



**2025 – 2029  
Consolidated Plan  
and  
2025 Action Plan**

for the

**Onondaga County  
Community Development Block Grant Program  
Emergency Solutions Grant Program**

and the

**Onondaga County/Town of Clay  
HOME Consortium**

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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

The Consolidated Plan for Onondaga County is an analysis of the housing and community development needs of Onondaga County and an outline of the subsequent goals and objectives of Onondaga County Community Development (OCCD) for the next five program years.

It is the result of collaboration with many partners both in its formation and implementation. It outlines the role of OCCD and its partners in a County-based housing delivery system and it assigns priorities to the many documented housing and community development needs. The mission of OCCD is to improve the quality of life for Onondaga County's low- and moderate-income people by preserving and rebuilding neighborhoods, revitalizing and increase in the County's housing stock, upgrading the infrastructure, and provided needed community facilities.

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

The mission of the OCCD is to improve the quality of life for Onondaga County's low and moderate income people by preserving and rebuilding neighborhoods, revitalizing and increasing the County's housing stock, upgrading the infrastructure, and providing needed community facilities.

The objectives of the Onondaga County Five Year Strategic Plan are as follows:

- provide safe and sanitary infrastructure, such as sanitary sewers, storm sewers, water lines, sidewalks, etc., that serve low income residents;
- provide recreational facilities for low and moderate income and disabled residents;
- eliminate detrimental blighting conditions in residential neighborhoods;
- provide neighborhood facilities, such as senior citizen centers and community centers for low and moderate income persons;
- provide improved housing conditions and housing opportunities for low and moderate income elderly and handicapped persons and low and moderate income families through housing rehabilitation assistance;
- provide home ownership opportunities for the County's low and moderate income residents, with affirmative marketing to the minority population;
- stimulate improved economic conditions in business districts located in low and moderate income neighborhoods through commercial rehabilitation;
- provide fair housing for all the citizens of the County; and
- provide contracting and employment opportunities to minority businesses.

- participate in the communities fight to end homelessness by providing support and funding for organizations and agencies involved in this endeavor.

To achieve these goals Onondaga County Community Development identified six priority goals and programs to solve the challenges facing our community:

- Housing Rehabilitation: the Lead Hazard Reduction Program (LHR); the Safe Housing Assistance Program for the Elderly (SHAPE-UP); Emergency Repair Program/RESTORE Program (as funding availability allows).
- Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility: the RAMP Program; Access to HOME Program (ATH) (as funding availability allows).
- Capital Projects: provides infrastructure/public facility/recreation facility improvements to the counties 34 municipalities
- Homelessness: provide funding to local organizations dealing with various aspects of the issue; staff participates with local Housing and Homeless Coalition
- Commercial Improvements: Commercial Rehabilitation Program; Main Street Rehabilitation Program
- Homeownership: the Onondaga County First-time Homeownership Program.

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

Onondaga County Community Development's (OCCD) goal is to serve the citizens of Onondaga County well. Overall feedback received from grant recipients, community leaders and funding providers is positive. The department continues to meet goals, deadlines, expectations established by its fund sources.

The department continues to aggressively seek complementary sources of funding to support its programs in hopes of being able to increase the level of service(s) to the community. The sources of funds include: the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH); the New York State Department of Housing and Community Renewal (NYS HCR); and the New York State Affordable Housing Corporations (NYS AHC).

Since its inception, Community Development has received just over \$262,000,000 in funding, completed 855 capital projects, sold 447 homes to first-time homebuyers, improved the facades of 352 local commercial building, provided accessibility improvements to 876 low-moderate income disabled households and completed more than 7150 housing rehabilitation projects.

### **4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process**

The largest programs within OCCD are community development capital projects that are planned and completed as a cooperative effort through a Consortium of all Onondaga County jurisdictions, 34 villages and towns, outside the City of Syracuse. This program constitutes a majority of OCCD's planning and citizen participation.

Each town and village has a board or council made up of elected officials. The elected officials meet at least monthly in public settings to discuss the concerns of their respective areas. This format encourages participation on a relatively small scale.

The County builds upon and enhances this high degree of citizen involvement at the town/village levels. As part of the local consolidated planning process, towns and villages are required by the County to hold public hearings and to publish a notice in local newspapers. The County assists the towns and villages with their hearings by providing copies of eligible activities and other pertinent information and by providing technical assistance.

The County holds a public hearing in early June each year. The time and date of the Public Hearing are advertised in the Syracuse Post-Standard. The funding level, the activities that are eligible, and the proposed budget are included in the announcement.

The County also notifies several interested citizens, non-profit organizations, and other interested agencies, etc. informing them of the opportunity to review the draft consolidated plan.

All County public hearing sites are accessible to persons with disabilities. The Carnegie Building is completely accessible and provides accessible parking. Additional accommodations can be provided upon request.

To fulfill the citizen participation requirements of the Community Development Program, the Onondaga County Legislature created the Community Development Steering Committee by Resolution #224 on June 7, 1976. Up to fifteen members are appointed by the County Executive and are not subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature. The principal duties of the Steering Committee are to determine the budget categories and to select the capital projects funded by the Community Development Block Grant and the Emergency Shelter Grant. Although projects are selected primarily on need and the number of low-income people served, the Committee strives to maintain a geographic balance when making selections.

The Committee meets throughout April and May to review the proposals for the One Year Action Plan and to set the agenda for the Five-Year Strategic Plan. Discussions are often heated but always lively as the priorities and objectives of the Program are debated annually. As the activities are reviewed, the following themes are often articulated and continue to be the underpinnings of the County's program: decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities.

Annual grantee performance reports are available to the public upon request, which is advertised via a public notice published in the Syracuse Post Standard.

## **5. Summary of public comments**

Please see the attachment titled Citizen Comments. OCCD staff appreciates all comments and will consider each item.

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

All comments were considered.

## **7. Summary**

Onondaga County Community Development appreciates the support received from all funding sources and looks forward to continuing to offer its services to the citizens of Onondaga County.

## The Process

### PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 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	ONONDAGA COUNTY	Onondaga County Community Development
HOME Administrator	ONONDAGA COUNTY	Onondaga County Community Development
ESG Administrator	ONONDAGA COUNTY	Onondaga County Community Development

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative

Onondaga County Community Development Division (OCCD) is the lead agency and hub of the institutional structure responsible for developing and administering the programs covered by the Consolidated Plan. It works closely with various government agencies and departments, town and village governments, and numerous non-profit and for-profit entities.

Community Development capital projects represent the largest annual OCCD program, based on investment and expenditure of CDBG funds. They are planned and completed by OCCD as a cooperative effort through a Consortium of all Onondaga County jurisdictions outside the City of Syracuse. OCCD also administers and manages homeownership and housing rehabilitation programs in close collaboration with private contracts and local lending institutions. The majority of planning, therefore, is related to activities associated with these CDBG programs.

CNY Fair Housing, Inc. conducts education and outreach to the general public regarding fair housing rights and responsibilities, maintains a network of trained housing discrimination testers, and assists with fair housing litigation. For 2025, the agency will again provide the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing: Syracuse and Onondaga County.

ARISE, Inc. advocates for and locates accessible housing for disabled persons and families.

The Housing and Homeless Coalition of Central NY (HHC) brings together all the shelter and service providers in the County, as well as members of the business community, elected officials, and homeless persons. HHC serves as the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) lead agency. The major responsibilities of the CoC lead are to operate the CoC, to develop a strategic planning process that works toward the goal of ending homelessness in Central New York and to coordinate the application process for the HUD Continuum of Care Program Competition. OCCD consults with HHC when considering applications for ESG funding.

OCCD works with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) in Onondaga County, typically for projects to develop special needs housing, with its HOME set-aside funds.

OCCD also funds essential services, operating expenses and homeless prevention at several emergency shelter programs for women, men, youth, persons living with HIV/AIDS and the chronically homeless with its ESG funds.

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

### **1. Introduction**

Onondaga County Community Development contacted and consulted with other public and private agencies when developing the plan. Key partners include the Homeless and Housing Coalition of CNY (CoC NY-505) and local Towns & Villages. Onondaga County recognizes that partnerships with and participation from local agencies is essential to developing a comprehensive plan to address needs and define priorities within our community.

### **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 County consulted with municipal officials, non-profit agencies, private developers, economic development officials, governmental agencies and the Continuum of Care in preparing this Plan. The County held a public hearing to review the draft findings and priorities. This meeting is summarized in the Citizen Participation Section. The County also reviewed numerous community and regional plans, as well as annual reports issued by various agencies. The findings of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing were also used to determine needs and priorities. OCCD recognizes that developing partnerships with local public and private organizations is vital to its success.

The Community Development Division will invest Emergency Solutions Grant funds to support emergency shelters, street outreach and homeless prevention. These activities will be provided to women, men, youth, families, persons living with HIV/AIDS and the chronically homeless. Additional HUD Continuum of Care funds will support the local Homeless Management Information System, transitional and permanent housing, and supportive services.

OCCD continues to partner with the Homeless and Housing Coalition of CNY on their mission to assess community needs and to develop a comprehensive community strategy to combat homelessness and housing vulnerability in our community. The major responsibilities of the CoC lead are to operate the CoC, to develop a strategic planning process that works toward the goal of ending homelessness in Central New York and to coordinate the application process for the HUD Continuum of Care Program Competition.

Emergency Shelter Grant Request for Proposals stress prevention as well as moving those already in the homeless system to permanent housing as soon as possible. These activities are consistent with reducing chronic homelessness.

**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 & Housing Coalition (HHC) (CoC NY-505) has several subcommittees and work groups, including the 10-Year Planning Committee, whose primary charge was to develop a Plan to End Homelessness. This Committee identified five overarching goals to guide local planning efforts toward ending homelessness in our community. The Committee selected these goals based on the Federal Interagency Council on Homelessness Opening Doors Plan, the national federal plan outlining successful strategies to prevent and end homelessness. The 2017 update can be found here. <https://www.hhccny.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/Updated-Open-Doors-Plan-NY505-2017-Update.docx>

The local Continuum of Care implemented a Coordinated Entry process and has established a Coordinated Entry Plan that details the process for ensuring that the most vulnerable individuals will be given priority to housing programs. The VI-SPDAT and other assessment tools, located on ServicePoint, is used to assess shelter residents and determine vulnerability and need for housing.

**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**

OCCD consults with the HHC (CoC NY-505) when developing funding plans and in review of RFPs. Priorities are determined by review of the Continuum of Care Homeless application process and other homeless planning activities including but not limited to review of Point in Time data and surveys conducted among consumers of homeless services. The Continuum of Care planning process consistently reveals one overriding priority need among the homeless and those at risk of homelessness: affordable permanent housing with a range of readily available support services commensurate with the varying needs of each household. In addition to affordable housing, resources are needed to develop and maintain an appropriate range of services, including preventative and rehabilitative services to assist persons before they become homeless, as they seek to leave shelters, and as they attempt to resume life in the community after a period of homelessness.

Homeless prevention priorities emerging as a result of planning associated with Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing funding include direct financial assistance to households combined with additional supports such as case management, legal advocacy, and housing relocation services.

Priority needs and decisions around financial allocations designed to address many of these needs are established during a formal review process carried out annually by the Continuum of Care planning group. The process includes a thorough examination of all projects in receipt of HUD Homeless Assistance funding including an assessment of select portions of the Annual Progress Report (HUD-40118). The Continuum of Care is also relying increasingly upon Homeless Management Information

System data to make informed decisions relative to funding priorities. The HMIS software product used locally is the nation's leading management information system and is regularly updated to meet HUD's evolving standards. Homeless assistance providers, homeless or formerly homeless individuals, and other concerned citizens are invited to play a role in the needs and funding priority determination process.

Ending chronic homelessness is a high community priority. Over the last few years the Continuum of Care has used a portion of the HUD Homeless Assistance Supportive Housing Program Permanent Housing bonus funding to create beds that are currently being used exclusively for chronically homeless individuals. It is important to note that with the exception of permanent supportive housing designed exclusively for families, chronically homeless individuals are welcome at all permanent supportive housing projects.

**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	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	ARISE Child and Family Service Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCCD staff consulted with a variety of non-profits, social service providers, community residents, and governmental agencies to determine the needs of the population and to better allocate entitlement resources.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	CNY Fair Housing
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Service-Fair Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Fair Housing
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCCD staff consulted with a variety of non-profits, social service providers, community residents, and governmental agencies to determine the needs of the population and to better allocate entitlement resources.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Onondaga County Department of Social Services-Economic Security
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCCD staff consulted with a variety of non-profits, social service providers, community residents, and governmental agencies to determine the needs of the population and to better allocate entitlement resources.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Home HeadQuarters, Inc., NY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Regional organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	General housing needs in the area

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5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Syracuse - NBD
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	OCCD staff consulted with a variety of non-profits, social service providers, community residents, and governmental agencies to determine the needs of the population and to better allocate entitlement resources.
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Onondaga County Dept of Health
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Lead-based Paint Strategy
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**Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

There were no types of agencies that Onondaga County did not consult.

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

<b>Name of Plan</b>	<b>Lead Organization</b>	<b>How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?</b>
Continuum of Care	Housing & Homeless Coalition of Central NY	

**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(l))**

OCCD coordinates regularly with a number of other public entities, including the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, United States Department of Agriculture, the Onondaga County Department of Health, Onondaga County Environmental Health, City of Syracuse Neighborhood and Business Development Department, New York State Housing and Community Renewal, the New York State Affordable Housing Corporation and Southern Hills Preservation Association.

**Narrative**

## **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**

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The 30-day Citizen Comment period was June 30 - July 30, 2025. Notice was published on the OCCD home page. A Public Hearing was held July 25, 2025. No comments were received.

**Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Although advertised in the local newspaper and on the County website no one attended the Public Hearing.	N/A	N/A	
2	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	N/A	N/A	<a href="http://www.ongov.net/cd">http://www.ongov.net/cd</a>

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3	Town/Village Meetings & Hearings	Town/Village Residents	Varies by Municipality	Varies by Municipality	Varies by Municipality	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

# Needs Assessment

## NA-05 Overview

### Needs Assessment Overview

The Needs Assessment that follows, in conjunction with information gathered through consultations and the citizen participation process, is an effort to provide a clear picture of the County's needs related to affordable housing, special needs housing, community development, and homelessness.

## NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment - 24 CFR 91.405, 24 CFR 91.205 (a,b,c)

### Summary of Housing Needs

The following tables provide an overview and breakdown of the County's population by size, income, age and housing needs.

Demographics	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2020	% Change
Population	323,740	319,030	-1%
Households	129,845	130,940	1%
Median Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	

**Table 5 - Housing Needs Assessment Demographics**

**Data Source:** 2000 Census (Base Year), 2016-2020 ACS (Most Recent Year)

### Number of Households Table

	0-30% HAMFI	>30-50% HAMFI	>50-80% HAMFI	>80-100% HAMFI	>100% HAMFI
Total Households	11,684	13,020	20,140	14,950	71,104
Small Family Households	2,526	3,369	6,084	5,164	36,170
Large Family Households	462	661	907	1,130	5,556
Household contains at least one person 62-74 years of age	3,009	3,100	5,101	4,078	18,260
Household contains at least one person age 75 or older	2,976	4,183	4,281	1,944	5,922
Households with one or more children 6 years old or younger	1,062	1,671	2,202	2,034	5,654

**Table 6 - Total Households Table**

**Data Source:** 2016-2020 CHAS

## Housing Needs Summary Tables

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

	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
<b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b>										
Substandard Housing - Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities	155	75	134	75	439	54	43	115	80	292
Severely Overcrowded - With >1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing)	10	49	45	15	119	0	29	39	20	88
Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)	65	164	134	115	478	90	105	36	89	320
Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	3,894	1,385	181	35	5,495	3,112	1,815	953	157	6,037
Housing cost burden greater than 30% of income (and none of the above problems)	685	2,540	1,976	332	5,533	900	2,020	2,606	1,243	6,769

	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
Zero/negative Income (and none of the above problems)	484	0	0	0	484	451	0	0	0	451

**Table 7 – Housing Problems Table**

Data 2016-2020 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% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total
<b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b>										
Having 1 or more of four housing problems	4,129	1,665	489	240	6,523	3,262	1,985	1,139	347	6,733
Having none of four housing problems	2,112	3,650	6,890	3,715	16,367	2,206	5,684	11,610	10,645	30,145
Household has negative income, but none of the other housing problems	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 8 – Housing Problems 2**

Data 2016-2020 CHAS  
Source:

3. Cost Burden > 30%

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
<b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b>								
Small Related	1,173	1,388	445	3,006	811	1,143	1,242	3,196

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
Large Related	264	201	49	514	168	272	180	620
Elderly	1,707	1,466	799	3,972	2,497	2,088	1,630	6,215
Other	1,574	1,072	922	3,568	654	481	549	1,684
Total need by income	4,718	4,127	2,215	11,060	4,130	3,984	3,601	11,715

**Table 9 – Cost Burden > 30%**

Data 2016-2020 CHAS  
Source:

#### 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 HOUSEHOLDS								
Small Related	0	0	502	502	708	459	0	1,167
Large Related	0	0	30	30	108	119	58	285
Elderly	1,348	707	119	2,174	1,829	1,071	570	3,470
Other	0	1,339	209	1,548	586	0	0	586
Total need by income	1,348	2,046	860	4,254	3,231	1,649	628	5,508

**Table 10 – Cost Burden > 50%**

Data 2016-2020 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 HOUSEHOLDS										
Single family households	75	209	134	120	538	90	114	87	109	400
Multiple, unrelated family households	0	0	45	0	45	0	20	8	0	28
Other, non-family households	0	4	0	10	14	0	0	0	0	0
Total need by income	75	213	179	130	597	90	134	95	109	428

**Table 11 – Crowding Information - 1/2**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
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.**

Data shows the number of single person households within Onondaga County is declining. The 2023 ACS 5-Year data for Onondaga County "Households by Type" revealed 18.5% of households living alone. The percentage of households living alone was 30.8% per the 2018 ACS 5-year data. The majority of single person households are located in the City of Syracuse (38.8%). Several towns within Onondaga County have single person household rates in excess of 30%: Manlius, Salina, Dewitt, VanBuren and Geddes.

Individuals comprise 68% of those found in area homeless shelters while 32% are family households. Housing assistance for chemically dependent homeless individuals and homeless individuals in need of mental health treatment is a high priority.

**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.**

The following data is taken from the CoC NY-505 1/24/2024 Point-in-Time Count and describes characteristics of individuals and families using homeless services.

- 223 - Adults with serious mental illness
- 127 - Adults with substance use disorder
- 7 - Adults with HIV/AIDS
- 99 - Adult survivors of domestic violence

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

Of the 129,845 households in the towns and villages in Onondaga County outside the City of Syracuse, 12,3377 (just under 10%) have one or more of 4 housing problems. This percentage has remained static over the previous 5 years. Renters account for 47.2% of these households while the remaining 52.7% with one or more of 4 housing problems are homeowners, representing a slight increase in housing

problems for renters as compared to the previous Plan. Households with lower AMI are more likely to have one or more of 4 problems as those with higher AMI, without regard to status (owner vs renter).

In addition to the need for home repairs, the cost of housing is a burden to many households in the towns and villages in Onondaga County also. This is especially true of homeowners. Homeowners are far more likely than renters to be burdened with housing costs greater than 30% of household income as well as greater than 50% of household income. Thus, home repairs and assistance in meeting the cost of housing, especially for homeowners, appears to be the most common housing problems facing households in the towns and villages in Onondaga County.

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

Not surprisingly, those households earning between 0-30% AMI appear to be most burdened with housing costs. Additionally, there appears to be a large proportion of elderly, very low income households whose housing costs are greater than half of their income and therefore are severely cost burdened. For example, 1,198 elderly homeowners with 0-30% AMI pay more than half of their income toward housing costs. With 2197 Households that contain at least one person age 75 or older and <30% HAMFI, this represents that almost 55% of the low-income elderly population has a cost burden >50% and therefore much more affected than others.

### **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**

Low or no income, tenuous income sources, and lack of economic opportunities are characteristic of individuals and families currently housed but at imminent risk of becoming homeless. These households are the severely cost-burdened, extremely, and very-low income households noted in the tables above. From 1970 to 2010 the percentage of individuals in Onondaga County living in poverty has trended upward from 9% to 14.3%. Especially vulnerable are low-income female headed households, chemically dependent individuals and those with mental health disorders.

Households whose only income is public assistance (PA), not only find it next to impossible to save up for security deposits, but are unable to find safe affordable housing due to the affordable housing shortage in the area. Support services are needed to assist housing vulnerable individuals and families in navigating through the system in finding housing. Even though service providers have been able to develop networks of reliable landlords who are willing to work with tenants on PA as well as other low income tenants, the demand is much higher. Community-based support services are needed to assist vulnerable individuals and families to address health related issues, substance abuse, mental health challenges, legal, financial and/or basic conflict resolution skills.

These services are especially important for those formerly homeless families and individuals receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance as key informants working in rapid re-housing note that some formerly homeless families require assistance beyond the maximum term of assistance allowed by HUD.

**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:**

No firm estimates of the number of at-risk families and individuals are provided. It should be noted however, that area shelters have historically seen high levels of program participants experiencing health related issues, substance abuse, mental health challenges, legal, financial problems and/or lacking basic conflict resolution skills.

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

Households whose incomes are at or below 30% of the area median income, and have severe cost-burden are at high risk for homelessness. CoC data on prior living situation shows that both individuals and families who enter the emergency shelter system rarely come from their own housing or the street. Most (51%) come from staying with friends and family. It appears that those staying with family and friends outwear their welcome as "conflict in the household" is by far the most prevalent housing characteristic linked to instability and an increased risk of homelessness

## **Discussion**

## NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems - 91.405, 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

A disproportionately greater need exists when the members of racial or ethnic group at a given income level experience housing problems at a greater rate (10 percentage points or more) than the income level as a whole. For example, assume that 60% of all low-income households within a jurisdiction have a housing problem and 70% of low-income Hispanic households have a housing problem. In this case, low-income Hispanic households have a disproportionately greater need. The 4 primary data tables in this section are populated with default data based on the most recent data available. A sub-chart for each primary table was added, showing proportional data for each AMI level and identifying the disproportionately greater need as a red column.

