the elderly, and substance abusers.

There are over 45 different public, non-profit, and private agencies providing housing and housing services within Yakima of which at least 8 serve the mentally ill, 13 serve substance abusers and addictions, 1 serves persons with HIV/AIDS, 1 serves persons with suicidal risks, and 2 serve crisis pregnancies.

Including the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with alcohol or other drug addictions, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, public housing residents and any other categories the jurisdiction may specify, and describe their supportive housing needs

Supportive housing needs in Yakima include facilities specializing in long-term primary intensive inpatient treatment programs offering residents, treatment for chemical dependency, classes for Nicotine Cessation, Art Therapy Classes, Weekly Nursing visits, Phycologist appointments, and Early Learning though "Circle of Success" parenting classes. There is also a need within Yakima for health care needs, including mental health as well as physical and developmental assistance. Meals for the elderly and fairly elderly as well as supportive food goods through food banks are always in need for not only elderly but low and moderate income residents.

## Describe programs for ensuring that persons returning from mental and physical health institutions receive appropriate supportive housing

Discharge coordination in Yakima and Yakima County is handled through the CORE (Community-Oriented Re-Entry) program. Core is a team approach to re-entry and discharge planning with access to tenant-based housing assistance and mainstream services through the Yakima County Homeless Services Center.

Yakima County criminal justice, substance abuse and mental health systems have opened a Crisis Triage Center to coordinate services for people with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders who tend to cycle though the jail and the hospital emergency department. The Crisis Triage Center is staffed 24/7

to provide expedited assessment, stabilizing interventions, and access to services. CORE team members collaborate with Yakima County Homeless Services Center's rapid exit coordinator and housing specialist to provide housing solutions.

Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. 91.315(e)

The City of Yakima through its Office of Neighborhood Development Services, will continue to offer Landlord Tenant Counseling and promote Fair Housing and continue to educate both Landlords and Tenants about their rights within Washington State to rent and occupy affordable housing without discrimination. ONDS provides landlords and property management companies with information on Fair Housing and reasonable accommodations, as well as provide education to local agencies and staff that work with protected classes on what constitutes a violation of fair housing laws, and where to file a complaint.

ONDS will continue to encourage the involvement of banks and mortgage lending companies in furthering fair housing practices.

ONDS will also continue its Senior/Disabled Homeowner Rehabilitation Programs to enable both Senior and/or Disabled homeowners to stay in their homes. This program includes; the Emergency Repair Program, The Wheel Chair Ramp Program, Heat Assistance Program and Exterior Paint Program.

For entitlement/consortia grantees: Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. (91.220(2))

The City of Yakima will continue to support qualified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) with participation of HOME Investment funds as funding allows as well as continuing to offer Single Family Rehabilitation through the Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair Program for qualified low to moderate income applicants.

## MA-40 Barriers to Affordable Housing – 91.210(e)

#### Negative Effects of Public Policies on Affordable Housing and Residential Investment

The long decline of federal assistance through both CDBG and HOME Investment, as well as other declining HUD funded programs as a matter of Federal Policy has had the largest negative effect on both affordable housing and residential investment. The continued rise of assistance to foreign countries, and the decrease of assistance to our own Nation and the people within, is the entire nations "Negative Effect" to affordable housing and residential investment.

Not to mention HUD's increasing reporting and recording burdens that have so effectively bogged down the smaller jurisdictions that the cost of Administration far outweighs the actual benefit that is extended to the individuals that need it the most.

## MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets – 91.215 (f)

#### Introduction

Note that the following statistics are generated by HUD within the Consolidated Plan and therefore are affixed.

### **Economic Development Market Analysis**

## **Business Activity**

Business by Sector	Number of Workers	Number of Jobs	Share of Workers %	Share of Jobs %	Jobs less workers %
Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction	7,628	5,420	24	14	-10
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	3,340	4,349	11	12	1
Construction	1,259	1,077	4	3	-1
Education and Health Care Services	6,280	10,646	20	28	8
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	936	1,449	3	4	1
Information	406	568	1	2	1
Manufacturing	3,080	3,675	10	10	0
Other Services	820	1,206	3	3	0
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	1,221	1,430	4	4	0
Public Administration	10	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	3,803	5,287	12	14	2
Transportation and Warehousing	966	694	3	2	-1
Wholesale Trade	1,771	1,790	6	5	-1
Total	31,520	37,591			

**Table 40 - Business Activity** 

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

#### **Labor Force**

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	43,220
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and	
over	38,680
Unemployment Rate	10.50
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	34.05
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	6.01

**Table 41 - Labor Force** 

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Occupations by Sector	Number of People
Management, business and financial	5,750
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	2,735
Service	4,000
Sales and office	8,185
Construction, extraction, maintenance and	
repair	6,620
Production, transportation and material	
moving	3,165

Table 42 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

### **Travel Time**

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	30,940	85%
30-59 Minutes	4,585	13%
60 or More Minutes	1,050	3%
Total	36,575	100%

**Table 43 - Travel Time** 

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

### **Education:**

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	Not in Labor
			Force
Less than high school graduate	7,805	810	3,945

<b>Educational Attainment</b>	In Labo		
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	Not in Labor Force
High school graduate (includes			
equivalency)	7,850	735	2,940
Some college or Associate's degree	9,510	990	2,925
Bachelor's degree or higher	5,925	155	1,160

**Table 44 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status** 

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

### Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18-24 yrs	25-34 yrs	35-44 yrs	45-65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	395	1,470	2,065	3,400	1,765
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	2,510	2,060	1,695	1,880	1,090
High school graduate, GED, or					
alternative	3,540	4,510	2,510	4,530	3,690
Some college, no degree	2,640	2,305	1,740	4,915	3,270
Associate's degree	535	1,285	905	2,270	555
Bachelor's degree	295	1,405	945	1,870	1,435
Graduate or professional degree	40	650	840	1,545	1,160

Table 45 - Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

## Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	19,476
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	22,491
Some college or Associate's degree	30,847
Bachelor's degree	42,329
Graduate or professional degree	59,625

Table 46 - Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

## Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

Agriculture continues to be the leader in employment in the Yakima area, with Education and Healthcare being a close second. Retail trade and then Arts, Entertainment and Accommodations accounting for the third and fourth largest employment sectors within Yakima.

#### Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:

An educated workforce need continues to grow within the city of Yakima as businesses continue to grow and rely upon technical field growth. Infrastructure within the City of Yakima is keeping up with growth demand, but is continually changing to fit new businesses and their technical needs.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

With both Yakima Valley College and nearby Heritage College the continued educational opportunities for higher learning are keeping up with local needs, thereby supporting the educational needs of the local businesses and employment opportunities within the jurisdiction.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

Currently there are no defined current workforce training initiatives offered within the city of Yakima.,

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?

No

If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

### Discussion

### **MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion**

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

For definition of "Concentration" for households having over 50% multiple housing problems.

As reported through the HUD CPD-Census -Grantee jurisdiction map on January 9 2015 for extremely low income and low income with housing problems;

Census tracts, 02,03,05,10,11,12,14 and 15

## Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

As reported through HUD CPD Maps "Hispanic Origin" (the definition of concentration as reference to these statistics is greater than 61.38%)

Census tracts 02,06 and 15 showed concentration of "Hispanic Origin" over 61.38%

#### What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

As defined in HUD CPD Maps Rental Housing Built before 1980 on January 9,2015 showed in census tracts 02,05,06,10,11,12,14 and 15 over 50.94-76.36% of the housing was rental and constructed before 1980.

Also shown in tract 15 over 62.15% of Rental Housing was built before 1949, while census tract 02,03,06,15 - block groups .4 and .5 showed over 62.69% Renter Occupied Housing.

#### Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

Census tract 02; Yakima Police Athletic League, Miller Park, Barge Lincoln School.

Census tract 06; Elks Memorial Park, Roosevelt School and Miller Park.

Census tract 15; South East Community Center, South East Food Bank, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Kiwanis Park/Skate Park/Ball Fields, Martin Luther King Jr. School.

#### Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

The Yakima County Fair Grounds is located within Census tract 15, as are several small grocery and convenience stores, as well as the Yakima Speedway.

The future development of the old Mill site is located in Census tract 02 as are many local businesses along North 1st Street.

# MA-60 Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income Households - 91.210(a)(4), 91.310(a)(2)

Describe the need for broadband wiring and connections for households, including low- and moderate-income households and neighborhoods.

As the need for broadband wiring and connection increases the demand will drive the need for expansion and thus create the opportunity for expanse through private market expansion.

Describe the need for increased competition by having more than one broadband Internet service provider serve the jurisdiction.

Philosophically the need for competition is what keeps the cost competitive, but theoretically the demand also effects the supply and cost and not necessarily the availability of more providers.

## MA-65 Hazard Mitigation - 91.210(a)(5), 91.310(a)(3)

#### Describe the jurisdiction's increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

The answer to this question is expansively broad and subject to opinion. The City of Yakima lies within an arid region and is therefore subject to increased summer heat, winter winds and decreased snowfall and periods of dry winters.

As in May of 1981 with Mt. Saint Helen, Volcano eruptions, early spring warm weather with large snow pack levels and large water level snow run-offs all may present natural hazards if attributed to climate change.

Describe the vulnerability to these risks of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households based on an analysis of data, findings, and methods.

Its ludicrous to think that climate change will have any higher risks to housing occupied by low and moderate income households than any other income bracket or household.

## **Strategic Plan**

#### **SP-05 Overview**

#### **Strategic Plan Overview**

Due every three, four, or five years, (length of period is at the grantee's discretion)

HUD does not accept plans between August 15 and November 15.

The Strategic Plan's mission is to propose measurable goals for actions that will address issues set by HUD requirements for the use of CDBG and HOME funding.

These goals include projects that service homeless and low-income populations, address fair housing and lead-based paint issues, overcome institutional barriers to the production and preservation of affordable housing, and foster economic development and neighborhood revitalization. Yakima coordinated with the Yakima Housing Authority, Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity, Office of Industrialization Center (OIC), Catholic Charities Housing Services (CCHS) and numerous other public, non-profit, and private agencies on housing and human service goals.

## SP-10 Geographic Priorities – 91.215 (a)(1)

#### **Geographic Area**

**Table 47 - Geographic Priority Areas** 

#### **General Allocation Priorities**

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the jurisdiction (or within the EMSA for HOPWA)

Both Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment funds are used City Wide, with no Geographic limitations or defined target area.

CDBG is dispersed through application based programs that assist qualified citizen's city wide, or to assist qualified, eligible activities that meet HUD National Objectives as directed by the Yakima City Council.

HOME Investment funds are used to develop affordable housing within the city limits of Yakima where and when possible concerning the availability of vacant land to develop or existing housing developments that require rehabilitation and their subsequent locations.

## SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.215(a)(2)

## **Priority Needs**

Table 48 - Priority Needs Summary

1	<b>Priority Need Name</b>	Housing priority needs
	<b>Priority Level</b>	High
	Population	Extremely Low
		Low
		Moderate
		Large Families
		Families with Children
		Elderly
		Public Housing Residents
		Chronic Homelessness
		Individuals
		Families with Children
		Mentally III
		Chronic Substance Abuse
		veterans
		Persons with HIV/AIDS
		Victims of Domestic Violence
		Elderly
		Frail Elderly
		Persons with Mental Disabilities
		Persons with Physical Disabilities
		Persons with Developmental Disabilities
		Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions
		Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families
		Victims of Domestic Violence
		Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	
	Associated Goals	Single Family Rehabilitation Program
		First Time Homeownership Program
		Community Housing Development Organization
		New Construction
		Administrative HOME Investment costs
		Community Development Block Grant Administration

Basis for Relative	These are the groups determined to be best served by the services
Priority	provided by the affordable housing agencies consulted.

#### Narrative (Optional)

The City of Yakima strives to assist its citizens with safe, affordable housing by prioritizing retention of low to moderate income Elderly and/or Disabled homeowners at risk of becoming displaced from their homes due to deteriorated conditions as its first objective. Office of Neighborhood Development Services addresses the Emergency Repair needs of this class of homeowners through its Emergency Senior/Disabled Home Repair program, as well as the Senior/Disabled Wheelchair ramp program. These essential programs are funded through Community Block Grant funds and are instrumental in keeping elderly, frail, and disabled homeowners in their own homes, thus preventing their displacement for lack of safe conditions.

## SP-30 Influence of Market Conditions – 91.215 (b)

#### **Influence of Market Conditions**

Affordable	Market Characteristics that will influence
Housing Type	the use of funds available for housing type
Tenant Based	Due to the limited Federal Budget provided to the City of Yakima, Tenant Based
Rental Assistance	Rental Assistance is left to the ability of other organizations, such as the Yakima
(TBRA)	Housing Authority and other agencies.
TBRA for Non-	See the above Tenant Based Rental Assistance statement.
Homeless Special	
Needs	
New Unit	The City of Yakima's ONDS will continue to assist certified Community Housing
Production	Development Organizations as needed with new unit development on a project
	by project basis. New Unit production will be severely impacted due to the
	recent HUD regulations adopted in the New 2013 HOME regulations and
	secondly by the availability of home market loans available to first time
	homebuyers within Yakima, less Housing Trust Funds and tighter restrictions on
	Tax Credits awarded to individual projects.
Rehabilitation	The City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services will continue
	to support Senior/Disabled homeowners through rehabilitation programs due
	to the lack of other support for these homeowners in need through other
	means. ONDS also continues to explore using HOME Investment funds in
	partnership with existing affordable housing developers/owners in
	rehabilitating existing affordable housing projects in order to maintain existing
	affordable housing stock within the city limits of Yakima.
Acquisition,	Due to the limited Federal funds and the prioritization of assisting Elderly
including	and/or Disabled homeowners as well as first time homebuyers with new energy
preservation	efficient housing, acquisition including preservation is not available unless
	under special circumstances and after careful consideration and approval by
	Yakima City Council.

**Table 49 – Influence of Market Conditions** 

### SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

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## **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds			Expected	Narrative Description		
	of Funds		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	
			Allocation:	Income:	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Remainder of ConPlan	
							\$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						These amounts are 2020 allocation
	federal	Admin and						amounts and estimated Program
		Planning						Income amounts
		Economic						
		Development						
		Housing						
		Public						
		Improvements						
		Public Services	1,023,711	67,800	1,043,637	2,135,148	0	
HOME	public -	Acquisition						These amounts are 2020 allocation
	federal	Homebuyer						amounts and estimated Program
		assistance						Income amounts
		Homeowner						
		rehab						
		Multifamily						
		rental new						
		construction						
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		New construction						
		for ownership						
		TBRA	507,466	71,550	2,345,118	2,924,134	0	

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	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
Other	public - federal							These are emergency relief funds through the CARES act that was awarded due to the covid pandemic.
		Economic Development	602,216	0	0	602,216	0	The City will utilize these fund to assist microenterprise businesses.

**Table 50 - Anticipated Resources** 

# Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City of Yakima leverages its federal HUD funding through a vast partnership with many Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) as well as through many volunteer agencies, Youth Build Organizations and Faith Based Organizations. This partnership participation helps the city of Yakima meets its Federal Match requirements.

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

Currently there is no publically owned land or property under consideration for use that isn't already addressed in other parts of the plan.

