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2024 Annual Action Plan

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The 2024 Annual Action Plan, hereafter referred to as "the Plan", is the housing and community development planning document for the State of South Dakota. The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) are U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Planning and Development programs covered under the Plan. The overall goals of community planning and development programs are to develop viable communities by providing decent affordable housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities primarily for low- and moderate-income persons. The primary means toward this end is to extend and strengthen partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including for-profit and non-profit organizations in the production and operation of affordable housing and economic development. For the State of South Dakota, the South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) administers the HOME, HTF, and ESG programs and the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) administers the CDBG Program.

In addition to the programs listed above, other finance programs that are administered by SDHDA and are vital to the availability of affordable housing will also be addressed in this Plan. These programs are the Housing Tax Credit (HTC), Housing Opportunity Fund (HOF), Community Housing Development Program (CHDP), and the Continuum of Care (CoC).

SDHDA is the lead agency for the South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium (SDHHC) which is the statewide Continuum of Care (CoC). SDHDA is the collaborative applicant for the CoC, the administering agency for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), and the lead agency for the Coordinated Entry System.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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Housing demand remains strong. An awareness of housing needs and their interplay with economic development has communities incorporating housing code enforcement and looking for tools for rehabilitation of existing homes, infrastructure, and new construction. This continued interest in housing has exposed gaps such as appraisal issues, lack of construction financing for single-family homes, lack of development capacity, and lack of construction employees and development partners. In some communities a stigma exists with the term of "affordable housing" which must be addressed by defining affordable housing, who it serves, and the benefit it brings to a community such as available workforce housing.

South Dakota emphasizes housing opportunities geographically across the State for rental and homeownership; from the homeless to the homebuyer. The HOME Program is available for acquisition and/or rehab, new construction for rental and homeownership, homebuyer assistance, homeowner rehab, and security deposit assistance. The Housing Trust Fund will only be utilized for rental housing.

SDHDA will continue to provide housing opportunities for the homeless and special needs population, as well as mixed-income and workforce housing. SDHDA encourages changes to the ESG and Continuum of Care (CoC) programs to enhance and expand rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention services. Accessing affordable, permanent housing for homeless individuals, youth, those fleeing domestic violence or human trafficking, and individuals and families who are considered hard to house due to poor credit history, rental history, and criminal backgrounds is difficult. SDHDA will continue to evaluate opportunities to provide flexibility in serving these households.

SDHDA continues to partner with the Native American Homeownership Coalition to address barriers and build capacity and partnerships to increase homeownership opportunities for Native Americans both on and off Indian Reservations.

The Housing Needs Study Program which began in 2012, has assisted over 70 rural communities and four Indian Reservations in evaluating their housing need. Barriers that seem most prevalent for housing development in rural communities is the lack of development expertise and willingness to take on the risk of ownership and/or development. The high cost of housing development and lower rental rates make the developments financially difficult.

Public meetings and comments have identified the local-level need for community development, infrastructure, public facilities, economic development, removal of abandoned blighted structures, and workforce training. There is also a high demand for workforce housing. The State will continue to develop viable communities by providing funds for a wide range of community needs, including water and wastewater infrastructure, community centers, medical centers, workforce training, senior centers, and industrial infrastructure that will assist businesses in creating new job opportunities for low- and moderate-income (LMI) individuals. The Building South Dakota Fund, created and funded by the State of South Dakota, includes programs and funding for local infrastructure improvements, job grants, and workforce education complementing the CDBG program.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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For the program year 2023, SDHDA's goal was new construction of 60 rental units, acq./rehabilitation of 20 rental units, development of 10 special needs housing units, assisting 50 households with homeowner rehab, 315 families with a security deposit, 8 homebuyers with homebuyer assistance, providing 5 homeownership opportunities with construction financing, and funding 15-20 agencies with ESG funding.

2023 outcomes for the HOME and HTF Program are based on projects reported as completed in IDIS during 2023, which can be skewed due to timing. Per the IDIS report HUD PR 23 and Con Plan Goals and Accomplishments Report, 6 HTF rental units were constructed, 410 households assisted with security deposit, and 43 homes rehabbed for a total of 459 housing units. The total of 459 does not include additional rental units constructed or renovated with the Housing Tax Credit, Housing Opportunity Fund, or Community Housing Development Program.

The shortfall of completed rental units is a product of timing. Many multifamily projects utilizing HOME and HTF are currently nearing completion and will be reported in the 2024 accomplishments..

410 households were assisted with TBRA (Security Deposit), meeting 130% of the 315 goal. 43 homeowners assisted with Homeowner Rehab equals 86% of the goal of 50 homeowners assisted. 6 rental units completed equals 10% of the goal of 60, however as previously stated, several multifamily projects are nearing completion which would result in meeting or exceeding the goal of rental units constructed.

For CDBG, the State continues to meet its objectives of promoting more rational land use, providing increased economic opportunities for LMI persons, and correcting deficiencies in public facilities that affect the public health, safety or welfare, especially of LMI persons. 2023 CDBG activities include awards to McLaughlin, Philip, Cresbard, Brookings County, Kimball, Mobridge, Moody County, Vermillion, Whitewood, and Lead. Projects entail public infrastructure, public facilities, childcare expansion, and one urgent need satisfied for a firehall reconstruction.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Citizen Participation Process

A public meeting will be conducted during the 30-day comment period to gather comments on the proposed plan. SDHDA and GOED will notify by email, to the greatest extent possible, the state Community Action Agencies, Councils of Local Government, Housing and Redevelopment Agencies, County Officials, and the city Mayors of the opportunity to provide comments. SDHDA and GOED may utilize the following means to encourage public participation:

- Public Hearings/Meetings Hearings/Meetings will be held at a time and place that is convenient to the actual and potential beneficiaries of the program. These hearings will be held at various times and at handicapped-accessible sites. The public hearings/meetings can be conducted in person, or held via the Dakota Digital Network (DDN), or web-based.
- Emailed Notices Electronic copies of notices will be emailed via SDHDA's and GOED's mass email list which includes advocacy groups, local governments, State Departments, Public and Indian Housing Authorities, for-profit and non-profit housing developers, lending institutions and real estate agents, to help encourage citizen comments and attendance at public hearings/meetings.
- Online Surveys If online surveys are utilized to solicit comments, a press release will be used to
 inform the public of the survey and where to access it. The survey would be posted on SDHDA's
 and GOED's websites.
 Internet Postings Postings of the hearings, meetings, and notices will
 be placed on SDHDA's and GOED's websites.
- Newspaper Advertisements Notices (paid ads) will be published once in newspapers of daily circulation.
- Press Releases A press release about the public hearing/meeting, plans, and the ability to provide comments will be emailed to the daily and weekly newspapers within the state.
- Libraries To the greatest extent possible, notices will be emailed to libraries statewide to encourage the display of the notice.
- Focus Groups Meetings will be held with specific targeted groups, who serve specific populations or provide services. The purpose of the meetings will be to gather data to evaluate, enhance, or propose changes based on identified needs.

Consultation Process

When preparing the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, or the development of the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), the South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) and the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) consult with public and private agencies that provide housing, health services, and social services, including those focusing on services to children, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, and homeless persons. Consultation also occurs with state-based and regionally-based organizations that represent protected class members and organizations that enforce fair housing laws. This process shall also encourage the participation of local, regional, and statewide institutions including Continuum of Care, businesses, developers, nonprofit organizations, philanthropic organizations, and community-based and faith-based organizations. SDHDA shall also consult with public housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs, to

the extent that the housing agency is administering public housing or the Section 8 program on a statewide basis as well as public housing authorities that certify consistency with South Dakota's Consolidated Plan.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

A summary of the public comments process is included as an attachment to the plan.

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

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

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

	Name		Department/Agency		
	SOUTH DAKOTA				
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Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) in conjunction with the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) prepares the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans. SDHDA administers the HOME, Emergency Solutions Grants, and Housing Trust Fund Programs within the Rental Housing Development division. The CDBG Program is administered through the Finance Division of GOED.

Sioux Falls Housing & Redevelopment Commission administers Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) for South Dakota. Since the HOPWA funding received by Sioux Falls Housing & Redevelopment Commission, is on a competitive basis the program information is not required to be a part of the Statewide Consolidated Plan. Those interested in learning more about the program are encouraged to contact Sioux Falls Housing and Redevelopment Commission. Information regarding the Tri-State HELP program can be found at the following web address https://siouxfallshousing.org/tri-state-help.html.

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

1. Introduction

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SDHDA and GOED staff participate in meetings with regional planning districts, local economic development offices, SD Department of Human Services and Social Services, city officials, public housing authorities, multi-family housing associations, homebuilder organizations, service agencies, and nonprofit and for-profit developers. The information shared from these meetings provides suggestions, concerns, and recommendations regarding the housing and community development programs and how they are or are not effective in serving the state. In addition, knowledge gained by SDHDA and GOED staff regarding services, programs, and assistance offered by the agencies listed above provides an opportunity to better coordinate services and ensure programs are effectively working together. Information gathering is a year-long process and is not limited to the four months during which time the annual action plan or the housing allocation plans are drafted.

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

SDHDA and GOED are members of several trade organizations and committees that increase the opportunity to coordinate efforts. At the state government level, SDHDA participates on the Behavioral Health Advisory Council (formerly the Mental Health Advisory Council), the State Independent Living Council, the SD WINS workgroup, and SDHDA's Executive Director and GOED's Commissioner attend the Governor's cabinet meetings. At the state level, SDHDA is a member of the South Dakota (SD) NAHRO, SD Homebuilders Association, SD Native American Homeownership Coalition, multi-family housing association, SD Building Officials, Central Board of Realtors, SD Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities, SD Banker's Association, and the SD American Institute of Architects. At the national level, SDHDA is a member organization of National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Organizations (NAHRO) and National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA). SDHDA and GOED are members of the Council of State Community Development Agencies providing information from the national perspective. Involvement with the different organizations provides SDHDA and GOED opportunities to interact and enhance coordination among public and assisted housing providers, private and government, health, mental health and service agencies, and many other organizations throughout the year, as well as learn of successful programs in other states.

To assist in the coordination of efforts, information regarding public meetings and training opportunities offered by partner agencies such as the Mental Health First Aid Training, are shared with housing management companies, ESG recipients, and members of the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium as well as being posted on SDHDA's website.

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

South Dakota Housing is the Lead Agency and Collaborative Applicant for the South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium. The Consortium is the statewide "CoC SD-500". South Dakota Housing is also the lead agency for the statewide implementation of the Homeless Management Information System and the Coordinated Entry System. Therefore South Dakota Housing employs a full-time CoC Admin, CES Admin and HMIS/ESG Admin who work in close coordination of all homeless response efforts across the state. The ESG Selection Committee which decides the awards is comprised of several stakeholders throughout the state; but always includes a member of the CoC's governing board, the PAC. The PAC develops and maintains the CoC's Written Standards for ESG and CoC projects. The CoC Admin coordinates the efforts of the Performance and Ranking Committee which is the CoC's long-term systems oversight group. The PRC is ultimately responsible for the policies that govern the monitoring and competition process for CoC recipients. Due to the streamlined structure of the CoC and ESG Administration through South Dakota Housing there is a unique efficiency to the statewide coordinated of homeless response efforts in South Dakota.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the State in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

As the CoC, CES and HMIS Lead, SDHDA leads the statewide effort to address the needs of all people experiencing homelessness. South Dakota Housing's CoC Admin is the statewide lead for the Point in Time Count and Local Competition. Special populations and their inflow trends are monitored and this includes any analysis needed for race and age demographics. When it comes to project performance and awards scoring is awarded to projects that identify and serving chronically homeless households. The statewide Consortium implemented Youth Homeless Demonstration Project funding in 2022, effectively doubling the amount of funding available to the CoC. South Dakota Housing has also, very several years now, offered a reimbursable grant from its own general fund called the Sustainable Housing Initiative Program (SHIP). SHIP is grant that seeks to provide quick, responsive services that are not usually provided by HUD homeless assistance grants. The SHIP project is intended to serve those considered "hard to house". Through the CoC membership with South Dakota Housing manages there is broad representation from stakeholders in school districts, community action programs, veterans

services and victim services providers; engagement and collaboration with these groups is longstanding and ongoing.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