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

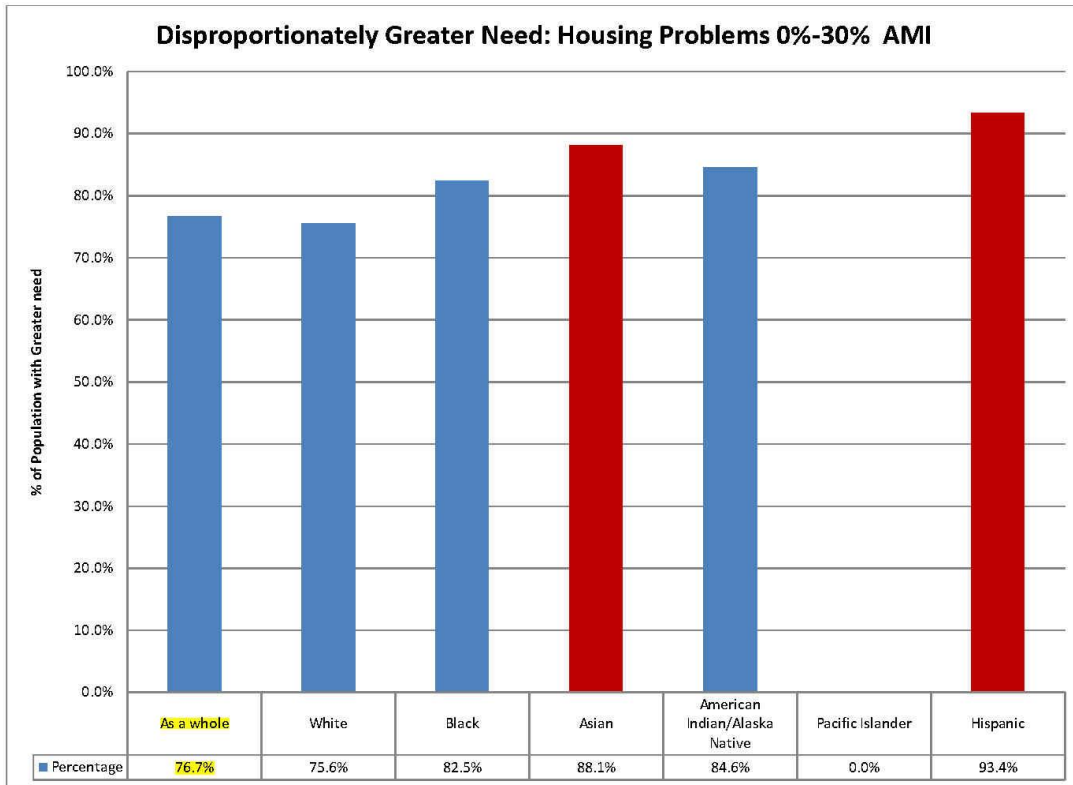
Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	8,982	2,722	0
White	7,702	2,492	0
Black / African American	674	143	0
Asian	104	14	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	55	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	214	15	0

**Table 13 - Disproportionally Greater Need 0 - 30% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

\*The four housing problems are:

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



**Housing Problems 0-30%**

**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	8,239	4,787	0
White	7,269	4,613	0
Black / African American	348	30	0
Asian	137	34	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	30	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	330	40	0

**Table 14 - Disproportionately Greater Need 30 - 50% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

\*The four housing problems are:

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



**Housing Problems 30-50%**

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

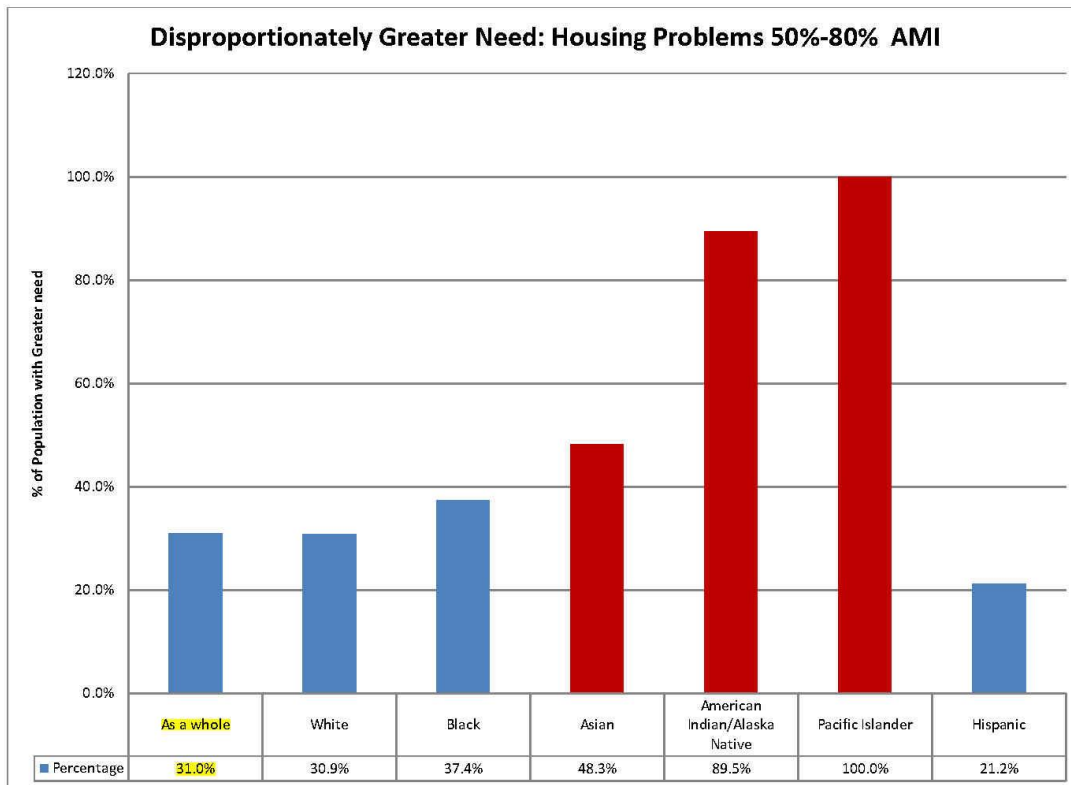
Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	6,253	13,919	0
White	5,694	12,749	0
Black / African American	172	288	0
Asian	158	169	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	34	4	0
Pacific Islander	4	0	0
Hispanic	104	387	0

**Table 15 - Disproportionally Greater Need 50 - 80% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

\*The four housing problems are:

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



### Housing Problems 50-80%

### 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	2,159	12,805	0
White	1,874	11,810	0
Black / African American	80	332	0
Asian	65	187	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	23	0	0

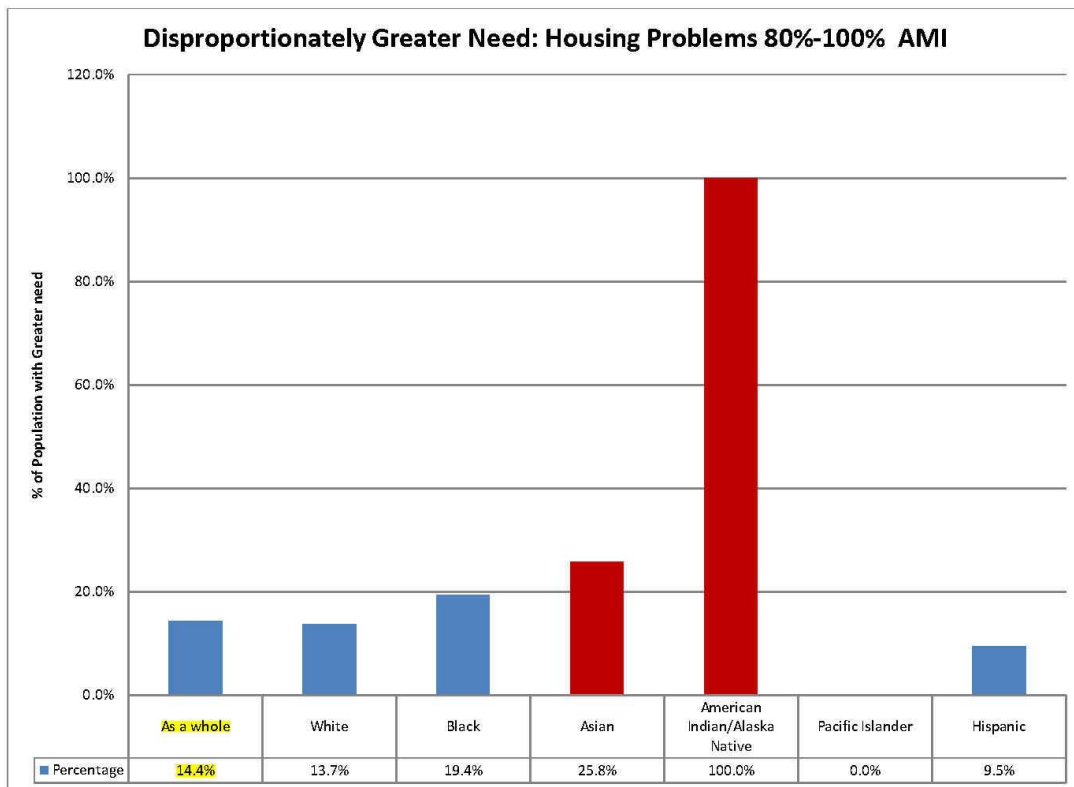
Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Pacific Islander	0	10	0
Hispanic	30	285	0

**Table 16 - Disproportionately Greater Need 80 - 100% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

\*The four housing problems are:

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



## Housing Problems 80-100%

### Discussion

As noted earlier, disproportionately greater need exists when the percentage of households in an income category who are members of a particular racial or ethnic group is at least 10 percentage points

higher than the percentage of households in the category as a whole. It is important to note that many of the non-white groups with disproportionately greater need were very small in number. An inverse relationship between household income and problems became evident immediately. That is, the proportion of households in the jurisdiction with at least 1 of 4 problems decreased as the area median household income increased.

The attached charts, highlighting disproportionate need as a red column, show the racial/ethnic groups that are at least 10 percentage points higher.

The disparate impact analysis for housing problems showed Black/African American households having a disproportionately greater need in every income category except 50-80 % & 80-100%AMI while white households in every income category reported needs to a lesser extent than all groups as a whole. The most groups that reported a disproportionate need are in the 0% to 30% & 30% to 50% income category.

## NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems - 91.405, 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

This section has four tables that capture the number of households with housing problems by income, race, and ethnicity. Each table provides data for a different income level (30%, 50%, 80%, and 100% AMI). The data source is the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS). Each primary table has an associated sub-table that calculates proportionality for each group in each of the 4 income levels. For this purpose of this examination, a disproportionately greater need exists when the percentage of persons in a category of need who are members of a particular racial or ethnic group is at least 10 percentage points higher than the percentage of persons in the category as a whole.

### 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	7,391	4,318	0
White	6,236	3,968	0
Black / African American	639	178	0
Asian	80	38	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	40	25	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	179	50	0

**Table 17 – Severe Housing Problems 0 - 30% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 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%



**Severe Housing Problems 0-30%**

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

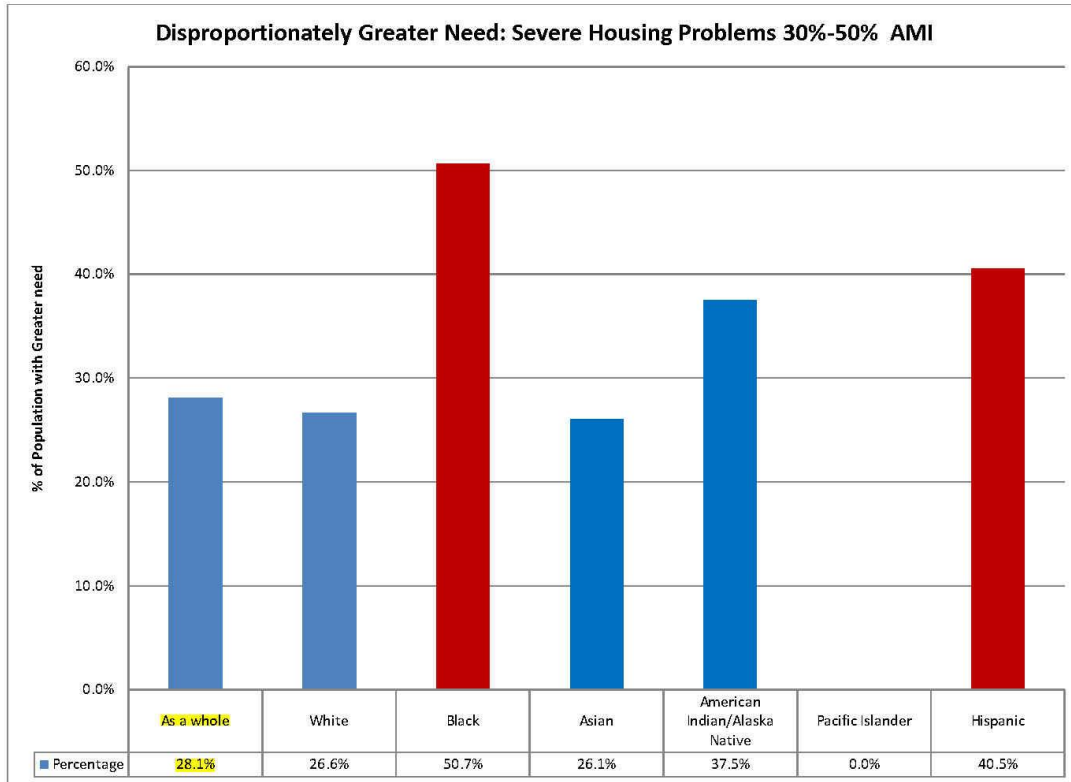
Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	3,650	9,334	0
White	3,164	8,710	0
Black / African American	189	184	0
Asian	43	122	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	15	25	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	150	220	0

**Table 18 – Severe Housing Problems 30 - 50% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 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%



**Severe Housing Problems 30-50%**

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

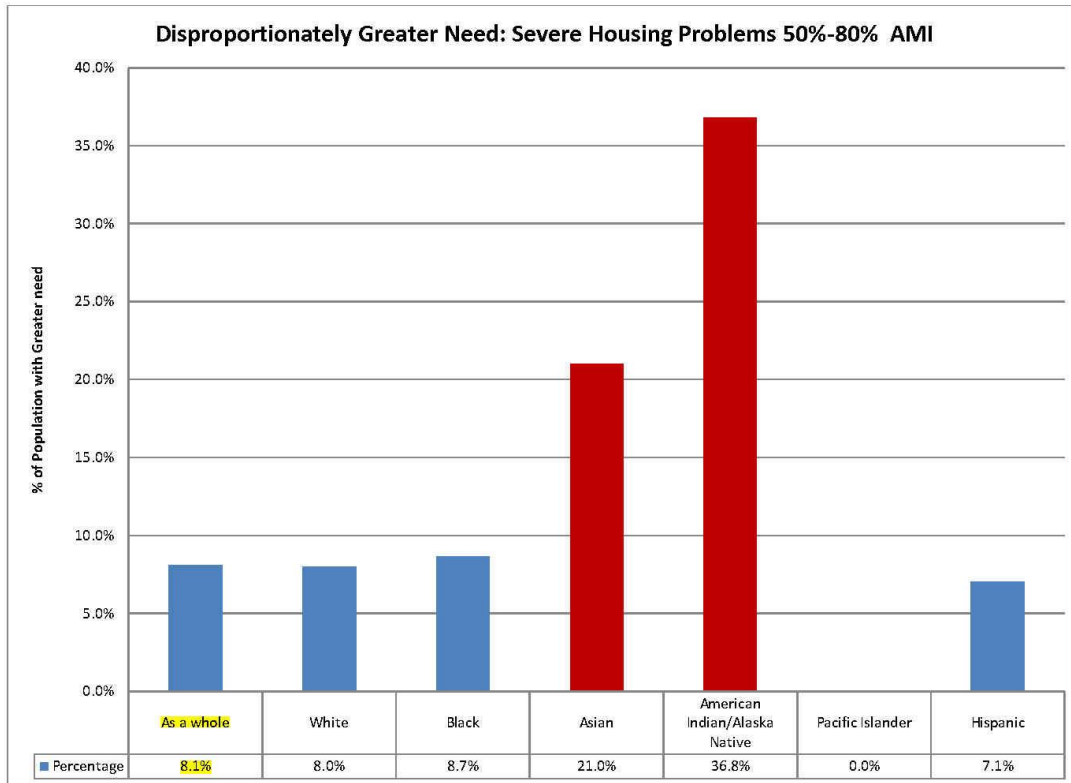
Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	1,628	18,500	0
White	1,474	16,950	0
Black / African American	40	420	0
Asian	69	259	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	14	24	0
Pacific Islander	0	4	0
Hispanic	35	461	0

**Table 19 – Severe Housing Problems 50 - 80% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 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%



### Severe Housing Problems 50-80%

### 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	587	14,360	0
White	427	13,260	0
Black / African American	55	357	0
Asian	45	207	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	15	8	0

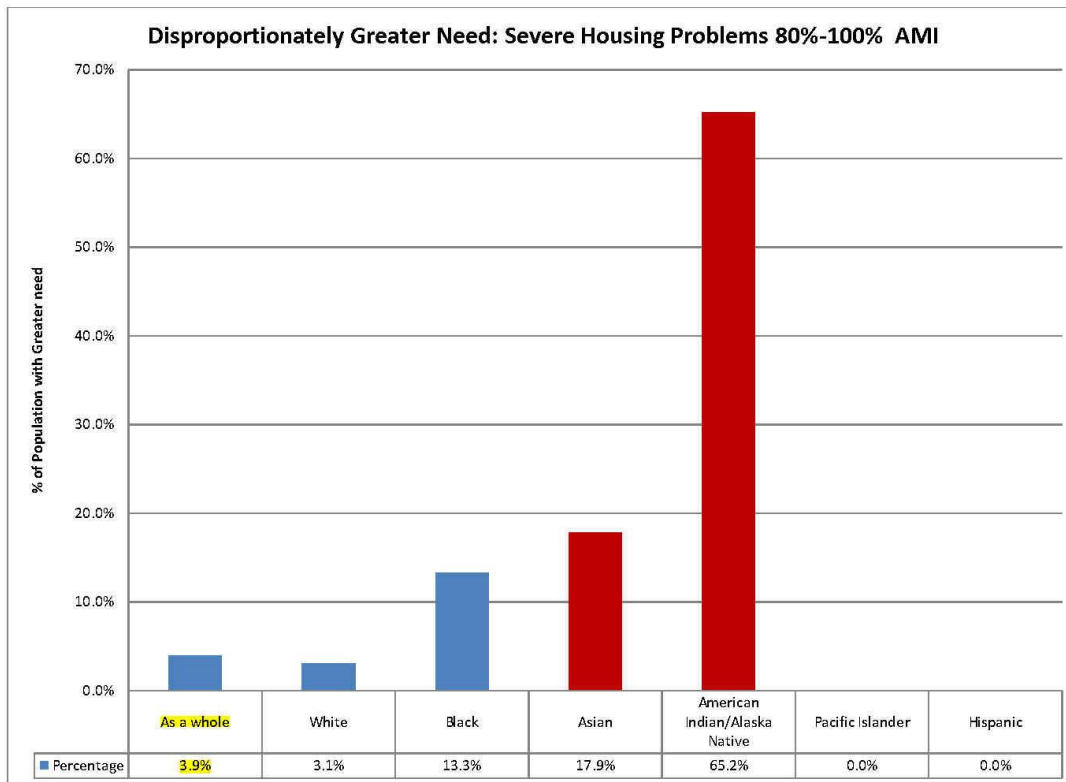
Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Pacific Islander	0	10	0
Hispanic	0	315	0

**Table 20 – Severe Housing Problems 80 - 100% AMI**

Data Source: 2016-2020 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%



## Severe Housing Problems 80-100%

### Discussion

As noted earlier, disproportionately greater need exists when the percentage of households in a category of need who are members of a particular racial or ethnic group is at least 10 percentage points

higher than the percentage of households in the category as a whole. Once again an inverse relationship between household income and problems exists. That is, generally speaking the proportion of households in the jurisdiction with at least 1 of 4 problems decreased as the area median household income increased. One exception being American Indian/Alaska Native 80%-100% AMI as they are 65.2% more disproportionately impacted vs the jurisdiction as a whole.

As in *NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems*, the proportion of whites in all 4 income categories faced with at least 1 housing problem was less than the proportion of all groups as a whole. Blacks and Hispanics were disproportionately represented in 2 of 4 income categories. Asians, American Indians each were disproportionately represented in 1 of 4 income categories. It is important to note that whites make up more than 90% of all households therefore the number of non-white households in any category is relatively small. A few households facing severe problems in a category can represent a significant percentage of the total number of households in that category.

**NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens - 91.405, 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**

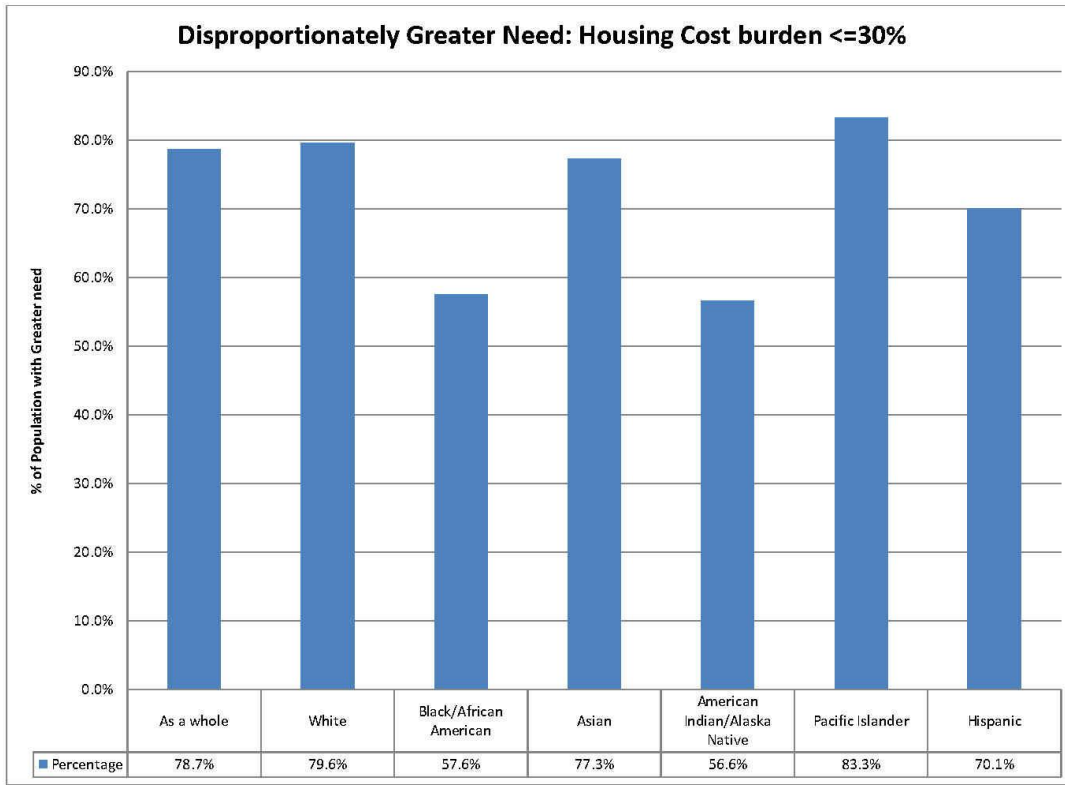
For this purpose, disproportionately greater need exists when the percentage of persons in a category of need who are members of a particular racial or ethnic group is at least 10 percentage points higher than the percentage of persons in category as a whole.

