

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 6048**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS APPROVING THE 2021-2022 THIRD PROGRAM YEAR CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Perris (the “City”) operated the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for the 2021-2022 Program Year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is required to submit a CAPER, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the activities and expenditures for the 2021-2022 Program Year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council must also certify that it is complying with HUD requirements for the use of CDBG funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has spent \$191,156.38 in CDBG funds during the 2021-2022 Program Year, and 100% of its funds were used for activities that benefitted low and moderate-income persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager is the certifying official for all HUD reports and transactions; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has held a public hearing to hear public testimony of all interested parties regarding the 2021-2022 Third Program Year CAPER; and

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: Subsequent to hearing and consideration of all testimony, the City Council hereby adopts the 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER), a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk of the City of Perris and authorizes the City Manager to submit the same to HUD on behalf of the City of Perris.

**ADOPTED, SIGNED and APPROVED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

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Michael M. Vargas, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Nancy Salazar

STATE OF CALIFORNIA    )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE   ) §  
CITY OF PERRIS            )

I, Nancy Salazar, City Clerk of the City of Perris, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 6048 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a public hearing thereof held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: CORONA, RABB, ROGERS, NAVA, VARGAS  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE

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City Clerk, Nancy Salazar

**EXHIBIT A**  
**FY 2021-2022 CAPER**

## CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

### Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

The FY 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) illustrates the City's efforts to coordinate funding in order to deliver comprehensive community development projects and services to citizens during its third-year submission of accomplishments related to the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan by the City of Perris. The CDBG program provides a wide range of eligible activities that provide decent housing, suitable living environments and expanded economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. This report covers activities conducted during Fiscal Year 2021-2022 which began July 1, 2021, and ended June 30, 2022. During this time the City worked with community agencies, internal departments, the general public and others to carry out its CDBG Program with the HUD resources indicated in the Consolidated Plan and while addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Each activity supported one or more of the priorities originally presented in the City's Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The City provided all requested certifications of consistency in its Annual Action Plan, in a fair and impartial manner. More importantly, the City did not hinder Consolidated Plan implementation by action or willful inaction.

#### Standardized Reallocation Process and Amendments to the Five-Year Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan

During the fiscal year, the City assessed the status of its CDBG funded activities and projects. As a result, two public hearings were conducted to amend the Annual Action Plan. One non-substantial amendment was conducted which did not require a public hearing per the City's Citizen Participation Plan. These actions allowed the City to reprogram funds to provide funding to non-public service projects ready to move forward and to encourage timely expenditure of funds. All actions support the City's Five-Year community development and housing objectives as identified in the City's Consolidated Plan.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Project/Activity</b>	<b>General Description</b>
09-22-21	Substantial Amendment to 2019-2024 Con Plan and 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan	Reallocation of expiring FY 2014 funds to the Rotary Park Amenities Project.
12-14-21	Substantial Amendment to 2019-2024 Con Plan and 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan	Reallocation of unused FY 2016-2020 funds to eligible Non-Public Service projects.
04-12-22	Non-Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2024 Con Plan and 2021-222 Annual Action Plan	Reallocate of funds from a closed FY 21-22 public service activity to an existing Non-Public service project.

**Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)**

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee’s program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Decent Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	7500	0	0.00%			
Decent Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	5	0	0.00%			
Decent Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	150	0	0.00%			
Economic Opportunities	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	5	0	0.00%			
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	250000	23740	9.50%	15000	23740	158.27%

Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	1500	189	12.60%	866	189	21.82%
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	0		10	0	0.00%
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	0	0		7	0	0.00%
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	0		50	0	0.00%
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	0	0		50	0	0.00%

Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	0		30	0	0.00%
Suitable Living Environment	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$490000	Other	Other	0	0		1500	0	0.00%

**Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date**

**Assess how the jurisdiction’s use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.**

The City's use of funds is based on several factors including, but not limited to priority needs, Consolidated and Action Plan Objectives and available financial resources. Through the various meetings with community stakeholders, residents and non-profit agencies, the City works to identify the high priority community development and housing needs. Subsequently, annual funding may be limited and addressing specific objectives with high priority needs is given special attention by the CDBG Subcommittee. The CDBG Subcommittee assesses the highest needs, along with the available resources and the specific objectives to be achieved and recommends funding allocations to agencies that submitted proposals through the RFP process in alignment with the goals and objectives outlined in the City's Consolidated Plan. Ultimately, it is the City Council that has final approval over funding activities and allocations.