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Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	South Eastern Council of Governments				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization				
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development				
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	South Eastern Council of Governments participated in the public meeting in Sioux Falls. As a regional planning organization, they work with numerous communities to address their community development and housing issues. Participation of a planning district provides geographic representation and perspective of many rural communities.				
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Cheyenne River Housing Authority				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Other government - Local				
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy				

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	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Staff from Cheyenne River Housing Authority attended the public meeting. As a tribal housing authority, the organization partners with SDHDA to address housing concerns on Indian Reservations.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	BLACK HILLS AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Education Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Black Hills Area Community Foundation is a non-profit in Rapid City that works with affordable housing and many other philanthropic initiatives. Staff from BHACF participated in the public meeting.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	GROW South Dakota
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Services-Education Regional organization Neighborhood Organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by	Housing Need Assessment
	Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
		Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
		Homeless Needs - Families with children
		Homelessness Needs - Veterans
		Homelessness Strategy
		Non-Homeless Special Needs
		Market Analysis
		Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization	Staff from GROW SD attended the public meeting. GROW is a past recipient of
	was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of	HOME, ESG, CoC and other funding programs providing housing and services to
	the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	different populations. Their involvement provides insight for serving different
		populations, economic diversity, and availability of services.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
		РНА
		Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by	Housing Need Assessment
	Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
		Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
		Homeless Needs - Families with children
		Homelessness Needs - Veterans
		Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
		Market Analysis

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Staff from NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources participated in the public meeting. NWDHR utilizes the HOME program for rehabilitation of housing units. The agency provides perspective of nonprofits, serving low-income families provides information regarding the housing demand for the Black Hills area.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Minnehaha County Department of Human Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Health Health Agency Child Welfare Agency Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Staff from Minnehaha County Human Services (MCHS) attended the public meeting. MCHS provided a plethora of services and financial assistance for Minnehaha County residents including shelter, rent and deposit assistance, utility arrears, medications, transportation, etc. MCHS is also a physical access point for South Dakota's Coordinated Entry System and they bring a unique perspective given their daily activity and contact with homeless and low-income residents.

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

All agencies are welcome to participate in the public comment process. The agencies listed above were not specifically solicited to participate but instead represented the various partners who were a part of the public comment process. SDHDA and GOED did not specifically consult with any agency relating to the development of this annual action plan.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	South Dakota Housing Development Authority	Developing permanent housing opportunities for the homeless is a goal that requires coordination of efforts. In 2018, the CoC implemented the statewide coordinated entry system (CES). With annual homeless counts, HMIS program reports and CES, there will be valuable information to help align housing and services for the homeless population with the goal of addressing the specific housing needs which may entail location, service area and target AMI levels.

 Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

AP-12 Participation - 91.115, 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

Public meetings were held on January 25th in Rapid City, January 30th in Sioux Falls, and January 31st in Pierre. The meeting on January 31st was also held via web-based platform and conference call. The meetings were held to take public comments on the administration of the HOME, ESG, HTF and CDBG programs and receive comments on the administration of the non-HUD funded programs of Housing Tax Credits and Housing Opportunity Fund. The meetings were held prior to drafting of the 2024 Annual Action Plan.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received		
1	Public Meeting	Non- targeted/broad community	There was a total of 55 attendees for all three meetings. Written comments were received from five participating agencies.	Agencies support removing the project finance limits from all programs.An agency indicated that requiring a detailed physical needs assessment for rehabilitation projects would create a cost burden to the applicant. Agencies support removing	All comments were accepted and implemented into our plans.	

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Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of	Summary of	Summary of comments	URL (If
			response/attendance	comments received	not accepted	applicable)
					and reasons	
				the HOME owner-		
				occupied		
				rehabilitation		
				funding limit as a		
				result of increased		
				costs which would		
				allow more		
				complete rehabs to		
				be completed. An		
				agency supported		
				the idea of		
				providing points for		
				properties serving		
				families with		
				children that		
				provide onsite		
				daycare.		

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

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Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The HOME, Housing Trust Fund (HTF), Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding sources are only partial funding for the many different activities and services provided. As federal funds continue to diminish, developers, communities and service providers must be creative and have partnerships and other resources to successfully complete the proposed projects. Other financing and services are being provided by local, state, and federal programs, private individuals, foundations, and commercial lenders. The State of South Dakota has provided financing for the Housing Opportunity Fund (HOF) which provides an additional resource for both development of housing and providing services. HOF has flexibility to target up to 115 percent area median income and can be utilized as match funding. HOF funding is not included as a source of funds below due to the uncertainty of ongoing funding.

South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) also administers the IRS program - Low-Income Housing Tax Credits and can issue tax exempt bond financing. Majority of the HTC developments also utilize HOME funds for gap financing. SDHDA is the Collaborative Applicant and lead agency for South Dakota Balance of State Continuum of Care. As the Collaborative Applicant, SDHDA can offer assistance and potential

funding for CoC recipients. CoC funding is not included as a source of funds below due to the inability of estimating expected funding.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Exp	ected Amoun	t Available Ye	ar 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan	
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	5,790,145	0	1,439,151	7,229,296	23,200,000	We anticipate CDBG funding to be \$5,790,145 million. Our current balance available to award is \$1,439,151 remaining from our previous HUD grants.

Program			Expected	Narrative Description				
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan Ś	
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership	2 700 000	1 337 227	2 700 000	6 737 227		Annually, there is approximately \$2 million of program income that becomes available in addition to the \$3 million received in annual allocation. The total amount of expected resources is less than appears available in IDIS. The difference is projects which have received reservations of funds which have not yet been committed and administrative funds which are not included in the allocations.
		Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for	2,700,000	1,337,227	2,700,000	6,737,227	8,100,000	expected resources is less than appears available in IDIS. The difference is projects which ha received reservations of funds have not yet been committed administrative funds which are

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Exp	ected Amoun	t Available Ye	ar 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re- housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional						SDHDA anticipates receiving approximately \$640,000 annually for the ESG program. With expanded eligible activities and sub-recipients the full allocation will be utilized.
		housing	640,000	0	0	640,000	1,920,000	

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Exp	ected Amoun	t Available Ye	ar 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
HTF	public -	Acquisition						Annually SDHDA anticipates receiving
	federal	Admin and						\$3 million in Housing Trust Funds to
		Planning						assist with development of rental
		Homebuyer						activities for extremely low-income
		assistance						households. The total amount of
		Multifamily						expected resources is less than
		rental new						appears available in IDIS. The
		construction						difference is projects which have
		Multifamily						received reservations of funds which
		rental rehab						have not yet been committed and
		New						administrative funds which are not
		construction for						included in the allocations.
		ownership	2,700,000	0	1,916,059	4,616,059	8,100,000	
LIHTC	public -	Multifamily						South Dakota Housing Development
	federal	rental new						Authority administers the Internal
		construction						Revenue Service's Low-Income
		Multifamily						Housing Tax Credit Program. This
		rental rehab						program is utilized for multifamily
								rental development and often times is
			3,360,000	0	0	3,360,000	10,000,000	used in combination of HOME funds.

Table 5 - 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

CDBG funding will assist in projects such as infrastructure, community buildings, fire halls, abatement of blighted structures, and workforce training. The match requirement will be on a scoring basis. Each project will submit a budget sheet with their application and will receive a score of low, medium, or high. Any funds that are not CDBG will be considered match.

Recipients of HOME funds are required to provide 12.5 percent of the match requirement. The match is typically in the form of donated services, land, or materials, reduction of interest rates or lender fees, tax abatements and waiving of city fees. SDHDA provides the remaining 12.5 percent of the match requirement.

ESG recipients are required to provide 100 percent of the match requirement. Forms of match are typically volunteer hours and donation of money, goods, or services.

There is no match requirement with the Housing Trust Fund, however, competitive points are available for applications that demonstrate the ability to leverage financial resources.

Typically multifamily housing rental developments utilize HOME and Housing Tax Credits. Additionally, developers are utilizing the Housing Trust Fund to further target lower income households.

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

At this time we are unaware of any publicly owned land or property that may be used to address the identified needs.

Annual Goals and Objectives

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

Goals Summary Information

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Develop new rental	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Rental units constructed: 60
	housing units					Housing	\$2,737,227	Household Housing Unit
							HTF:	
							\$2,916,059	
							LIHTC:	
							\$2,688,000	
2	Acquisition and	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Rental units rehabilitated:
	Rehabilitation of					Housing	\$1,000,000	20 Household Housing Unit
	rental units						HTF:	
							\$500,000	
							LIHTC:	
							\$672,000	
3	Development of	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Rental units constructed: 10
	special needs			Homeless		Housing	\$500,000	Household Housing Unit
	housing			Non-Homeless Special			HTF:	
				Needs			\$600,000	

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Utilize Emergency	2013	2017	Homeless			ESG:	Tenant-based rental
	Solution Grants						\$640,000	assistance / Rapid
	Program							Rehousing: 100 Households
								Assisted
								Homeless Person Overnight
								Shelter: 2975 Persons
								Assisted
								Homelessness Prevention:
								100 Persons Assisted
								Other: 25 Other
5	Provide	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Homeowner Housing
	homeownership					Housing	\$500,000	Added: 5 Household
	opportunities							Housing Unit
6	Homeowner	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Homeowner Housing
	Rehabilitation					Housing	\$1,000,000	Rehabilitated: 50 Household
								Housing Unit
7	Security Deposit	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Homelessness Prevention:
	Assistance					Housing	\$300,000	315 Persons Assisted
						Homelessness		
8	Homebuyer	2013	2017	Affordable Housing		Affordable	HOME:	Direct Financial Assistance
	Assistance					Housing	\$200,000	to Homebuyers: 8
								Households Assisted
9	Community	2018	2022	Non-Housing Community		Non-housing	CDBG:	Public Facility or
	Development			Development		Community	\$6,329,296	Infrastructure Activities for
						Development		Low/Moderate Income
								Housing Benefit: 1500
								Households Assisted

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
10	Economic	2018	2022	Non-Housing Community		Non-housing	CDBG:	Jobs created/retained: 1
	Development			Development		Community	\$500,000	Jobs
						Development		Businesses assisted: 1
								Businesses Assisted
11	Workforce Training	2013	2017	Non-Housing Community		Non-housing	CDBG:	Other: 50 Other
				Development		Community	\$400,000	
				Economic		Development		
				Development/Workforce				
				Training				

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

Goal Description	Development of new rental housing units - utilize approximately \$2.7 million annually of HOME Program funds and \$2.9 million annually in Housing Trust Fund to create 60 new units. Over the five year period there would be a total of 300
	new HOME and HTF rental housing units. HTF will provide additional units for extremely low-income (30% AMI) households. This goal includes both the Multifamily New Construction and Tribal New Construction projects. When combined with LIHTC it is anticipated HOME, HTF, and HTC will generate new construction of approximately 150 rental units.
Goal Name	Acquisition and Rehabilitation of rental units
Goal Description	Utilize HOME and Housing Trust fund for the acquisition and rehabilitation or just the rehabilitation of rental housing units. Approximately \$1.5 million annually will be utilized to rehabilitate 20 HOME and/or HTF rental units. When combined with Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, it's estimated approximately 40 units could be rehabilitated.
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3	Goal Name	Development of special needs housing
	Goal Description	The goal is to utilize HOME and Housing Trust Funds annually to newly construct or rehabilitate 10 rental units for homeless/special needs housing. The addition of Housing Trust Fund will make this goal more feasible by targeting extremely low-income households. Many tenants of special needs housing are extremely low-income often making it difficult to develop financially feasible housing developments. Availability of Housing Trust Fund as a forgivable loan will assist in financial feasibility. Annually, 20 percent (\$600,000) of HTF will be set-aside for development of service enriched housing.
4	Goal Name	Utilize Emergency Solution Grants Program
	Goal Description	Utilizing ESG funds to assist homeless or those at risk of becoming homeless by providing overnight shelter, homelessness prevention or rapid rehousing. Approximately \$640,000 annually of ESG funds will be utilized to provide these services.
5	Goal Name	Provide homeownership opportunities
	Goal Description	Provide homeownership opportunities to 5 households annually through the use of HOME funds with new construction or renovation and resale of existing single family homes.
		By regulation, the Housing Trust Fund program can assist with homeownership opportunities. Due to limitation of serving extremely low-income households, South Dakota has made the determination to not allocate HTF for homeownership activities.
6	Goal Name	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Provide funding opportunities to assist 50 homeowners annually with rehabilitation activities with HOME funds. Additional resources that do exist in the state are USDA Rural Development, and SDHDA's CHIP program.
7	Goal Name	Security Deposit Assistance
	Goal Description	Annually up to \$300,000 of HOME funds will be utilized to assist approximately 315 individuals and families with security deposit assistance keeping them from homelessness.
8	Goal Name	Homebuyer Assistance
	Goal Description	Annually up to \$200,000 of HOME funds is set-aside to assist homebuyers with gap financing assistance with the purchase of a single family home. It is anticipated that 8 households will be assisted.