**Housing Cost Burden**

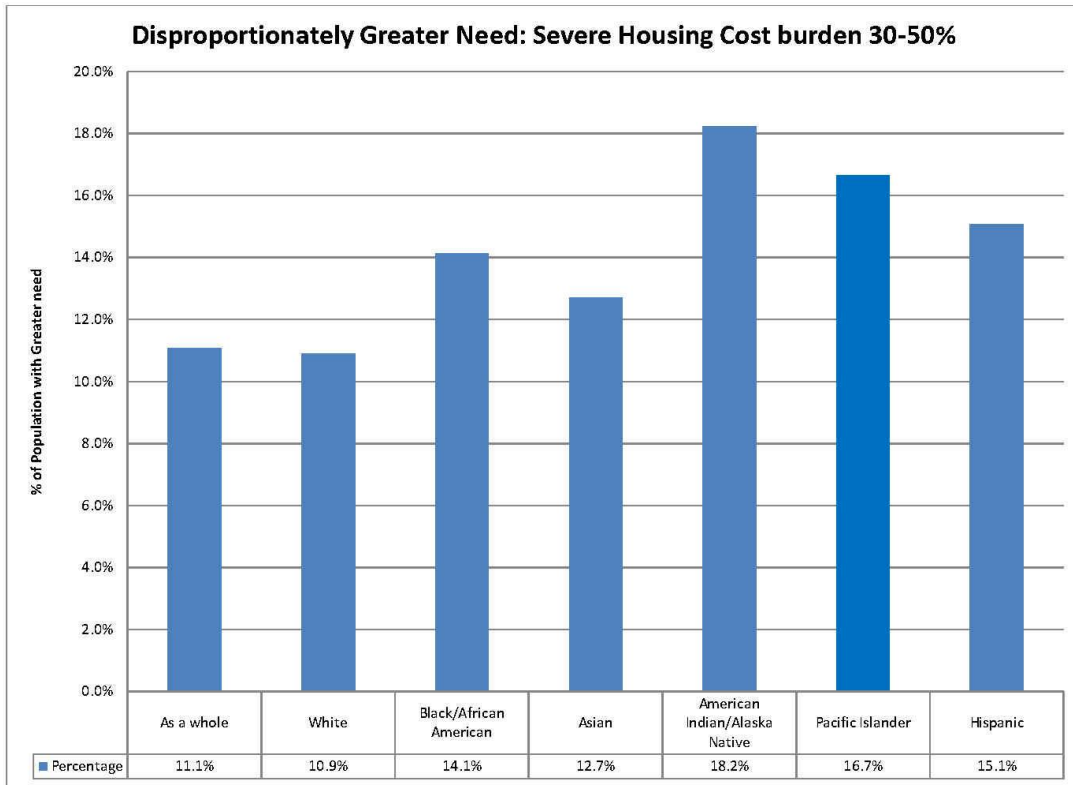
Housing Cost Burden	<=30%	30-50%	>50%	No / negative income (not computed)
Jurisdiction as a whole	103,096	14,508	12,290	1,046
White	96,169	13,179	10,538	956
Black / African American	1,890	464	889	39
Asian	1,552	255	175	25
American Indian, Alaska Native	180	58	70	10
Pacific Islander	20	4	0	0
Hispanic	1,679	361	354	0

**Table 21 – Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens AMI**

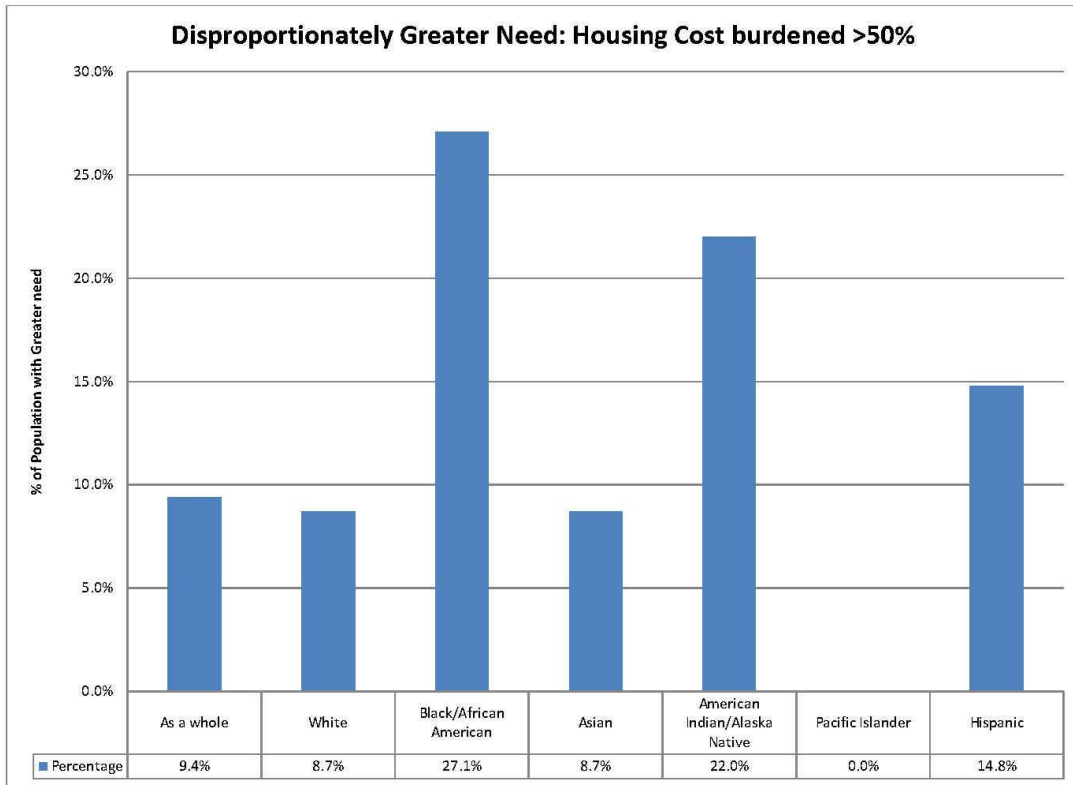
Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS



**Housing Cost Burden less than 30%**



**Housing Cost Burden 30-50%**



**Housing Cost Burden greater than 50%**

**Discussion**

Statistically, no group has a disproportionate need.

## **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?**

The Disproportionate Need analysis for housing problems showed Asian households having a disproportionately greater need in every income category while white households in every income category reported needs to a lesser extent than all groups as a whole. Within the 30-50% AMI category, all households except White, had a disproportionately greater need. Hispanics had greater need both Housing Problems & Severe Housing Problems in the 0-30% & 30%-50% category.

While 78.7% of all households in the Jurisdiction as a whole are not burdened by housing costs (housing costs are equal to or less than 30% of income), only 56.6% of American Indian/Alaska Native and 57.6% of Black/African American households can make such a claim. Hispanics are next at 70.1%. Pacific Islander are greater than the Jurisdiction as a whole at 83.3%.

Black/African American are 17.7% above the Jurisdiction as a whole in the Severe Housing Cost Burden category, followed by American Indian/Alaska Native at 12.6%. By reaching the 10% disproportionate level, it is clearly evident that the Black/African American & American Indian/Alaska Native populations have Severe Cost burden.

Non-white households are far more likely to experience housing problems, severe housing problems, and housing cost burdens. It is important to note that whites make up more than 90% of all households in the jurisdiction therefore the number of non-white households is relatively small. A few households facing problems in a non-white household category can represent a significant percentage of the total number of households in that category.

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

With respect to households with one or more of four housing problems, there is an inverse relationship between household income and the number of households with one or more of four problems. As household income increases, the percentage of households with one or more of four housing problems decreases. This speaks to a need for increased resources for low income households.

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

Onondaga Reservation is an Indian reservation in Onondaga County, and it is the territory of the Onondaga Nation. It lies just south of the City of Syracuse.

## NA-35 Public Housing - 91.405, 91.205 (b)

### Introduction

The system provides default data for the following public housing authorities: Syracuse Housing Authority, Village of Manlius and the Village of N. Syracuse Housing Authority.

OCCD plays no role in the area's Public Housing operations.

### Totals in Use

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
# of units vouchers in use	0	35	2,144	3,873	4	3,791	51	0	0

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

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

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

### Characteristics of Residents

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	
# Homeless at admission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Program Type							
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher	
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program
# of Elderly Program Participants (>62)	0	4	526	707	0	695	7	0
# of Disabled Families	0	10	594	1,311	1	1,267	38	0
# of Families requesting accessibility features	0	35	2,144	3,873	4	3,791	51	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

Race	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
White	0	6	190	928	0	912	16	0	0
Black/African American	0	18	1,397	1,519	2	1,479	25	0	0
Asian	0	11	6	1,410	2	1,384	10	0	0
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	542	14	0	14	0	0	0

Program Type									
Race	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
Pacific Islander	0	0	9	2	0	2	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

**Table 24 – Race of Public Housing Residents by Program Type**

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

### Ethnicity of Residents

Program Type									
Ethnicity	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
Hispanic	0	0	370	401	0	399	0	0	0
Not Hispanic	0	35	1,774	3,472	4	3,392	51	0	0

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

**Table 25 – Ethnicity of Public Housing Residents by Program Type**

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:**

**What are the number and type of families on the waiting lists for public housing and section 8 tenant-based rental assistance? Based on the information above, and any other information available to the jurisdiction, what are the most immediate needs of residents of public housing and Housing Choice voucher holders?**

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

**Discussion**

## NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment - 91.405, 91.205 (c)

### Introduction:

Overall homelessness has increased 63% since 2019, and over 150% since historic lows in 2021 for the first time in recent history, the number of people in families in shelter is higher than single individuals, with family homelessness increasing by 192% since 2019 only 4.5% of people experiencing homelessness on the night of the PIT count (2024) were unsheltered. Onondaga county continues to have the highest percentage of the continuum of care’s population. Increases in homelessness occurred in all three counties served by the CoC. Black/African American households are disproportionately represented in shelter (40% in shelter: 8.5% of three county census). Despite increases in permanent housing beds available, the growth is not meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness. In Onondaga county: homelessness has increased at lower rate than the full continuum of care (coc) from 2019 to 2024 (Onondaga: 46%; CoC: 63%). Onondaga County accounts for approximately 64% of the homeless population in the continuum of care while the county accounts for 71% of the total population of the three-county region. The amount of youth experiencing homelessness decreased by 15% from 2023 to 2024. Veterans and people experiencing chronic homelessness

### 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)	0	258	1,580	215	542	106
Persons in Households with Only Children	1	7	88	66	51	37
Persons in Households with Only Adults	103	329	1,822	828	217	110
Chronically Homeless Individuals	20	45	178	0	23	0
Chronically Homeless Families	0	1	10	0	0	0
Veterans	3	19	74	48	18	204
Unaccompanied Child	1	7	88	66	51	37

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 with HIV	1	8	31	0	1	0

**Table 26 - Homeless Needs Assessment**

**Data Source Comments:** Homeless Management Information System NY-505

Indicate if the homeless population is: Has No Rural Homeless

**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):**

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

<b>Race:</b>	<b>Sheltered:</b>	<b>Unsheltered (optional)</b>
White	959	266
Black or African American	1,728	169
Asian	19	4
American Indian or Alaska Native	58	16
Pacific Islander	12	1
<b>Ethnicity:</b>	<b>Sheltered:</b>	<b>Unsheltered (optional)</b>
Hispanic	120	12
Not Hispanic	491	63

Data Source

Comments:

Homeless Management Information System NY-505

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

Homeless families with children served in 2024: 258 households

Families of veterans served in 2024: 19 households

Source:HMIS data

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

In 2023-2024, 56% of the homeless population was Black or African American. The black population by percentage of the total is 31%, showing a higher proportion of homelessness experienced by this population. Furthermore, White and Hispanic populations also experience high rates of homelessness when compared to the jurisdiction as a whole.

- **Race**                      **# Sheltered**
- White                                      959
- Black/African American              1728
- Asian                                        19
- American Indian/Alaska Native    58
- Pacific Islander                        12
- Hispanic                                    120

Source: HMIS data

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

**Sheltered Homeless**

- Families in Emergency Shelters 1580
- Families in transitional living 46
- Families in permanent supportive housing 298
- Individuals in Emergency Shelters 1821
- Individuals in Transitional housing 163
- Individuals in permanent supportive housing 922

**Unsheltered Homeless**

- Unsheltered receiving street outreach services 541

Source: HMIS data

**Discussion:**

## **NA-45 Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment - 91.405, 91.205 (b,d)**

### **Introduction**

Onondaga County plans to meet non-homeless special needs by continuing programs, identifying resources, applying for funds, and implementing programs. Both the public and private sector will be utilized to address the unmet housing needs of the underserved low-income households and special needs populations.

The one-year strategy aimed at the special needs population addresses primarily the elderly, frail elderly and physically disabled subpopulations. Those with alcohol or drug addictions and persons with HIV/AIDS and their families are primarily addressed through the Continuum of Care application with support from the Emergency Solutions Grant.

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

Special needs populations include persons with physical disabilities, the elderly (including frail elderly), persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, developmentally disabled persons, persons with dual diagnoses, persons with mental health-related disabilities, youth, persons with diagnosable substance use disorders, persons returning from incarceration, refugees, and non-English speaking populations.

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

The following are a description of the needs by special needs subpopulation:

**Persons with physical disabilities:** Persons with mobility impairments face great difficulty obtaining accessible housing. The lack of accessible, affordable housing options in our community force many to reside in senior housing, rehabilitation centers or nursing homes.

**Persons with Dual Diagnoses:** The treatment, service and residential needs of individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders are often considered the most challenging. Staff and administrators at shelters, correctional and psychiatric facilities report increases in the number of persons with co-occurring disorders. Many in this subpopulation experience high rates of recidivism.

**Youth and the Elderly and Frail Elderly:** There is a need to invest in programs that provide opportunities for life skills training and academic success aimed toward preventing at risk youth from falling victim to criminal activity and a lack of employment/career path. Furthermore, there is an increasing social interaction, access to available resources (such as housing assistance, healthcare networks, etc.) and

community engagement among seniors, particularly those who are economically and otherwise isolated from traditional support networks.

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

According to the 2022 CDC HIV Surveillance Report, in the Syracuse NY MSA there were 1,298 people living with HIV/AIDS and 31 people newly diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. OCCD does not receive any HOPWA funds.

**If the PJ will establish a preference for a HOME TBRA activity for persons with a specific category of disabilities (e.g., persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness), describe their unmet need for housing and services needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2) (ii))**

OCCD does not administer TBRA funding.

**Discussion:**

## **NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs - 91.415, 91.215 (f)**

### **Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities:**

Incorporated in 1798, Onondaga County consists of 34 towns and villages. Much of the infrastructure and public facilities that were constructed during the 19th and early 20th centuries are in disrepair, needing improvements and updating. The 1950's experienced a population movement from the city of Syracuse to the suburban towns and villages. Now, as the population continues to move even farther out, the inner-ring suburbs likewise show a decline in population and a rise in poverty similar to the city of Syracuse.

Working with the towns and villages that qualify under its guidelines, Onondaga County Community Development Division has replaced or improved the infrastructure including drainage and sanitary sewers, waterline and roads. Public facilities such as community buildings, senior centers, handicapped-accessible restrooms, playgrounds, athletic fields, and parks have been upgraded. The Community Development Steering Committee meets annually to review the various requests for capital projects funding.

With the continued uncertainty that the impact of COVID has and will continue to have on municipal budgets in the years to come, support of Public Facilities will become an ever increasing need.

### **How were these needs determined?**

The Community Development Division regularly works with the towns and villages in Onondaga County, especially the inner-ring suburbs surrounding the city of Syracuse, where poverty has been increasing for decades. While it can be argued that local governments could benefit from consolidation, the local officials, town boards, planning boards, and other municipal associations are in the best position to assess the needs of their local residents.

Each municipality interested in competing for a capital project for infrastructure or public facility improvements must submit a Five Year Community Development Plan along with their application for a capital project. The municipalities are required to hold a public hearing to allow for input into their Community Development Plan.

The CD Steering Committee, appointed by the County Executive, meets annually to review and adopt the CD program budget, and reviews applications from the towns and villages requesting funding for public facilities. For example, in 2024, awards by the Steering Committee include park improvements in the Towns of Cicero, Geddes & Onondaga, improvements to senior centers in the Town of Camillus, and sidewalk replacement in the Villages of Minoa and Jordan. Once the improvements are completed, the town or village then is responsible for their maintenance.

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

Due to the age of some public improvements in our jurisdiction, some over 100 years old, and the poverty level rising in the inner-ring towns and villages, local governments have been hard-pressed to maintain or improve these facilities. Improvements such as sewer and water mains, improvements or extension of streets, and sidewalk replacement are well beyond the financial ability of many of the eligible towns and villages to undertake as property taxes are already a strain on local property owners.

### **How were these needs determined?**

The CD Steering Committee meets annually to review and approve applications from the towns and villages for public improvements. Applications are reviewed and prioritized by the Committee.

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

The inner-ring towns surrounding the City of Syracuse have experienced a marked increase in poverty in recent decades. These older towns need various services for the improvement of housing, nutrition, health, etc., of low-income individuals and families. Also, and for the first time, these towns are experiencing homeless individuals in their communities.

### **How were these needs determined?**

Community Development works closely with Arise, Inc., a housing referral and advocacy program, and with CNY Fair Housing, a fair housing education and enforcement project. The Department also is involved with various agencies that assist homeless persons. Through these contacts and our working relationships with the towns and villages, we have assessed the need for public services in our communities. We also receive referrals and information from the Onondaga County Health Department and Adult Protective Unit regarding situations in our communities which may benefit from our programs.

# Housing Market Analysis

## MA-05 Overview

### Housing Market Analysis Overview:

The Onondaga County Housing Market can be summarized as follows:

#### 1. Median Home Prices

The median home price is one of the most important indicators of market health. In Onondaga County, home prices have generally been on the rise over the past few years due to a combination of factors such as limited inventory, increasing demand, and national economic trends.

- **Recent Trend:** In 2024, the median home price in Onondaga County has been hovering around **\$220,000 to \$240,000**.
- **Comparison:** Compared to the state average, Onondaga County is more affordable than places like New York City, but it's been steadily appreciating in recent years, particularly in suburban areas.

#### 2. Inventory Levels

- **Current Status:** As of the last few months, the housing inventory in Onondaga County has been low, with fewer listings compared to previous years. This is partly due to:
- **Lack of New Construction:** The area has faced some constraints in new construction, especially affordable housing. **Homeowners Holding On to Properties Longer:** People are not moving as often due to uncertainty or low mortgage rates, which can lead to fewer homes for sale.

#### 3. Sales Volume

- **Sales Activity:** The sales volume in Onondaga County has remained relatively steady, though there was a slight decline in transactions in the past year due to rising interest rates and inflation concerns.
- Many people are still choosing to renovate their current homes instead of buying new ones, which has affected sales numbers, but homes that are priced well and in good condition tend to sell quickly.

#### 4. Days on Market (DOM)

- **Average DOM:** The average days on market in Onondaga County is typically **around 30–45 days**. In certain high-demand areas like **Cicero, Liverpool**, and parts of **DeWitt**, homes may sell even faster, with some listings going under contract within **7–14 days**.

## 5. Mortgage Rates

Mortgage rates have a direct impact on affordability. With the Federal Reserve's recent interest rate hikes, mortgage rates have been higher in recent years.

- **Current Rates (2024):** As of mid-2024, average mortgage rates in the U.S. are around **6.5% to 7.5%** for a 30-year fixed loan, though rates can vary based on credit score and down payment. This higher rate can limit buyers' purchasing power, making it harder for first-time buyers to enter the market.
- **Impact on Onondaga County:** As in many other areas, higher rates in Onondaga County have slowed some demand, especially in lower-price segments of the market. However, homes in the **\$200,000–\$300,000** range still tend to move relatively quickly.

## 6. Neighborhood Demand

Different neighborhoods in Onondaga County have different levels of demand based on factors like amenities, schools, proximity to work centers, and overall quality of life.

- **Hot Areas:**
- **Syracuse:** The city's downtown and university areas are seeing some revitalization, attracting young professionals and students. **Liverpool/Cicero:** These suburbs are seeing consistent demand due to excellent schools, parks, and a family-friendly atmosphere. **DeWitt:** Known for its highly-rated schools and proximity to major employers, DeWitt is a sought-after suburban area.
- **Rural Areas:** Smaller towns and rural areas in the county may have a harder time with demand, though they offer affordable properties. These areas might be more attractive to buyers seeking more space and quieter living, particularly as remote work continues to rise.

## MA-10 Housing Market Analysis: Number of Housing Units - 91,410, 91.210(a)&(b)(2)

### Introduction

Throughout Onondaga County, home prices and availability have remained fairly stable and the area boasts one of the most affordable housing markets in the country. As shown in the data below, 78% of the jurisdictions housing stock is single-family homes, with 84% of those containing 3 or more bedrooms. In contrast the majority of the local rental inventory is made up of smaller dwellings containing 2 or fewer bedrooms and are located in small and medium sized structures, rather than larger complexes with 20 or more units.

### All residential properties by number of units

Property Type	Number	%
1-unit detached structure	103,900	74%
1-unit, attached structure	6,164	4%
2-4 units	8,463	6%
5-19 units	13,722	10%
20 or more units	6,357	5%
Mobile Home, boat, RV, van, etc	2,457	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>141,063</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 27 – Residential Properties by Unit Number

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

### Unit Size by Tenure

	Owners		Renters	
	Number	%	Number	%
No bedroom	241	0%	1,019	3%
1 bedroom	1,394	1%	8,493	27%
2 bedrooms	13,999	14%	13,788	44%
3 or more bedrooms	84,168	84%	7,848	25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,802</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>31,148</b>	<b>99%</b>

Table 28 – Unit Size by Tenure

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

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

Onondaga County Community Development typically provides grants for homeowners, tenants, and first-time homebuyer with incomes <80% of the HUD area median income,

Over the next five years the County anticipates approving over 750 housing grants to Low-Moderate homeowners and tenants. These grants will provide much needed general repairs and rehabilitation, reduce lead based paint hazards in homes, and improve accessibility for the disabled and special needs population of our community. With the financial and job-related impacts of the coronavirus yet to fully understand, increased demand for our programs cannot be ruled out.