#### Discussion

## SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
CITY OF YAKIMA	Government	Economic	Jurisdiction
		Development	
		Homelessness	
		Non-homeless special	
		needs	
		Ownership	
		Planning	
		Rental	
		neighborhood	
		improvements	
		public facilities	
		public services	
Aging & Long Term	Non-profit	public services	Jurisdiction
Care	organizations		
American Red Cross	Non-profit	public services	Nation
	organizations		
Catholic Charities	Community/Faith-	Ownership	State
Housing Services	based organization	Rental	
LA CASA HOGAR	Non-profit	neighborhood	Jurisdiction
	organizations	improvements	
		public services	
NEXT STEP HOUSING	Developer	Homelessness	State
		Rental	
OIC OF WASHINGTON	Non-profit	public facilities	State
	organizations	public services	
SOUTH CENTRAL	Departments and	Economic	State
WORKFORCE COUNCIL	agencies	Development	

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity	Role	Geographic Area
	Туре		Served
Yakima County	Government	Economic	Jurisdiction
Department of Human		Development	
Services		Homelessness	
		Non-homeless special	
		needs	
		Planning	
		neighborhood	
		improvements	
		public facilities	
		public services	
Continuum of Care	Departments and	Homelessness	State
Homeless Network of	agencies		
Yakima County			
YAKIMA INTERFAITH	Non-profit	neighborhood	Jurisdiction
COALITION	organizations	improvements	
YAKIMA VALLEY	CHDO	Ownership	Nation
PARTNERS HABITAT			
FOR HUMANITY			
Yakima Housing	PHA	Public Housing	Jurisdiction
Authority			
RURAL COMMUNITY	Private Industry	Economic	Jurisdiction
DEVELOPMENT		Development	
RESOURCES (RCDR)			

**Table 51 - Institutional Delivery Structure** 

#### Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

The City of Yakima takes its responsibility to its citizens very seriously and therefore administers its programs to the best of its ability in direction and partnership with all agencies and departments within its means. The City recognizes that even as a government entity it needs to be able to access and draw on the experience and technical availability of the multitude of organizations within Yakima as well as consultants and other agencies outside Yakima to deliver assistance to its citizens to the fullest extent of it's ability.

Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Services	Homelessness Prevent		WICHTHV
Counseling/Advocacy	X	X	X
Legal Assistance	Х	X	
Mortgage Assistance	Х		
Rental Assistance	Х		X
Utilities Assistance	X		X
	Street Outreach S	ervices	
Law Enforcement	Χ	Х	X
Mobile Clinics			
Other Street Outreach Services	Χ	Х	Х
	Supportive Serv	vices	<b>-</b>
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	X	Х	X
Child Care	Х	Х	X
Education	X	Х	X
Employment and Employment			
Training	X	X	X
Healthcare	Х	Х	Х
HIV/AIDS	Х	Х	X
Life Skills	Х	Х	Х
Mental Health Counseling	Х	Х	X
Transportation	Х	Х	X
	Other		•

**Table 52 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary** 

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)

The Balance of Washington State Continuum of Care, guides the Continuum of Care Strategic Planning Committee (representing approximately 40 public, non-profit, and private agencies, housing developers, school districts, businesses, and religious institutions). These agencies are available to persons with HIV and the homeless, chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families and unaccompanied youth, within the jurisdiction by a wide variety of means. Walk-ins are welcome at many of the institutions as well as scheduled appointment, by telephone or internet.

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above

The strengths of the service delivery system available for special needs population and persons including but not limited to the housing services and programs within the city of Yakima are as follows;

- Cooperation and working relationships among institutions
- Knowledge of the development process
- Access to the programs
- Well organized human service delivery

Gaps or weaknesses of services may include;

- Limited resources available to agencies to increase affordable housing and housing related services.
- Competition for limited funds among human services agencies
- Sufficient resources and scaled back services

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs

## **SP-45 Goals Summary – 91.215(a)(4)**

## **Goals Summary Information**

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Single Family	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated:
	Rehabilitation Program			Housing		priority	\$629,763	80 Household Housing Unit
						needs		
2	First Time	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	HOME:	Homeowner Housing Added:
	Homeownership			Housing		priority	\$10,000	1 Household Housing Unit
	Program					needs		
3	Community Housing	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	HOME:	Homeowner Housing Added:
	Development			Housing		priority	\$97,324	2 Household Housing Unit
	Organization					needs		
4	New Construction	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	HOME:	Rental units constructed:
				Housing		priority	\$326,621	3 Household Housing Unit
						needs		
5	Administrative HOME	2020	2024	HOME Investment		Housing	HOME:	Other:
	Investment costs			Administrative		priority	\$48,216	1 Other
				costs		needs		
6	Public Service	2020	2024	Non-Housing			CDBG:	Public service activities other than
				Community			\$121,000	Low/Moderate Income Housing
				Development				Benefit:
								3500 Persons Assisted
7	Public Facilities and	2020	2024	Non-Housing			CDBG: \$0	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Infrastructure			Community				Activities other than Low/Moderate
				Development				Income Housing Benefit:
								0 Persons Assisted

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area	Addressed		
8	Code Compliance	2020	2024	Non-Housing			CDBG:	Housing Code
				Community			\$75,082	Enforcement/Foreclosed Property
				Development				Care:
								100 Household Housing Unit
9	Economic	2020	2024	Economic			CDBG: \$0	Businesses assisted:
	Development			Development				0 Businesses Assisted
10	Community	2020	2024	Non-Housing		Housing	CDBG:	Other:
	Development Block			Community		priority	\$206,461	1 Other
	Grant Administration			Development		needs		
11	CDBG-CV "Cares Act"	2020	2021	economic			CDBG-CV:	Businesses assisted:
				development			\$602,216	40 Businesses Assisted

Table 53 – Goals Summary

## **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Single Family Rehabilitation Program
	Goal Description	The Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair Program assists qualified low to moderate income Senior and/or Disabled Homeowners with Emergency Repair in order to help them stay in their homes. This program also contains the Emergency Wheel Chair Ramp Program, the Exterior Paint Program, and the Senior/Disabled Regular Home Repair Program as funding allows.
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	First Time Homeownership Program
	Goal Description	Assisting qualified First Time Homeowners with mortgage assistance for up to \$10,000, to include soft second mortgages or down payment assistance as funding allows.

3	Goal Name	Community Housing Development Organization
	Goal Description	Assisting a certified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) develop affordable housing for qualified First Time Homeowners.  (HUD requirements designate a minimum of 15% of HOME Investment entitlement participation)
4	Goal Name	New Construction
	Goal Description	ONDS uses HOME Investment funds for New Construction to provide for new construction projects, such as single family dwellings for First time Homeowners or through assisting CHDO's to construct new affordable housing units or single family dwellings.
		This funding line is also available to assist with rehabilitation of existing single family units or multifamily units that serve qualified low to moderate income individuals through special projects that meet the HOME regulations and are approved by the Yakima city council.
		These funds may also be used to demolish or remove substandard buildings to allow for the replacement and/or construction of new housing units to provide affordable housing for qualified low to moderate income applicants.
5	Goal Name	Administrative HOME Investment costs
	Goal Description	This category provides the direct allowable Administrative cost associated with the HOME Investment program to be paid for through the HOME Investment administrative budget line to the maximum of 10% of the year's total entitlement allocation.

6	Goal Name	Public Service
	Goal Description	<span style="color: black;"><font face="Calibri" size="3">This program category can provide for a broad range of community-based services to LMI clients, but the category is restricted to a maximum of 15% of the total CDBG budget each year. Currently there is one agency under contract to receive funds for such services: OIC of Washington is under contract to provide programs out of the SE Community Center and another Community Center contract under review.</font></span> <span style="color: black;"><font face="Calibri" size="3">&lt;<span style="color: black; line-height: 115%; font-family: 'Calibri', Sans-serif; font-size: 11pt; mso-bidi-font-family: 'Times New Roman'; mso-fareast-font-family: Calibri; mso-fareast-language: EN-US; mso-ansi-language: EN-US; mso-bidi-language: AR-SA;"> We also expect requests from qualified low/moderate income Senior/Disabled Homeowners for emergency heating assistance which may also be supplied through this program as funding allows.</span></font></span>
7	Goal Name	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Goal Description	One of the many functions of the Community Development Block Grant program is to assist with the costs of "Bricks and Mortar" projects such as public facilitates/infrastructure. An essential part of the City of Yakima's infrastructure is public buildings that provide services to residents of its LMI neighborhoods. Two such facilities, the SE Community Center and the Miller Park Activity Center, are more than 30 years old and major portions of these facilities are worn out and need to be replaced. Although no specific funds have been set-aside for substantial renovation work at these and/or other eligible public facilities at this time, these facilities and/or infrastructure projects may be funded as needed.  Infrastructure assists with water, sewer, streets, curbs gutters and sidewalks that provide services to LMI neighborhoods, unfortunately due to recent budget reductions there are no specific projects budgeted within the coming year, but the City of Yakima reserves the right to approve and allocate Infrastructure funding to qualified projects on an individual basis. These projects would be defined and budgeted within specific Annual Action Plan years as needed.