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9	Goal Name	Community Development
	Goal Description	GOED will award grants to eligible activities that will improve community development and enhance the lives of those residents living there. Community development improvements will primarily be awarded for infrastructure such as water, wastewater, and storm sewer systems. Included with these types of project would be restoration of streets, sidewalks, and gutters that would have been removed or damaged during replacement of any below grade infrastructure. Other community development activities will consist of neighborhood facilities, youth centers, senior centers, broadband expansion, places that provide community safety measures such as fire halls and abuse shelters. Any eligible activity meeting community development needs will be considered. Determining goals for community development projects is difficult not knowing when a community will decide to upgrade old existing infrastructure or needing to upgrade or construct new community facilities. The State of South Dakota anticipates 8-12 applicants being awarded funding each year for community development projects. Number of persons to benefit will depend greatly on the size of the communities applying.
10	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	GOED will fund a special project account with \$500,000 from the annual HUD allocation each year. The goal will be job creation when granting funds from this account. The number of jobs created will determine the amount of the award. For every \$25,000 of grant funding, 1 permanent job must be created.
11	Goal Name	Workforce Training
	Goal Description	The CDBG Program could allow up to a maximum of 15% of yearly allocation to be utilized to train low-to-moderate individuals annually. Demand for this activity has decreased with other programs offering workforce training in SD. We are setting aside \$400,000 to train up to 50 individuals each year.

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AP-25 Allocation Priorities – 91.320(d)

Introduction:

The chart below reflects percentages of funding that are likely to occur based on the different eligible activities and goals. It is important to remember that not all of the priorities actually have the funds set-aside for this activity. While it is listed as a priority there may not necessarily be funds or sufficient competitive points to ensure this percentages will be met.

	Develop			Utilize						
	new	Acquisition		Emergency						
	rental	and	Development	Solution	Provide		Security			
	housing	Rehabilitation	of special	Grants	homeownership	Homeowner	Deposit	Homebuyer	Community	Economic
	units	of rental units	needs	Program	opportunities	Rehabilitation	Assistance	Assistance	Development	Development
	(%)	(%)	housing (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
CDBG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87	7
HOME	48	15	8	0	7	15	4	3	0	0
ESG	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
HTF	76	11	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIHTC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Funding Allocation Priorities

Table 7 – Funding Allocation Priorities

Reason for Allocation Priorities

The allocation priorities are a combination of past experience and goals to be accomplished. The housing needs in South Dakota vary by community and SDHDA's resources are utilized in a variety of ways thus the reason for having multiple allocation priorities. There is a need for additional rental units, homeownership activities, homeowner rehabilitation and security deposit assistance. A few activities have funds setaside to assist in the administration of the program.

A set-aside of the Housing Trust Fund program is for special needs housing. Since the HTF program requires designation of housing units for extremely low-income households, this correlates well with individuals living on fixed incomes such as disability. This funding source will assist Annual Action Plan 29

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in development of housing units for special needs and homeless populations. Providing housing opportunities for extremely low-income households is a high priority due to the long Section 8 voucher waiting lists and the number of families experiencing homelessness and over-crowded housing conditions.

How will the proposed distribution of funds will address the priority needs and specific objectives described in the Consolidated Plan?

Funds are necessary to achieve any priority or goal, however, the developers and applicants are the ones submitting the applications for funding and dictating which projects they would like to do and where they are located. Based on past experience of competition for funding, feasibility of projects, geographic locations, etc. SDHDA anticipates the funding is appropriate to achieve the goals established. Application scoring criteria as well as set-aside of funds are utilized to entice developers to assist in meeting priority needs and specific objectives.

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

Introduction:

HOME, Housing Trust Fund, ESG and CDBG funding is open to all eligible applicants through application processes. The HOME Program Allocation Plan, the Housing Trust Fund Allocation Plan, the ESG Plan, and the Consolidated Plan outline the application process for the respective programs. For ease of applicants, a combined application form and application cycle have been created for the utilization of HOME, HTF, and HTC.

Distribution Methods

Table 8 - Distribution Methods by State Program

1	State Program Name:	South Dakota - CDBG
	Funding Sources:	CDBG

Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	CDBG Program funds are provided through Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. The State of South Dakota anticipates receiving approximately \$5.8 MM in 2024. A minimum of 70 percent of the State's allocation will be used to fund projects that primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
	The CDBG program will provide grants to units of general local governments in non-entitlement areas with applicants being selected for funding based on the greatest need and most adequately addressing the locally determined needs of low- and moderate-income persons, consistent with one or more of the following purposes:
	1. Promote more rational land use;
	2. Provide increased economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons;
	3. Correct deficiencies in public facilities that affect the public health, safety, or welfare, especially of low and moderate-income persons.
	CDBG funds will be distributed into the Community Projects Account with three set-asides. Of the 2024 CDBG allocation, the State will have one set aside of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for Economic Development projects, one set aside for Workforce Training projects of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), and one set aside of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for Urgent Need projects, and the remainder of the annual allocation available for distribution through the Community Projects Account. The State will withhold one hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000) for program administration by the State and technical assistance provided to local governments through the State's six Planning Districts.
	CDBG program funds must be obligated to projects within 15 months of the State receiving the funds from HUD. We intend to stimulate applicants through a series of funding cycle deadlines: April 1 and October 1.
	Grant Amendments requesting additional funding will be considered at any time. Decisions will be based on the information provided by the grantee justifying the need and impact of the additional funding. Additional requests for funding will need Governor approval with a new grant agreement being signed to supersede the original grant award.

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Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select	Eligible applicants are counties and incorporated municipalities, excluding entitlements of Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and Tribal Governments.
applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	Projects must meet one of three national objectives and be an eligible activity as described in section 105(a) of the Act. National objectives are to eliminate slums and blight, benefit people of predominately low and moderate income, or an urgent need or imminent threat to public health or safety. In addition, the following criteria must be met:
	1. Planning Districts must prepare the application and administer the grant through close out.
	 There is no limit to the number of 2024 grants eligible applicants may receive for themselves or on behalf of an ineligible applicant i.e. development corporation, rural water system, sanitary district, etc.
	 CDBG grants awarded before the Year 2019 must be closed out before submitting a new application. A grantee that has an open grant awarded before 2019 and is open because of circumstances beyond their control may request a waiver submitted to GOED with the 2024 application.
	4. A public hearing must have been conducted before an application may be submitted.
	5. Application shall include data on the racial, ethnic, and gender characteristics of project beneficiaries.
	6. The Environmental Review process must be near completion or completed at the time of application except for an Urgent Needs application.
	 Eligible projects and activities are defined in Section 105(a) of the Act. Questions should be addressed to CDBG staff within the Governor's Office of Economic Development or by contacting their Planning District Office.

If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	Potential applicants can gather additional information by contacting their Planning District Office, or by visiting GOED's website at https://sdgoed.com/partners/financing-incentives/community- development-block-grants/.
Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	 CDBG funds will be distributed into the Community Projects Account with three set-asides: Economic Development: \$500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars) Workforce Training: \$400,000 (four hundred thousand dollars) Urgent Needs: \$1,500,000 (one million five hundred thousand dollars) The State will withhold one hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000) for program administration and technical assistance provided by the State to local governments through the State's six Planning Districts. The remainder of the annual allocation will be distributed through the Community Projects Account. Unused funds from set-aside project accounts will be automatically rolled into the Community Projects Account during the October 1 funding round. At the discretion of the Commissioner of GOED, funds may be moved around within each program account. Any amount remaining in the Community Project Account will be rolled forward into the next Program Year Community Projects Account and obligated in the first round of funding to maintain timely distribution.

Describe threshold factors and	Size of Grants.
grant size limits.	 Maximum Allowable Grant. There is a maximum of \$2,000,000 per regular grant applicatio for project costs plus an additional \$20,000 of funding for project administration for a total maximum award of \$2,020,000.
	2. Individual grant amounts. Individual grants will be awarded only in amounts commensurat with the requirements of the proposed project.
	3. Available funding. Each funding cycle will award approximately half of the annual funds available through the account. The Commissioner of the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) has the discretion to increase or decrease the amount on any given funding cycle.
	There is no limit to the number of grants from the 2024 program funds that an eligible applicant may receive for themselves or on behalf of an ineligible applicant such as an area development corporation, rural water system, sanitary district, or other legally organized entity. All eligible applications not funded may reapply during the next funding round.
	Previous CDBG Program grants awarded prior to Year 2019 must be closed out.
What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	Outcomes will be based on the number of projects completed, allocation of training dollars, and number of individuals assisted with training dollars.

2	State Program Name:	South Dakota - ESG Program
	Funding Sources:	ESG
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	The Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG), formerly known as the Emergency Shelter Grants Program is a federal block grant authorized by subtitle B of the McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act and administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH) revised the Emergency Shelter Grants Program and renamed it the Emergency Solutions Grants Program.
		As a result of the HEARTH Act, the new ESG expands the eligible activities for emergency shelter and homelessness prevention activities to include short- and medium-term rental assistance and services to stabilize and rapidly re-house individuals and households who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. One of the main changes to the ESG program is an increased focus on homelessness prevention services and rapid re-housing activities as evidenced with the emphasis on homelessness prevention and the addition of a new rapid re-housing activity.
		Emergency Solutions Grants will be utilized to provide services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless in the following eligible activities. It is important for applicants to remember that ESG funds are to be used for direct assistance, only when there is no other assistance available for the individual or household. Applicants should refer to 24 CFR Part 576.100 – 576.109 for further clarification on the following eligible activities:
		1) Street Outreach 2) Emergency Shelter 3) Homelessness Prevention 4) Rapid Re-housing Assistance 5) Homeless Management Information System; and 6) Administrative.

will be u applicat	e all of the criteria that used to select tions and the relative	Applicants must be non-profits or units of local government. Applicants must be in compliance with ESG guidelines 24 CFR Part 576 and applicable state and federal policies and procedures, including compliance with federal and state non-discrimination laws.
importa	nce of these criteria.	Applicants must have written standards for providing ESG assistance that will be consistently applied throughout the program. Applicants must have established standard accounting practices including internal controls and fiscal accounting procedures which may include cost allocation plans; and be able to track agency and program budgets by revenue sources and expenses. Applicants must also have available cash flow to effectively operate their programs since ESG funding is a reimbursement program.
		Applicants with outstanding monitoring or audit findings issued by the Internal Revenue Service, HUD, or SDHDA are not eligible ESG applicants and will not be eligible to receive an allocation of ESG funding. Applicants are encouraged to contact SDHDA to ensure no unresolved monitoring findings exist or to work to resolve any outstanding items. Eligible applicants must be able to demonstrate prior experience serving individuals and households at-risk of or experiencing homelessness. Also, applicants must have staff with demonstrated expertise in case management skills.
		Applicants will be required to collect and enter data into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for all persons served with ESG funds. A separate database module has been created for domestic violence agencies to collect and enter data. Applicants must be members of the South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium. Homelessness can only be addressed and resolved with all agencies working together. Applications which show a concerted effort to coordinate services with other agencies and other funding sources to best serve the Individuals and households will be given priority.
		Applicants meeting the above eligibility requirements and documenting a concerted effort to coordinate services with other agencies and other funding sources to best serve the individuals and households will be given priority for funding. Due to the demand for the funds, ESG grants will be awarded based upon the following: 1. Need for the funding to provide the corresponding services and assistance 2. Plan for distribution of the funds in an effective and efficient manner 3. Collaboration efforts with other agencies, and 4. Performance measurements.