Additionally, Community Development anticipates completing 40 homeownership projects on scattered sites throughout the County. The properties will be acquired from a variety of sources including: county tax delinquent properties; bank and HUD foreclosures; properties with Medicare/Medicaid/Social Service liens; private sales; MLS listings; and the Greater Syracuse Land Bank. Once rehabilitation is complete on the vacant properties, Community Development will sell the properties to low income, first-time home buyers.

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

Within the jurisdiction there are no expectations of losing affordable housing units. Housing in the region continues to be some of the most affordable in the nation. The loss of any otherwise affordable units is expected to be nominal.

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

There is a need for an increase in the amount of affordable homes and rental units accessible to:

- the physically disabled and special needs population.
- Households with a single wage earner can find locating affordable housing a challenge.
- On the other end of the spectrum, affordable homes and rentals units that can comfortably accommodate large low income families can be difficult to locate.
- Senior citizens, especially the frail elderly.

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

Improvement in the availability of healthy, safe, affordable housing units to the low income population is needed.

Single wage earner households and large families struggle to locate safe affordable housing within their budget constraints.

Additionally many senior citizen homeowners find themselves in the difficult position of struggling to maintain their homes and pay property taxes on their fixed incomes yet moving/selling their homes would create a myriad of problems. Local assisted living facilities are running at capacity and subsidized rental units for seniors are occupied.

## Discussion

## MA-15 Housing Market Analysis: Cost of Housing - 91.410, 91.210(a)

### Introduction

The region's population is aging and households are becoming smaller and less traditional. Population is declining and is shifting from the City to the outlying County, particularly non-Hispanic white households that have can afford the relatively higher, yet still affordable, cost of housing in the outlying areas and the increased transportation costs, and also have less need for the various services provided in the City. This creates less stable neighborhoods and housing market for home owners in the City and also generates more demand for new housing in the suburbs. New housing is built primarily for moderate to high income households, particularly families and empty nesters.

A leap frog situation has evolved as households move from less-desirable and older housing stock and neighborhoods to newer more desirable housing stock and neighborhoods. These trends have been created by numerous Federal, State, and local policies that have heavily incentivized suburban, single-family home ownership, automobile-based transportation, and competing local jurisdictions. As housing progressively ages from the City outwards to the suburbs, and the incentives to rehabilitate existing housing diminishes in declining neighborhoods, this trend will most likely continue. First concentrating in the City and then moving out to the first-ring suburbs. This dynamic has been documented in metropolitan areas throughout the country

### Cost of Housing

	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2020	% Change
Median Home Value	0	0	0%
Median Contract Rent	0	0	0%

Table 29 – Cost of Housing

Data Source: 2000 Census (Base Year), 2016-2020 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Rent Paid	Number	%
Less than \$500	4,552	14.6%
\$500-999	18,149	58.3%
\$1,000-1,499	6,882	22.1%
\$1,500-1,999	877	2.8%
\$2,000 or more	680	2.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,140</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Table 30 - Rent Paid

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

## Housing Affordability

Number of Units affordable to Households earning	Renter	Owner
30% HAMFI	1,862	No Data
50% HAMFI	7,765	8,679
80% HAMFI	19,422	22,938
100% HAMFI	No Data	34,976
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,049</b>	<b>66,593</b>

**Table 31 – Housing Affordability**

Data Source: 2016-2020 CHAS

## Monthly Rent

Monthly Rent (\$)	Efficiency (no bedroom)	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
Fair Market Rent	801	897	1,109	1,367	1,579
High HOME Rent	599	688	858	1,088	1,224
Low HOME Rent	599	688	858	1,033	1,153

**Table 32 – Monthly Rent**

Data Source: HUD FMR and HOME Rents

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

There is a significant lack of quality, affordable rental housing for households earning 0-30% and 30-50% AMI. The primary source of housing for these households is either in public housing or in private, unsubsidized market rate housing. Due to market forces such as an oversupply of housing units, low property values, and high poverty rates, much of the affordable market rate rental housing stock is substandard.

The region's housing stock is older and generally more affordable in the City of Syracuse and gets progressively newer and more expensive as you travel outward into the suburbs. Pockets of older housing stock are located in the villages and rural areas, and in the older suburbs adjacent to the City of Syracuse, particularly to the north. Vacancy rates are very low in the outlying County and high in the City of Syracuse.

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

Post COVID, the area did not experience the drastic changes in housing prices occurring in many areas of the country but did show overall increases and volatility as discussed in the overview. The region's economy has experienced upheavals as natural-resource-based industries and large manufacturing

facilities have left the area. Some small scale manufacturing has returned but the local economy has become more centered on education, medicine, and service-based industries. The impact of Micron, with the potential full build-out, will likely have a significant impact on home values and/or rents. Median incomes overall have increased over the decades, but so have areas of concentrated poverty, and there is also a wider divergent of incomes. Incomes overall are much higher outside the City of Syracuse providing a better environment for homeownership and newer rental housing.

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

HOME and FMR rents are typically on par with the Area Median Rent, but both are too low to spur investment or provide incentives for adequate property maintenance and management. This makes pursuing affordable market rate development extremely difficult even where construction costs are subsidized. The high costs of operating affordable rental property coupled with low rent structures inhibits the production and long-term management of affordable housing rental projects.

**Discussion**

## MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing - 91.410, 91.210(a)

### Introduction

Age is an important determinant of the condition of a community's housing stock and its rehabilitation needs. When compared to the country as a whole, the housing stock in Onondaga County is relatively older with over 68% of the owner-occupied homes and 66% of rental units built before 1979. CPD Maps shows the jurisdiction's housing stock, "Built 1949 or earlier" is statistically higher when compared to the nation in both owner-occupied and rental households.

### Describe the jurisdiction's definition of "standard condition" and "substandard condition but suitable for rehabilitation":

The following data provides an overview on the condition of housing in the jurisdiction.

Definitions:

**Standard Condition:** No major structural defects, adequate plumbing and kitchen facilities, appearance which does not create a blighting influence, and the house meets additional, more stringent, local standards, and building codes, including lead-based paint clearance.

**Substandard Condition but Suitable for Rehabilitation:** The nature of the substandard condition makes rehabilitation both financially and structurally feasible.

### Condition of Units

Condition of Units	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
With one selected Condition	15,593	16%	11,989	39%
With two selected Conditions	413	0%	400	1%
With three selected Conditions	89	0%	145	0%
With four selected Conditions	0	0%	0	0%
No selected Conditions	83,685	84%	18,624	60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,780</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>31,158</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 33 - Condition of Units

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

### Year Unit Built

Year Unit Built	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
2000 or later	12,281	12%	3,191	10%
1980-1999	22,654	23%	7,041	23%

Year Unit Built	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
1950-1979	46,672	47%	15,349	49%
Before 1950	18,203	18%	5,545	18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,810</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>31,126</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 34 – Year Unit Built**

Data Source: 2016-2020 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	64,875	65%	20,894	67%
Housing Units build before 1980 with children present	6,115	6%	5,087	16%

**Table 35 – Risk of Lead-Based Paint**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS (Total Units) 2016-2020 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

### Describe the need for owner and rental rehabilitation based on the condition of the jurisdiction's housing.

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### Estimate the number of housing units within the jurisdiction that are occupied by low or moderate income families that contain lead-based paint hazards. 91.205(e), 91.405

Although lead-based paint was banned for use in residential structures after 1978, many older homes still contain lead hazards. The CPD Maps Housing Toolkit shows the jurisdictions housing stock, "Built 1949 or earlier" is statistically higher when compared to the nation in both owner-occupied and rental households. Lead is most dangerous to young children (under age 6) as exposure in early years causes long term health and developmental difficulties. There are 6,434 households with children who live in housing built before 1980. Statistics do not exist to exactly determine how many low-mod income

residents reside in these homes, however, CDD's educated estimate is approximately 4,000 of these households will be low-mod income.

Information from the Onondaga County Health Department indicates that a total of 12,875 children age six and under were tested for blood lead levels in 2024 in Onondaga County. Blood lead levels greater than or equal to 5 mcg/dl were found in 545 children tested.

## **Discussion**

**MA-25 Public And Assisted Housing - 91.410, 91.210(b)**

**Introduction**

**Totals Number of Units**

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project -based	Tenant -based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
# of units vouchers available	0	33	2,319	4,367	12	3,419	515	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:**

There are no public housing projects within the jurisdiction.

**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:**

There are no public housing projects within the jurisdiction.

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

There are no public housing projects within the jurisdiction.

**Discussion:**

## MA-30 Homeless Facilities and Services - 91.410, 91.210(c)

### Introduction

Priorities are determined by review of the Continuum of Care Homeless application process and other homeless planning activities including but not limited to review of Point in Time data and surveys conducted among consumers of homeless services. The Continuum of Care planning process consistently reveals one overriding priority need among the homeless and those at risk of homelessness: affordable permanent housing with a range of readily available support services commensurate with the varying needs of each household. In addition to affordable housing, resources are needed to develop and maintain an appropriate range of services, including preventative and rehabilitative services to assist persons before they become homeless, as they seek to leave shelters, and as they attempt to resume life in the community after a period of homelessness.

### Facilities Targeted to Homeless Persons

	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)	103	150	98	368	60
Households with Only Adults	354	20	275	862	31
Chronically Homeless Households	0	0	0	160	31
Veterans	0	0	24	130	0
Unaccompanied Youth	15	5	28	0	0

**Table 39 - Facilities Targeted to Homeless Persons**

Data Source Comments: HMIS Housing inventory

## **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**

As part of the assessment process, the homeless programs include evaluations of client health, mental health and employment readiness. These assessments assist individuals in identifying health and behavioral health issues and establish barriers to employment. Where needed, individuals are connected to health services of their choice. If they already have a primary care provider, it is encouraged to continue to foster the ongoing relationship between themselves and the providers that they have already grown accustomed to seeing.

Healthcare services for the vulnerable populations are provided through the newly created health homes and the managed care insurance companies operating with Medicaid funding. People with disabilities who need assistance in managing their medical care have access to care coordinators who connect them with community-based services and supports so they can maintain independent living in the community.

There are also several free or sliding scale medical clinics staffed by volunteer doctors available to those without health insurance such as Amaus Clinic at the Cathedral, Poverello Health Services at Franciscan Ministries, Syracuse Community Health Center's locations on South Salina Street and in the South, East and West end of Syracuse.

Mental Health services are provided by the local community-based organizations such as Access CNY (formally known as Transitional Living Services), Onondaga Case Management, CNY Services, Syracuse Behavioral Healthcare, and institutional care such as Hutchings, CPEP at St. Joseph's Hospital, SUNY Upstate Adult Psychiatry Clinic, as well as several community-based mental health clinics, including clinics at Brownell and ARISE. Through case management and support services homeless or housing vulnerable individuals can use these services for ongoing/recurrent health and behavioral health issues.

Employment services are often received directly at the program to support homeless/housing vulnerable clients. Job development and training strategies are focused on people who are experiencing or are most at risk of homelessness. Common barriers to entering the workforce often are transportation, childcare, child support, domestic violence history, criminal justice history, lack of experience and age. Services needed often include job readiness, assisting with the job search, creating resumes, interviewing skills and assisting with transportation barriers. Housing programs work collaboratively with community resources, often referring clients to Central New York Works, Parent Success Initiative, Green Jobs New York and the Department of Social Service Jobs Plus Program. Syracuse Behavioral Healthcare has a "KEYS to Employment and Economic Stability" program which prepares homeless individuals residing in the SBHC supportive housing units for employment and assists in reaching educational goals.

Employment services for persons with disabilities are provided by the CNY Works and ACCES VR. CNY Works' Disability Navigator which helps people with disabilities in resume writing, locating job leads, interviewing and job readiness skills. ACCES VR provides specialized vocation-rehabilitation services to anyone with a disability who is seeking employment. Vocational Rehabilitation counselors at ACCES VR

are assigned to each participant to provide supports in reaching individual employment goals through supportive employment or direct placement with local employers. Community-based organizations such as ARISE, Access CNY, and several others work with ACCES VR to place participants in jobs and provide job coaching and other supports to make their employment successful. Supported employment is a paid and competitive employment with ongoing supports for individuals with high needs.

**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.**

**Catholic Charities Homeless Shelter for Men:** emergency shelter for men over the age of 18.

Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Re-housing for chronically homeless, homeless individuals and families

**Chadwick Residence Inc.:** transitional housing for women and young children and supportive housing for individuals and families.

**CNY Services:** permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless, homeless individuals and families counseling, information, case management and referrals to tenants facing homelessness.

**Hiscock Legal Aid Society: *Homeless Prevention Legal Services*** – Addressing the problems of the homeless or persons at risk of homelessness by providing legal assistance for individuals and families living in low-income rental housing who are facing eviction, illegal lockouts and other housing problems, particularly those related to substandard housing conditions that put one at-risk of homelessness.

**InterFaith Works: *Housing Stabilization & Case Management*** – provides homeless prevention services to refugees requiring assistance or case management services to address barriers to retaining and securing safe housing.

**Liberty Resources Inc. *DePalmer House*** - offering rapid re-housing and support services to persons living with HIV/AIDS. Permanent Supportive Housing for chronically homeless families and individuals.

**The Salvation Army:**

***Transitional Apartment and Parenting Center (TAPC)*** – provides rapid re-housing services and support to homeless pregnant and parenting youth (and their infants) ages 16-21.

***Barnabas Case Management***– provides rapid re-housing case management services to support homeless youth ages 16-25 that live in the nearby community.

**Housing Assistance and Life Skills Education (HALE) Program** – offers financial assistance to employed homeless individuals and families who are transitioning from shelters into permanent housing. Services may include rent subsidies, independent living skills training, linkages to mainstream community resources and other basic needs services.

**Booth House** - Emergency Shelter for 13-17 years old

**Barnabas Shelter** - Emergency Housing for 18-24 years old

**Emergency Family Shelter** - serving families of all kinds, from single mothers to married couples to single women

**Ethel Chamberlain House**- This partnership between Housing Visions and Salvation Army combined the existing Women’s Shelter that serves women with mental health disabilities, with permanent supportive housing units.

**Van Keuren Square** – offers affordable housing to veterans (50 units)

**Vera House: Emergency sheltering services** - to women and men in domestic violence crisis and their children

## **MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services - 91.410, 91.210(d)**

### **Introduction**

For all special needs populations, a range of supportive housing and services are needed, tailored to the progression, if any, of their condition. Appropriate housing and services are often harder to access for those wishing to live beyond City limits. There is a need to expand services and housing alternatives to special needs populations available in the County.

### **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**

Identified needs include home repair, weatherization and maintenance for the elderly and frail, accessibility improvements to enable people with disabilities to remain in their homes, and affordable housing for all sub-populations.

The elderly and the frail elderly population have grown in the past decade and this trend will continue with the increase in the life span of the elderly. This growth of the senior population will intensify the need for supportive housing for the elderly even more in the next five years. Seniors very often have a set of complex needs that continues to grow/change as they age. A medical condition may grow into a home accessibility challenge this in turn may lead to transportation problems, social isolation and even personal care issues.

The most pressing need for special needs renters is an adequate supply of affordable rental housing, especially accessible/adaptable rental housing for families with a member who is mobility-impaired.

Rehabilitation assistance is needed to make accessibility modifications to more rental units.

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

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### **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)**

During the next year OCCD will continue to offer the Ramp and Accessibility Modification Program (RAMP). The County was fortunate to be awarded an additional \$150,000 from the NYS HCR for the purpose of improving accessibility in households with a member with a disability. The additional state funds will allow CDD to increase the grant limit from \$15,000 to \$25,000, as needed.

**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 primary need of special needs homeowners, as well as all other owners in the County, is assistance with rehabilitation costs, in the form of grants for repair or replacement of major systems such as heating, plumbing and electrical systems. Elderly and special needs persons and families are likely to have fixed incomes, and therefore have even greater difficulty affording the costs of major rehabilitation. Without sufficient income, conditions deteriorate and the housing unit becomes substandard. Yet, elderly and special needs families want to maintain their independence, and remain in their homes and neighborhoods.

Elderly and disabled owners, as well as families with a disabled member, can be faced with additional costs of making accessibility modifications. OCCD has administered a successful accessibility program since 1982 (the RAMP Program) and improved the accessibility in more than 870 homes in Onondaga County. OCCD will continue to offer this program and was recently awarded a NYS HCR grant (totaling \$150,000) to supplement funding for this work.

Besides rehabilitation grants, a high priority need of elderly homeowners is the availability of support services to allow them to remain in their own homes. Transportation, meals, housekeeping, personal care and assistance with medications are some of the services which could make the difference between an elderly person being able to stay in his/her home and having to face the upheaval of moving. The number and type of services increases as the individual increases in age. The need for in-home services will continue to grow as life expectancy continues to increase into the next century.

## **MA-40 Barriers to Affordable Housing - 91.410, 91.210(e)**

### **Describe any negative effects of public policies on affordable housing and residential investment**

The region's population is aging and households are becoming smaller and less traditional. Population is declining and is shifting from the City to the outlying County, particularly non-Hispanic white households that can afford the relatively higher, yet still affordable, cost of housing in the outlying areas and the increased transportation costs, and also have less need for the various services provided in the City. This creates less stable neighborhoods and housing market for home owners in the City and also generates more demand for new housing in the suburbs. New housing is built primarily for moderate to high income households, particularly families and empty nesters.

A leap frog situation has evolved as households move from less-desirable and older housing stock and neighborhoods to newer more desirable housing stock and neighborhoods. These trends have been created by numerous Federal, State, and local policies that have heavily incentivized suburban, single-family home ownership, automobile-based transportation, and competing local jurisdictions. As housing progressively ages from the City outwards to the suburbs, and the incentives to rehabilitate existing housing diminishes in declining neighborhoods, this trend will most likely continue. First concentrating in the City and then moving out to the first-ring suburbs. This dynamic has been documented in metropolitan areas throughout the country.

Fair Housing together with fair transportation and fair neighborhoods are needed throughout the Syracuse Metro Area.

Onondaga County Community Development has developed several activities that will address the removal of barriers to affordable housing. The County will expand housing opportunities for persons with disabilities. Using both CDBG funds and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000, and in some cases up to \$25,000, for accessibility modifications for low-income families with a handicapped family member. Outreach will be on-going. The County has allocated annual funding to the Fair Housing Council program year to implement the Education and Enforcement Project which includes education, housing counseling and advocacy, enforcement of fair housing laws, and assistance to victims of predatory lending and lending fraud. ARISE, Inc. is allocated annual funding to provide one-on-one assistance to income eligible individuals with disabilities and their families, in order to stabilize housing situations and maximize independence with the community. ARISE additionally advocates for increased accessible housing, and educates housing providers and the public about Fair Housing, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the need for accessible housing.

## MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets - 91.410, 91.210(f)

### Introduction

The goal of this department is to improve the quality of life for county residents through housing rehabilitation, capital projects (improvements to public facilities and infrastructure), commercial rehabilitation and providing homeownership opportunities. The planned reconstruction of Route 81 through the central city and proposed Micron facility will assist in stimulating the local economy and will provide jobs. Onondaga County is fortunate to have four colleges within its jurisdiction which provide an educated work force and job training.

### 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	119	116	1	1	0
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	2,273	2,266	13	15	2
Construction	845	999	5	7	2
Education and Health Care Services	4,046	2,231	23	15	-8
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,295	1,019	7	7	0
Information	420	378	2	2	0
Manufacturing	1,708	2,190	10	14	4
Other Services	864	1,187	5	8	3
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	1,662	1,000	10	7	-3
Public Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	2,521	2,883	14	19	5
Transportation and Warehousing	650	433	4	3	-1
Wholesale Trade	1,040	537	6	4	-2
Total	17,443	15,239	--	--	--

**Table 40 - Business Activity**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS (Workers), 2020 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)



## Labor Force

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	168,325
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over	161,215
Unemployment Rate	4.24
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	12.57
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	3.07

**Table 41 - Labor Force**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

Occupations by Sector	Number of People
Management, business and financial	44,794
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	5,850
Service	12,870
Sales and office	38,410
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair	10,186
Production, transportation and material moving	6,560

**Table 42 – Occupations by Sector**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

## Travel Time

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	120,110	81%
30-59 Minutes	23,708	16%
60 or More Minutes	4,876	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,694</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 43 - Travel Time**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

## Education:

### Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Less than high school graduate	4,598	396	3,575
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	26,649	1,809	8,685
Some college or Associate's degree	41,300	1,662	9,685
Bachelor's degree or higher	60,795	1,303	7,578

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

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18–24 yrs	25–34 yrs	35–44 yrs	45–65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	129	580	469	1,373	1,279
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,695	1,529	1,342	3,293	3,406
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	6,121	7,311	6,699	23,135	19,758
Some college, no degree	7,621	7,660	5,807	15,409	10,758
Associate's degree	2,077	5,182	5,183	13,582	6,088
Bachelor's degree	4,073	10,423	9,325	19,886	10,302
Graduate or professional degree	368	6,221	8,343	15,618	8,821

**Table 45 - Educational Attainment by Age**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	913,272
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,663,304
Some college or Associate's degree	2,060,011
Bachelor's degree	2,866,652
Graduate or professional degree	3,427,187

**Table 46 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months**

Data Source: 2016-2020 ACS

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

The above chart shows that the major employment sector within our jurisdiction is Education and Health Services. It has almost twice as many workers as the next major employer, Retail trade. The remaining major employers are Arts, Entertainment and Accommodations and Manufacturing.

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

Onondaga County, like the city of Syracuse and other urban centers, has seen a shift from manufacturing to a more service-based economy, which requires a higher level of education and professional skills. As a result, our community needs more programs for work and job readiness, and these programs will need

to connect to new employment opportunities. The proposed Micron facility may shift this focus, but that remains to be seen.

While the questions asked in this section are not directly relevant to the core activities of this department, we are aware of the broader issues concerning the workforce and infrastructure needs in our community. For example, a movement known as Smart Growth within our jurisdiction—Onondaga County outside the city of Syracuse—has the goal of requiring new businesses and residential development to take place on existing infrastructure such as roads, sewers, and water. As a result, there is ongoing competition between those who would like to regulate growth and those who seek to expand it unchecked in the towns and villages. As a part of our review process to award capital projects to the towns and villages, we are aware of these competing objectives. Our local county government supports Smart Growth, thus limiting and encouraging growth into areas that are connected to existing infrastructure.

As to the infrastructure needs of Onondaga County, it is well known that much of the infrastructure is 100 years old and in need of upgrades and replacement. The Five Year Plans submitted by many of the towns and villages indicate need way in excess of the resources available.