8	Goal Name	Code Compliance
	Goal Description	The City of Yakima continues its investment of CDBG funds as an eligible activity to assist the community with Code Compliance. Based on the concept of the "Broken Window Theory", the result has been very effective. This enforcement effort, funded with CDBG dollars, is backed up with assistance for eligible LMI homeowners through eligible repair program/s, non-federal funds, volunteers and non-profit agencies.
9	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	ONDS currently has no funds allocated for Economic Development within the City Limits of Yakima for the 2020 year, but to include new financial assistance for job creation and retention as per HUD eligible activities such as float loan/s, micro enterprise assistance, or other approved eligible activities as approved by the Yakima City Counsel.
10	Goal Name	Community Development Block Grant Administration
	Goal Description	CDBG Administration is the "Staff and Stuff" it takes to administer the programs funded by Community Development Block Grant funds. This includes staffing, building operation, vehicles, fuel, and other soft costs involved in the operation and administration of CDBG eligible activities.
11	Goal Name	CDBG-CV "Cares Act"
	Goal Description	As per HUD direction through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), such funds are to be used to "Prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.
		The City of Yakima is working through a qualified subrecipient to assist local microenterprise businesses that have been financially impacted due to the Coronavirus Pandemic in assisting these qualified local businesses located within the City limits of Yakima.

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 91.315(b)(2)

The City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services estimates it will provide assist the following with affordable housing within the first year (2020) of the five year Consolidated Plan

- 20 extremely low-income
- 30 low-income
- 55 moderate-income

### SP-50 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement – 91.215(c)

Need to Increase the Number of Accessible Units (if Required by a Section 504 Voluntary Compliance Agreement)

The Yakima Housing Authority has a waiting list for Section 8 voucher housing of approximately 450 applicants, 350 have indicated extremely low income and 61 have indicated very low income.

This is a self-realized need and not "Required by Section 504 Voluntary Compliance Agreement.

#### **Activities to Increase Resident Involvements**

The Yakima Housing Authority encourages resident involvement with programs like the Resident Advisory Board (RAB). The RAB provides the YHA and the residents with a forum for sharing information about the Agency's Annual Plan. RAB membership is comprised of individuals who reflect and represent the residents assisted by the PHA. The role of the RAB is to assist the PHA in developing the PHA Plan and making any significant amendment or modification to the Plan. In addition, Yakima Housing Authority is an active participant in crime free rental housing which allows our residents to be a part of the local block watch and YHA participates every year, inviting residents and local organizations, in the National Night Out.

The YHA also participates in the Yakima County Asset Building coalition and they are establishing a partnership with YV-CAN for the Union Gap and Yakima area. YHA is also in the process of collaborating with the AmeriCorps VISTA Education Project with the goal of every eligible resident signing up for the college bound scholarship.

YHA is administering the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program. This program enables families assisted through HCV program to increase their earned income and reduce their dependency on welfare assistance and rental subsidies.

Is the public housing agency designated as troubled under 24 CFR part 902?

No

#### Plan to remove the 'troubled' designation

The Yakima Housing Authority has "NO Troubled" designation.

#### SP-55 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.215(h)

#### **Barriers to Affordable Housing**

The long decline of federal assistance through both CDBG and HOME Investment, as well as other declining HUD funded programs as a matter of Federal Policy has had the largest negative effect on both affordable housing and residential investment. The continued rise of assistance to foreign countries, and the decrease of assistance to our own Nation and the people within, is the entire nations "Negative Effect" to affordable housing and residential investment.

Not to mention HUD's increasing reporting and recording burdens that have so effectively bogged down the smaller jurisdictions that the cost of Administration far outweighs the actual benefit that is extended to the individuals that need it the most.

#### Strategy to Remove or Ameliorate the Barriers to Affordable Housing

Yakima continues to seek available Federal, State and private funding, as well as continue to build partnerships within our community to enable affordable housing within our jurisdiction. Yakima strives to stimulate our local economy, revitalize target areas through ONDS rehabilitation programs to improve living conditions for low to moderate income homeowners.

### SP-60 Homelessness Strategy – 91.215(d)

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

The City of Yakima's strategic plan goals include contributing to the Yakima County Continuum of Care Plan as a city policy. The plan outlines the continuum of programs and services required to move a family or individual from homelessness to independent living and self-sufficiency. The Continuum of Care Plan guides the ONDS's use of resources to reduce the number of homeless households by keeping as many Senior/Disabled homeowner as possible from becoming displaced through Emergency Rehabilitation Assistance. The first priority of the Continuum of Care is to maintain existing resources that serve the needs of the homeless within the community, while the City of Yakima continues to concentrate of keeping it's Elderly, Frail Elderly and Disabled homeowners within their homes and from becoming homeless and adding to the Continuum of Care's burden in assisting the Homeless.

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

The City of Yakima continues to work with Yakima Continuum of Care in addressing emergency shelters and transitional housing needs of homeless persons with technical assistance through its Planning department, Codes Department and Office of Neighborhood Development Services.

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.

As called for in Washington State's 10 year plan, the City of Yakima continues to shift focus from emergency response strategies to prevention and long term housing. The approach which affects all homeless subpopulations increases efficiencies of the existing homeless housing infrastructure which consists of low-rent housing, transitional housing and emergency shelter. The approach saves money by diverting some individuals away from high-cost institutional facilities. The new institutional structure commits the community to homeless prevention, rapid re-housing, institution discharge planning and supportive services.

Help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families who are likely to become homeless after being discharged from a publicly funded institution or system of care, or who are receiving assistance from public and private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education or youth needs

Discharge coordination in Yakima and Yakima County is handled through the CORE (Community-Oriented Re-Entry) program. CORE is a team approach to re-entry and discharge planning with access to tenant-based housing assistance and mainstream services throughout the Yakima County Homeless Service Center.

Yakima County criminal justice, substance abuse and mental health systems have a Crisis Triage Center to coordinate services for people with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders who tend to cycle through the jail and the hospital emergency department. The CORE team members collaborate with Yakima County Homeless Services Center's rapid exit coordinator and housing specialist to provide housing solutions.

#### SP-65 Lead based paint Hazards – 91.215(i)

#### Actions to address LBP hazards and increase access to housing without LBP hazards

The city of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services addresses Lead Based Paint (LBP) as per the Washington State Lead Based Paint Regulations in all programs involving disturbing of painted surfaces. Furthermore, ONDS distributes LBP pamphlets and brochures to all its applicants for rehabilitation activities.

ONDS continues to "Assume" all paint is a LBP hazard and treats every painted surface in accordance with Washington State Lead Based Paint Regulations.

ONDS has both Certified Supervisors and Workers as well as only contracts to certified LBP contractors, sub-contractors and specialty contractors in accordance with Washington State Lead Based Paint Regulations.

#### How are the actions listed above related to the extent of lead poisoning and hazards?

In following Washington State Lead Based Paint Regulations and treating every painted surface accordingly, the existence of lead poisoning or exposure to LBP hazards is significantly reduced if not completely eliminated for any rehabilitation activity involving the disturbance of painted surfaces.