	A committee of state employees, who work with or have knowledge of homeless programs, will review the applications along with SDHDA staff. The Selection Committee consists of state employees from the Department of Social Services and Public Safety – Victim Services Program as well as at least one member of the Policy and Advisory Committee of the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium (SDHHC) and South Dakota Housing staff.
If only summary criteria were described, how can potential applicants access application manuals or other state publications describing the application criteria? (CDBG only)	The ESG Allocation Plan further defines the application process and eligibility. The ESG Allocation Plan can be found on SDHDA's website - www.sdhda.org or applicants can contact SDHDA at 605- 773-3181 for additional information.
Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based	Applicants must be non-profits or units of local government. Applicants must be in compliance with ESG guidelines 24 CFR Part 576 and applicable state and federal policies and procedures, including compliance with federal and state non-discrimination laws. The availability of ESG Funds is presented to the general public through a press release, notice on SDHDA's website and email to all interested parties. SDHDA directly administers the ESG funds with sub-recipients directly providing the services.
community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	

Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	The Interim ESG Rule shifts the focus from emergency shelter to assisting people to quickly regain stability in permanent housing along with increasing communities' capacity to engage in strategic planning and program oversight. Increase in planning and oversight can be accomplished by additional funding allowed for administrative activities. Administrative Activities – The Interim Rule increases the expenditure limit for administrative activities from 5 percent to 7.5 percent. SDHDA will make available to sub-recipients up to 2 percent of the ESG funds utilized for homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing and HMIS activities. Street Outreach and Emergency Shelter Activities - The total amount of ESG funds that may be used for street outreach and emergency shelter activities (also referred to as homeless assistance) cannot exceed the greater of: 1. 60% of the recipient's fiscal year grant; or 2. The amount of FY 2023 grant funds committed for homeless assistance activities. In FY 2023, \$338,809 of the ESG funds were committed for homeless assistance. For FY 2022, the ESG allocation was \$642,900, of which no more than \$338,809(60%was allocated for street outreach and emergency shelter activities.
Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Applicants are limited to a maximum grant amount of \$80,000. Applicants may receive less ESG funds than requested based on the Selection Criteria outlined in the ESG Plan. In addition, SDHDA must ensure federal program requirements are being met.

	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	Outcome measurements will consist of the number of shelters receiving assistance, geographic distribution of services, and the number of individuals being served. The majority of the ESG funds in South Dakota are allocated to domestic violence shelters. Based on this funding, individual outcome information will not be available in HMIS and the SD Domestic Violence Database (for VSPs)
3	State Program Name:	South Dakota - HOME Program
	Funding Sources:	HOME

Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	SDHDA is the agency responsible for the administration of the HOME funds throughout the State of South Dakota, with the exception of Sioux Falls, which receives its own allocation of HOME funds, and the Indian reservations, which receive funds under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). Even though Sioux Falls receives their own allocation of HOME funds and Indian reservations receive NAHASDA funds, these areas are eligible to receive HOME funds from SDHDA. Funding limitations may be imposed in these areas if available HOME funds warrant such a change. SDHDA will receive approximately \$3,000,000 in HOME Funds for 2024.
	HOME Funds and HOME program income will be utilized for the following activities:
	1. To further the single-family affordable housing goal, funds will be used for new construction, rehabilitation, and site development of owner-occupied properties and lease/purchase properties. HOME funds will also be available for homebuyer assistance and development subsidies. HOME funds are also set aside for particular homebuyer activities.
	2. To further the goal of preservation of affordable rental housing, funds will be used for rehabilitation, conversion, and acquisition with rehabilitation of rental properties. Funds will be also used for new construction of rental housing where there is an identified need.
	3. HOME funds will also continue to be provided as a financial resource to provide security deposit assistance for qualified households.

Funds will be awarded annually (applications due last working day of August, awards within 75 days) to eligible applicants who rank the highest on the selection criteria set out within the HOME Program Allocation Plan. If funds remain upon completion of the application cycle, SDHDA may hold another application cycle. Applications requesting HOME funds from the established set-asides may apply for funding anytime during the year, with the exception of the Difficult to Develop set aside.
Selection Criteria consists of the following -
 Local Housing Need; Deep Income Targeting - serving lower income households; Extended Use Commitment - serving longer than standard affordability period; Construction Type - rehabilitation vs. new construction; Housing developed as part of a Concerted Community Revitalization Plan; Mixed Income use developments; Evidence of Financial support; Applicant Characteristics; Home Ownership; Service Enriched Housing; Percentage of Soft Costs Used for Project Costs; Project Location Developments serving individuals with children Public Housing Notification of available units; Completeness of Plans and Specifications; Evidence of site control; Evidence of financing commitments (construction and permanent); Evidence of equity commitment for HTC developments; Availability of utilities; Proper Zoning; Platted properties; Project Characteristics Additional information regarding these point categories and other selection criteria can be found in
the Home Program Allocation Plan.

Describe how resources will be allocated among funding	HOME funds will be distributed geographically throughout South Dakota taking into consideration the priorities outlined in the Consolidated Plan and the following percentage set-asides:
categories.	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) - 15% of the annual allocation (approximately \$450,000 annually) per federal requirement. Once the set-aside has been committed, CHDO applications will be referred to the General Pool for potential funding.
	Homeowner Rehab - \$1,000,000 is set aside for Community Action Program (CAP) agencies and nonprofit agencies for the rehabilitation of single-family owner-occupied properties. The agencies are eligible for an administrative fee (up to 7%)based on program expenses. Maximum grant amount of \$200,000 per subrecipient per year.
	Homebuyer Assistance - \$200,000 is set aside for financing to qualified households who are unable to obtain the total financing necessary for the purchase of a single-family home. The maximum gap loan is \$25,000 or 30 percent of the total acquisition costs less all granted and donated items, whichever is less.
	Security Deposit Assistance - \$300,000 is set aside for qualified Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) and nonprofit entities to provide security deposits to qualified households. Administrating agencies are eligible to receive up to 10% administrative fee for incurred expenses.
	Difficult to Develop - \$1,000,000 is set aside as grant financing for developments that are financially difficult to develop and cash flow due to characteristics such as serving special needs populations, providing services, location, or number of housing units.
	Homeownership Development - \$500,000 is set aside for interim construction financing of single- family homes. Up to \$20,000 may be used as a development subsidy per home when costs exceed the appraised value. Homeowner and permanent financing must be identified at the time of application.
	Rural Housing Development - \$1,000,000 is set aside for the development of housing in rural communities (population of 5,000 or less) allowing applicants to apply anytime from January 1st through August 31st.

Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	No more than 20 percent of the General Pool will be allocated to any one project; no more than a cumulative of 25 percent to any one developer/sponsor/owner and no more than 50 percent of the available General Pool will be allocated to any one community. If, after the initial application cycle, funds remain in the General Pool, an application from a developer/sponsor/owner or for any community that was awarded maximum funds under the initial application cycle may be eligible for additional HOME funds.
	The minimum amount of HOME funds invested in a project involving rental housing or homeownership is \$1,000 per each HOME-assisted unit in the project.
	SDHDA will not process any application that SDHDA determines is not:
	 Consistent with the purposes and goals of the HOME Allocation Plan;
	Proposing an eligible activity; or
	Financially feasible.
	The amount of HOME funds that may be invested in an affordable housing project is regulated under 24 CFR Part 92.250. HOME funds may not exceed the per unit dollar limits established by HUD under the 221(d)(3) Subsidy Limits, in addition, SDHDA has established total project cost limits that developers must adhere to.
	For those projects that combine HOME and other governmental subsides, SDHDA will perform a subsidy layering review in accordance with the SDHDA HOME Subsidy Layering Policy, which incorporates the cost allocation requirements stated in HUD CPD Notice 915-11, dated December 22, 2015. A copy of this policy and notice is available from SDHDA upon request.

	What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	Outcome measures are the number of additional housing units geographically distributed for different income levels, types of housing units, and special needs housing.
4	State Program Name:	South Dakota - Housing Trust Fund
	Funding Sources:	HTF
	Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	The Housing Trust Fund was enacted per the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. South Dakota Housing Development Authority administers the HTF program and in 2024, \$3 million will be available for allocation. Up to 10% of the funds will be retained by SDHDA for payment of program administration. The remaining 90% or \$2.7 million will be designated for permanent housing serving households at or below 30% AMI. The HTF program does have two set-asides established for particular distribution. \$600,000 is set aside for developments located on Indian Reservations and \$600,000 is set aside for the development of special needs housing.

Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	The Housing Trust Fund Allocation Plan outlines the priorities and competitive scoring that will be utilized to select HTF applicants for funding. Point categories include the following: demonstration of housing needs, extending the affordability period beyond 30 years, the type of construction project proposed, projects that contribute to a concerted community revitalization plan, projects that incorporate mixed income use, demonstration of applicant/owner's capacity for development, ownership, and management of the housing units, projects providing services for the tenants, projects located near services and projects that demonstrate their readiness to proceed with the proposed development. The point categories are closely aligned with the HOME and Housing Tax Credit programs. More clarification of these items can be found in the HTF allocation plan.
Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	The Housing Trust Fund program has two set-asides. \$600,000 is set aside for applicants developing housing on Indian Reservations and \$600,000 is set aside for applicants developing housing for special needs populations and providing on-site services. All applicants will apply for HTF funding during the August 31st application cycle. If no applications are received for the set-asides during the application round, the HTF will be allocated to applications received under the general funding.

Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Threshold requirements are outlined within the HTF allocation plan. During the August application cycle, no more than 25 percent may be awarded to any one developer/sponsor/owner, and no more than 20 percent to any one project. If funds remain in the General Pool after the August application cycle, funds exceeding the foregoing limitations may be allocated to any project (i) that was allocated funds in the August application cycle and (ii) whose allocation was limited due to the foregoing limitations.
	All applications must be complete, meet eligibility requirements, and score a minimum of 400 points to be considered for funding. In addition, the amount of HTF funding per unit is outlined per Exhibit 6 - HTF Subsidy Limits. The limits were created based on varying construction costs per county across the state and classified into three zones. Annually the zones and subsidy amounts are reviewed and modified as necessary.
What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	Outcome measurements will be recorded based on the number of housing units designated to extremely low-income households, the differential of unit size, geographic distribution, and the number of units designated as special needs or serving targeted populations.

Discussion:

GOED and SDHDA provide allocation plans and applications for applicants to utilize when applying for CDBG, HOME, HTF, and ESG funding. The allocation plans outline the threshold factors, funding size limits, time frames, application processes, etc. The funding is competitive and not all applications will be awarded funding. In addition, past experience and success with these programs will be used to help evaluate future funding applications. All program information can be found on SDHDA's website - www.sdhousing.org and GOED's website sdgoed.com.

AP-35 Projects – (Optional)

Introduction:

Funding for CDBG, HOME, HTF, and ESG projects will not be determined until after applications are received and evaluated, which typically does not occur until after the funding contracts are awarded by HUD. CDBG applications are due April 1 and October 1. ESG applications are due at the end of May and HOME and HTF applications are due at the end of August.

Due to SDHDA's method of distribution for the HOME and Housing Trust Fund Programs, exact information on funding amounts for the variety of eligible activities isn't currently available. Projects listed in the AP-35 are generalized project categories for which funds will likely be reserved based on prior years. Several of the activities listed under the HOME Program are annual set-asides which are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible applicants.

#	Project Name
1	2024 CDBG Community Projects Account
2	2024 Multifamily New Construction
3	2024 Security Deposit Assistance Program
4	2024 Homeowner Rehabilitation
5	2024 Homebuyer Assistance
6	2024 Special Needs New Construction
7	2024 Tribal New Construction
8	2024 Rental Rehabilitation
9	2024 Homeownership Development
10	ESG24 South Dakota

Table 9 – Project Information

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

The HOME program is a versatile program that is used to address many housing priorities across the

state. Each community has varying housing needs so SDHDA tries to retain flexibility in the HOME program so it can address the corresponding needs. Currently, the HOME program allocation plan has set-asides or priority points for the following types of housing development: development of housing in rural areas of the state, development of special needs/service-enriched housing, homeowner rehabilitation, single-family homeownership development, and homebuyer assistance as well as security deposit assistance.

The Housing Trust Fund currently has two set-asides to address housing development on Indian Reservations and the development of special needs/service-enriched housing.