**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.**

A major initiative currently underway in Syracuse is the planned replacement of the Interstate 81 viaduct that travels directly through the city center and divides the downtown and University Hill areas. The project has involved years of environmental scoping and public participation forums to determine the future of the highway. The sixty year old highway has reached the end of its useful life and the Central New York community is working with the New York State Department of Transportation and other agencies to determine the best transportation and economic design possible to replace the current highway structure. This project will undoubtedly reshape the urban landscape of the center city of Syracuse and provide several hundred construction and engineering jobs during a multi-year process once construction begins.

Secondly, the proposed Micron semiconductor facility has the potential to greatly impact the surrounding area. With the recent release of the Draft Environmental Impact statement, the project is in a preliminary phase. Workforce development has already begun with local colleges expanding educational offerings to include semiconductor related fields. Infrastructure needs are being planned for.

Lastly, this Department continues to offer its Commercial Façade Improvement Program to revitalize the village centers. Many villages experienced decline in the mid-20th century, resulting in many vacant storefronts. Our Commercial Façade Program has helped revitalize these storefronts and often also the

rental units above them, thus making them more attractive to both commercial and residential tenants, spurring numerous new businesses throughout the jurisdiction including the Villages of Camillus, Baldwinsville, and Jordan.

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

Fortunately, Onondaga County is home to Syracuse University, LeMoyne College, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, and Onondaga County Community College, which provides an educated labor pool. The proposed Micron facility has led to increased program offerings related to the semiconductor industry.

Additionally, a number of local organizations produce a ready-to-work labor pool possessing both industry-specific and general employment skills, through programs that are generally one–two years in duration and cheaper than a traditional college education.

**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.**

Onondaga Community College (OCC) in partnership with employers, not-for-profit organizations, and New York State, has developed training programs to help prepare local workers with the skills needed for in-demand careers and advance the role of OCC as an engine for local economic growth. Successes include: hire or train instructors, develop new curricula and training models, purchase new equipment for students to train on, solicit feedback from employers, and design new programs based on changing labor needs in the local economy.

With the proposed Micron facility, several training initiatives exist. Construction is underway at the Micron Technology clean room laboratory at Onondaga Community College, being built and outfitted with the largest donation ever made to the college. Micron has pledged \$5 million toward the lab, which will be named the Micron Cleanroom Simulation Lab. Onondaga County and New York state are also contributing \$5 million each in taxpayer money. Syracuse University is also preparing new course offerings to align with anticipated needs.

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services is a collaboration of three central New York counties, including Onondaga County, that provide job training services for both high school students and adults. Courses such as automotive technology, computer technology, cosmetology, early childhood education, health occupations, and numerous other programs are offered that help prepare both students and current workers for the work force and in some cases, for post high school study.

These programs provide a benefit to our jurisdiction's economy. They also help support the goal of our consolidated plan of improving the quality of life of residents of the county through housing rehabilitation, capital projects, homeownership, and other Community Development programs.

**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.**

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**Discussion**

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

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

Generally speaking, the proportion of households with housing problems in towns and villages within the Consortium decreases as household income increases. Most towns in Onondaga County have at least one neighborhood with a concentration of older housing stock with low-income households with housing problems and more housing problems are reported in rental units.

CPD Maps data for "% of households with 1 of 4 severe housing problems" was used to identify concentrations by census tract. A "concentration" is defined as the tract's percentage of households being above 20%. Those include CT 111.02 (Clay/Liverpool), CT 137.01 (Galeville), CT151 (Fayetteville), CT 165 (Onondaga). These areas are also identified in CPD Maps as also being Cost burdened, having substandard housing and in having units built 1949 or earlier.

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

Racial and ethnic minorities in Onondaga County are overwhelmingly located within the City of Syracuse, which is a separate entitlement community. For the purpose of this section, "minority concentration" shall mean any neighborhood where a race or ethnic group comprises the top two quintiles of percentage distribution. All the communities in the Onondaga Consortium are predominantly white except for the Onondaga Nation Reservation just south of the City of Syracuse, which is primarily Native American.

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

There is limited data available for housing on the reservation. However a visual survey reveals many substandard structures and homes in need of repair. When approached in the past the Council of Chiefs has not been interested in participating in Community Development programs. However, the County will continue to reach out to the community. The housing market throughout Onondaga County varies from region to region. Housing located within the inner ring communities tends to be older, more deteriorated and require repair. Where commercial markets exist, they often include vacant former commercial storefronts. The southern tier of the county is rural and sparsely populated. In general, the northern and eastern areas of the consortium contain newer suburban subdivisions.

The areas/neighborhoods identified in CPD Maps are concentrations of older housing stock in the original Villages/Hamlets centers. In these markets, many owners typically move on to newer suburbs instead of investing in the existing housing stock.

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

Several community assets serve as important anchors within the towns and villages comprising the jurisdiction. These include schools (elementary, middle, and high schools both public and private) and institutes of higher education, community centers, faith-based institutions, a network of parks and open spaces, neighborhood-based housing organizations, branch libraries, and many retail and corporate businesses large and small.

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

Opportunities exist for residential, commercial and/or mixed use development, including infrastructure and public facilities improvements throughout Onondaga County. Community Development will continue to support growth efforts in whatever way possible.

## **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.**

The jurisdiction is served primarily by Charter Communications and Verizon Communications. Within the jurisdiction, broadband wiring and connections for households is generally readily available. Availability decreases in the more rural areas and Onondaga County continues its plan to install fiber optic cable in remote areas not currently served by broadband providers and working with internet companies to arrange for service.

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

Onondaga County has made significant strides in expanding broadband access, particularly in rural areas, through initiatives involving major providers like Verizon. As of the latest developments, Verizon is deploying all-fiber, high-speed broadband services to over 1,500 locations across the county, supported by \$11.1 million in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and a \$7 million investment from Verizon. This project aims to close the digital divide and improve connectivity for underserved communities.

- **Verizon's Role:** Verizon is responsible for deploying broadband services in several rural communities within Onondaga County, bringing all-fiber, high-speed broadband to over 1,500 locations. The project includes 214 miles of fiber optic lines, with the goal of providing high-speed internet to 1,500 households that currently lack it.
- **County Funding and Initiatives:** Onondaga County has allocated \$15 million to expand broadband access, with a focus on rural areas. This funding comes from the 2021 federal stimulus program and is intended to bring high-speed internet to underserved households and businesses.
- **ISP Availability and Performance:** High-speed internet providers such as Spectrum, New Visions, Point Broadband, and Vyve Broadband offer speeds up to 2,300 Mbps in Onondaga County. Verizon is noted for its reliable delivery of expected speeds, while T-Mobile Home Internet is considered the cheapest option in New York.
- **Digital Connectivity Index:** Onondaga County has a Digital Connectivity Index score of 62/100, indicating a high demand for broadband connectivity. The county's ISP Report Card is rated B-, reflecting a good effort in meeting residents' needs.

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

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

To better assist local communities to mitigate these natural hazards, the Onondaga County Department of Planning, through the assistance of the Center of Excellence for Risk-Based Community Resilience Planning at Colorado State University, AT&T, and Integrated Solutions Consulting, leveraged insights from the Climate Risk and Resilience Portal (ClimRR, <https://climrr.anl.gov/>). ClimRR enables the community to look at simulated future climate conditions at mid- and end-of-century for a range of climate perils, and provides future climate data projections to help communities plan for and adapt to our changing weather. ClimRR can help local leaders address future conditions that impact identified hazards of concern, such as flooding and extreme heat

By combining the ClimRR climate data with other data layers, analysts evaluated the number of buildings in Onondaga County projected to experience pluvial flooding within the next 25-50 years. They also examined changes in trends in harmful algal blooms (HABs) due to changes in stormwater runoff and increased temperatures. Finally, utilizing inputs from Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool (RAPT), analysts pinpointed vulnerable populations that are susceptible to extreme heat. These analyses have been summarized in an ArcGIS StoryMap available here: <https://arcg.is/1vHn541>.

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

The most impactful hazard risk will be the increased risk of Summer heat. This dramatically impacts low- and moderate income households as they are likely to be in homes without central air-conditioning and/or not have the needed electrical capacity to handle large window AC units. Mitigation strategies such as heat illness awareness campaigns, provide cooling shelters, and prioritize urban cooling projects will be needed. This population and population centers are more likely to benefit from programs that will provide assistance for lower income households to have a reliable, climate controlled space. This assistance could be in the form of energy bill rebates, providing window air conditioning units, or opening and/or extending the hours of cooling centers that are accessible from public transit routes.

The aging population is also in need of targeted heat illness prevention campaigns that address their particular needs. This type of campaign may include: neighbor "buddy systems" by which neighbors make plans to check on each other, rideshare programs for older adults, and community programs to assist older adults with strenuous outdoor labor during dangerously hot weather.



# Strategic Plan

## SP-05 Overview

### Strategic Plan Overview

The mission of the CDD is to improve the quality of life for Onondaga County's low and moderate income people by preserving and rebuilding neighborhoods, revitalizing and increase in the County's housing stock, upgrading the infrastructure, and provided needed community facilities.

The objectives of the Onondaga County Five Year Strategic Plan are as follows:

- provide safe and sanitary infrastructure, such as sanitary sewers, storm sewers, water lines, sidewalks, etc., that serve low income residents;
- provide recreational facilities for low and moderate income and disabled residents;
- eliminate detrimental blighting conditions in residential neighborhoods;
- provide neighborhood facilities, such as senior citizen centers and community centers for low and moderate income persons;
- provide improved housing conditions and housing opportunities for low and moderate income elderly and handicapped persons and low and moderate income families through housing rehabilitation assistance;
- provide home ownership opportunities for the County's low and moderate income residents, with affirmative marketing to the minority population;
- stimulate improved economic conditions in business districts located in low and moderate income neighborhoods through commercial rehabilitation;
- provide fair housing for all the citizens of the County;
- provide contracting and employment opportunities to minority businesses; and

participate in the communities fight to end homelessness by providing support and funding for organizations and agencies involved in this endeavor.

## SP-10 Geographic Priorities - 91.415, 91.215(a)(1)

### Geographic Area

Table 47 - Geographic Priority Areas

<b>1</b>	<b>Area Name:</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Area Type:</b>	Local Target area
	<b>Other Target Area Description:</b>	
	<b>HUD Approval Date:</b>	
	<b>% of Low/ Mod:</b>	
	<b>Revital Type:</b>	Comprehensive
	<b>Other Revital Description:</b>	
	<b>Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.</b>	
	<b>Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.</b>	
	<b>How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?</b>	
	<b>Identify the needs in this target area.</b>	
	<b>What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?</b>	
	<b>Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?</b>	

### General Allocation Priorities

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state

The geographic allocation of OCCD programming is largely determined by the location of HUD defined and designated Low Mod Income block groups. All federal housing and non-housing community development investments occur within these areas to qualify for funding. Low Mod areas are generally located where older, more affordable housing is concentrated Syracuse Metropolitan Area's earliest suburbs just outside the City of Syracuse and outlying villages.



Onondaga County

## SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.415, 91.215(a)(2)

### Priority Needs

Table 48 – Priority Needs Summary

1	<b>Priority Need Name</b>	Housing rehabilitation
	<b>Priority Level</b>	High
	<b>Population</b>	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities
	<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Description</b>	OCCD administers housing rehabilitation program for low and moderate income residents. Grant and deferred loan funds will be used to address various health and safety issues in homes located within Onondaga County.
	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	High number of cost burdened low-mod income homeowners with one or more housing problem.
	2	<b>Priority Need Name</b>
<b>Priority Level</b>		High

	<b>Population</b>	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities
	<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements
	<b>Description</b>	Improve accessibility county-wide for low and moderate income disabled homeowners and tenants.
	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	Improving accessibility in homes enhances the quality of life for both individuals and their caregivers. Handicapped modifications will promote independence and allow people to remain in their homes and avoid costly assisted-care facilities.
<b>3</b>	<b>Priority Need Name</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Priority Level</b>	High
	<b>Population</b>	Extremely Low Low Moderate Non-housing Community Development
	<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Description</b>	Public Infrastructure improvements include: drainage and sanitary sewer systems, water lines, road reconstruction, streetscapes and sidewalks, and park improvements.  Improvements to Neighborhood Facilities include: senior and community centers and providing or improving handicapped accessibility.

	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	Improvements to public infrastructure and neighborhood facilities.
4	<b>Priority Need Name</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Priority Level</b>	High
	<b>Population</b>	Extremely Low Low Moderate Rural Chronic Homelessness Individuals Families with Children Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of Domestic Violence Unaccompanied Youth
	<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Description</b>	Provide support to local agencies and organizations providing housing and services to the homeless population of Onondaga County.
	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	Homelessness remains a problem in our community.
	5	<b>Priority Need Name</b>
<b>Priority Level</b>		Low
<b>Population</b>		Extremely Low Low Moderate Non-housing Community Development
<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>		Onondaga County

	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Commercial Facade Improvements
	<b>Description</b>	Provide grants and professional services to business owners with commercial properties in low-mod income business districts.
	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	Many buildings in the business districts in the older towns and villages of Onondaga county have deteriorated. By providing commercial facade grants OCCD hopes to encourage economic growth by improving the desirability of these areas.
6	<b>Priority Need Name</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Priority Level</b>	Low
	<b>Population</b>	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children
	<b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Associated Goals</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Description</b>	Promote homeownership to low-mod income, first-time home buyers. OCCD will acquire and rehabilitate homes. Purchase prices will be made more affordable via subsidies and deferred loans, typically provided through non-entitlement funds.
	<b>Basis for Relative Priority</b>	Promoting homeownership to low-mod income first-time home buyers. Available funding limits our potential impact and therefore has a low priority.

### Narrative (Optional)

The objectives of the Onondaga County Consortium are as follows:

- provide safe and sanitary infrastructure, such as sanitary sewers, storm sewers, water lines, sidewalks, etc., that serve low income residents;
- provide recreational facilities for low and moderate income and disabled residents;
- eliminate detrimental blighting conditions in residential neighborhoods via housing rehabilitation grants:

- provide safe housing for County families by the removal of lead paint hazards in area homes and rental units;
- improve accessibility for disabled persons and other special needs populations;
- provide neighborhood facilities, such as senior citizen centers and community centers for low and moderate income persons;
- provide improved housing conditions and housing opportunities for low and moderate income elderly and handicapped persons and low and moderate income families through housing rehabilitation assistance;
- provide home ownership opportunities for the County's low and moderate income residents;
- stimulate improved economic conditions in business districts located in low and moderate income neighborhoods through commercial rehabilitation;
- provide fair housing for all the citizens of Onondaga County;
- and provide contracting and employment opportunities to minority businesses.

**SP-30 Influence of Market Conditions - 91.415, 91.215(b)**

**Influence of Market Conditions**

<b>Affordable Housing Type</b>	<b>Market Characteristics that will influence the use of funds available for housing type</b>
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	NA
TBRA for Non-Homeless Special Needs	NA
New Unit Production	<p>The jurisdiction administers a First-time Homebuyer Program to low income families. Vacant homes are purchased, rehabilitated, and sold to low income, first-time homebuyers. Although not the main focus, this program may also include new construction.</p> <p>With higher interest rates, our fund help the Consortium’s target population by decreasing the amount of money buyers must borrow. Additionally, tighter credit requirements have prevented many if our buyers from qualifying for a mortgage.</p>

<b>Affordable Housing Type</b>	<b>Market Characteristics that will influence the use of funds available for housing type</b>
Rehabilitation	<p>Keeping housing affordable by providing owner-occupied rehabilitation services is an effective way to maintain decent and affordable housing in the community. The jurisdiction's various Housing Rehabilitation Programs assist eligible owner-occupied one to four-family households to help with essential repairs.</p> <p>The department's SHAPE-UP Program (Safe Housing Assistance Program for the Elderly) provides grants up to \$15,000 to low-moderate income senior homeowners. The focus of the SHAPE-UP Program is to help seniors remain in their homes by performing necessary home repairs thus providing them with a safer, healthier, more affordable home to live in.</p> <p>Our RAMP Program offers grants up to \$15,000 to perform accessibility improvements in the homes of low-moderate income homeowners and tenants throughout Onondaga County. The County was recently awarded funds NYS Homes and Community Renewal Access to Home program allowing the department to offer accessibility grants up to \$25,000/home.</p> <p>Onondaga County Community Development also offers the Lead Hazard Reduction Program (LHR) to low-moderate income homeowners and tenants with a child less than 6 years of age living or visiting the home frequently. The County tests the home for lead, creates a work plan/Risk Assessment, bids the projects to licensed contractors, oversees the lead reduction work and performs clearance at the property. The County combines funds from the HUD Office of Lead Hazards Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) with its entitlement grants to administer the LHR Program.</p>
Acquisition, including preservation	<p>The jurisdiction typically acquired an average of 5 homes per year for its First-time Homebuyer Program in recent years. With the new municipal Tax Auction rules, new avenue will be sought to acquire homes. Vacant homes are purchased, rehabilitated, and sold to low income, first-time homebuyers at a subsidized cost.</p> <p>When opportunities present themselves the jurisdiction will work with the local contractors and developers of affordable housing.</p>

**Table 49 – Influence of Market Conditions**

**SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.420(b), 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)**

**Introduction**

The table below outlines the anticipated Federal, State and local resources the County anticipates having available during the 2025-2029 period covered by this Consolidated Plan. It is followed by narratives about other resources these funds will leverage.

**Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,272,403	100,000	0	2,372,403	9,089,612	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	673,565	0	0	673,565	2,694,260	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	173,796	0	0	173,796	695,184	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.
Other	public - state	Admin and Planning Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab	220,000	0	0	220,000	880,000	NYS grants funds for multiple goals, typical grant awards for Housing Rehabilitation, Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility and Homeownership. Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

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**

OCCD is required to provide a match for federal funds received under the HOME Program. The County uses funds from non-federal grants it applies for and receives from various sources including (but not limited to): the NYS Affordable Housing Corporation, the NYS Housing Trust Fund, and various grants through the NYS Homes and Community Renewal.

Agencies receiving ESG funds under the County ESG Program will provide a portion of the required ESG match. Match sources must be listed on the agency budget.

Since 2001, OCCD has received eleven Lead Hazard Reduction/Lead Hazard Demonstration grants totaling almost \$40 million from the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH). The County uses a portion of its CDBG funds as match for these grants and plans to continue to apply for and hopefully receive funding from OLHCHH.

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

Although the Onondaga County housing market has remained fairly stable, foreclosures and tax delinquent properties do exist throughout our area. The County will continue to acquire these vacant properties for its First-time Homeownership Program. These homes will be rehabilitated and sold to low-moderate income first-time home buyers at a subsidized costs. The department's Homeownership Program is funded via a variety of sources and grants including: local funding, program income, state grants and federal programs.

**Discussion**

## SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.415, 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
ONONDAGA COUNTY	Government	Non-homeless special needs Ownership neighborhood improvements public facilities	Jurisdiction

Table 51 - Institutional Delivery Structure

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

There are two strengths to the OCCD delivery system: the Consortium of local municipalities and a strong network of government sister-agencies and departments, local not-for-profit housing providers and advocates and private banks that leverage public funds with private capital. Over time this system has developed and strengthened. No one component can operate in isolation as the delivery system allows each segment to reinforce the other partners in the system.

The Housing and Homeless Coalition is an excellent example of inter-jurisdictional and multiple-partner coordination and delivery of services for this highly vulnerable population.

The inability to plan and deliver housing on a regional basis, i.e., the two separate plans for the City of Syracuse and Onondaga County, presents challenges to understanding and addressing the intricate and complicated interrelationship between transportation, jobs, and housing in the Syracuse Metropolitan Region. While intermunicipal efforts are undertaken, gaps do exist. These gaps must be identified and resolved.

### 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
<b>Homelessness Prevention Services</b>			
Counseling/Advocacy	X	X	X
Legal Assistance	X	X	X
Mortgage Assistance	X		
Rental Assistance	X	X	X
Utilities Assistance	X	X	

<b>Street Outreach Services</b>			
Law Enforcement	X		
Mobile Clinics	X		
Other Street Outreach Services		X	X
<b>Supportive Services</b>			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	X	X	X
Child Care	X	X	
Education	X	X	X
Employment and Employment Training	X	X	X
Healthcare	X	X	X
HIV/AIDS	X	X	X
Life Skills	X	X	X
Mental Health Counseling	X	X	X
Transportation		X	X
<b>Other</b>			

**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)**

Mainstream services are made available to homeless persons and/or persons living with HIV/AIDS through a single point of access using a coordinated assessment process. The Onondaga County Helpline, a human service information and referral line is available on a 24 hour basis. Using this coordinated assessment process, allows community partners to better match individuals and families to services. It also provides for better coordination among providers. Once an individual or family need has been assessed, referrals will be made to the appropriate providers. Referrals are also accepted from one service provider to another. Community service providers respond in a timely manner to all referrals. The HMIS system plays a key role in facilitating the coordination among agencies, mainstream resources and other support services in assessing and providing for the needs of the homeless or housing vulnerable individuals and families.

Once individuals and families have been connected to needed services, the agencies conduct their own intake process and have access through HMIS to all client information. Supported case management services are often needed to help the individual or family navigate through the complex service delivery system to connect with services such as adequate healthcare, mental health, housing, substance abuse, employment or services for unaccompanied youth, persons living with HIV/AIDS or Veterans.

It is the individual or family's choice as to whether they choose to follow up with the recommended referrals. Case managers contact these individuals many times in hopes of an eventual acceptance of services. Referrals are tracked in the HMIS system and case managers work with willing individuals and

families to identify barriers towards success whether it is finding adequate health care, mental health or substance abuse treatment, housing or employment.

**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**

Our strongest strength in our community's service delivery system is its participation in a well-functioning Continuum of Care (CoC), the Homeless and Housing Coalition (HHC). Nearly 40 community agencies actively participate and collaborate to serve the special needs populations and persons experiencing homelessness. Services are made available through a single point of access by using the Onondaga County helpline, now by just dialing 211 on a 24 hours basis. To prevent duplication of services and to better serve the individual, all participating agencies use the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to document services. This collaborative process provides the most efficient use of our community resources.

The most significant gap in service delivery for the special needs population and those persons experiencing homelessness is the lack of accessible and affordable housing units. There are too few housing units that allow those with mobility impairments with easy access. The older housing stock often has for too narrow hallways, inaccessible bathrooms, and stairs that make it impossible for persons with physical disabilities to navigate.

Also, there is some discrimination among local landlords in the private sector that refuse to accept Section 8 or Public Assistance vouchers which makes it more challenging for low income persons to be housed.

**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**

Onondaga County Community Development uses a combination of CDBG, HOME, OLHCHH and NYS grant funds to assist in the rehabilitation of local housing units. These units are targeted for vulnerable and low income populations that experience a number of housing problems from high cost maintenance and repairs, safety, health and accessibility issues. The activities that receive funding assistance are used to increase the number of quality affordable housing units that are safe, contain zero housing problems or barriers that limit their ability to live in these properties.