#### How are the actions listed above integrated into housing policies and procedures?

All rehabilitation programs observe the "Assumption" that painted surfaces are LBP and are treated in accordance with the Washington State Lead Based Paint regulations, concerning both containment and clearance of individual project locations.

Every individual project file involving rehabilitation of existing painted surfaces contains detailed information as to the work done, the actions involving assumed LBP surfaces as well as clearance procedures taken in accordance with Washington State Lead Based Paint Regulations and HUD regulations.

### SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy – 91.215(j)

#### Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families

The City of Yakima understands employment that offers a living wage helps ensure that families can afford the necessities of life. If all citizens earned livable wages, could afford adequate housing, and had access to health care, their other basic needs would be easier to fulfill. Yakima will most likely continue to fund these economic development activities with general funds, or other locally generated funds or with state or federal grants for specific projects, due to the ever increasing dwindling federal funds such as CDBG.

Yakima continues to participate through collaboration of local public and private agencies in the development of a unified vision of area economic development in order to guide and/or coordinate local actions that promote or expand living-wage job opportunities. Continue to initiate action for the current Yakima Comprehensive Plan that refer to economic development as well as assist in financing improvements to create the physical infrastructure necessary to attract companies that pay living wage salaries.

# How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan

The goals and strategies contained in the Consolidated Plan for CDBG and HOME funding for housing and human services most often directly address these poverty issues. Yakima funding (CDBG and general fund) for the human service programs for transitional living, services for mentally ill, domestic violence, health and dental programs, food distribution, job training and affordable child care and the CDBG and HOME funding for permanent and transitional housing development, and housing rehabilitation all support the goals and strategies of reducing poverty.

#### **SP-80 Monitoring – 91.230**

Describe the standards and procedures that the jurisdiction will use to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and will use to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements

Yakima's CDBG program and HOME program are both audited by HUD and the Washington State under the Single Audit Act on an as-needed basis based on risk assessments. The audit verifies that Yakima meets all statutory requirements and that information reported is correct and complete.

ONDS is responsible for monitoring CDBG and HOME program sub-recipients. ONDS monitors sub-recipients on-site every 2 years or as needed (based on a risk analysis) in order to ensure all regulatory requirements are met and that the information reported is complete and accurate. Sub-recipients are also monitored quarterly from written reports submitted by the sub-recipient to Yakima to ensure consistency with CDBG and HOME program regulations. Monitoring consists of both on and off-site reviews. In addition, ONDS may also contract private firms to do monitoring of contracts and projects funded by CDBG, HOME, and General Funds.

Yakima is only required to monitor projects and programs it funds from money received directly from HUD. Grants or loans awarded directly to other entities by HUD or other Federal or Non-Federal agencies are typically not monitored by ONDS.

## **Expected Resources**

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

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		assistance						Income amounts
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		rehab						
		Multifamily						
		rental new						
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		Multifamily						
		rental rehab						
		New construction						
		for ownership						
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Other	public -	Economic						These are emergency relief funds
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								awarded due to the covid pandemic.
								The City will utilize these fund to
			602,216	0	0	602,216	0	assist microenterprise businesses.

**Table 54 - Expected Resources - Priority Table** 

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City of Yakima leverages its federal HUD funding through a vast partnership with many Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) as well as through many volunteer agencies, Youth Build Organizations and Faith Based Organizations. This partnership participation

helps the city of Yakima meets its Federal Match requirements.

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

Currently there is no publically owned land or property under consideration for use that isn't already addressed in other parts of the plan.

Discussion

# **Annual Goals and Objectives**

## **AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives**

## **Goals Summary Information**

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area	Addressed		
1	Single Family	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated:
	Rehabilitation Program			Housing		priority	\$592,887	80 Household Housing Unit
						needs		
2	Community	2020	2024	Non-Housing		Housing	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	Development Block			Community		priority	\$204,742	
	Grant Administration			Development		needs		
3	Public Service	2020	2024	Non-Housing			CDBG:	Public service activities other than
				Community			\$151,000	Low/Moderate Income Housing
				Development				Benefit: 5000 Persons Assisted
4	Code Compliance	2020	2024	Non-Housing		Housing	CDBG:	Housing Code
				Community		priority	\$75,082	Enforcement/Foreclosed Property
				Development		needs		Care: 200 Household Housing Unit
5	Administrative HOME	2020	2024	HOME Investment		Housing	HOME:	Other: 1 Other
	Investment costs			Administrative		priority	\$48,216	
				costs		needs		
6	First Time	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	HOME:	Direct Financial Assistance to
	Homeownership			Housing		priority	\$10,000	Homebuyers: 1 Households Assisted
	Program					needs		

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	Community Housing	2020	2024	Affordable			HOME:	Homeowner Housing Added: 2
	Development			Housing			\$97,324	Household Housing Unit
	Organization							
8	New Construction	2020	2024	Affordable		Housing	HOME:	Homeowner Housing Added: 2
				Housing		priority	\$326,621	Household Housing Unit
						needs		
9	CDBG-CV "Cares Act"	2020	2021	economic			CDBG-CV:	Businesses assisted: 40 Businesses
				development			\$602,216	Assisted

Table 55 – Goals Summary

## **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Single Family Rehabilitation Program
	Goal Description	The Single Family Rehabilitation Program includes the Senior/Disabled Emergency Home repair program, the Senior/Disabled wheel chair ramp program, and Senior/Disabled Exterior Paint program.
		These programs help qualified low to moderate income, Senior and/or Disabled age 55 or older or qualified Disabled by Social Security guidelines within the City limits of Yakima.
2	Goal Name	Community Development Block Grant Administration
	Goal Description	This is the 20% of the CDBG yearly entitlement that is allowed by HUD regulations to be used in the direct Administration cost associated with the Office of Neighborhood Development in administering the funds as allocated to the City of Yakima by HUD.

3	Goal Name	Public Service
	Goal Description	Public Services provides for programs through public facilities and a Senior/Disabled emergency energy assistance program.
		The Henry Beauchamp Community Center located at 1211 S. 7th Street.
		(currently named YPAL) Community Center located in North East Yakima.
4	Goal Name	Code Compliance
	Goal Description	This program pays the salary of a Code Compliance officer to deal with Code Compliance issues through the City of Yakima Code Department in dealing with code compliance infractions within specified low to moderate income census tracts and block groups.
5	Goal Name	Administrative HOME Investment costs
	Goal Description	This program allows for 10% of the HOME Investment yearly entitlement to be used for Administration of the HOME program as allocated to the City of Yakima by HUD.
6	Goal Name	First Time Homeownership Program
	Goal Description	This program assists First Time Homeowners in purchasing a single family dwelling in partnership with a qualified Community Housing Development Organization located within the city limits of Yakima.
7	Goal Name	Community Housing Development Organization
	Goal Description	This program is required by HUD to set aside 15% of the 2019 HOME Investment entitlement to be used in supportive housing in conjunction with a qualified Community Housing Development Organization to supply affordable housing within the City limits of Yakima.

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8	Goal Name New Construction	
	Goal Description	This program develops new housing units through the construction of Single Family housing sold to qualified low to moderate income first time homebuyers and/or through the development and construction of new multi-family rental units to be rented to qualified low to moderate income applicants within the city of Yakima. This program is in conjunction with qualified Community Development Housing Organizations (CHDO).
9 Goal Name CDBG-CV "Cares Act"		CDBG-CV "Cares Act"
	Goal Description	As per HUD direction through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), such funds are to be used to "Prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.
		The City of Yakima is working through a qualified subrecipient to assist local microenterprise businesses that have been financially impacted due to the Coronavirus Pandemic in assisting these qualified local businesses located within the City limits of Yakima.

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# **Projects**

## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

The City of Yakima does its best to allocate funding for eligible activities, meeting national objectives through individual programs to assist the citizens of Yakima with specific projects to meet a wide variety of needs.

Many of the specific locations are to be determined throughout the year as need arises through the Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair program.