The HOME and HTF programs are competitive funding programs and typically developments serving vulnerable populations or located in rural communities of the state do not seem to compete as well. By creating a set-aside of funding, these types of developments can receive more technical assistance and be less competitive, allowing SDHDA staff to work with the applicants in creating successful developments. In addition to the additional technical assistance applicants may receive from SDHDA staff, SDHDA looks for opportunities to help organizations build capacity. Annually SDHDA tries to host developer workshops that highlight the different aspects of developing affordable housing. The workshops are sometimes provided by SDHDA staff and other times are conducted by third-party agencies.

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AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

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-	Project Name	2024 CDBG Community Projects Account
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Community Development
		Economic Development
		Workforce Training
	Needs Addressed	Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,229,296
	Description	Community Projects Account for CDBG projects.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number	The State will continue to prioritize low- and moderate-income persons
	and type of families that will benefit from	when determining funding during the normal application cycles.
	the proposed activities	
	Location Description	N/A
	Planned Activities	N/A
2	Project Name	2024 Multifamily New Construction
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Develop new rental housing units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$2,737,227
		HTF: \$2,916,059
	Description	SDHDA will reserve approximately \$2.7 million in HOME funds and \$2.9
		million in HTF funds for multifamily new construction rental projects
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number	SDHDA's goal is to develop 60 new HOME and HTF units for families
	and type of families	and individuals.
	that will benefit from	
	the proposed	
	activities	

	Location Description	SDHDA's new construction projects are awarded through a competitive application cycle. It's SDHDA's goal to have geographic distribution throughout the state with it's projects, however the distribution throughout the state is limited to the amount and locations of the applications received.
	Planned Activities	No activities have been awarded at this time. When the competitive application cycle is complete SDHDA will have specific activities to allocate to.
3	Project Name	2024 Security Deposit Assistance Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Security Deposit Assistance
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	HOME: \$300,000
	Description	SDHDA sets aside \$300,000 in HOME funds for TBRA in the form of security deposit assistance. Nonprofit entities and community action partnerships are eligible to apply for up to \$25,000 for security deposit assistance.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's goal for households assisted with security deposit assistance is 315 households.
	Location Description	SDHDA's goal is to provide as much coverage as possible with the various agencies who administer security deposit assistance programs (SDAP). In 2024 ten different agencies received SDAP awards providing coverage over a large portion of the state.
	Planned Activities	SDAP funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible applicants. Applicants are notified of the availiblity of funds when SDHDA receives its HOME grant from HUD.
4	Project Name	2024 Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	HOME: \$1,000,000
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	Description	Annually SDHDA sets aside \$1,000,000 in HOME funds for nonprofits and CAP Agencies who administer owner-occupied home repair programs. Applicants are limited to \$200,000 annually and households are limited to \$25,000 in HOME funds per project.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's goal for homeowner housing units rehabbed is 50 units per year.
	Location Description	Applicants for homeowner rehabilitation can be non-profit organizations and CAP agencies statewide.
	Planned Activities	SDHDA strives to provide as much statewide coverage as possible with all of its programs. Ultimately it depends on who applies for funding and has the capacity to run a program. In 2024 five different agencies received funding for HOME homeowner rehab.
5	Project Name	2024 Homebuyer Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homebuyer Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$200,000
	Description	Annually SDHDA sets aside \$200,000 of HOME funds for homebuyer assistance in the form of gap financing. The maximum loan available for gap financing is limited to 30 percent of the total acquisition costs minus all grants and donated items, or \$25,000, whichever is less, taking into consideration the maximum first mortgage for which the borrower is qualified.
	Target Date	12/31/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's annual goal for HOME homebuyer assistance is 8 families/individuals assisted.
	Location Description	SDHDA's Homebuyer Assistance set-aside is available statewide and awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to qualified applicants.

	Planned Activities	The Homebuyer Assistance set-aside is available on a first-come, first- served basis to qualified applicants.
6	Project Name	2024 Special Needs New Construction
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Development of special needs housing
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	HOME: \$500,000 HTF: \$600,000
	Description	Annually SDHDA sets aside \$600,000 in HTF funds for applicants developing projects for special needs populations which provide Service Enriched Housing.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's goal is 10 special needs units per year.
	Location Description	The Special Needs set-aside is available statewide. Specific project locations are not determined until the competitive application cycle is completed and awards are reserved
	Planned Activities	Applications for special needs housing are accepted during the competitive application cycle with applications due the last working day of August. Planned activities will be limited to the special needs applications SDHDA receives.
7	Project Name	2024 Tribal New Construction
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Develop new rental housing units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$500,000 HTF: \$600,000
	Description	SDHDA will annually set-aside \$600,000 of the Housing Trust Fund allocation for applicants developing housing on Indian Reservations and anticipates approximately \$500,000 of HOME funds awarded to tribal projects.

	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA would hope to develop at least 6 HTF units on Indian Reservations from the \$600,000 set-aside.
	Location Description	Applicants for this set-aside must apply for development of housing on one of South Dakota's Indian Reservations.
	Planned Activities	Applications for the Tribal set-aside are accepted during the competitive application cycle with applications due the last working day of August.
8	Project Name	2024 Rental Rehabilitation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Acquisition and Rehabilitation of rental units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$1,000,000 HTF: \$500,000 LIHTC: \$672,000
	Description	SDHDA expects around \$1,000,000 in HOME funds and \$500,000 in HTF funds to be awarded to projects for the rehabilitation of rental properties.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's annual goal is 20 rental units rehabilitated.
	Location Description	Specific project locations aren't available until SDHDA has its competitive application cycle. Ultimately the locations are determined by the location and competitiveness of applications received.
	Planned Activities	No specific activities are planned at this time. If applications for rental rehabilitation receive funds during the competitive application cycle and receive funding, the specific activities will be available at that time.
	Project Name	2024 Homeownership Development

9	Target Area	
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	Goals Supported	Provide homeownership opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$500,000
	Description	Funds for Homeownership Development set-aside can be utilized to assist in development of single-family homeownership opportunities. The HOME funds can be utilized as construction financing and development subsidy.
	Target Date	12/31/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA expects to assist up to 5 homebuyers during the year from the Homeownership Development set-aside.
	Location Description	Funding for the Homeownership Development set-aside is available statewide.
	Planned Activities	Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The homeowner, location, and home design must be identified at the time of application.
10	Project Name	ESG24 South Dakota
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Utilize Emergency Solution Grants Program
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness
	Funding	ESG: \$640,000
	Description	Funding to serve homeless or those at risk of becoming homeless. Eligible activities include renovation or rehabilitation of a building used for emergency shelter, operating expenses of the emergency shelter, essential services and street outreach, rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention, rental and security deposits, rental and utility arrears, rental assistance up to 24 months, and other housing related expenses
	Target Date	12/31/2024

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	SDHDA's goal for individuals and households served annually is approximately 3200 families/individuals.
Location Description	ESG funds are available for all geographic areas of the state. It is anticipated majority of the funding will be utilized in Sioux Falls and Rapid City. While Tribes and Tribal Government Entities are not eligible to apply for ESG funding, nonprofit agencies providing services on Tribal lands are eligible to apply for funding.
Planned Activities	SDHDA provided public notice of the availability of funds via press release, posting on SDHDA's website and email notification to interested parties. Applications are due the last working day of May.

AP-40 Section 108 Loan Guarantee – 91.320(k)(1)(ii)

Will the state help non-entitlement units of general local government to apply for Section 108 loan funds?

No

Available Grant Amounts

Not applicable

Acceptance process of applications

Not applicable

AP-45 Community Revitalization Strategies – 91.320(k)(1)(ii)

Will the state allow units of general local government to carry out community revitalization strategies?

No

State's Process and Criteria for approving local government revitalization strategies

Not applicable.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.320(f)

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

South Dakota administers the HOME, Housing Trust Fund, and ESG programs statewide. The CDBG program is administered in the CDBG service area. No Geographic Priorities are being established at this time, except for funding set-asides for Indian Reservations under HTF and rural communities set-aside under the HOME program. Funding under the programs is competitive and many factors are taken into consideration when awarding funds, such as demonstrated need, capacity of developer, financial feasibility of the development, and geographic distribution. Scoring criteria dictate successful applications but currently, the scoring is more influential on the type of project being developed and not geographic location (except for being located near services).

Agencies must also be cognizant of the balance of financing and providing additional housing units in

areas of concentration of low-income households.

Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

There is currently a set-aside of HTF funding for Indian Reservations; which could be viewed as a geographic priority. The HTF program is targeted to households at or below 30% AMI. With high poverty rates in Indian Reservations, developing housing with HTF allows housing units to be more affordable to the existing tenant population.

SDHDA sets aside HOME funds for the development of housing in rural communities (5,000 or less in population). The establishment of the set-aside allows SDHDA to accept applications throughout the year as well as provide opportunities for additional technical assistance and allows applicants to be reactive to situations as they arise in their community.

Discussion

South Dakota administers the HOME, Housing Trust Fund, Housing Tax Credit, and ESG programs statewide. The CDBG program is administered in the CDBG service area.

Many areas of the state have high demands for additional affordable housing units; no Geographic Priorities are being established at this time, except for the establishment of funding set-asides for Indian Reservations and rural communities (5,000 or less in population). Funding under the programs is competitive and many factors are taken into consideration when awarding funds, such as demonstrated need, the capacity of the developer, financial feasibility of the development, and ensuring geographic distribution of the housing units. Scoring criteria help dictate successful applications but currently the scoring is more influential on the type of project being developed and not geographic location (except for being located near services).

Affordable Housing

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

Introduction:

The one-year goals indicated below are based on past years' activity. All funding administered by SDHDA is provided through a competitive open application process and besides scoring criteria, it can be difficult to dictate the applications that are submitted by developers.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	3,515
Non-Homeless	143
Special-Needs	10
Total	3,668

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through		
Rental Assistance	3,515	
The Production of New Units	83	
Rehab of Existing Units	50	
Acquisition of Existing Units	20	
Total	3,668	

 Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion:

Production and financing of the units listed above will be provided by HOME, Housing Trust Fund, and ESG.

The one-year goals listed above consist of 10 units of permanent housing for the homeless/special needs, 60 units of newly constructed rental units, and 13 homeownership units. A total of 70 units are to be rehabbed consisting of 20 multifamily units and 50 homeowner units. The 20 units of acquisition are likely to be the same 20 units included in the rehab of existing units. Reaching the goals for permanent housing for the homeless/special needs is more realistic with the funding the of Housing Trust Fund and the incorporation of the HTF set-aside for funding for special needs/service-enriched housing. HTF designation to serve households at or below 30% AMI and the ability to provide grant funding will make this a positive program for the targeted populations.

For 2024, the goal of 3,515 households supported with rental assistance consists of 315 receiving security deposit assistance and 3,200 receiving assistance through ESG.

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

Introduction:

This is a statewide consolidated plan and actions by the local housing authority are not specifically addressed in this plan. SDHDA does have a good working relationship with PHAs and anticipates PHAs accessing SDHDA funding sources for renovation activities for housing developments in their portfolio.

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

Public housing authorities are encouraged and eligible to apply for funding to assist with their public housing needs and several public housing authorities have actively utilized SDHDA programs, including HOME funds and Housing Tax Credits. There has been no specific request for assistance from the public housing authorities so no actions are outlined in this Plan to address the needs of public housing.

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

This action will be left up to the local public housing authorities.

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

Based on available information, SDHDA is not aware of any PHA in South Dakota that is designated as troubled.