The department continues it's work with A Tiny Home for Good. A Tiny Home for Good is a non-profit organization that builds and manages affordable, safe, and dignified homes for individuals who have faced homelessness. By the end of 2026 Tiny Homes plans to have built and have for ready occupancy 2 duplexes containing 2 tiny units (less than 200 sq ft) each. These tiny homes will be built on vacant city lots and equipped with all the amenities of a regular home.

The County continues to provide funding to the CNY Fair Housing. OCCD works closely with CNY Fair Housing to identify and address issues related to fair housing, which includes the recent Analysis of

Impediments report that was produced to provide new information on the impact these issues have in Syracuse and Onondaga County. The findings identified in this report will be used for future policies and funding decisions for housing projects, the level of opportunity they will provide to low income populations, and the impact they will have on the surrounding neighborhood.

## SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 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	Housing Rehabilitation	2025	2029	Affordable Housing	Onondaga County	Housing rehabilitation	CDBG: \$3,274,380 HOME: \$3,367,825 NYS: \$200,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 250 Household Housing Unit
2	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements	2025	2029	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Onondaga County	Housing Rehabilitation - Accessibility	CDBG: \$250,000 NYS: \$300,000	Rental units rehabilitated: 25 Household Housing Unit  Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 75 Household Housing Unit
3	Capital Projects	2025	2029	Capital Improvements County-wide	Onondaga County	Capital Projects	CDBG: \$7,087,635	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 50000 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Homelessness	2025	2029	Homeless	Onondaga County	Homelessness	ESG: \$868,980	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 100 Households Assisted  Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1500 Persons Assisted  Homelessness Prevention: 2500 Persons Assisted
5	Commercial Facade Improvements	2025	2029	Economic Development	Onondaga County	Commercial Facade Improvemnt	CDBG: \$750,000	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 25 Business
6	Homeownership	2025	2029	Affordable Housing	Onondaga County	Homeownership	CDBG: \$100,000 NYS: \$600,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 25 Households Assisted

**Table 53 – Goals Summary**

### Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The County's various housing rehabilitation programs for low and moderate income clients will address issues of home health and safety throughout Onondaga County. These programs will address many of the issues facing the area's aging housing stock and improve the quality of affordable housing.

2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Improve accessibility county-wide for low and moderate disabled homeowners and tenants.
3	<b>Goal Name</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Public Infrastructure improvements include: drainage and sanitary sewer systems, water lines, road reconstruction, streetscapes and sidewalks, and park improvements. Improvements to Neighborhood Facilities include: senior and community centers and providing or improving handicapped accessibility.
4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Public Services-Homeless: Provide funding to local Homeless/Housing Vulnerable Organizations for the 5 HESG component programs. Annual funding will vary among the components as needs are identified.
5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Commercial Facade Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Provide grants and professional services to business owners with commercial properties located in targeted low-mod income business districts.
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Purchase vacant and distressed homes throughout Onondaga County and market them to low-moderate income first-time homebuyers at a subsidized cost.

**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 County anticipates providing assistance to 50 affordable housing units per year as defined by the HOME Program during the period covered by this report.

**SP-50 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement - 91.415, 91.215(c)**

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

**Activities to Increase Resident Involvements**

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

**Plan to remove the 'troubled' designation**

## **SP-55 Strategic Plan Barriers to Affordable Housing - 91.415, 91.215(h)**

### **Barriers to Affordable Housing**

The region's population is aging and households are becoming smaller and less traditional. Population is declining and is shifting from the City to the outlying County, particularly non-Hispanic white households that can afford the relatively higher, yet still affordable, cost of housing in the outlying areas and the increased transportation costs, and also have less need for the various services provided in the City. This creates less stable neighborhoods and housing market for home owners in the City and also generates more demand for new housing in the suburbs. New housing is built primarily for moderate to high income households, particularly families and empty nesters.

A leap frog situation has evolved as households move from less-desirable and older housing stock and neighborhoods to newer more desirable housing stock and neighborhoods. These trends have been created by numerous Federal, State, and local policies that have heavily incentivized suburban, single-family home ownership, automobile-based transportation, and competing local jurisdictions. As housing progressively ages from the City outwards to the suburbs, and the incentives to rehabilitate existing housing diminishes in declining neighborhoods, this trend will most likely continue. First concentrating in the City and then moving out to the first-ring suburbs. This dynamic has been documented in metropolitan areas throughout the country.

Fair Housing together with fair transportation and fair neighborhoods are needed throughout the Syracuse Metro Area.

Onondaga County Community Development has developed several activities that will address the removal of barriers to affordable housing. The County will expand housing opportunities for persons with disabilities. Using both CDBG funds and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000, and in some cases up to \$25,000, for accessibility modifications for low-income families with a handicapped family member. Outreach will be on-going. The County has allocated annual funding to the Fair Housing Council program year to implement the Education and Enforcement Project which includes education, housing counseling and advocacy, enforcement of fair housing laws, and assistance to victims of predatory lending and lending fraud. ARISE, Inc. is allocated annual funding to provide one-on-one assistance to income eligible individuals with disabilities and their families, in order to stabilize housing situations and maximize independence with the community. ARISE additionally advocates for increased accessible housing, and educates housing providers and the public about Fair Housing, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the need for accessible housing.

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

Several OCCD activities will address the removal of barriers to affordable housing. The County will expand housing opportunities for persons with disabilities. Using both CDBG funds and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000, and in some cases up to \$25,000, for accessibility modifications for low-income families with a handicapped family member. Outreach will be on-going.

The County has allocated annual funding to the Fair Housing Council program year to continue the Education and Enforcement Project which includes education, housing counseling and advocacy, enforcement of fair housing laws, and assistance to victims of predatory lending and lending fraud. ARISE, Inc. is allocated annual funding to provide one-on-one assistance to income eligible individuals with disabilities and their families, to stabilize housing situations and maximize independence with the community. ARISE additionally advocates for increased accessible housing and educates housing providers and the public about Fair Housing, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the need for accessible housing.

OCCD will provide financial assistance to first-time low-moderate income homebuyers so that they can purchase a suitable, affordable home. Often, these buyers are limited in the private market to sub-standard homes. With the County's assistance, buyers are getting a home with the needed review and improvements. Homeownership is often cited as a key driver in the building of wealth. For many Americans, owning a home is an essential part of the American dream that conveys several economic benefits, such as the ability to accumulate wealth and access credit by building home equity, and gain long-term savings over the cost of renting.

## **SP-60 Homelessness Strategy - 91.415, 91.215(d)**

Describe how the jurisdiction's strategic plan goals contribute to:

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

Reaching out to homeless persons and assessing their individualized needs is being done through a coordinated assessment and referral system coordinated by the local CoC. This assessment and referral process assists individuals in finding services which help identify health and behavioral health issues and establish barriers to permanent housing as well as employment. The Onondaga County Helpline, a human service information and referral system is used as a single point of entry for all those needing housing services. This helpline can be accessed 24 hours per day. All agencies that are a part of the Homeless Housing Coalition's Continuum of Care participate and gather the same information which is used to assess and identify the individual's needs. Direct referrals are also accepted from one service provider to another, using the "no wrong door" policy, making easy access for all needing services. The HMIS information system, which plays an integral part in facilitating the coordination among agencies, is where all client information is tracked.

Reaching out to unsheltered persons is done through street outreach services. The County currently funds the Rescue Mission Homeless Intervention Services (HIS) Team. They provide mobile outreach to individuals experiencing homelessness, offering to bring them to shelter, and providing food, water, clothing, blankets and other support.

The Rescue Mission HIS Team is the ONLY full-time street outreach program in Onondaga County, meeting with individuals experiencing homelessness outdoors six days a week. Our trained team of case managers:

- Respond to 211 calls regarding individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Check known encampments and abandoned buildings in search of individuals living outdoors.
- Build rapport and trust with individuals experiencing homelessness to move them into safe shelter or rapid rehousing.
- Provide hot meals, clothing, blankets and necessities to individuals living outdoors.
- Connect individuals experiencing homelessness with medical, mental health, and substance abuse providers.
- Transport individuals experiencing homelessness to important social service or medical appointments.

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

The County funds several emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities with its ESG funds. The County provides funding to:

- Christopher Community- Chadwick Residence-transitional housing and professional services help clients improve skills and the ability to maintain permanent housing.
- Liberty Resources-DePalmer House which provides transitional housing for chronically homeless people living with HIV/AIDS.
- Salvation Army-Barnabas Shelter- houses homeless young adults, ages 18-24.

**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.**

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless) transition to permanent housing and independent living will be done through supportive services which include financial assistance, relocation assistance, prevention efforts and street outreach. These high priority services help make the transition to permanent housing and independent living effective. Developing skills and strategies that address personal barriers to successful permanent housing is crucial in preventing homelessness again. Assistance with relocation as far as finding actual affordable housing units and/or advocating with reliable landlords are often necessary. Case management and follow up case management efforts are needed to assist individuals or families in maintaining and or locating affordable housing. Financial assistance may be needed for security deposit, subsidies or help with rental payments and/or utilities. This is especially true for homeless youth when upon intake 90 percent are unemployed, uneducated and unable to arrange for income of any kind. This financial assistance helps all homeless or chronically homeless individuals' transition from shelters to permanent housing at a much faster pace. The goal is to get homeless individuals and families housed first while receiving support services to help overcome housing barriers. The city of Syracuse is committed to supporting programs whose mission it is to aid homeless or chronically homeless families and individuals with homeless prevention efforts as well as rapid rehousing and street outreach 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**

The CoC's Discharge Planning Committee (DPC) actively collaborates with institutional care providers and monitors discharge outcomes. The CoC has contributed to the development of OnCare, a System of Care for youth with serious emotional and behavior problems. The DPC members participate in monthly OnCare meetings. OnCare operates ACCESS, a multi-disciplinary team involving mental health, Juvenile

Justice, Children’s Division Child Welfare staff, and Parent Partners. ACCESS locates services and safe housing for participants.

A variety of initiatives have been developed to assist in preventing homelessness whenever possible. Specifically, “in-reach coordination” occurs when Health Home Case Managers visit area inpatient mental health and CD units on a weekly basis to engage and assist with the discharge planning prior to discharge and connect those in need to appropriate support services. In-reach case managers also connect with people who are going to court for discharge despite not having a place to live. The DPC partners with NYS Department of Correction and Community Supervision (DOCCS) to address barriers to parolees accessing housing. Cross System Strategic Planning meetings are held for high need individuals. Individualized plans are developed for high-risk parolees. The Discharge Planning Committee (DPC) also has collaborative relationships with key staff at various area hospitals. The DPC chairman assists with plans of difficult discharges for clients with co-morbid conditions and behavioral health issues. Lastly, the county and state funds fifty case management positions to assist youth in transitioning out of the foster care system.

Ongoing case management services and subsidies are vital to the success of low-income individuals and families in staying housed. Support for rapid-rehousing financial assistance and follow up case management is a priority.

The County funds several Homelessness Prevention providers.

- Catholic Charities - Housing Services Relocation Program: Relocation/stabilization of individuals and families facing eviction or imminent homelessness
- Legal Aid Society - Eviction Defense: Legal services for tenants facing eviction.

## **SP-65 Lead-based Paint Hazards - 91.415, 91.215(i)**

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

In September 2000 HUD adopted the Lead Safe Housing Rule since then OCCD has made protecting families from exposure to lead from paint, dust, and soil, reducing lead paint hazards in homes, and educating clients on the danger of lead exposure a priority. Every housing rehabilitation project the department undertakes in homes built prior to 1978 receives a full lead paint inspection. In homes that contain lead-based paint, a full Risk Assessment is performed by one of our department's 8 EPA licensed Risk Assessors and all lead-based paint hazards are remediated using the appropriate techniques.

Since 2001, OCCD has received 11 Lead Hazard Reduction/Lead Demonstration grants from the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) totaling almost \$40 million and has assisted over 2500 housing units. The County matches the Lead Grants primarily with CDBG funds; NYS funds when available. CDBG and HOME funds are also used in the County's mission to address lead poisoning and produce lead-safe homes.

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

OLHCHH grants have funded the production of over 2500 lead-safe housing units. Lead remediation funded by other departmental sources produce on average an additional lead-safe 50 homes/year. Each project completed provides a healthier, safer living environment for the current and future residents ultimately reducing the incidence of children being poisoned in their homes by lead. Onondaga County Health Depts Lead Poisoning Prevention Program data shows a steady decline of children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels, declining from 6.3% of children tested in 2016 to 4.0% in 2020. Though beginning in 2021 and continuing thru 2022, rates increased to 5.0% and 5.3% respectively. The COVID pandemic likely impacted doctor and clinic visits as routine testing numbers were down over 1200 children from 2019-2021.

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

The removal of lead-based paint is incorporated into the policies and procedures of all the County housing programs. Any house receiving CDBG, HOME or OLHCHH funds through our office will be lead-tested. Any lead-based hazards identified will be remediated using properly licensed personnel, the appropriate protocol and qualified certified contractors.



## **SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy - 91.415, 91.215(j)**

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

Strategies to reduce the poverty level among households in Onondaga County mirror those recommended in the City of Syracuse Consolidated Plan: creating new economic opportunities and developing a variety of ways to accumulate wealth.

Several economic revitalization projects that are ongoing or expected to begin in the coming years and may include County residents as part of the labor force. While elected officials and community leaders are working to ensure that County residents will make up a substantial part of the labor force working on these projects, both during and after their completion, residents in the County living outside of the City are sure to benefit from these revitalization projects alongside and along with their City neighbors. Additionally, some municipal and residential construction projects funded with CDBG and HOME through the Con Plan and with State and local aid seek to contract 15 % of overall contracted project costs to Minority and Women-Owned Businesses. Also, employment opportunities for low-income workers are created through grants awarded to Onondaga County by the NYS Affordable Housing Corporation's, Affordable Home Ownership Development Program. By subsidizing repairs to extend the useful life of owner-occupied homes occupied by low-income households, this program also reduces the financial burden on homeowners thus increasing expendable income required for other household essentials.

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

Safe and affordable housing is often the key to providing the stability necessary to help a family become self-sufficient.

The County HOME Program via CHDO funding grants priority to developments which set-aside a portion of their housing for hard-to-serve special needs populations who often live at or below the poverty level. The County is also committed to providing affordable housing opportunities outside of existing low- and moderate-income neighborhoods to provide more housing choice opportunities to families in poverty. The County has worked to create relationships between agencies which serve people in poverty and private developers in hopes that private developers will be willing to rent to households in poverty if they know families have outside support. This has been a successful strategy to get landlords to accept extremely low-income tenants who often have a history of housing and other instability in their lives.

## **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**

OCCD uses the following the standards and procedures to monitor its housing and community development activities to ensure long term compliance with program and comprehensive plan requirements.

Rehabilitation: A monthly housing report is prepared by the Rehab administrative staff. The monthly reports track projects from application to final inspection. Included on the reports are the projects: initial inspection date; Risk Assessment date, when/if the project has been sent out to bid; bidder's names, certifications, licensing credentials, registered MWBE; the contract award date; final inspection date; mortgage filing and satisfaction dates; and payment information including amounts, dates, and fund sources. Because these reports are produced from OCCD's extensive database(s) the format and information contained within them can be easily customized and used to monitor most aspects of the Consortium's rehabilitation programs. Timely monitoring of open cases will prevent future problems.

Recipient Compliance: Households participating in our grant programs are required to sign a Note and Mortgage document for the amount of assistance received from Community Development. The documents are filed at the Onondaga County Court House and their satisfaction dates are entered into our database.

Annually, the County sends a letter to households within the compliance period. Residents are required to sign and return the letter to our office, within a specified time, to verify their continued residency. The letters are sent in envelopes stamped "RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED." Second mailings, registered letters, and site visits are used to verify residency when initial letters are not returned.

Capital Projects: Staff works with the towns and villages on implementing their capital projects consistent with HUD's guidelines and regulations. After the Environmental Review is completed, the OCCD contract specifications are incorporated in the bidding documents. These include but are not limited to: Minority/Women Business participation, Affirmative Action, Conflict of Interest, Compliance with Clean Air and Water Acts, Labor Standards, Federal minimum wage rates, and Section 3. Prior to contract signing, OCCD staff meets with the contractor(s) and engineer or architect and other municipal representatives to review HUD's requirements. The contractor must submit payroll and compliance reports prior to final payment.

Miscellaneous:

- Monitoring of Community Housing Development Organization CHDO projects and ESG recipients to ensure compliance with income eligibility, rents, and other requirements;

- Preparation of Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) that includes a thorough review of housing program performance relative to five-year housing goals;
- Preparation of annual MBE/WBE contract report to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

## Expected Resources

### AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

The table below outlines the anticipated Federal, State and local resources the County anticipates having available during the 2025-2029 period covered by this Consolidated Plan. It is followed by narratives about other resources these funds will leverage.

#### Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,272,403.00	100,000.00	0.00	2,372,403.00	9,089,612.00	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	673,564.87	0.00	0.00	673,564.87	2,694,260.00	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	173,796.00	0.00	0.00	173,796.00	695,184.00	Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.
Other	public - state	Admin and Planning Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab	220,000.00	0.00	0.00	220,000.00	880,000.00	NYS grants funds for multiple goals, typical grant awards for Housing Rehabilitation, Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility and Homeownership. Please see 2025 Action Plan for detailed information on programs and services recommended for funding.

**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**

OCCD is required to provide a match for federal funds received under the HOME Program. The County uses funds from non-federal grants it applies for and receives from various sources including (but not limited to): the NYS Affordable Housing Corporation, the NYS Housing Trust Fund, and various grants through the NYS Homes and Community Renewal.

Agencies receiving ESG funds under the County ESG Program will provide a portion of the required ESG match. Match sources must be listed on the agency budget.

Since 2001, OCCD has received eleven Lead Hazard Reduction/Lead Hazard Demonstration grants totaling almost \$40 million from the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH). The County uses a portion of its CDBG funds as match for these grants and plans to continue to apply for and hopefully receive funding from OLHCHH.

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

Although the Onondaga County housing market has remained fairly stable, foreclosures and tax delinquent properties do exist throughout our area. The County will continue to acquire these vacant properties for its First-time Homeownership Program. These homes will be rehabilitated and sold to low-moderate income first-time home buyers at a subsidized costs. The department's Homeownership Program is funded via a variety of sources and grants including: local funding, program income, state grants and federal programs.

**Discussion**

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Housing Rehabilitation	2025	2029	Affordable Housing	Onondaga County	Housing rehabilitation	CDBG: \$204,876.00 HOME: \$505,174.00 NYS: \$40,000.00	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit
2	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements	2025	2029	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Onondaga County	Housing Rehabilitation - Accessibility	CDBG: \$50,000.00 NYS: \$60,000.00	Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 15 Household Housing Unit
3	Capital Projects	2025	2029	Capital Improvements County-wide	Onondaga County	Capital Projects	CDBG: \$963,046.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10000 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Homelessness	2025	2029	Homeless	Onondaga County	Homelessness	ESG: \$173,796.00	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 20 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 300 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 500 Persons Assisted
5	Commercial Facade Improvements	2025	2029	Economic Development	Onondaga County	Commercial Facade Improvemnt	CDBG: \$150,000.00	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 5 Business
6	Homeownership	2025	2029	Affordable Housing	Onondaga County	Homeownership	CDBG: \$20,000.00 NYS: \$120,000.00	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 5 Households Assisted

Table 55 – Goals Summary

### Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The County's various housing rehabilitation programs for low and low-moderate income households will address issues of home health and safety throughout Onondaga County. These programs will address many of the issues facing the area's aging housing stock and improve the quality of affordable housing.
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Improve accessibility county-wide for low and low-moderate income disabled homeowners and tenants.

3	<b>Goal Name</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Public infrastructure improvements to include: drainage and sanitary sewer systems, water lines, road reconstruction, streetscapes and sidewalks, and park improvements.  Improvements to Neighborhood facilities include: senior and community centers and providing or improving handicapped accessibility.
4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Publicservices - Homeless: Provide funding to local Homeless/Housing Vulnerable Organizations for the 5 HESG component programs. Annual funding will vary among the components as needs are identified.
5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Commercial Facade Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Provide grants and professional services to business owners with commercial properties located in targeted low-moderate income business districts.
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Purchase vacant and distressed homes throughout Onondaga County and market them to low-moderate income first-time homebuyers at a subsidized cost.

## AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

### Introduction

Over the next year OCCD plans to assist local municipalities with funding for 17 Capital projects. OCCD will also provide housing rehabilitation grants to approximately 50 low-mod income households throughout Onondaga County. Accessibility will be improved in the homes of 15 low-mod income residents with disabilities. The County will complete and sell 5 homes to low-mod income first-time homebuyers.

OCCD leverages their CDBG and HOME allocations to obtain supplemental funding from a variety of sources. During the upcoming year this additional funding will include \$7,750,000 in recently awarded funds from the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant awarded by the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

The County received several grant awards from the New York State Housing and Community Renewal Office (NYS HCR): A NYS RESTORE grant to fund emergency housing repairs for very low-income seniors (\$150,000). The County will use the RESTORE money to supplement its existing Shape-Up program.

OCCD continues with its \$800,000 grant from the NYS Affordable Housing Corp to continue its First-time Homebuyer Program.

OCCD's Commercial Rehabilitation Program continues working with the NYS HCR Main Street program to revitalize the commercial center of one of the County's older villages via building upgrades, restoration, and façade renovation.

The County provides funding to the CNY Fair Housing. OCCD works closely with CNY Fair Housing to identify and address issues related to fair housing concerns and issues.

ARISE, Inc. also uses CDBG funds to advocate for and locate accessible housing for individuals with disabilities and families. Approximately 15 persons per year benefit from this activity.

2-3 units developed by a CHDO in receipt of 15% set aside funding will be acquired by low-income special needs clients.