Also in partnership with many HOME Investment projects the specific addresses are unavailable until the design and layout of the site has gone through the planning and zoning process prior to site preparation. Many of the HOME Investment projects take years of development through many types of funding grant rounds to include state and local funding, environmental reviews, planning and zoning reviews before a specific address can be allocated.

Also be aware that many of the program numbers served are listed here as an "Approximate number" due to the ever changing nature of many of the development criteria as listed above. These numbers are subject to change depending upon the need, cost associated with the development as it goes through the many reviews, as well as the subject of the development and construction costs that can rise due to inflation over a long development and construction period.

#### **Projects**

#	Project Name
1	P4: CDBG:SEN/DISABLED S/F REHAB PROG-2020
2	P10: CDBG ADMINISTRATION 2020
3	P9: CDBG PUBLIC/COMMUNITY SERVICE PROG-2020
4	P13:HOME ADMINISTATION 2020
5	P14: CHDO PROGRAM 2020
6	P18: HOME: NEW/REHABILITATED HOME UNITS IN 2020
7	P19: FIRST TIME HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE PROG-2020
8	P24: CDBG: CODE COMPLIANCE 2020
9	P25: CDBG-CV

**Table 56 - Project Information** 

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

## needs

Allocation priorities are approved by the citizens of Yakima voted representatives, the Yakima City Council.

The limited federal funding is the biggest obstacle in addressing the underserved needs.

# **AP-38 Project Summary**

**Project Summary Information** 

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1	Project Name	P4: CDBG:SEN/DISABLED S/F REHAB PROG-2020
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Single Family Rehabilitation Program
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,032,307
SENIOR AND OR		THIS PROJECT PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO LOW-MOD INCOME FAMILIRS, SENIOR AND OR DISABLED PERSONS TO REHAB THEIR PRIMARY RESIDENCE LOCATED IN THE CITY LIMITS OF YAKIMA.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities  Location Description  homeowners will be assisted.  Additional proposed applicants will be determined through the proposed applicants will be determined through the proposed applicants will be determined through the proposed activities.		Approximately 80 qualified low to moderate Senior and/or disabled homeowners will be assisted.
		Qualified applicants will be determined throughout the year by application and limited to within the City Limits of Yakima.
	Planned Activities	Emergency repairs to include, no heat, no water, no electricity, water leaks, frozen pipes, leaking roofs, no hot water.
		Installation and maintenance of aluminum wheel chair ramps to qualified homeowners.
		Exterior paint as applied by local volunteers and/or contractors to qualified low to moderate income homeowners (as funding allows).
2	Project Name	P10: CDBG ADMINISTRATION 2020
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Community Development Block Grant Administration
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,032,307
	Description	This project is for the Administration, salaries and benefits for managing CDBG programs in 2020
	Target Date	12/31/2020

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 10,000 low to moderate income families will directly benefit from activities conducted through the City of Yakima's Office of Neighborhood Development Services supported by the CDBG Administration funds.
	Location Description	Administration of the CDBG funds is conducted through the Office of Neighborhood Development Services located at 112 S. 8th Street within the city limits of Yakima.
	Planned Activities	Single Family Rehabilitation program.
		Public Facility or infrastructure activities.
Code Compliance.		Code Compliance.
	Public Service.	
Project Name P9: CDBG PUBLIC/COMMUNITY SERVICE PROG-2  Target Area		P9: CDBG PUBLIC/COMMUNITY SERVICE PROG-2020
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,032,307
	Description	This activity will provide Community Service Programs through one public facilities operated by local non-profits. The Henry Beauchamp Community Center located at 1211 S. 7th Street as well as a energy assistance program to assist senior and or disabled individuals in the City Limits of Yakima. Currently named (Yakima Police Athletic league YPAL) located at 602 N. 4th Street and conducts public service youth programs.
	Target Date	12/31/2020

# Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities

The Henry Beauchamp Community Center conducts a wide variety of programs;

- 100 jobs for 100 kids placing youth in summer employment.
- Work experience in partnership with NCAC to serve as a training site for individuals working through the process to be re-trained and self-sufficient.
- Summer Program to include "Tutoring" and "Literacy" training.
- S.T.E.M. programming from the Pacific Science Center to include how to make rockets, recognizing the difference between plant and stem cells, and learning the history of Gravitational Waves and the importance of them in the United States. Heating assistance estimated to assist 1-2 Senior/Disabled homeowners Paint out Graffiti is estimated to assist over 20,000 locations within the low to moderate census tracts within the city limits of Yakima.

## **Location Description**

The Henry Beauchamp Community Center is located at 1211 S. 7th Street.

Heating assistance is to be determined by qualified application within the city limits of Yakima.

Graffiti assisted with CDBG is within the low to moderate census tracts within the city limits of Yakima.

	Planned Activities	The Henry Beauchamp Community Center conducts a wide variety of programs;	
		100 jobs for 100 kids placing youth in summer employment.	
		<ul> <li>Work experience in partnership with NCAC to serve as a training site for individuals working through the process to be re-trained and self-sufficient.</li> </ul>	
		Summer Program to include "Tutoring" and "Literacy" training.	
		<ul> <li>S.T.E.M. programming from the Pacific Science Center to include how to make rockets, recognizing the difference between plant and stem cells, and learning the history of Gravitational Waves and the importance of them in the United States. Heating assistance estimated to assist 1-2 Senior/Disabled homeowners Paint out Graffiti is estimated to assist over 20,000 locations within the low to moderate census tracts within the city limits of Yakima.</li> </ul>	
4	Project Name	P13:HOME ADMINISTATION 2020	
	Target Area		
	Goals Supported	Administrative HOME Investment costs	
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs	
	Funding	HOME: \$482,161	
	Description	THIS PROJECT IS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOME FUNDS FOR PROGRAM/SALARIES FOR 2020	
	Target Date	12/31/2020	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated two qualified low to moderate income first-time homebuyer families will be direct recipients to HOME Investment activities in the 2020 program year.	
	Location Description	To be determined within the city limits of Yakima.	
	Planned Activities	The development and construction of two new single family homes to be sold to qualified low to moderate income first time homebuyers.	
5	Project Name	P14: CHDO PROGRAM 2020	
	Target Area		
	Goals Supported	Community Housing Development Organization	

	Needs Addressed Housing priority needs	
	Funding	HOME: \$482,161
	Description	THIS PROJECT IS FOR HOME CHDO'S FOR 2020
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 2 low to moderate income families will be provided housing in partnership with a qualified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).
	<b>Location Description</b>	To be determined but within the city limits of Yakima.
	Planned Activities	Construction of two single family dwellings to be sold to qualified low to moderate first time homebuyers.
6	Project Name	P18: HOME: NEW/REHABILITATED HOME UNITS IN 2020
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	New Construction
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	HOME: \$482,161
	Description	THIS PROJECT CONSISTS OF THE REHABILITATION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION OF HOME UNITS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF YAKIMA FOR 2020
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 2 low to moderate income families will benefit from the construction of new housing units constructed with HOME Investment funds in partnership with qualified local Community Development Housing Organizations.
	Location Description	THIS PROJECT CONSISTS OF THE NEW CONSTRUCTION OF HOME UNITS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF YAKIMA FOR 2020.
	Planned Activities	The development and construction of two new single family homes to be sold to qualified low to moderate income first time homebuyers.
7	Project Name	P19: FIRST TIME HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE PROG-2020
	Target Area	