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

Introduction

Coordinated effort with the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium will continue to provide opportunities to develop additional housing for homeless or those at risk of becoming homeless. Funding of the Housing Trust Fund provides another opportunity to specifically target extremely lowincome and homeless populations. The \$3 million in HTF funding is estimated to develop 30 units designated for this income level. Due to uncertainty of future funding of HTF, SDHDA will not allocate HTF as rental assistance. Instead, funding will be provided upfront at time of development to lower costs thus reducing debt service and allowing the development to collect less rent but still be financially feasible. SDHDA sets aside \$600,000 of HTF annually specifically for the development of special needs/service enriched housing. Emergency Solutions Grant and HOME ARP funding are utilized for the provision of outreach, shelter, transitional and rapid rehousing, homeless prevention and supportive services to those at risk of and experiencing homelessness

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:

Under the Emergency Solutions Grants program, applicants can apply for outreach funding to help locate, identify, and build relationships with homeless individuals and families to engage them for the purpose of providing immediate support, intervention, and connections with homeless assistance programs and/or mainstream social services and housing programs. This can be helpful in the smaller communities as those living unsheltered do not always know where to go for resources. When conducting the statewide homeless count, if individuals or families are identified as sleeping outside, the survey volunteers assist where possible with service connections during the survey process. On the west side of the state the Black Hills Regional Homeless Coalition organizes a biannual "Inadequately Housed Survey" and shares this data with SDHHC. Discussions are ongoing for including more tribal participation for the homeless count. he Veteran's Administration conducts "stand-downs" in many communities across the state to locate and assist homeless veterans in their area with services. In addition, the Veteran's Administration has been very proactive is outreach efforts with focus on Indian Reservations. This process has identified and provided resources to individuals and families who may not otherwise be identified and receiving assistance. McKinney Vento Homeless Liaisons in the school districts to help families that need not only educational services for their children but to get families on needed assistance. SDHHC facilitates the coordination of the statewide Coordinated Entry System and the Vets By Name List; both initiatives focus on assessing the needs of homeless and at risk households; assessing housing and support service needs; provide triage and crisis resources to connect households to emergency shelter and referral to housing solutions appropriate to their service needs in their local community.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The majority of South Dakota's emergency shelters are domestic violence shelters. Emergency Shelters for homeless populations, not DV, are located in Sioux Falls, Rapid City, Aberdeen, Eagle Butte, Watertown and Yankton. The SDHHC believes communities should place a greater emphasis on expanding supportive housing options instead of shelter or transitional housing projects. These are ultimately community decisions but federal funding for ES and TH projects continues to be limited and still represents only a short-term solution. With a Housing First approach, there is a need for more intensive case management for those coming from emergency shelters or the streets directly into permanent housing. The SDHHC works closely with agencies across the state to make sure they are coordinating their services to ensure permanent housing is sustainable. The greatest gains to be made in South Dakota in addressing shelter and transitional housing needs are in Rapid City. For a community of

its size the scope of services and available shelter inventory is inadequate; but further exacerbating the issue in Rapid City is its geographical isolation from other medium or large communities. The Consortium will continue to engage with Rapid City stakeholders, highlighting the community need and available funding sources to tackle it.

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Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again:

The SDHHC works with the VA and the Department of Military and Veteran's affairs to help reduce the number of homeless veterans in South Dakota. HUD-VASH is administered in Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and on several Indian Reservations. Support Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) programs are operational with statewide coverage and transitional housing available through HCHV (Healthcare for Homeless Veterans) in Sioux Falls. Cornerstone Rescue Mission in Rapid City houses up to 38 veterans at its facility. Grant per Diem (GPD) programs are available to veterans in Sioux Falls, Rapid City and Pine Ridge. Several SDHHC member agencies operate outreach services specific to veterans in Rapid City and Sioux Falls and serve as referral sources to the CoC's Coordinated Entry System when household's need additional support. The SDHHC launched the Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YDHP) in 2022; which includes a Coordinated Community Plan addressing the needs of youth and young adults statewide. YHDP projects implemented an expansion of HMIS and Coordinated Entry access for youth and young adults, expanded street outreach, drop-in center services and transitional housing in Rapid City and funded a new transitional housing/rapid rehousing project in Yankton and established two youth advisory boards based in Rapid City and Sioux Falls . YHDP projects complement the existing shelter, street outreach and transitional housing projects funded through Runaway Homeless Youth (RHY) in Rapid City and Sioux Falls. The Emergency Solutions Grants program is used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help homeless individuals or families move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. More domestic violence shelters are making the transition to serve any homeless in their community which is providing more opportunity to quickly house those who are homeless. In addition, more nonprofit agencies such as community action programs are administering ESG funds, allowing for a broader geographic outreach in rural communities across South Dakota. HOME ARP funds expanded non congregate shelter in several communities including Mitchell, Yankton and

Watertown and expanded family shelter opportunities in Sioux Falls. HOME ARP projects in Rapid City and Watertown expanded supportive services, Rapid ReHousing and Homeless Prevention for both individuals and families.

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

The Department of Social Services, Division of Child Protection Services has defined procedures in place for the discharge of children from custody/placement. The planning that occurs prior to children being discharged from custody/placement depends on the age of the child, the discharge resource and the services that will be needed to support the child in his/her discharge placement. Children discharging from custody/placement prior to age 18 may be discharged to their birth parent, relative caregiver, a legal guardian or may be adopted. Youth who were in placement upon turning 18 years of age are ready for discharge are eligible for Independent Living Services through the Division of Child Protections Services. Youth are involved in planning their exit from the program and are provided financial resources and on-going case management to help ensure success upon discharge. The Department of Social Services utilizes Family Unification Program (FUP) housing vouchers for youth transitioning from state custody through partnership with Pennington County Housing in Rapid City . South Dakota Department of Health (DOH) provides some standards of care for the homeless when discharged. SDHHC works with DOH towards implementation of appropriate discharge planning protocols to track homeless individuals and families receiving services through the DOH. The Division of Mental Health has a discharge criterion and required documentation for the CARE (Continuous Assistance, Rehabilitation and Education Program). Discharge may occur when: (1) The consumer moves outside of the geographical area; (2) the consumer demonstrates ability to function in all major life areas; or (3) the consumer refuses to participate in the CARE program services. The Community Mental Health Centers then need to submit the following documentation to the Division for approval: (1) reason for discharge; (2) consumer status and condition at time of discharge; (3) written evaluation summary of progress made towards case service plan goals; (4) a plan for care and follow-up developed in conjunction with the consumer; and (5) signature of clinical supervisor, qualified mental health professional, or CARE team member. The Department of Corrections has established procedures in place governing release planning for adults and juvenile offenders. Each adult offender within 5 years of possible release must develop a release plan with the assistance of Corrections case management staff. These release plans have established components of residence, employment and programming needs (chemical dependency, mental health, physical health, sex offender treatment and academic education). The State of South Dakota was a recipient of a Second Chance Act Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative grant. The grant funds were utilized to implement programs and strategies to reduce recidivism. Emergency Solutions Grants program requires coordination with other targeted homeless services to create a "buffet" of service for those who are

homeless or at-risk of homelessness. Coordinating ESG funded activities with other programs targeted to homeless people in the area will help to provide a strategic, community-wide system to prevent and end homelessness.

Discussion

Understanding the barriers and working towards change takes time. In South Dakota the momentum continues to build in understanding homelessness and looking for ways to prevent it from happening. Every small change or program can have a huge impact and we need to continue to work on these changes.

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

Introduction:

As barriers to affordable housing arise, SDHDA will review them and determine which course of action is best suited. Being an agency at the state level, many times SDHDA is not aware of obstacles encountered locally. During public meetings, the question is asked, what barriers exist, but many times no barriers are presented. The common barriers such as high housing costs versus low income and habitability standards can be met through program requirements, additional funding, and advocacy.

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

The barriers outlined in the 2017 Analysis of Impediments are not focused on public policies. The analysis is a statewide review with a broad focus. Below are action steps SDHDA anticipates taking action on during the 2023 calendar year:

Impediment: Discrimination in the housing market -

Action Step:

1. SDHDA reviews new multifamily construction and rehabilitation projects to ensure compliance with design and construction standards, highlights common concerns identified, and provides follow-up

information and/or training to the architects and contractors.

2. Evaluate whether training on reasonable accommodation is necessary.

Impediment: Difficulties in the home purchase market

Action Step:

1. Provide fair housing training at banker's training/meeting.

2. Expand homebuyer education among Native CDFIs (Community Development Financial Institutions).

Impediment: Lack of available housing units

Action Step:

1. Document the need for continued support of federal financing programs.

2. Create and document success stories for program support and "best practices" for fellow developers.

3. Evaluate current SDHDA financing programs for effectiveness for both rental and homeownership and make changes in allocation plans as necessary.

4. Create opportunities for additional development of housing in rural areas and special needs/serviceenriched housing.

Impediment: Lack of education

Action Step:

1. Provide more training opportunities and/or resources for developer capacity building, understanding financing resources, habitability standards and code enforcement, renter's education, fair housing, and understanding of the benefits of affordable housing in communities.

Impediment: Tenant selection criteria

Action Step:

1. Work with landlords and management companies to expand housing opportunities for those deemed

as "hard to house".

- 2. Create and implement a landlord risk mitigation program.
- 3. Create policies and procedures regarding limited English proficiency.

Discussion:

SDHDA will continue to work with developers, service agencies, communities, contractors, and other partners to address barriers as they arise taking into consideration that the additional action steps should not themselves become barriers.

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.320(j)

Introduction:

Housing and community development is a broad spectrum when addressing the need for housing units to expand economic opportunities for low-income households and address homelessness. SDHDA will continue to address identified needs and partner with agencies to make progress toward adequate housing and economic sufficiency.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

To address the obstacles of those underserved, a coordinated effort must take place at the state and local level among many agencies such as housing, labor, education, human services, social services, economic development, and tribal relations. SDHDA's involvement with statewide councils and coalitions provides us the opportunity to learn of and understand obstacles that arise. Many times action steps planned can only involve other parties who may be more relevant to address the issue at hand. Utilizing competitive scoring and providing additional funding opportunities such as the Housing Trust Fund are action steps that can help address needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

HOME, Housing Trust Fund, Housing Tax Credits, bond financing, and other funding sources such as Housing Opportunity Funds and Community Housing Development Programs will continue to be utilized to foster and maintain affordable housing by offering opportunities to finance new construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation, and sometimes the refinancing. SDHDA continues to fund the Housing Needs Study Program which financing assists communities under the population of 10,000 to pay for a housing needs study. This program has provided much greater awareness of what is affordable housing and its importance in the economic sustainability of communities. This awareness has also brought additional needs to be addressed such as appraisal issues in rural communities, financing the feasibility of new construction with service industry wages, and increasing or updating local infrastructure, among other needs. The public participation process provides great insight into the local and current needs and helps address the focus of the housing programs.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

All properties financed with HOME, Housing Trust Fund, and ESG funds must meet the lead-based paint standards. The mitigation requirements for lead-based paint can have a substantial impact on the affordability of housing. SDHDA has been working towards ensuring that the public is educated about these requirements and that awards using HOME funds are in compliance. To encourage compliance with this requirement, up to \$2,000 per unit of HOME funds awarded toward the encapsulation, abatement, or stabilization of lead-based paint and the corresponding inspection costs will be considered as grant funds and will not be required to be repaid. These costs must be pre-approved by SDHDA.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The use of CDBG funds for workforce training will provide additional opportunities for families to enhance their financial situation. SDHHC will continue to work with the Department of Labor to ensure service providers are aware of employment programs and opportunities to assist the homeless and those at risk of homelessness in accessing education and resources to help them obtain self-sufficiency.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

As communities become aware of housing needs there is a desire for them to learn how to address their need. SDHDA has provided training to assist nonprofit organizations, communities, and individuals in different aspects of developing housing such as site selection, marketing, construction, and operating budgets. More specific trainings and meetings will continue to address this need as well as providing opportunities during the annual housing conference.

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

Enhancing partnerships through meetings, workshops, etc. will enhance coordination between these agencies. The benefits of a small rural state are that agencies are many times aware of and work in conjunction with other agencies. There is little or no hesitation to meet with others to address and hopefully resolve issues. SDHDA has many roles that allow involvement with other organizations and the ability to coordinate.

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

Introduction:

The housing programs of HOME, HTF, ESG, HTC, HOF, and CHDP have their own respective allocation or administrative plan that thoroughly details the program requirements, application process, scoring criteria, and other pertinent information. Individuals and agencies interested in applying for funding should review the allocation or administrative plan for more program details.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

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

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	1,500,000
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.	70.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(2)

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

as follows:

In 2023, SDHDA received \$3,000,000 in HOME funds to be used with an estimated \$3,000,000 in HOME program income for the following activities:

1. New construction, rehabilitation, and site development of owner-occupied properties, lease/purchase properties, and homebuyer assistance.

2. Rehabilitation, conversion, and acquisition with rehabilitation and new construction of rental properties.

HOME funds will be distributed geographically taking into consideration the priorities outlined in the Consolidated Plan and the following percentage set-asides:

CHDOs - 15%

Homeowner Rehab - \$1,000,000

Homebuyer Assistance Program - \$200,000

Security Deposit Assistance Program - \$300,000

Difficult to Develop - \$500,000

Rural Housing Development - \$1,000,000

Homeownership Development - \$500,000

Homeowner Rehabilitation funds have been set aside for the rehabilitation of single-family owneroccupied properties, with a maximum grant amount of \$200,000 per subrecipient per year.