During FY 2020-2021, measurable progress was made on the majority of the goals established in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. See Appendix A: Table 1C - Summary of Goals, Objectives and Accomplishments



## CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

91.520(a)

	CDBG
White	283
Black or African American	410
Asian	8
American Indian or American Native	7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3
Asian & White	1
Black or African American & white	1
Other Multi Racial	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,507</b>
Hispanic	754
Not Hispanic	753

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds

### Narrative

The City of Perris identifies priority need and offers services and programs to eligible households regardless of race or ethnicity. The breakdown above is inclusive of persons assisted through Public Service activities where some of the beneficiaries were above 80% AMI, but where the total served is 51% AMI.

## CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

### Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	\$968,708	\$191,156.38
CDBG-CV	Public-federal	\$493,012.90	\$292,349.35
Other	public - state	\$500,000	\$0

**Table 3 - Resources Made Available**

### Narrative

The figures above identify Federal entitlement and competitive grant resources available to the City during FY 2021-2022 to meet housing and community development needs.

Per the City of Perris Housing Authority, the amount of CDBG funding made available was \$968,708 and the expended was \$191,156.38 which does not include roll over funds expended from previous fiscal years for non-public service activities. As a granting entity, it is important that the City give much consideration to capacity, experience, community needs, other community resources and leveraging ability of the Subrecipients. Many of the same organizations do receive funding from year to year, however, each year their programs are scrutinized to determine if it continues to meet the priority needs outlined in the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan. Table 1C, included at the end of this Report, identifies Federal resources provided to the City during FY 2021-2022 to meet housing and community development goals.

The City received round 1 of CARES Act funding on April 2, 2020, in the amount of \$536,986. On September 11, 2020, the City received round 3 CARES Act funding in the amount of \$442,432. Total CARES Act funding totaled \$979,418. These funds were to be programmed for activities to address preventing, preparing for and responding to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. During FY 2021-2022, the City of Perris expended a total of \$292,349.35 for activities that addressed the coronavirus pandemic. This includes Rental & Mortgage Assistance, Utility Assistance, and Homeless Services. The remaining CDBG-CV funds will be utilized to continue these services that address residents impacted by the coronavirus.

### Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
CDBG-eligible Areas	100%	100%	Local Target Area

**Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments**

### Narrative

The City of Perris currently does not exclusively target geographic areas for its federal funds. These funds are made available to non-profit organizations, projects and programs citywide. Funds are used where the impact will be the greatest and where opportunity presents for projects consistent with goals set forth in the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan. Priorities for funding can be found in the City's annual Notice of Funds Available (NOFA) and its 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan.

For CDBG-CV activities, all activities were citywide as they were available to all low- and moderate-income residents regardless of location who were impacted by the COVID-19 coronavirus.

### **GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION**

The City of Perris, while under the jurisdiction of Riverside County, established a Target Area determined by census data. Using U.S. Census Bureau 2019 CHAS data, the City identified census tracts within the City in which 51% or more of the residents were of low to moderate income. The Target Areas are those eligible Census Tracts: 426.17, 426.18, 426.20, 427.06, 428.00, 429.01, 427.19, and 429.04. The Target Area is characterized by high concentrations of low- and moderate-income families, high unemployment, and deferred home maintenance, and deteriorating infrastructure. Also, because the entire City of Perris is greater than 51% low to moderate-income, an Area Wide Benefit has been determined to apply within the Target Area; therefore, CDBG funds have been targeted for some activities serving an area wide benefit.

## Leveraging

**Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.**

The City of Perris leveraged Federal Resources with other public and private resources to assist the City in reaching its community development goals identified in the FY 2021-2022 Action Plan. Other public and private funding sources include, but are not limited to the following:

1. General Funds
2. Street Lighting District Funds
3. Gas Tax Funds
4. Park Development Funds
5. Construction Funds
6. Development Impact Fees (DIF)
7. Park Industrial and Residential Impact Fees
8. City of Perris Housing Funds
9. Road Bridge Benefit District (RBBB) Funds

Certainly, the need of our community far out paces the funds available. We encourage our subrecipients to collaborate, partner and leverage funding and resources where possible. As such, many of the City's social service subrecipients have additional resources to support their CDBG-funded programs. These additional resources include not only other grant funds, but in-kind volunteers and donations. To best leverage the City's available resources, the City will continue to look for opportunities to layer private and non-federal resources with federal resources and to require that CDBG subrecipients demonstrate sufficient committed non-CDBG funding, so that projects and services will have the best results for the community and the low- and very low-income residents they are intended to serve. The CDBG Entitlement Program does not require matching funds.

### OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS

Other funds included in the resources above are: HOME Non-Entitlement funds received through the State funds.

## CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	10	62
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	50	22
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>84</b>

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	50	81
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	10	3
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>84</b>

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

### Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.

Overall, the largest impact on the identified housing and community development goals and outcomes has been the level of funding compared to the number of households in need of assistance. However, for the program year 2021-2022 the City achieved the majority of its goals for activities that have a one-year contract term. Of the activities that are multi-year, the City believes it is on track. The City remains proactive in addressing any concerns on meeting the intended goals for both the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action plan. Furthermore, coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to bring about economic hardships for several of or residents. The City received CDBG-CV round 1 and round 3 funding which

assisted in providing rental/mortgage assistance and utility assistance for those eligible households affected by the pandemic, in addition to homeless services by offering hotel stays for homeless individuals to reduce their exposure to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Affordable housing units are consistently a top City priority. During program year 2021-2022, the City did not have any new affordable housing projects underway specifically for the homeless or special needs populations. When referring to homeless persons obtaining affordable units, the challenge increases exponentially. Recently homeless persons do not have a stable credit history and oftentimes face personal challenges such as mental health issues, domestic violence and drug and alcohol addictions. The "affordable housing units" in this case are overnight shelter figures

The City has been successful in meeting most of its goals as evidenced in the outcomes.

**Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.**

Outcomes impact future Annual Action Plans as they provide an assessment of the City’s success in meeting established goals and outcomes. For future Action Plans the City will continue to reevaluate community needs, worst case housing needs, projects or types of activities where the City did not meet its goals, and progress of existing projects. The goals stated by the City in the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan were based on estimates from the community needs and market analysis that were conducted at the time. The City has begun to conduct an annual community needs survey to solicit input and help determine the actual goals for action plans. This process aids in meeting future stated goals.

**Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.**

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income (<30% AMI)	881	0
Low-income (30%-50% AMI)	431	1
Moderate-income (50% - 80% AMI)	214	0
Non-Moderate Income (>80% AMI)	51	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>1</b>

**Table 7 – Number of Households Served**

**Narrative Information**

As a condition of receiving Federal funds, the City has certified that a minimum of 70% of its CDBG expenditures will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. This meets the 70% threshold required by CDBG indicating the City’s CDBG expenditures are meeting the goal of serving the intended residents. This count also includes persons served who are 'presumed' low-income such as the 'More Than a Meal' program by Family Service Association which serves lunches to senior citizens aged 62 years of age or older at the Perris Senior Center. The City has been successful in meeting most of its goals as evidenced in the outcomes.

**“WORST-CASE NEEDS”:** Worst case housing needs are defined as low-income renter households

who pay more than half of their income for rent, live in seriously substandard housing or have been involuntarily displaced. The City of Perris provided assistance to rental and owner occupied households during FY 2021-2022 under the round 1 and round 3 of the CDBG-CV CARES Act funds received. However, for those households who did not meet the CDBG-CV rental assistance program criteria, the Perris Family Resource Center offered a variety of services to residents, including rental housing assistance and utility assistance for renters. The Perris Family Resource center, along with other non-profit partners such as Riverside County's Special Education Local Plan Areas, RI International, De Novo Full-Service Partnership, and the Basic Occupational Training Center, provides non-residential and housing assistance to persons with disabilities. Such services include, but are not limited to: substance abuse assistance, health resources or referrals, job placement and housing assistance.

**NEED OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITES:** The Perris Family Resource center, along with other non-profit partners such as Riverside County's Special Education Local Plan Areas, RI International, De Novo Full Service Partnership, Catholic Charities, Lutheran Social Services, and the Basic Occupational Training Center, provides non-residential and housing assistance to persons with disabilities. Such services include, but are not limited to: substance abuse assistance, health resources or referrals, job placement and housing assistance.