	Goals Supported	First Time Homeownership Program
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	HOME: \$482,161
	Description	THIS ACTIVITY FUNDS FIRST TIME HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE IN THE CITY LIMITS OF YAKIMA.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Two low to moderate income families are expected to receive direct benefit through a partnership with Yakima Valley Habitat for Humanity in constructing two homes and selling them to qualified low to moderate income first time homebuyers.
	Location Description	Qualified applicants will be determined through application and located within the city limits of Yakima.
sold to qualified first ti		The development and construction of two single family dwellings to be sold to qualified first time homebuyers in partnership with the local Yakima Valley Habitat for Humanity.
8	Project Name	P24: CDBG: CODE COMPLIANCE 2020
	Target Area	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Code Compliance
	Needs Addressed	Housing priority needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,032,307
	Description	THIS PROJECT IS FOR THE CODE COMPLIANCE IN THE CITY OF YAKIMA 2020.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 low to moderate income families located within the low to moderate income census tracts will be directly assisted with code compliance by the individual staff member paid with CDBG Code Compliance funding.
	Location Description	Within the low to moderate income census tracts within the city limits of Yakima.
	Planned Activities	The salary of an individual Code Compliance officer to conduct code compliance activities serving low to moderate areas.
	Project Name	P24: CDBG: Code Compliance 2020

9	Target Area	City Wide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Create or retain jobs
	Funding	CDBG-CV \$602,216.00
	Description	THIS PROJECT PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO MICRO ENTERPRISE BUSINESSES DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC THROUGH THE CARES ACT.
	Target Date	12/31/22
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimated 40 businesses
	<b>Location Description</b>	Within the city limits of Yakima
	Planned Activities	Microenterprise assistance

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

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

ONDS programs are designed to be application driven and City Wide, to enable the City of Yakima to help as many low to moderate income applicants as possible within the entire city limits of Yakima.

## **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 57 - Geographic Distribution

## Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Low to Moderate income citizens are located city wide and it is not the wish or design by the City of Yakima to directly or indirectly "steer" people of any race, creed, color or financial level, be it low to moderate or otherwise into any designated area, real or otherwise. Therefore, the programs are offered city wide, to qualified applicants.

#### Discussion

The City of Yakima does not limit any CDBG or HOME Investment funding to any specific geographical area and all programs are designed to assist eligible applicants and funding within the entire city limits of Yakima as appropriate.

# **Affordable Housing**

# AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

The main focus of the City of Yakima through ONDS in using both CDBG and HOME Investment funds is "Affordable housing". The Single Family Rehabilitation program is focused on rehabilitation of existing housing to enable the homeowners to continue to reside in their affordable housing, through the Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair Program to include; the Senior/Disabled Wheel Chair ramp program and the Exterior Paint Program.

ONDS also supports and encourages Affordable housing through the use of HOME funds for; the First Time Homebuyers Program, the New Construction Program and the use of a minimum of 15% of yearly entitlement HOME funds in supporting Affordable housing though partnerships with certified CHDO/s

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	2
Non-Homeless	80
Special-Needs	10
Total	92

Table 58 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	2
Rehab of Existing Units	80
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	82

Table 59 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type Discussion

Due to the limited Federal Entitlement funds from HUD, the City of Yakima has cut a number of programs and continues to serve a growing number of Senior/Disabled homeowners with severe emergency repairs such as; no heat, no power, no water, no sewer, and deteriorated roofs that have become insurance concerns that may lead to cancellation.

The City of Yakima through partnership with a qualified Community Housing Development Organization expects to construct two single family homes to be sold to qualified low to moderate income first time

homebuyers.

# AP-60 Public Housing - 91.220(h)

#### Introduction

The City of Yakima continues to support the Yakima Housing Authority (YHA), although indirectly. In the past, the City of Yakima has supported specific facilities through various ways, even though budget restrictions severely limit the City's participation in current projects, each request of the YHA is reviewed individually and participation is given consideration through the Yakima City Council as are other funding requests.

The Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) as the local environmental representative for HUD projects has worked with the YHA to enable projects to have the proper documentation in order to meet the HUD regulation criteria needed for those specific projects as requested by the YHA.

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

The City of Yakima ONDS expects to continue to partner and support the YHA as our limited federal budget will allow. Specific projects and funding requests will be analyzed and given consideration by due process regarding the most beneficial use of entitlement funds.

ONDS expects to continue to support the YHA with environmental review and documentation as requested by the YHA.

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

The Yakima Housing Authority encourages resident involvement with programs like the Resident Advisory Board (RAB). The RAB provides the YHA and the residents with a forum for sharing information about the agency's Annual Action Plan. RAB membership is comprised of individuals who reflect and represent the residents assisted by the public housing agency (PHA). The role of the RAB is to assist the PHA in developing the PHA Plan and in making any significant amendment or modification to the Plan. In addition, the Yakima Housing Authority is an active participant in crime-free rental housing which allows the residents to be a part of the local block watch which ONDS participates in every year, inviting the residents and local organizations to partake in National Night Out.

The YHA also participates in the Yakima County Asset Building Coalition, and they are establishing a partnership with YVOCAN for the Union Gap and Yakima area. YHA is also in the process of collaborating with the AmeriCorps VISTA Education Award with the goal of every eligible resident signing up for the

College-Bound Scholarship.

Lastly, YHA is administering the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program. This program enables families assisted through the HCV program to increase their earned income and reduce their dependency on welfare assistance and rental subsidies.

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

The Yakima Housing Authority is **not** designated as "troubled".

#### Discussion

The Yakima Housing Authority continues to do an extraordinary job in assisting Yakima residents with decent, safe, and affordable housing though its many diverse housing programs. The City of Yakima looks forward to continuing its partnership with the YHA to provide this type of housing to its residents.

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

The Department of Commerce is the Collaborative Applicant for the Washington Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC). The BoS CoC's 34 small and medium-sized counties receive about \$8 million annually for 50 permanent and temporary housing projects funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Program in which Yakima County including the City of Yakima are included.

The City of Yakima recognizes homelessness as the most severe housing problem and strives to prevent the most at-risk populations from becoming homeless by using CDBG funds for the Single Family Rehabilitation Program. These programs are designated to help the high-risk senior and disabled groups with emergency rehabilitation, wheelchair ramps and exterior painting in the hopes that this will allow them to continue to occupy their current affordable housing units.

ONDS also strives to support affordable housing with its homeownership programs, the First Time Homeownership Program, the New Construction Program and the direct and indirect support of certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) in creating new single family housing that is decent, safe, and affordable. This directly affects the homeless by giving them the opportunity to own their first home, or by indirectly allowing someone in either a rental situation or a public housing situation to buy their first home and thereby indirectly allow another affordable rental or public housing unit to be occupied by an otherwise homeless individual or family.

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

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

The City of Yakima continues to support the Department of Commerce's Continuum of Care Plan . The first priority of Continuum of Care is to maintain existing resources that serve the ends of the homeless within the community. The plan identifies new projects and services that fill critical gaps in prevention services, outreach, emergency and transitional housing, support services, and long-term affordable housing.

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

The City of Yakima continues to work with the multitude of local agencies through Continuum of Care in

addressing emergency shelters and transitional housing opportunities on an individual project basis.

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

Due to the severely limited Federal funds received by the City of Yakima through reduced entitlements, the City is unable to address this particular need until additional funding becomes available.

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

The City of Yakima, though the Senior/Disabled Emergency Home Repair Program, is often contacted by local hospital and nursing care facilities about seniors and/or disabled homeowners that need emergency repairs or wheelchair ramps in order to be allowed to be returned to their homes after being released from these care facilities.

#### Discussion

Due to severely limited resources, the City of Yakima continues to direct its attention to assisting senior/disabled homeowners through its Emergency Home Repair Program to enable the elderly, frail and disabled to remain in their homes and thereby not becoming homeless and adding to the Continuum of Care's burden with additional homelessness.

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

#### Introduction:

Yakima's Comprehensive Plan identifies several areas affecting the development of affordable housing including zoning, land use, subdivision requirements, impact fees, licensing and permits, and extension of transportation and utility services. The Yakima Planning Division monitors available land, zoning, and land use in order to ensure projected population increase can be accommodated with new housing construction available to all income groups.

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

The City of Yakima continues to work with expanding economic development activities to bolster the local economy and spur building investment toward the construction of more affordable residential developments and units. The Community Development Department through its Planning Division continues to research and recommend new zoning policies to allow a more diverse range of housing types and make it easier to develop housing in certain areas.