The Homebuyer Assistance Program offers gap financing, up to \$25,000 as a deferred loan, to qualified households who are unable to obtain 100% financing for single-family home purchases.

Security Deposit Assistance Program funds are set aside to provide security deposits to qualified families and individuals.

Difficult to Develop is grant financing for housing developments that by their nature due to the size of the project, location, or target population need grant financing to be feasible.

Rural housing development set-aside allows housing developments in communities of 5,000 or less in population to apply for HOME set-aside throughout the year, allowing less competition and more

technical assistance from SDHDA staff.

Homeownership development set-aside can be utilized by non-profit organizations assisting individuals in financing the construction of a single-family residence. HOME funds will be used as construction financing to be repaid once the home is occupied and permanent financing is provided.

HOME funds will be leveraged with other funding sources such as housing tax credit equity, conventional financing, Federal Home Loan Bank, donations, and owner equity. The amount of HOME funds that may be invested in an affordable housing project is regulated under 24 CFR Part 92.250.

For those projects which combine HOME and other governmental subsidies, SDHDA certifies that before the commitment of funds to a project; SDHDA will evaluate the project in accordance with SDHDA's HOME Subsidy Layering Policy, which incorporates the cost allocation requirements outlined in HUD CPD Notice15-11, dated December 22, 2015. SDHDA certifies that it will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other governmental assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing.

The HOME projects will be awarded based on a competitive application process. The applications are due the last working day of August, except for several of the funding set-asides.

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:

SDHDA's Resale & Recapture Policy & Procedure Manual is included as an attachment.

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:

SDHDA's Resale & Recapture Policy & Procedure Manual is included as an attachment.

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:

Acquisition and Refinancing of Rental Properties. SDHDA will allow the acquisition or refinancing of existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is being rehabilitated by HOME funds under the following conditions:

1. Management practices must be reviewed and it must be demonstrated that disinvestment has not occurred; that the long-term needs of the project can be met; and that the feasibility of serving the targeted population over an extended affordability period (no less than 15 years)

can be maintained. If it is determined that disinvestment has occurred, SDHDA will finance the property only if the property is purchased through an arm's length transaction and the current owners and management agent are completely removed from the proposal.

- New investments must be made to maintain current affordable units or create additional affordable units. The cost in terms of assistance to refinance, or acquire and rehabilitate an existing property shall not exceed the amount of assistance to construct a new property of like quality.
- 3. HOME funds will be used as gap financing and total financing will be limited to 90 percent of the market value of the property (excluding all subsidies) or the total cost of the project as determined by an appraisal of the property.
- 4. In all cases, an analysis will be made to determine the risk of prepayment or opt-out of the existing federal rental subsidy (i.e., a HUD Section 8 contract) and, therefore, the risk of losing the affordable housing supply. Those properties that are financially feasible, are located in a market with substantiated need and indicate the greatest risk for converting to market-rate housing will be given priority for funding.
- 5. At financing, and after completion of rehabilitation, if applicable, all major systems (roof, windows, heating, etc.) of the property must be in like new or new condition. If these systems do not need repair at the time of application, sufficient reserves must be established to allow for the replacement of such components if the normal life span would require such replacement prior to the end of the affordability period. Consideration will be given to the functional obsolescence of the property. If it is not cost-effective to overcome structural problems, the property may not be eligible for financing.
- 6. The term of the HOME loan will not exceed the expected remaining useful life of the property.

Affirmative Marketing SDHDA informs the public, homebuyers, homeowners, landlords, and potential tenants about the Federal Fair Housing laws and the affirmative marketing goals by:

- 1. Making SDHDA programs available for public review;
- 2. Notifying proposed HOME project owners of Equal Opportunity requirements;
- 3. Including the Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan on all advertising and literature used for the HOME Program;
- 4. Maintaining for public review, copies of media releases, advertisements, and paid ads where the HOME Program was presented;
- 5. Placing Public Notices and Ads in local newspapers; and
- 6. Attending and providing information at meetings on a statewide basis with developers, realtors, lenders, and other housing and community officials.

Each participating entity must affirmatively further fair housing according to 24 CFR Part 92.351. SDHDA assesses the affirmative marketing efforts of the owners by comparing pre-determined occupancy goals to actual occupancy. Outreach efforts are also examined. SDHDA will assess the affirmative marketing efforts of the owners during the rent-up and marketing of the units, by use of a compliance certificate or personal monitoring visit to the site. Owners must also provide to SDHDA an annual assessment of their affirmative marketing plan.

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)).

N/A

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)).

N/A

If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(I)(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).

N/A

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

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

For 2024, the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program will be carried out in a similar manner to previous years, considering the goal for geographic distribution. SDHDA will continue to advertise and make available the ESG funds to units of local government and to private, nonprofit organizations where local government certification of approval of the proposed project will be obtained.

Each recipient will be required to match its ESG award with an equal amount of funds received from sources other than this program. SDHDA will waive up to \$100,000 of the State's overall matching requirement for grantees that are least capable of providing a match. These grantees must be:

A. Located in areas of racial/ethnic concentration, i.e. counties with 500 or more minority persons and with 20 percent or more of its population comprised of minority individuals. Counties meeting this definition are Charles Mix, Corson, Dewey, Roberts, Oglala Lakota, and Todd; or

B. Located in areas of low-income concentration, i.e. counties having more than 40 percent of its population in poverty. Counties meeting this definition are Buffalo, Corson, Dewey, Mellette, Oglala

Lakota, Todd, and Ziebach; or

C. Newly-formed, nonprofit organizations that have received their 501(c) (3) tax exempt ruling from the IRS within the last 3 years.

Grants will be awarded based on need, the State recipient's demonstrated ability to comply with Federal requirements, the completeness of the application and the amount of funds available for distribution. A committee of State employees will review the applications and make awards based on the expansion of homeless assistance provided, whether it is the number of additional homeless persons served or the amount of additional services provided. Consideration will also be given to the applicant's efforts at helping the homeless make the transition to permanent accommodations. Awards will be made within 65 days of the ESG award letter from HUD.

ESG amounts are to be used for services to homeless and near homeless individuals and families in these major categories:

- 1) Renovation, major rehabilitation or conversion of building for use as emergency shelter facilities
- 2) Payment of certain expenses related to operating emergency shelter facilities
- 3) Provision of essential services related to emergency shelters and street outreach for the homeless
- 4) Provision of Rapid Re-Housing assistance
- 5) Development and implementation of homelessness prevention activities; and
- 6) Participating in the Homeless Management Information System
- 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 SDHHC operates a statewide Coordinated Entry System comprised of twelve (12) publicly advertised access points, a toll free phone assessment line and eight (8) additional stakeholder partners with trained housing assessors. This allows for full geographic coverage access for the entire CoC. Households experiencing homeless or at risk of homelessness are assessed utilizing a standardized process and assessment tool, gathering necessary information including but not limited to current living situation, household demographics, history of housing and homelessness, barriers and unmet service needs.

SDHHC does not utilize CES to manage emergency shelter capacity; thus households do not need to access CES for emergency shelter or crisis needs. CES is responsive to the specific needs of household's exposed to or experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human

trafficking and has provisions in place for households to connect with victim service providers directly for housing supports. Once assessed; households are prioritized and referred in accordance with CoC adopted prioritization standards; utilizing a biweekly case conference process facilitated by region and managed by the CES Administrator.

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).

ESG applicants must be non-profits or units of local government and in compliance with ESG guidelines and applicable state and federal policies and procedures, including compliance with federal and state non-discrimination laws. Applicants must have established standard accounting practices including internal controls, fiscal accounting procedures and cost allocation plans, and be able to track agency and program budgets by revenue sources and expenses.

Grants will be awarded based on need, demonstrated ability to comply with Federal requirements, completeness of the application and the amount of funds available for distribution. A committee reviews the applications and makes awards based on the expansion of homeless assistance provided, whether it is the number of additional homeless persons served or the amount of additional services provided. Consideration will also be given to the applicant's efforts at helping the homeless make the transition to permanent accommodations. Awards will be made within 65 days of the ESG award letter from HUD.

Applicants with outstanding audit findings, IRS findings, SDHDA monitoring findings or other compliance issues are not eligible ESG sub-grantees and any sub-grantees will not be eligible to receive allocations if any of these conditions occur within the grant period. Please note SDHDA will work with all interested parties, where appropriate, toward the resolution of the unresolved matters.

Eligible applicants must be able to demonstrate prior experience serving individuals and families atrisk of or currently experiencing homelessness. The applicant must demonstrate expertise in their staff having case management skills and to what extent are those skills.

Sub-grantees are required to utilize the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Domestic violence providers are required to use a separate system in which to report aggregate data for the clients they serve with ESG funding.

There are Key Applicant Eligibility factors in which to be eligible to apply for ESG funds:

- 1. Either non-profit or unit of local government
- 2. No outstanding findings or other issues

- 3. Experienced homeless services/prevention providers
- 4. Must be able to meet recordkeeping and reporting requirements including HMIS utilization
- 5. Must be able to meet HMIS requirements (exception of domestic violence programs); and
- 6. Must be a member of the Housing for the Homeless Consortium.

Applications which show a concerted effort to coordinate services with other agencies and other funding sources to best serve the program participants will be given priority.

Due to the demand for the funds, grants will be awarded based upon the need for the funding; plan for distribution of the funds in an effective and efficient manner; and collaboration efforts with other agencies. The ESG Selection committee consists of state employees from the Department of Social Services and Public Safety's Victim Services Program as well as a member from the Policy and Advisory Committee for the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium (SDHHC), who work with or have some knowledge of homeless programs, along with SDHDA staff.

When making final selections, the review committee may make a grant award for less than the amount applied for or for fewer than all of the activities identified in the application, based on the demand for grant amounts, the extent to which the respective activities address the needs of the Program Participants, and the reasonableness of the costs proposed.

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 agencies applying for ESG funds must respond to this question as part of the application form. Several agencies currently have formerly homeless individuals as members of their governing boards. Other agencies indicate their willingness to consult with homeless or formerly homeless individuals.

South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium (SDHHC) currently has a governing board member with lived experience of homelessness and includes a voting member representing the Youth Advisory Board. Anonymously, several governing board members have also reported their lived experience of homelessness. The SDHHC governing board assists in selection of ESG recipients.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

SDHDA is responsible for monitoring all ESG activities, including activities that are carried out by subrecipients, to ensure that the program requirements established by the HUD Notice and any subsequent guidance are met.

SDHDA staff will have responsibility for continuous monitoring of all ESG sub-recipient activities. This will be accomplished with site visits to sub-recipients and review of all reimbursement requests that will be required of sub-recipients. The draw requests submitted by all subgrantees must contain documentation of client eligibility, habitability standards, FMR and expenses submitted. The ESG and HMIS Administrator reviews every draw request for verification of this information prior to reimbursements being made. SDHDA will conduct site visits on a bi-annual basis through each grant term. SDHDA will also provide support and technical assistance, as needed, throughout their grant term.

Additional monitoring of sub-recipients may be conducted by the local HUD office of Community Planning and Development; HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Program, or any other applicable federal agency. These agencies will be monitoring the ESG program nationwide to determine compliance with federal program requirements.

Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Reference 24 CFR 91.320(k)(5)

1. How will the grantee distribute its HTF funds? Select all that apply:

Applications submitted by eligible recipients

2. If distributing HTF funds through grants to subgrantees, describe the method for distributing HTF funds through grants to subgrantees and how those funds will be made available to state agencies and/or units of general local government. If not distributing funds through grants to subgrantees, enter "N/A".