#	Project Name
1	Capital Projects 2025
2	ARISE - Housing Referral & Advocacy Program 2025
3	Fair Housing Project 2025
4	Commercial Rehabilitation Program 2025
5	RAMP/Accessibility Improvements for the Disabled 2025
6	Housing Rehabilitation 2025
7	Homeownership Assistance Program 2025
8	Housing Rehabilitation Delivery Costs 2025
9	Community Development Block Grant Administration 2025
10	CHDO Assistance 2025
11	HOME Program Administration 2025

#	Project Name
12	HESG 2025

**Table 56 – Project Information**

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

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

<b>1</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Capital Projects 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$908,046.00
	<b>Description</b>	The County will award 15 local municipalities with Capital Projects. The County will seek applications for Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/moderate Housing Income Benefit from the Towns & Villages within the jurisdiction. The Community Development Steering Committee will meet to review and discuss applications and make funding awards.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The activities will benefit approximately 7,000 low/moderate income households in the Towns/Villages located within Onondaga County.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Towns and villages within Onondag County
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/moderate Housing Income Benefit, such as street, park and senior center improvements.
<b>2</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	ARISE - Housing Referral & Advocacy Program 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$5,000.00

	<b>Description</b>	The Housing Referral and Advocacy Program (HRAP) assist people with any disabilities and their families who live in Onondaga County. Participants have low- to extremely low incomes; many are homeless or living in critically unstable housing situations.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The Housing Referral and Advocacy Program (HRAP) assist people with any disabilities and their families who live in Onondaga County. Participants have low- to extremely low incomes; many are homeless or living in critically unstable housing situations.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Fair Housing Project 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	This project utilizes a comprehensive approach to ensuring equal housing opportunity in Onondaga County, helping the County and consortium members fulfill their obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing as required as recipients of HUD funding. The activities proposed are consistent with needs identified in the Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, including the presence of illegal discrimination in the housing market. This project will include four components: 1) Education and outreach on fair housing laws; 2) Enforcement of Fair Housing laws; 3) Fair Housing Compliance and Planning Services; and 4) Housing Counseling and Advocacy.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will benefit approximately 300 people.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Our project works to address several distinct, but related, problems: illegal housing discrimination, lack of planning for affordable and accessible housing, passage of exclusionary zoning laws, need for stronger affirmative marketing efforts, need for housing counseling for tenants, and a need for better education throughout the community on fair housing and tenants' rights laws. Federal, state and local fair housing laws and consumer protection laws provide the framework for our proposed activities, together with HUD requirements for publicly funded housing activities.
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Commercial Rehabilitation Program 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Commercial Facade Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Commercial Facade Improvemnt
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$150,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	The purpose of this program is to improve the business viability in low-income areas central business districts throughout Onondaga County. Technical assistance is also provided to commercial property owners to keep their facades consistent with the overall area.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Under this program, 5 businesses within the County will be assisted.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide, within CDBG eligible areas.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Program provides matching grants for exterior improvements for a standard sized commercial building. A larger building such as a plaza or a large building consisting of several tax parcels may receive more funding on a matching basis. The program also provides technical assistance and architectural services to commercial property owners in qualified areas.
<b>5</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	RAMP/Accessibility Improvements for the Disabled 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation - Accessibility
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000.00 NYS: \$60,000.00

	<b>Description</b>	The purpose of this program is to provide accessibility improvements for low/moderate income homeowners and renters including ramps, chair lifts, bathroom and other accessibility modifications.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This program will assist approximately 15 households within the County with accessibility improvements.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The RAMP program provides grants up to \$15,000 for accessibility improvements such as ramps, widening doorways, and bathroom modifications to homes owned or rented by low-income households with an individual with disabilities.
<b>6</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$204,876.00 HOME: \$505,174.00 NYS: \$40,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	The purpose of this program is to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for the county's low/moderate income homeowner. Priority will be given to those 62 years old and older, households with children under the age of six, and/or in emergency situations.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This program will assist 50 low/moderate income households County-wide.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The program will provide needed assistance to low-moderate income households for home repair. Priority will be given to those 62 years of age or older, households with children under the age of six, and/or in emergency situations.
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Homeownership Assistance Program 2025

	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeownership
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$100,000.00 NYS: \$120,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	The Homeownership Program provides homeownership opportunities for low-moderate income households.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 5 low-income households within the County will receive assistance through this program
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The funding derived from program income is used in support of the County Homeownership Program for site acquisition and preparation, rehabilitation expenses, and soft costs such as appraisals, abstracts, legal fees and architectural expenses. Most of the costs for the program are obtained from other sources.
<b>8</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Delivery Costs 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements Homeownership
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing rehabilitation Housing Rehabilitation - Accessibility Homeownership
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$450,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	The purpose of this activity is to support the program delivery of the Activities associated with the Housing Rehabilitation project.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	65 Households will benefit from this proposed activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing rehabilitation delivery expenses for a staff of nine full-time employees
<b>9</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Community Development Block Grant Administration 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Housing Rehabilitation-Accessibility Improvements Capital Projects Commercial Facade Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing rehabilitation Housing Rehabilitation - Accessibility Capital Projects Commercial Facade Improvemnt
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$454,481.00
	<b>Description</b>	Administrative costs for the Onondaga County Community Development Block Grant program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	COunty-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Effective administration and planning of HUD funded programs including compliance with all mandated requirements.
<b>10</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CHDO Assistance 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Capital Projects
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$101,035.00
	<b>Description</b>	The program is intended to provide rental housing and homeownership opportunities for people with special needs
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	To be determined based once Proposals are received.

	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This activity assists the development of housing units for very low-income elderly households and households with special needs through funding assistance to CHDO's. Requests for proposals will be reviewed by CD staff and suitable projects selected for funding.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Program Administration 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$67,355.87
	<b>Description</b>	Administrative costs for implementation of the HOME Program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	8/31/2026
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Many low-moderate household will benefit. Number is dependent on scope of each activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	COunty-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Administrative costs for implementation of the HOME Program.
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HESG 2025
	<b>Target Area</b>	Onondaga County
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$173,796.00
	<b>Description</b>	Emergency Solutions Grant funds will be used for Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention and Street Outreach. Administrative costs are also included.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 800 homeless persons will benefit.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Planned activities are community organizations that support Emergency Shelter, Homeless Prevention and Street Outreach components. Administrative costs are also included.
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## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)**

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

The geographic area covered consists of 1 City, 19 towns and 15 villages. The area has a total population of 471,611 persons, residing in 211,683 households (2023, ACS 5-year Est). This area has a land area of 793.5 square miles and is approximately 35 miles in length and 30 miles in width. All 34 towns and villages participate in the CDBG Urban County Consortium. The town and villages are the priority areas as the City of Syracuse receives its own Entitlement funding.

### **Geographic Distribution**

<b>Target Area</b>	<b>Percentage of Funds</b>
Onondaga County	100

**Table 57 - Geographic Distribution**

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

The geographic allocation of OCCD programming is largely determined by the location of HUD defined and designated Low-Moderate Income block groups and in Low-Moderate income households. All non-housing community development investments occur within these designated block groups. Low-Moderate areas are generally located where older, affordable housing is concentrated. All housing related investments occur in Low-Moderate income households. The town and villages are the priority areas as the City of Syracuse receives its own entitlement funding.

The Community Development Steering Committee determines budget categories and selects projects to be funded. Although projects are selected primarily on need and the number of low-income people served, the Committee strives to maintain a geographic balance when making selections.

Typical obstacles to meeting underserved needs include:

1. Economic factors
2. Federal housing policy
3. Fair Housing impediments
4. Insufficient affordable housing
5. Exclusionary zoning
6. Varying zoning and subdivision regulations
7. Permit fees
8. Insufficient available of accessible housing

As noted above, the County consulted with key members of the local Continuum of Care to determine a

rationale for allocating Emergency Solutions Grant Program funding priorities. A cross-jurisdictional (City of Syracuse and County of Onondaga, CoC) collaborative examination of homeless resources took place as both jurisdictions worked together to maximize the impact of HUD ESG funds.

## **Discussion**

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

Over the next year the County plans to provide housing rehabilitation grants to approximately 50 low-moderate income households throughout Onondaga County. Accessibility will be improved in the homes of 15 low-moderate income residents with disabilities. The County will complete and sell 5 homes to low-mod income first-time homebuyers. While the impacts of COVID-19 are behind us, the current inflationary trends continue to impact labor and material costs & availability. We have therefore adjusted our goals for Housing Rehabilitation to reflect the current situation more accurately.

OCCD leverages its CDBG and HOME allocations to obtain supplemental funding from a variety of sources. During the upcoming year OCCD will be applying for another Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant opportunity by the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH). OCCD has completed 10 such grant awards.

The County will be applying for a grant awards from the New York State Housing and Community Renewal Office (NYS HCR) for RESTORE and Access to Home grants totaling \$250,000 . The County will use the funds to supplement its existing Housing Rehabilitation Programs for eligible recipients.

OCCD has received another \$800,000 grant from the NYS Affordable Housing Corp to continue its First-time Homebuyer Program.

OCCD’s Commercial Rehabilitation Program continues working with NYS HCR Main Street funds to continue revitalization of the commercial center of one of the County’s older villages via building upgrades and restoration, façade renovation and streetscape improvements.

The County provides funding to the CNY Fair Housing. OCCD works closely with CNY Fair Housing to identify and address issues related to fair housing, which includes the update of the Analysis of Impediments report that will be produced to provide updated information on the impact these issues have in Syracuse and Onondaga County.

ARISE, Inc. also uses CDBG funds to advocate for and locate accessible housing for individuals with disabilities and families. Approximately 15 persons per year benefit from this activity.

2-3 units, developed by a CHDO in receipt of 15% set aside funding, will be acquired by low-income special needs clients.

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b>	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	15
Total	15

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

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b>	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	50
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	50

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

## **AP-60 Public Housing - 91.420, 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

OCCD plays no role in the area's Public Housing operations.

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

OCCD plays no role in the area's Public Housing operations.

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

OCCD plays no role in the area's Public Housing operations.

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

### **Discussion**

## **AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities - 91.420, 91.220(i)**

### **Introduction**

Over the past several years, the Homeless & Housing Coalition (CoC) developed several subcommittees and work groups, including the 10-Year Planning Committee, whose primary charge was to develop a Plan to End Homelessness. This Committee identified five overarching goals to guide local planning efforts toward ending homelessness in our community. The Committee selected these goals based on the Federal Interagency Council on Homelessness Opening Doors Plan, the national federal plan outlining successful strategies to prevent and end homelessness by 2020. With 2024 behind us, more work is needed. The foundation provided by the CoC and its subcommittees will provide the direction needed to continue this work and to further the goals.

Community Development will continue provide housing rehabilitation services to special needs populations, focusing primarily on the frail elderly and the physically disabled.

### **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**

Onondaga County Community Development will invest Emergency Solutions Grant funds to support street outreach. For many years the County has funded and with plans to continue funding the Rescue Mission's Homeless Intervention Services (HIS) Team. The HIS Team operates a mobile unit which provides transportation to medical, psychiatric, substance abuse, employment and other essential service appointments. The HIS Team also connects individuals and families living in places unfit for human habitation with services in the community. The team also provides essential care to people living on the street by distributing coats, hats, gloves, blankets, food and water.

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

OCCD will use ESG dollars to fund several shelters providing emergency shelter and transitional housing for a variety of the homeless population. Recent ESG allocations were awarded to:

- Chadwick Residence: Transitional housing for women and children; case work and life skill training available.
- Liberty Resources - DePalmer House: Transitional housing for chronically homeless living with HIV/AIDS.
- Salvation Army – Barnabas Shelter: Provide six Emergency Shelter beds for co-ed, homeless youth/young adults, ages 18-24.

#### **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**

Emergency Solutions Grant Request for Proposals for PY 2024 stressed prevention as well as moving those already in the homeless system to permanent housing as soon as possible. To help local associations facilitate the transition to permanent housing and prevent homelessness from occurring, Onondaga County is awarding ESG funds to:

- Volunteer Lawyers Project: Provide legal service for tenants; eviction prevention.

**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.**

Onondaga County plans to meet the objectives identified in the Special Needs portion of the Strategic Plan by continuing programs, identifying resources, applying for funds, and implementing programs to support the objectives. Both the public and private sector will be utilized to address the unmet housing needs of the underserved low-income households and special needs populations.

The County's strategy aimed at the special needs population addresses primarily the elderly, frail elderly and physically disabled populations. Those with mental health, substance use disorders, and persons with HIV/AIDS and their families are primarily addressed through the Continuum of Care with partial support from the Emergency Solutions Grant which continues to provide support for a transitional shelter for persons with HIV/AIDS. The County Office of Mental Health is best positioned to address the needs of those with severe mental illness and/or developmental disabilities.

Through the SHAPE-UP (Safe Housing Assistance Program for the Elderly) program, homes owned and occupied by low-income elderly or handicapped are rehabilitated. Grants of up to \$15,000 can be matched with funds from the NYS RESTORE grant award & Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant awarded to OCCD. Some of these repairs are emergency in nature such as leaking roofs or non-functioning furnaces and are critical to keeping many elderly in their homes.

The Ramp program provides accessibility modifications for low-income households with a handicapped family member. Repairs may include exterior ramps, stair chairs, widening of doorways, walk-in showers, & bathroom grab bars. Using both CDBG funds and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000 for accessibility modifications for low-income families with a

handicapped family member.

**Discussion**

## **AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing - 91.420, 91.220(j)**

### **Introduction**

Public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing are complex and varied. OCCD plans to counter some negative effects with several projects.

### **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**

Several OCCD activities will address the removal of barriers to affordable housing. The County will expand housing opportunities for persons with disabilities. Using both CDBG funds and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000 for accessibility modifications for low-income families with a handicapped family member. Outreach will be on-going.

The County has allocated annual funding to CNY Fair Housing this program year to continue the Education and Enforcement Project which includes education, housing counseling and advocacy, enforcement of fair housing laws, and assistance to victims of predatory lending and lending fraud. ARISE, Inc. is allocated annual funding to provide one-on-one assistance to income eligible individuals with disabilities and their families to stabilize housing situations and maximize independence with the community. ARISE additionally advocates for increased accessible housing and educates housing providers and the public about Fair Housing, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the need for accessible housing.

OCCD will provide financial assistance to first-time low-moderate income homebuyers so that they can purchase a suitable, affordable home. Often, these buyers are limited in the private market to sub-standard homes. With the County's assistance, buyers are getting a home with the needed review and improvements. Homeownership is often cited as a key driver in the building of wealth. For many Americans, owning a home is an essential part of the American dream that conveys several economic benefits, such as the ability to accumulate wealth and access credit by building home equity, and gain long-term savings over the cost of renting.

### **Discussion**

## **AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction**

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

Typical obstacles to meeting underserved needs include:

1. Economic factors
2. Federal housing policy
3. Fair Housing impediments
4. Insufficient affordable housing
5. Exclusionary zoning
6. Varying zoning and subdivision regulations
7. Permit fees
8. Insufficient availability of accessible housing

The County seeks to address factors #1, #4, and #8 by allocating HOME CHDO set-aside funds for special needs housing. Also, through the RAMP Program and NYS Access to Home funding, accessibility modifications such as ramps, kitchen modifications, and bathroom grab bars and fixtures will be completed in households with a physically handicapped occupant.

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

The County will expand housing opportunities for persons with disabilities. Using CDBG, HOME and NYS Access to Home funds, the Ramp Program will provide grants up to \$15,000 for accessibility modifications for low-income households with a handicapped family member. Outreach will be ongoing. By providing rehabilitation grants to low-mod income residents, the County decreases the housing cost burden for these residents.

The County will continue to offer the Homeownership Program selling homes at a subsidized cost to first-time home buyers.

HUD funding is distributed annually through the County to area Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for developing senior and special needs housing within the County. This funding generally meets current CHDO's ability and demand. Additional CHDO's within the County would be welcomed and are encouraged.

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

Lead based paint hazard reduction continues to be one of the main focuses of OCCD. The following actions will be taken during the next program year as part of the County's Lead Hazard Reduction Program:

1. Nine staff members' certifications as EPA-Licensed Risk Assessors will be maintained with required training as necessary. OCCD's EPA Firm License required to do lead hazard control assessment and rehab will also be maintained.
2. Risk Assessments will be completed in all pre-1978 homes.
3. The Onondaga County Health Dept.'s Lead Poisoning Control Program will conduct educational/outreach events and provide educational materials to program clients completed in conjunction with our HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Grant.

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

Strategies to reduce the poverty level among households in Onondaga County mirror those recommended in the City of Syracuse Consolidated Plan: creating new economic opportunities and developing a variety of ways to accumulate wealth.

Several economic revitalization projects that are ongoing or expected to begin in the coming years and may include County residents as part of the labor force. While elected officials and community leaders are working to ensure that County residents will make up a substantial part of the labor force working on these projects, both during and after their completion, residents in the County living outside of the city are sure to benefit from these revitalization projects alongside and along with their City neighbors. Additionally, some municipal and residential construction projects funded with CDBG and HOME through the Con Plan and with State and local aid seek to contract 15% of overall contracted project costs to Minority and Women-Owned Businesses. Also, employment opportunities for low-income workers are created through grants awarded to Onondaga County by the NYS Affordable Housing Corporation's, Affordable Home Ownership Development Program. By subsidizing repairs to extend the useful life of low-income owner-occupied homes, this program also reduces the financial burden on homeowners thus increasing expendable income required for other household essentials.

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

Onondaga County Community Development (OCCD) is the lead agency and hub of the institutional structure responsible for developing and administering the programs covered by the Consolidated Plan. It works closely with various government agencies and departments, town and village governments, and numerous non-profit and for-profit entities. This protocol of cooperation and communication between the many entities has served the Consortium well.

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

To ensure enhanced cooperation, Onondaga County maintains cooperation agreements with each local municipality as a prerequisite to its status as an urban county and administers the Town of Clay's CDBG funds under a joint agreement. The Town of Clay and the County are a consortium for HOME grant purposes.

The County will continue to participate in the Continuum of Care. At the regular meetings, members update the community on their activities. These meetings enhance coordination of the delivery of services among health and social service agencies.

### **Discussion**

## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

#### Introduction

Additional program specific requirements are described below. All CDBG Program Income is currently allocated to program activities. HOME and ESG information are identified in the sections below.

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

#### Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	95.00%

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)  
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

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

HOME funds are not being used for any other form of investment beyond those described in Section 92.205.

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:

OCCD does not use HOME funds for homebuyer activities.

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:

OCCD does not acquire properties with HOME funds.

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:

OCCD has no plans to refinance existing debt with HOME funds

5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

Not applicable

6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

Not applicable

7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).

Not applicable

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

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

Written standards for providing ESG assistance is included as a part of the ESG RFP process. OCCD's most recent RFP is found here: <https://onondaga.gov/cd/wp-content/uploads/sites/246/2025/08/ESGRFPFY2025.pdf> Highlights from the RFP in regard to written standards include:

**SELECTION OF PROPOSALS**

Only proposals submitted electronically by the due date...will be considered.

Priority will be given to:

- Homeless & Housing Coalition of CNY agency members in “good standing” as defined in HHC Operational Guidelines, Article III;
- Providers located in Onondaga County;
- Projects that prevent homelessness or seek to promptly return those who are literally homeless to stable housing;
- Organizations having a history of active participation in the local HMIS;
- Projects will be required to participate in the CoC's Coordinated Entry process as defined by HUD CPD Notice 17-01 issued January 2017.

Match funds requirements and eligible sources are discussed in detail in the RFP.

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

The Housing & Homeless Coalition of CNY (CoC NY-505) has an established centralized and coordinated assessment system. HHC staff oversees and manages the Coordinated Entry system, including housing the Coordinated Entry list in HMIS.

All projects participating in Coordinated Entry will follow the assessment and triage protocols of the CE System. The CoC has adopted the following phased approach to engage and appropriately serve persons seeking assistance through the Coordinated Entry system;

Initial Triage- This phase will focus on identifying the immediate housing crisis and clarifying that the CoC crisis response system is the appropriate system to address needs. L-DSS's in each county is responsible for this phase.

Diversion- This phase of assessment will determine if CoC resources and options could be used to avoid the participant entering the homeless system. L-DSS's in each county is responsible for this phase.

Emergency Service Intake- For those who are identified as needing emergency shelter, appropriate shelter placement is made. L-DSS's in each county are responsible for this phase.

Shelter Assessment- Emergency Service providers should attempt to determine whether a person needs housing intervention through Coordinated Entry. Development of a housing plan is made in conjunction with the person experiencing homelessness.

Comprehensive Assessment- Emergency service providers should assess using the VI-SPDAT and the Coordinated Entry Specific Data Elements in Attachment II and working with the individual or family to determine the number of months homeless. Case managers should use HMIS records, third party documentation, and up to 3 months of self-reported homeless time to document a client's time homeless. This should be completed, at most, two weeks after shelter entry, if it is the first time the individual or family has experienced homelessness. Assessments and referrals can happen immediately for anyone that is unsheltered or has been in emergency shelter within the last year. Emergency service providers should also be determining chronic homeless status and obtaining necessary paperwork.

The full plan can be found here: <http://www.hhccny.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Coordinated-Entry-Plan-2020-Final.pdf>

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

The following is from OCCD's ESG Policies & Procedures:

- 1) Release of Request for Proposals – Annually, OCCD shall issue a Request for Proposals for ESG funds in the first quarter of each year. The RFP shall be published online on the CD website at [www.ongov.net/cd](http://www.ongov.net/cd), shall be distributed via the Homeless and Housing Vulnerable Task Force list serv, and shall be announced at a regular meeting of that Task Force. Additionally, OCCD shall send the RFP via mail to all current ESG recipients. Proposals shall be due back to OCCD within an approximate one-month period. Changes to the RFP will be made as needed to incorporated changes in HUD and/or local policy.

- 2) Proposal Review – OCCD's Deputy Director shall review all proposals submitted for completeness, that funds requested would be used for eligible activities, and that match requirements would be met. OCCD will prepare a summary report of proposals received to present to the Steering Committee for project selection. OCCD will prepare recommendations for the steering committee based on funding availability, proposals received, agency performance, and

community needs.

- 3) Steering Committee Selection – The Community Development Division Steering Committee shall select projects and funding levels. OCCD will work with the steering committee to ensure that HUD funding caps on essential services and homeless prevention activities are met.
  - 4) Notification of Selection – OCCD shall notify all agencies in writing of the outcome of project selection.
  - 5) Proposal Modification – OCCD will ask agencies as needed to increase or decrease funding requests, and submit amended budgets, based on actual HUD ESG allocations (which may or may not be known during the RFP process), and on committee awards.
4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

All sub recipients are required to have a homeless or formerly homeless individual(s) on their advisory board and/or request and receive feedback on the program. This feedback is part of the annual monitoring tool to ensure compliance.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The following is from OCCD's ESG Management & Monitoring Procedures:

**Monitoring Process:**

The ESG Program Administrators monitoring tool consists of specific standards for operating and managing ESG projects. The tool includes review of policies and procedures, fiscal management, and program participant records. The ESG Program Administrator will bring forth the monitoring tool to the ESG funded agencies for review. Monitoring visits will consist of onsite review and off-site review of policies, fiscal management, and program participant records. ESG funded projects should submit policies and procedures documents to the ESG Program Administrator via email. The ESG Program Administrator will schedule on site monitoring visits with each program. Programs should prepare for the ESG Program Administrator to review the annual performance report (APR), fiscal management, and program participant files during onsite monitoring visits. The ESG Program Administrator will review 5 or 10% whichever is greater, of each project's participant files.

The ESG Program Administrator will provide pre monitoring visits upon agencies request or need. During these visits, the ESG Program Administrator will discuss any significant findings with projects

from the previous monitoring year. The ESG Program Administrator will notify the projects of noncompliance with program regulations. During these visits the ESG Program Administrator will determine what projects may need additional oversight. The ESG Program Administrator will work with each project on the root causes of poor performance and target actions that will improve project outcomes to prepare for the annual monitoring visit.