#### Discussion:

The effective use of Federal allocations to the responsible local entities with a measured reserve of responsible recording and reporting is the only way of effectively reducing the barrier to affordable housing at the local level. Increasing the benefit to the low and moderate income workforce that has so effectively made our great county what it is, is the only way of increasing affordable housing and will not only effectively raise the entire nations living standard but also serves it well economically.

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

#### Introduction:

The City of Yakima continues to assist its residents with the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment funds through the Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) by assisting qualified low to moderate income applicants with the rehabilitation of their existing homes, painting over graffiti.

The City also provides public services for youth programs through its public community centers - The Henry Beauchamp (formerly Southeast) Community Center and YPAL. Separate funds are used for the maintenance of these facilities other than HUD regulated funds.

## Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Yakima will continue to seek federal funding as well as other available funding to overcome the lack of sufficient funds to address all of the underserved needs.

The City of Yakima Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) continues to partner with many non-profits, local service organizations, and other government and non-governmental agencies to assist in meeting underserved needs.

### Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

As discussed throughout the Consolidated Plan and elsewhere in this Annual Action Plan, the City of Yakima has a wide variety of programs directed at maintaining affordable existing housing through rehabilitation, as well as new single family dwellings through its homeownership program.

The City oif Yakima continues to partner with local affordable housing agencies.

## Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

As discussed in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, ONDS aligns all of its rehabilitation programs with the Washington State lead-based paint regulations and continues to presume any disturbed paint surfaces are "Possible lead hazards" and thus are treated according to the state's regulations and HUD's lead-

based paint policy.

ONDS has both certified supervisors and staff on hand to assess and address lead-based paint as well as hires certified state lead-based paint professionals to deal with all projects with potential lead-based paint disturbed surfaces.

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

The City of Yakima continues to address economic development opportunities to bring more businesses and jobs to Yakima that pay decent living wages, as well as encourage growth and development of existing opportunities to assist poverty-level families.

## Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of Yakima continues to work with existing agencies and departments within Yakima as well as consultants and other governmental bodies outside Yakima to strengthen and enhance the current institutional structure. We will continue to seek out partnerships with organizations as well as private enterprises to further develop the institutional structure.

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

The City of Yakima through the Office of Neighborhood Development Services (ONDS) will continue to coordinate with public and private housing and social service agencies through committee meetings and consultation to coordinate services to the residents of Yakima.

#### **Discussion:**

ONDS has served its community for over 40 years through its vast and varied programs, administering all kinds of Federal and State funds over the years, towards the betterment of the community and with a focus on affordable housing.

Partnerships with other organizations have been instrumental in continuing affordable housing within Yakima with every agency struggling with funding from the past several years of economic struggle. The City of Yakima has focused on being a good steward of both CDBG and HOME Investment funds and

stretching those dwindling resources to the best of its ability in serving the community.

The City of Yakima continues to strive for affordable housing with the assistance of the community, neighborhoods and partners in effectively using its entitlement funds.

# **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction:

Due to limited HUD funding, the City of Yakima expends every dollar as effectively and efficiently as possible to benefit its residents within its ONDS programs per HUD's requirements. This means that any program income, float-funded activities, or Section 108 loan guarantee funds are infused within appropriate programs and the funding utilized per HUD regulations concerning eligible activities to meet HUD-approved national objectives.

# Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(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	102,518
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the	
year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's	
strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use	
has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	102,518

## **Other CDBG Requirements**

1. The amount of urgent need activities	

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

100.00%

0

# HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

ONDS uses two "Non-Federal" funding sources to administer ongoing "affordability periods" of past HOME Investment projects in compliance with HUD program regulations.

ONDS has obligated HOME Investment program income to the construction of two Multi-family affordable rental projects;

- One project is to construct an 80 unit affordable rental complex that will serve extremely low, low and moderate income individuals and families.
- Another project is to include the rehabilitation of an existing building and newly constructed multifamily housing units to provide rental units for low to moderate income veterans.
- Both these projects are under construction and have been previously reported in the 2019 Annual Action Plan
- 2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

When the City of Yakima makes a loan of HOME Investment funds, that loan is secured by a promissory note and deed of trust. Within those documents is language that specifies the disposition of funds in the event of a sale.

The City of Yakima uses the "Full Recapture" provision in the following manner;

If the Homebuyer decides to sell, rent or dispose of the property at any time before the expiration of the affordability period "Full Recapture" provision goes into effect, and in the event of a sale, foreclosure, will trigger repayment of the entire HOME direct subsidy loan amount (Recapture).

The Recapture amount is based on net proceeds from the voluntary sale or foreclosure. The net proceeds of a sale are the sales proceeds minus non-Home loan repayments and any closing costs.

As per regulation 92.545(ii)(A) says in establishing the PJ's recapture requirements, the PJ is subject to the limitation that when the recapture requirement is triggered by a sale (voluntary or involuntary) of the housing unit, the amount recaptured cannot exceed the net proceeds, if any.

The net proceeds are the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than the direct subsidy HOME funds) and any closing costs. Furthermore, if there are no net proceeds- the amount to be

recaptured would be zero given that the City of Yakima may not recapture more than the amount of the net proceeds. If the net proceeds are some portion but do not fully equal your HOME direct subsidy investment amount that would be the amount to recapture. To clarify, the recapture amount is based on the direct HOME subsidy as per HUD requirements.

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:

When the City of Yakima makes a loan of HOME funds, that loan is secured by a promissory note and deed of trust. Within those documents is language that specifies the disposition of funds in the even of a sale.

The City of Yakima uses the "Full Recapture" provision in the following manner;

If the Homebuyer decides to sell, rent or dispose of the property at any time before the expiration of the affordability period "Full Recapture" provision goes into effect, and in the event of a sale, foreclosure, will trigger repayment of the entire HOME direct subsidy loan amount. (Recapture).

The Recapture amount is based on net proceeds from the voluntary sale or foreclosure. The net proceeds of a sale are the sales price minus non-HOME loan repayments and any closing costs.

As per regulation 92.545 (ii)(A) says in establishing the PJ's recapture requirements, the PJ is subject to the limitation that when the recapture requirement is triggered by a sale (voluntary or involuntary) of the housing unit, the amount recaptured cannot exceed the net proceeds, if any.

The net proceeds are the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than the direct subsidy HOME funds) and any closing costs. Furthermore, if there are no net proceeds- the amount to be recaptured would be zero given that the City of Yakima may not recapture more than the amount of net proceeds. If the net proceeds are some portion but do not fully equal the HOME direct subsidy investment amount that would be the amount to recapture.

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:

The City of Yakima currently has no plans for refinancing any existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds. If such actions are decided by the Yakima City Council and amendment of the Consolidated Plan will be sought and the required refinancing

The City of Yakima chooses to use the Overall Benefit in the following manner- As a consecutive period of one year, used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 100% CDBG funds is to be used to benefit persons of low to moderate income.				
The	year specified is this Annual Action Plan of 2020,			
Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources				
1	Data Source Name			
	Homeless Network of Yakima County			
	List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.			
	Homeless Network of Yakima County			

guidelines will be defined at that time as part of the Amendment.

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#### Provide a brief summary of the data set.

The Yakima County Point in Time Survey is to determine the number of unduplicated homeless individuals living in Yakima County on a given day. The Homeless Network of Yakima County reviews the results, identifies gaps in services and develops and implements plans to close the gaps.

## What was the purpose for developing this data set?

The Point in Time count allows service agencies and local government to spot trends in homelessness and to evaluate the success of existing programs. It is a tool that agencies and their partners can use to apply for funding and plan for programs and services to meet the needs of homeless people in the community.

How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?

The Yakima County Point in Time Survey is conducted specifically one day throughout Yakima County.

What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?

On January 31,2014, 785 individuals were counted in Yakima County, which is a 12.6% decrease from those counted in 2013.

What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?

This data set is complete for the calendar year of 2014