N/A

3. If distributing HTF funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients,

a. Describe the eligibility requirements for recipients of HTF funds (as defined in 24 CFR § 93.2). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Eligible applicants must meet the requirements of 24 CFR 93.2 under the definition of Recipient. Recipient means an organization, agency, or other entity (including a public housing agency, a for-profit entity, or a non-profit entity. A recipient must meet the following qualifications:

a. Make acceptable assurances to SDHDA that it will comply with the requirements of the HTF Program during the entire period that begins upon selection of the recipient to receive HTF funds, and ends upon the conclusion of all HTF-funded activities;

b. Demonstrate the ability and financial capacity to undertake, comply, and manage the eligible activity;

c. Demonstrate its familiarity with the requirements of other Federal, State, or local housing programs that may be used in conjunction with HTF funds to ensure compliance with all applicable requirements and regulations of such programs; and

d. Have demonstrated experience and capacity to conduct an eligible HTF activity as evidenced by its ability to own, construct, or rehabilitate, and manage and operate an affordable housing development.

At this time, SDHDA will administer the HTF program and will not utilize subgrantees (units of local government or state agency).

Application Eligibility

SDHDA <u>will only process</u> applications that it determines are:

Consistent with the purposes and goals of this Plan;

- 1. Proposing an eligible activity;
- 2. Financially feasible.

Applications must contain a description of the eligible activities to be assisted with the HTF funds (as provided in 24 CFR 93.200) and a certification by the applicant indicating that each housing unit assisted with the HTF will comply with HTF requirements and be occupied by eligible households.

SDHDA may reject applications that are incomplete or that contain incomplete or inaccurate information. This determination may be made at the initial review or at any time during the processing of the application.

All applicants agree to abide by HTF program requirements.

b. Describe the grantee's application requirements for eligible recipients to apply for HTF funds. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Applications must be submitted on the SDHDA HOME/Housing Tax Credit/HTF Application Form, signed

by at least one general partner and include the following:

- Local housing needs assessment completed within six (6) months of submission;
- Project narrative;
- Copy of letter sent to the chief executive officer of the local governing body;
- Utility allowance calculation and supporting documentation;
- Pro Forma evidencing 1.15 debt coverage ratio for the affordability period and term of HTF loan;
- Three years of annual financial statements from the owner, developer, and general partner;
- Calculation and documentation of annual operating expenses;
- Attorney's opinion stating the applicant and development team members are in good standing;
- Evidence of site control;
- Proposed project site plan and typical floor plant;
- Documentation that the project site is properly zoned and the current project's plat;
- Letters of notification to the local housing authority outlining the type and number of units and the exact location of the proposed project;
- If the applicant is a nonprofit, a description of the organization and its activities.

To obtain available points, applicants must submit:

- local area map indicating other assisted housing, proximity to services;
- a completed Exhibit 4 signed by the Applicant and Architect;
- documentation of financial support;
- documentation of applicant characteristics;
- a letter of intent from the service provider detailing services being provided;
- a letter indicating housing is serving households with children;
- a letter of intent for construction, interim, and permanent financing;
- Acq./rehab projects built before 1978, signed Lead-Based Paint Disclosure of Information;
- Acq./rehab projects must submit a relocation plan and budget; three years' historical financials; a detailed description of the rehabilitation for exterior and by apartment unit;
- If applicable, a copy of the Concerted Community Revitalization Plan and evidence the housing is or will be located within the associated qualified census tract;
- Documentation of utility availability and capacity at the site (i.e. water, sewer, electric, natural gas);
- Copy of Consultant Agreement if applicable.

c. Describe the selection criteria that the grantee will use to select applications submitted by eligible recipients. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

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- Local Housing Needs up to 150 points
- Extended Affordability Period 30 points
- Construction Type up to 70 points size, characteristics, type of project
- Concerted Community Revitalization up to 20 points for projects in QCT and part of the CCR plan
- Mixed-income up to 30 points for incorporating market-rate housing units
- Financial support up to 20 points
- Percentage of soft costs up to 30 points.
- Project location near services and areas of opportunity up to 40 points.
- Serving households with children 10 points.
- Public Housing Notification 10 points.
- Promise Zone Designation 20 points.
- Readiness to Proceed up to 150 points.
- Applicant Characteristics up to 40 points for demonstrated housing experience, woman or minority-owned business, and/or equity contribution above 10 percent.
- Service Enriched Housing up to 40 points for on-site services to tenants.
- Leveraging up to 30 points
- Development Characteristics up to 200 points.
- Tribal Projects 50 points

d. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on geographic diversity (as defined by the grantee in the consolidated plan). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

There is a set-aside of \$600,000 for projects located on Indian Reservations, 50 points awarded to projects on Indian Reservations, and 20 points awarded to Promise Zone Designations. Besides these two items, there are no geographical preferences or priorities.

As stated in the HTF Allocation Plan, SDHDA will focus on specific purposes and goals, one of which is the following: Assist in the construction or preservation of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing in the areas of greatest demonstrated need in the community and the State, ensuring distribution, both urban and rural, where and when possible, taking into consideration the historical significance of the property and area, the current housing market, and the prospects for future demand.

e. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the applicant's ability to obligate HTF funds and undertake eligible activities in a timely manner. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Within the point categories, several items are focused on the applicant's ability to obligate HTF funds and undertake eligible activities promptly. Under Applicant Characteristics, the applicant can receive

points by documenting prior housing development experience. Under Readiness to Proceed, SDHDA will award up to 150 points for projects that can demonstrate readiness to proceed. The items included within readiness to proceed are: architectural plan and specs more than 50 percent complete, having site control, the commitment of construction financing, availability of utilities to the site, and the property is properly zoned and platted.

In addition, the following disclaimers are outlined in the HTF allocation plan -

SDHDA reserves the right to reserve and allocate HTF funds to any project. Further SDHDA reserves the right to deny HTF funds for any project, regardless of ranking under the project selection criteria, if it determines, in its sole discretion, that the project is unacceptable based on, but not limited to, the following:

a. comments from officials of local governmental jurisdictions,

b. information indicating that a particular market is saturated with affordable housing projects,

c. likelihood that the project may not comply with HTF program requirements promptly,

d. applicant's (including any related party's) lack of prior experience or unacceptable performance related to project reservations, construction, and compliance with housing assistance or other government-sponsored programs, regardless of type and location, or,

e. desirability of the site based on SDHDA inspection.

f. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the extent to which the rental project has Federal, State, or local project-based rental assistance so that rents are affordable to extremely low-income families. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

As stated in the HTF allocation plan, in all cases, an analysis will be made to determine the risk of prepayment or opt-out of any existing federal rental subsidy contract (e.g. HUD Section 8 contract) and the resulting risk of losing the affordable housing supply. Those properties that are financially feasible, that are located in a market with substantiated need, and that indicate the greatest risk for converting to market-rate housing will be given priority for funding.

g. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the financial feasibility of the project beyond the required 30-year period. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Pro Forma / Debt Service Coverage Ratio: Pro formas submitted must reflect a debt service coverage ratio of not less than 1.15 for the entire affordability period. Compensating factors such as the developer's experience, types of financing utilized, and financial strength of the applicant/owner may vary this requirement. The debt coverage ratio is the net operating income to the total annual debt service. Furthermore, the application must reflect that rental income, any subsidies, and reserve funds are sufficient to cover the property's debt and operating expenses over the period of affordability. Annually, income will be trended at two percent, expenses and replacement reserves will be trended at three percent, and vacancy will be projected at seven percent. A higher vacancy rate may be used for an acquisition/rehabilitation project if the project is currently sustaining higher vacancies and it is not reasonable to expect the project to achieve a seven percent vacancy rate within the first year. Balloon loan repayments will not be allow.

SDHDA will not process any application that is not financially feasible.

h. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the merits of the application in meeting the priority housing needs of the grantee (such as housing that is accessible to transit or employment centers, housing that includes green building and sustainable development features, or housing that serves special needs populations). If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Please see the response to "c" above which outlines selection points for SDHDA's priorities.

i. Describe the grantee's required priority for funding based on the extent to which the application makes use of non-federal funding sources. If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, enter "N/A".

Per the selection criteria, applicants are awarded points for utilizing other financial resources and for leveraging federal funds. The excerpts are below.

Financial Support (Maximum 20 points) - Proposals containing financial support in cash or in-kind services that assist with greater affordability are eligible to receive up to 20 points.

Leveraging (Maximum 30 points)

The owner will be required to provide a minimum of 10 percent of the total project cost as equity in the project. SDHDA will award up to 50 points if HTF funds are leveraged against other financial resources used to cover costs allocated to the HTF assisted units as follows (note that points will not be awarded

for funds utilized to finance market rate units):

<u>Points</u>	HTF Funds per HTF assisted unit
30	\$0 to \$39,999
20	\$40,000 to \$49,999
10	\$50,000 to \$59,999

4. Does the grantee's application require the applicant to include a description of the eligible activities to be conducted with HTF funds? If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, select "N/A".

Yes

5. Does the grantee's application require that each eligible recipient certify that housing units assisted with HTF funds will comply with HTF requirements? If not distributing funds by selecting applications submitted by eligible recipients, select "N/A".

Yes

6. **Performance Goals and Benchmarks.** The grantee has met the requirement to provide for performance goals and benchmarks against which the grantee will measure its progress, consistent with the grantee's goals established under 24 CFR 91.315(b)(2), by including HTF in its housing goals in the housing table on the SP-45 Goals and AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives screens.

Yes

7. Maximum Per-unit Development Subsidy Amount for Housing Assisted with HTF Funds. Enter or attach the grantee's maximum per-unit development subsidy limits for housing assisted with HTF funds.

The limits must be adjusted for the number of bedrooms and the geographic location of the project. The limits must also be reasonable and based on actual costs of developing non-luxury housing in the area.

If the grantee will use existing limits developed for other federal programs such as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) per unit cost limits, HOME's maximum per-unit subsidy amounts, and/or Public Housing Development Cost Limits (TDCs), it must include a description

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of how the HTF maximum per-unit development subsidy limits were established or a description of how existing limits developed for another program and being adopted for HTF meet the HTF requirements specified above.

2023 subsidy amounts are outlined in Exhibit 6 of the HTC Allocation plan. Exhibit 6 is attached.

8. **Rehabilitation Standards.** The grantee must establish rehabilitation standards for all HTFassisted housing rehabilitation activities that set forth the requirements that the housing must meet upon project completion. The grantee's description of its standards must be in sufficient detail to determine the required rehabilitation work including methods and materials. The standards may refer to applicable codes or they may establish requirements that exceed the minimum requirements of the codes. The grantee must attach its rehabilitation standards below.

In addition, the rehabilitation standards must address each of the following: health and safety; major systems; lead-based paint; accessibility; disaster mitigation (where relevant); state and local codes, ordinances, and zoning requirements; Uniform Physical Condition Standards; Capital Needs Assessments (if applicable); and broadband infrastructure (if applicable).

SDHDA has separate rehabilitation standards that are attached to this document.

9. **Resale or Recapture Guidelines.** Below, the grantee must enter (or attach) a description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HTF funds when used to assist first-time homebuyers. If the grantee will not use HTF funds to assist first-time homebuyers, enter "N/A".

N/A

10. **HTF Affordable Homeownership Limits.** If the grantee intends to use HTF funds for homebuyer assistance and does not use the HTF affordable homeownership limits for the area provided by HUD, it must determine 95 percent of the median area purchase price and set forth the information in accordance with §93.305. If the grantee will not use HTF funds to assist first-time homebuyers, enter "N/A".

Any limitation or preference must not violate nondiscrimination requirements in § 93.350, and the grantee must not limit or give preferences to students. The grantee may permit rental housing owners to limit tenants or give a preference in accordance with § 93.303(d)(3) only if such limitation or preference is described in the action plan.

N/A

12. **Refinancing of Existing Debt.** Enter or attach the grantee's refinancing guidelines below. The guidelines describe the conditions under which the grantee will refinance existing debt. The grantee's refinancing guidelines must, at minimum, demonstrate that rehabilitation is the primary eligible activity and ensure that this requirement is met by establishing a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing. If the grantee will not refinance existing debt, enter "N/A."

Per the HTF allocation plan - for refinancing with rehabilitation projects, under no circumstances can HTF funds be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME. Refinancing is only allowed if necessary to reduce the overall housing costs and to make the housing more affordable and proportional to the number of HTF-assisted units in the rental project. Refinance of existing debt must comply with requirements of 24 CFR 91.320 (k)(5)(viii) and 93.201(b). The proportional rehabilitation cost must be greater than the proportional amount of debt that is refinanced. Additionally, the affordability must be expanded by adding to the affordability period and/or adding additional affordable units.

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