## Attachments

**Citizen Participation Comments**

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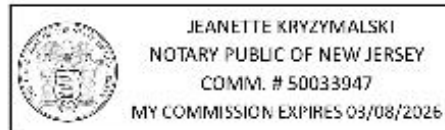
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## What's New

Onondaga County Community Development is preparing the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan & 2025 Action Plan. The comment period is June 30 - July 30, 2025. More information can be found [HERE](#).

Onondaga County Community Development is now accepting applications for the NYS Vacant Rental Improvement Program. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

### [Onondaga County Housing Initiative Program](#)

Funding limits increased to \$15,000 for Shape-Up and Ramp Programs!!

### Homes for Sale

Grants available for income-eligible first time homebuyers. View our [Homes for Sale!](#)

### Contractors Wanted

Eligible contractors to participate in our rehab programs. Visit our [Contractor Information](#) page to learn more!

Do you live within the southern Town and Villages of Onondaga County? Check out [Southern Hills Preservation Corp](#) and see what they can do for you.

NYSERDA offers several [programs](#) for low-income residents.

The United States Dept of Agriculture, Rural Development office has loan and grant programs available for low and very low income households. Visit [www.rd.usda.gov/ny](http://www.rd.usda.gov/ny) for more information.

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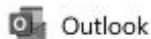
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No Citizens Comments were received during the 30-day comment period.

The following Comments were received in response to a direct mailing, seeking input from local public & private agencies.



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**Re: Community Dev Div. Letter**

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**From** Kevin Rode <krode@townoflysander.org>  
**Date** Thu 7/10/2025 1:26 PM  
**To** Anthony Mueller <TonyMueller@ongov.net>

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Tony,

I know I'm 2 months late on this, but here is my list for Lysander/Baldwinsville:

1. Community Center of some kind for Lysander / Van Buren / Baldwinsville. This would be hard for the 3 muni's to pull off without some kind of County assistance. Then the question would be where it is placed, but if the County had oversight, it would be County decision
2. Affordable housing will be an issue in Lysander as home values and rents keep increasing. I know the County is looking into using OCIDA or OCHIP to offset the costs of new housing,
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Kevin Rode  
Lysander Town Supervisor  
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**2025 Community Development  
Capital Projects-All Applications**

<b>Municipality/Agency</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Req CDBG</b>	<b>Match</b>	<b>Project Total</b>	<b>Proposed Funding</b>
Town-Camillus	Warner's Park Playground Equipment	\$ 50,000	\$ 23,800	\$ 73,800	\$ 50,000
Town-Cicero	Senior Center Enhancements	\$ 50,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 62,500	\$ 50,000
Town-Clay	Mallage & Goguen Dr - repaving	\$ 100,000	\$ 42,078	\$ 142,078	\$ 100,000
Town of Dewitt	Springfield Gardens Pedestrian Improvements	\$ 50,000	\$ 450,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 50,000
Town-Fabius	Cowles Settlement Rd - repaving	\$ 50,000	\$ 169,009	\$ 219,009	\$ 50,000
Town-Geddes	Carno Center Inclusive Playground	\$ 50,000	\$ 20,324	\$ 70,324	\$ 50,000
Town-LaFayette	Stafford Park Improvements	\$ 11,100	\$ 3,700	\$ 14,800	\$ 11,100
Town-Lysander	Town Hall ADA Improvements	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,173	\$ 75,173	\$ 50,000
Town-Onondaga	Kelley Brothers/Anthony Santaro Park Improvements	\$ 50,000	\$ 15,999	\$ 65,999	\$ 50,000
Town-Salina	School Rd Sidewalk & Drainage System	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 50,000
Town-Van Buren	Senior Center Energy Efficient Heating System	\$ 50,000	\$ 26,000	\$ 76,000	\$ 50,000
Village-Baldwinsville	Meadow St Parking Lot	\$ 50,000	\$ 13,630	\$ 63,630	\$ 50,000
Village-Camillus	Maple Dr Reconstruction & Repaving	\$ 50,000	\$ 18,740	\$ 68,740	\$ 50,000
Village-Fayetteville	Senior Center Heating Efficiency	\$ 50,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 50,000
Village-Manlius	Village Centre Park Playground Equipment	\$ 46,946	\$ 5,959	\$ 52,905	\$ 46,946
Village-Minoa	Sidewalk Replacement Program	\$ 50,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 50,000
Village-N Syracuse	Wells Ave East Sidewalk Project	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,142	\$ 52,142	\$ 50,000
Village-Solvay	Mountain Top Park Playground	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 50,000
	<b>Municipality Total:</b>	\$ 908,046	\$ 997,054	\$ 1,905,100	\$ 908,046
<b>Fair Housing</b>					
ARISE, Inc	ARISE Housing Referral & Advocacy Program	\$ 6,711	\$ 59,851	\$ 66,562	\$ 5,000
CNY Fair Housing, Inc	Fair Housing Education & Enforcement	\$ 50,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 146,000	\$ 50,000
	<b>Fair Housing Total:</b>	\$ 56,711	\$ 155,851	\$ 212,562	\$ 55,000
	<b>Requested Total</b>	\$ 964,757	\$ 1,152,905	\$ 2,117,662	\$ 963,046

## FY 2025 Onondaga County Emergency Solutions Grant

**Catholic Charities** **\$52,064**  
**Housing Services Relocation Program (Homeless Prevention)**

The Relocation Program of Catholic Charities of Onondaga County (CCOC) seeks funding in the Homelessness Prevention category for the stabilization and/or relocation of individuals and families facing eviction or imminent homelessness. Emergency Solutions Grant funding will provide support to the Relocation Program to enhance its efforts to assist households to address housing crises would otherwise result in their utilizing the emergency shelter system. Services will include assessing households' needs, negotiating with landlords and property managers, and development of a housing stability plan. Follow-up services for a period of up to six months will also be available to ensure long-term success in permanent housing. The program will serve 30 households. .30 FTE Caseworker and 1 FTE Caseworker 30% fringe

- Match: Support Services to Veteran Families \$67,000

**Chadwick Residence** **\$46,000.00**  
**Chadwick Residence (Grandfathered in: Transitional Housing)**

Chadwick Residence offers homeless women and children transitional housing and professional services to assist in achieving increased self-sufficiency and the ability to obtain and maintain appropriate permanent housing. Program participants develop skills and supports to prevent them from future homelessness.

Program participants will develop the needed skills and supports to prevent them from becoming homeless again and will make progress towards obtaining and maintaining permanent housing. The program will serve between 40-45 women and women with children annually.

- Match: Christopher Community \$58,000.00

**Liberty Resources** **\$28,697.00**  
**DePalmer House (Emergency Shelter)**

DePalmer House is located on the west side of Syracuse in a confidential location; it is a residence for adults living with HIV/AIDS who are chronically homeless. The primary goal of the DePalmer House program is to assist clients in becoming self-sufficient while obtaining safe, affordable, permanent housing. DePalmer House provides a critical link in the continuum of housing homeless adults living with HIV/AIDS.

- Match: HOPWA \$46,609.00

**Rescue Mission** **\$15,000.00**  
**Homeless Intervention Services (Street Outreach)**

The HIS Team will be fulfilling three major needs in Onondaga County. Any street homeless individual we identify will be provided an outreach case manager. The outreach case manager visits the individuals living in places not meant for habitation and works to develop a relationship of trust. With clients' consent for release, their data is then entered into the CoC HMIS System so the case manager can verify their homeless status and better coordinate their needs with other agencies. The outreach case manager continues to work with the individual by developing a housing or treatment plan, connecting with family or referring to appropriate agencies until they have been housed or cannot be found after several attempts to locate them.

- Match: Thrifty Shopper \$15,000.00

**Salvation Army** **\$0**  
**Barnabas Shelter (Emergency Shelter)**

The Salvation Army Barnabas Shelter will continue to provide six beds for co-ed, homeless youth/young adults, ages 18-24. Barnabas Shelter will serve 50 youth/young adults annually, assisting those who are literally homeless with the process of finding safe stable housing. By continuing these emergency shelter beds for older homeless youth/young adults, Barnabas Shelter will specifically address the special needs of the 18-24 year old "transitional age" target population, alleviating the use of the adult shelter system and the unsupervised utilization of area-wide hotel rooms.

- Match: United Way \$19,000.00

**Housing Visions** **\$ 19,000**  
**Visions for Change dba. CONNECT (Case Management, Outreach, Navigation, Networking, Empowerment, Community, and Trust) (Homelessness Prevention)**

The requested funds will support direct assistance to prevent homelessness and promote housing stability for Onondaga County residents.

ESG funds will also be used to provide direct financial assistance to eligible households. This includes rental assistance, security deposits, utility payments, and relocation costs necessary to prevent eviction or facilitate safe housing transitions.. The program will serve 25 households annually in Onondaga County.

- ESSHI and Fundraising \$97,500

**Administration** **\$13,034.70**  
7.5% of the total grant allowed for administration



# ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING

*City of Syracuse and Onondaga County*  
2025



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## Executive Summary

The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) for the City of Syracuse and Onondaga County was conducted by CNY Fair Housing, Inc., a private, non-profit, qualified fair housing enforcement agency. As recipients of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City of Syracuse and Onondaga County are required to engage in fair housing planning that identifies impediments or barriers to fair housing choice, and they are required to work to remove those barriers.

As defined by HUD, impediments to fair housing choice are:

- Any actions, omissions, or decisions taken *because of* race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices.
- Any actions, omissions, or decisions which *have the effect of* restricting housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

The CDBG program specifically contains a regulatory requirement that entitlement jurisdictions certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) as a condition of receipt of that funding. This obligation to AFFH requires program participants to pursue the following broad objectives:

- Analyze and eliminate housing discrimination in the jurisdiction;
- Promote fair housing choice for all persons;
- Provide opportunities for racially and ethnically inclusive patterns of housing occupancy;
- Promote housing that is physically accessible to, and usable by, all persons, particularly persons with disabilities;
- Foster compliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of the Fair Housing Act.

This report will analyze the factors that impede Onondaga County residents' ability to secure the housing they need in the neighborhood where they want to live. This includes both impediments to moving between neighborhoods in pursuit of opportunity, and it includes impediments to accessing opportunity from within any neighborhood. For example, if the mother of a child with a disability wanted to move to a different school district in order to access more specialized services for her child but was unable to do so because she could not find a place to rent, impediments to her housing choice would include: the lack of suitable rental housing, barriers to homeownership, the lack of support services in her child's current school district, and possibly overt discrimination on the basis of familial status and/or disability.

To produce this AI, CNY Fair Housing analyzed data from the US Census Bureau's 2022 5-year American Community Survey as well as from other governmental and non-governmental sources including the Housing and Homeless Coalition and Central New York Regional Transportation Authority, reviewed recent local legislation and planning documents such as PlanOn and ReZone Syracuse, and conducted a series of kitchen table talks with residents of Onondaga County to discuss their personal experience of housing choice in the community.

### **Profile of Onondaga County and the City of Syracuse**

Onondaga County is characterized by stark racial and economic residential segregation. These patterns are the result of more than a century of discriminatory housing practices perpetrated by federal, state, and local elected officials as well as private actors, including both individuals and corporations, in the region's housing market.

Onondaga County's spatial segregation resembles that of many other American—and particularly Northeastern post-industrial—cities. Newer, wealthier, and whiter suburbs surround a poorer, more diverse, disinvested central city. These areas are codependent and form a single economic region, but historic discriminatory practices and modern governmental boundaries divide the County and create the basis for unequal housing outcomes between different segments of the community.

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These unequal outcomes include worst in the nation racial concentration of poverty among Black and Hispanic residents, worst in the nation poverty rates for children, and worst in the nation education inequality.

But after decades of stagnation, Onondaga County is poised for economic and population growth. The 2020 census counted more people living in Onondaga County than ever before, and it also recorded the first decade of population growth in the City of Syracuse since 1950. Changes in the regional and national economy promise to spur even more growth, and one of the primary challenges of the next decade will be harnessing that growth to address the community's inequality by taking intentional, meaningful action to redress the historic practices and to unmake the modern structures that impede fair housing choice in Onondaga County.

### **Summary of Impediments and Recommendations**

#### **1. Lack of housing diversity**

Many neighborhoods and municipalities lack diverse housing options such as missing middle housing, multi-family housing, accessible housing, and smaller homes. This impedes housing choice by limiting the housing options available.

#### **Recommendations**

- a. Produce new comprehensive plans that identify the need for different housing types and select areas for housing growth and increased housing diversity.
- b. Reform zoning codes to allow smaller lot sizes for all types of housing including small single-family homes.
- c. Reform zoning codes to allow multi-family housing in more areas by-right.
- d. Reform zoning codes to allow different types of housing such as accessory dwelling units, townhouses, and two-family houses in areas that currently exclude all housing types besides single-family houses.

- e. Reform PUD ordinances to allow smaller parcels, greater residential density (30+ units per acre), and faster approvals.
- f. Monitor and report on performance of zoning reforms by reviewing housing construction permits.
- g. Support education for elected officials and zoning and planning board members on fair housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, and municipalities' obligation to affirmatively further fair housing.

**2. Increasing housing costs**

Sharp increases in housing costs have not been accompanied by similar increases in household income across all segments of the population. This impedes housing choice by limiting housing opportunities for households with lower incomes which disproportionately impacts members of protected classes.

**Recommendations**

- a. Increase the supply and geographic range of more affordable housing types such as missing middle and multi-family homes.
- b. Increase the supply and geographic range of subsidized, income restricted housing.
- c. Increase the supply and geographic range of housing affordable to Housing Choice Voucher holders.
- d. Use existing local funding sources and incentives for new residential development to require the inclusion of units affordable to households earning below the Area Median Income.
- e. Develop new local funding sources for affordable housing construction such as low-interest financing through a revolving loan fund.

**3. Racial Homeownership Gap**

Homeownership rates for Black, Hispanic, and Asian households remain well below homeownership rates for white non-Hispanic households. This impedes

housing choice because people are not able to access the benefits of homeownership and denies people access to neighborhoods where the majority of housing opportunities are for owner-occupants.

**Recommendations**

- a. Support lenders such as Community Development Financial Institutions that have a proven history of providing financial services to homebuyers of color.
- b. Support auxiliary services such as financial planning and credit repair for prospective homebuyers.
- c. Investigate alternative models for home buying such as Community Land Trusts and Shared Equity Cooperatives.
- d. Investigate prevalence of tangled titles/heirs property.
- e. Increase utilization of the Section 8 homeownership program by area housing authorities, other administering agencies, and their program participants.

**4. Disinvestment in the City of Syracuse**

The City of Syracuse's housing stock is unique within Onondaga County for the scale of its maintenance needs and for its lack of access to capital to pay for that maintenance. This impedes housing choice by subjecting City residents to unsafe and unhealthy conditions in their homes which disproportionately impacts members of protected classes.

**Recommendations**

- a. Aggressively employ code enforcement, the Bureau of Administrative Adjudication, and the Greater Syracuse Land Bank to seize properties from owners who do not maintain them.
- b. Provide direct funding for property owners to upgrade and maintain existing housing stock both in areas with the greatest need and in areas where intervention may encourage broader reinvestment.

- c. Support the construction of new high-quality housing.
- d. Opt into Good Cause tenant protections to shield tenants who report code violations from retaliatory eviction.

**5. Discriminatory practices in the private real estate market**

Housing providers routinely deny housing opportunity to families and individuals on the basis of protected characteristics such as disability, familial status, and race. This directly impedes fair housing choice by denying housing opportunities.

**Recommendations**

- a. Support investigations of housing discrimination.
- b. Support fair housing education for housing providers.
- c. Support fair housing education for tenants and other potential victims of housing discrimination.
- d. Support fair housing education for code enforcement officers.
- e. Opt into Good Cause tenant protections to eliminate discriminatory no-fault nonrenewal evictions.

**6. Insufficient transportation options**

Onondaga County's sprawling development pattern and unsafe road network makes transportation by foot, mobility device, bike, and bus infeasible for many trips. This impedes housing choice by separating many housing opportunities from economic, social, educational, and cultural assets.

**Recommendations**

- a. Expand the sidewalk network.
- b. Expand the bike infrastructure network.
- c. Support Centro's regular operations.

- d. Support the construction of new mixed-income housing at transit-supportive densities along existing transit lines through zoning reform and direct subsidy.
- e. Support emerging micromobility options including shared services such as Veo.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

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<b>8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:</b>		
* a. Legal Name: Onondaga County		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 10-6030461	* c. UFI: P088KARJBT3	
<b>d. Address:</b>		
* Street1:	821 Montgomery St	
* Street2:	_____	
* City:	Bryantown	
* County/Parish:	_____	
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* Province:	_____	
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* Zip / Postal Code:	13202-2908	
<b>e. Organizational Unit:</b>		
Department Name: Community Development	Division Name: _____	
<b>f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:</b>		
* Prefix:	* First Name:	Martin
* Middle Name:	_____	
* Last Name:	Skoben	
* Suffix:	_____	
* Title:	Director	
Organizational Affiliation: _____		
* Telephone Number:	315-435-3258	* Fax Number: _____
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16. Congressional Districts Of:  
 \* a. Applicant:  \* b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed:

17. Proposed Project:  
 \* a. Start Date:  \* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	2,272,403.00
* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	100,000.00
* g. TOTAL	2,372,403.00

\* 19. Is Application Subject to Review by State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?  
 a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on:   
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 \*\* I AGREE  
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Authorized Representative:

Prefix:  \* First Name:   
 Middle Name:   
 \* Last Name:   
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 \* Title:   
 \* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:   
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\* Signature of Authorized Representative:  \* Date Signed:

**Applicant and Recipient  
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing  
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OMB Number: 2501-0044  
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By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

**\*Authorized Representative Name:**

Prefix: [ ] \*First Name: [ J. ]  
Middle Name: [ ]  
\*Last Name: [ McNealon, II ]  
Suffix: [ ]

\*Title: [ County Executive ]

\*Applicant Organization: [ Onondaga County ]

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000a) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated housing entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

4. Will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19) as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing, except an applicant which is an Indian tribe or its instrumentality which

is excluded by statute from coverage does not make this certification, and further except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

5. Will comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.106 as applicable.

6. Will not use Federal funding to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) mandates, policies, programs, or activities that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws.

7. Will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24 and, as applicable, Section 104(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(a)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 42, subpart A.

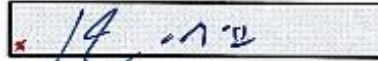
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9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be used for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall disclose and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying. I certify that I shall require all subawards or all tiers (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

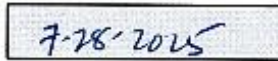
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\*Signature:



\*Date:





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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:



1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4726-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 13 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Support F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 dd-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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\* Title:

\* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:

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\* Signature of Authorized Representative:  \* Date Signed:

**Applicant and Recipient  
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development

OMB Number: 2501-0044  
Expiration Date: 02/28/2027

**Instructions for the HUD-424-B Assurances and Certifications**

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By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

**\*Authorized Representative Name:**

Prefix: [ ] \*First Name: [ J. P. ]  
Middle Name: [ ]  
\*Last Name: [ McNealon, II ]  
Suffix: [ ]

\*Title: [ County Executive ]

\*Applicant Organization: [ Onondaga County ]

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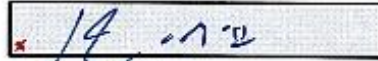
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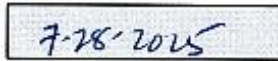
I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct.

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\*Signature:



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U.S. Department of Housing  
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**Instructions for the HUD-424-B Assurances and Certifications**

As part of your application for HUD funding, you, as the official authorized to sign on behalf of your organization or as an individual, must provide the following assurances and certifications, which require any requirement to submit an SF-424-B or SF-424-D. The Responsible Civil Rights Official has specified this form for use for purposes of general compliance with 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.50, and 146.25, as applicable. The Responsible Civil Rights Official may require specific civil rights assurances to be furnished consistent with those authorities and will specify the form on which such assurances must be made. A failure to furnish or comply with the civil rights assurances contained in this form may result in the procedure to effect compliance at 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.57, or 146.33.

By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

**\*Authorized Representative Name:**

Prefix: [ ] First Name: [ J. ]  
Middle Name: [ ]  
Last Name: [ McNealon, II ]  
Suffix: [ ]

\*Title: [ County Executive ]

\*Applicant Organization: [ Onondaga County ]

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000a) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated housing entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

4. Will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing, except an applicant which is an Indian tribe or its instrumentality which

is excluded by statute from coverage does not make this certification, and further except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

5. Will comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.106 as applicable.

6. Will not use Federal funding to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) mandates, policies, programs, or activities that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws.

7. Will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24 and, as applicable, Section 104(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(a)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 42, subpart A.

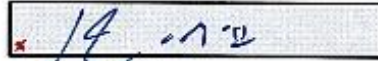
8. Will comply with the environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property.

9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be used for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall disclose and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, (which I shall require all subawards or all tiers (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

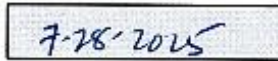
I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct.

WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§207, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. §3729, 3802; 24 CFR §28.10(b)(1)(iii)).

\*Signature:



\*Date:





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ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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**NOTE:** Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:



1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4726-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 13 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 dd-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-546) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. § 51501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11736; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from: (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect; (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	County Executive
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
	7-28-2025

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**CERTIFICATIONS**

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

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

**Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

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

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

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

**Consistency with plan** --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

**Section 3** -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701(u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

  
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### Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

**Citizen Participation** – It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

**Community Development Plan** – Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

**Following a Plan** – It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

**Use of Funds** – It has complied with the following criteria:

**1. Maximum Feasible Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

**2. Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2025, 2026, 2027 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

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

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

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

**Excessive Force** – It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

**Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws** – The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

**Lead-Based Paint** – Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

**Compliance with Laws** – It will comply with applicable laws.

  
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**OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification**

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

  
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**Specific HOME Certifications**

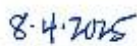
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance** – If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

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

**Subsidy layering** – Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

  
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### **Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications**

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

**Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation** – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

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

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

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

**Matching Funds** – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

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

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

**Consolidated Plan** – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

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

  
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**APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS**

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

**Lobbying Certification**

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

## Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources

Sort order	Type	Data Source Name	List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.	Provide a brief summary of the data set.	What was the purpose for developing this data set?	Provide the year (and optionally month, or month and day) for when the data was collected.	Briefly describe the methodology for the data collection.	Describe the total population from which the sample was taken.	Describe the demographics of the respondents or characteristics of the unit of measure, and the number of respondents or units surveyed.	How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?	What time period (provide the year, and optionally month and day) is covered by this data set?	What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?
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