## **CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)**

**Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:**

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

During the 2022 "Point In Time" (PIT) count, the City of Perris had 70 individuals who were considered homeless residing within its City limits. This includes 59 unsheltered persons which is a 14% increase from 2020, and 11 individuals sheltered as part of our homeless services hotel voucher program. While the City does not have a high homeless population, the City has taken a proactive approach to aid those at risk of or experiencing homelessness. To achieve this, the City has a Homeless Sub-Committee comprised of City of Perris Housing Authority staff, Code Enforcement, the Social Work Action Group (SWAG), Riverside County Sheriff's Department, and two City Council Members which meets every other month at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers. The public is notified of the meetings through postings by the City Clerk's office at Perris City Hall, the City website, and on all City social media platforms. Homeless issues that exist in the City and the resources available to assist the homeless population are provided to the public through the Homeless Sub-Committee meetings, City counter services, and on the City website.

The City continued to contract with the Social Work Action Group (SWAG) in FY 2021-2022 to reach out to homeless persons, assessing and addressing their individual emergency/ housing needs. To reach the individuals, the City utilized Housing funds for SWAG, a non-profit community-based organization, who in turn provides the direct services including street outreach, case management, housing search assistance, emergency housing/motel vouchers, food, and counseling. Additionally, SWAG provided the following services during the 2021-2022 program year:

1. Conduct Homeless Street Outreach in partnership with law enforcement to address specific "hot spot" areas as identified by SWAG, City of Perris staff, and the Riverside Sheriff's Department.
  - a) Respond to homeless service requests made by City staff, law enforcement, businesses and concerned residents.
  - b) Include in the "by-name census," specifically for the City of Perris, names of all individuals encountered.
  - c) Facilitate bus trips home -- family reunification for individuals wanting to reunite with an identified support system that is out of the Perris area.
  - d) Assist individuals found living on the street to obtain transportation and admittance to emergency shelter and transitional program options.
  - e) Conduct Riverside County housing assessments (VI-SPDAT when applicable) to unsheltered homeless individuals and families and provide navigation services.
  - f) Participate in weekly Coordinated Entry Housing Navigation meetings to ensure clients are being linked to Riverside County Continuum of Care housing resources.



2. Provide strategic outreach services in partnership with City of Perris Housing Authority and Perris School Districts to identify individuals and families, who are homeless and at-risk of becoming homeless, and connect them to applicable services.
3. Facilitate community asset mapping for strategic coordination and alignment of community resources that serve at-risk/homeless population.
4. Facilitate Monthly Homeless Task Force Meetings.
5. Participate in City-sponsored community events.
6. Connect homeless population to appropriate housing solutions throughout Riverside County.
7. Develop informational content including material for the Compassionate Giving Campaign and for dissemination throughout the community. The Campaign will encourage stakeholders, faith-based groups, community groups, businesses, and concerned residents to discourage well-intended activities that enable the chronically homeless to remain on the streets and focus their efforts on long-term solutions.
8. Coordinate a series of lectures open and available to the public.
9. Provide support to the City of Perris through training, presentations and sharing updates related to trends in regional homeless efforts.
10. Provide monthly and quarterly data collection of key activities and results, community partners/businesses engaged.
11. Attend and participate in City Council meetings as requested.

SWAG is often the primary source for referrals and assistance to homeless persons, and primary contact for unsheltered individuals.

During 2021-2022, SWAG managed a comprehensive street outreach program for homeless individuals/families and those in danger of becoming homeless. SWAG conducted outreach services that specifically focus on people and families staying in encampments, on the street, and/or living in cars. SWAG assisted with access to community and family shelters providing services for persons otherwise unsheltered. The program involves assessment and engagement activities as well as provision of overnight beds, transportation and service referrals. Each individual or family is assessed to determine vulnerability and community resources to respond. Outreach develops relationships and provides connections with emergency shelter and other supportive services identified as needs by clients.

Aside from providing housing and shelter placement, SWAG provided individuals with mental/physical health services, provided 6 individuals with substance abuse services, and miscellaneous services. Miscellaneous services are services such as transportation, vital Document, help with veteran services.

The specific Homeless Needs Objectives outlined in the FY 2021-2022 Action Plan are two pronged and include:

- Participating in the Riverside County Continuum of Care for the Homeless; and
- Supplementing the Riverside County Continuum of Care with the City homeless outreach program through The Social Work Action Group (SWAG).

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

The City has an established referral system in place with the Social Work Action Group (SWAG) and the Riverside County Continuum of Care. SWAG's response time for homeless assistance calls are within 1-2 hours and they are able to assess and individual through the Riverside County housing assessments (VI-SPDAT when applicable) to identify appropriate housing, shelter placements or treatment centers for those identified as in need of emergency, transitional housing or substance abuse treatment. The CoC maintains a list of available bed locations and identifies as well, the type of facility (i.e. mental illness, family, single, veterans) that has vacancies.

The City does not have an ESG Program. Also, the City did not obtain any Federal funds from the Homeless SuperNOFA.

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after 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); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs**

In order to prevent families and individuals from falling into homelessness, the City has an established referral system in place with the Social Work Action Group (SWAG) and the Riverside County Continuum of Care. SWAG's response time for homeless assistance calls are within an hour and they are able to identify appropriate housing, shelter placements or treatment centers for those identified as in need of emergency, transitional housing or substance abuse treatment. The CoC maintains a list of available bed locations and identifies as well, the type of facility (i.e. mental illness, family, single, veterans) that has vacancies. Based upon annual income guidelines, individuals and families that are faced with imminent eviction or termination of utilities are referred to organizations that may aid them with rental assistance and security deposit assistance to move into a more affordable unit, or assistance with utility deposits/costs. Additionally, the City of Perris utilized CDBG-CV funds to fund Homeless Services, primarily to provide individuals experiencing homelessness with hotel stays for up to 90 days to minimize their risk exposure to COVID-19 while awaiting housing or treatment placement. A total of 62 individuals were assisted through this program.

The City does not have an ESG Program. Also, the City did not obtain any Federal funds from the Homeless SuperNOFA.

**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**

A Chronically homeless person or family is defined as one who has been living in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or emergency shelter continuously for at least one year or on at least four separate

occasions in the last three years. Such persons or families must also be diagnosed with a specific disabling condition. These combined factors often lead to isolation and a survival mentality. Moving individuals from chronic homelessness to living in and maintaining housing requires multi-level solutions. In addition to suitable, acceptable and affordable housing, on-going supportive services are required to help the individual learn to live in the mainstream of society, to develop goals, and a budget addressing disabling conditions, and often modify behaviors developed for survival on the streets. Addressing chronic homelessness requires consistent and patient outreach. Therefore, the City has an established referral system in place with the Social Work Action Group (SWAG) and the Riverside County Continuum of Care. SWAG's response time for homeless assistance calls are within an hour and they are able to identify appropriate housing, shelter placements or treatment centers for those identified as in need of emergency, transitional housing or substance abuse treatment. The CoC maintains a list of available bed locations and identifies as well, the type of facility (i.e. mental illness, family, single, veterans) that has vacancies. Additionally, the City of Perris utilized CDBG-CV funds to fund Homeless Services, primarily to provide individuals experiencing homelessness with hotel stays for up to 90 days to minimize their risk exposure to COVID-19 while awaiting housing or treatment placement. A total of 7 individuals were assisted through this program

The City does not have an ESG Program. Also, the City did not obtain any Federal funds from the Homeless SuperNOFA.

**CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)**

**Actions taken to address the needs of public housing**

N/A - The City of Perris does not have any public housing.

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

N/A - The City of Perris does not have any public housing.

**Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs**

N/A - The City of Perris does not have any public housing.

## CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)

**Actions taken 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. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)**

The City did not have any new actions for FY 2021-2022, however, the City is in the process of finalizing the certification of the 2021-2029 Housing Element with HCD to provide the framework for removing barriers to affordable housing consisting of the following notable goals through the use of LEAP grant funding awarded to the City in the amount of \$300,000:

- Land Use Regulations Amendments. The City will analyze existing residential and mixed-use zoning ordinances and specific plans to identify constraints to affordable housing development. Once identified appropriate ordinance and specific plan amendments will be proposed for adoption including but not limited to: revised findings for residential development and public hearing requirements for residential developments.
- Overlay Zone for Housing Opportunity Sites. LEAP Grant funds will be used to prepare the Overlay Zone for Housing Opportunity Sites described in the Housing Element. Once adopted by the City Council, a property owner or developer could choose to develop at the densities permitted by the underlying zoning or to activate the Overlay zone which would allow 30 or more units. Although projects would be subject to design review, a higher density affordable project could be processed without a zone change. Please see the link to the Housing Element submitted to HCD for the location of area to be rezoned to 30 units per acre:  
<https://www.cityofperris.org/home/showpublisheddocument/14967/637782947483530000>
- Objective Design Standards Residential Development. Objective design standards, required by State Law, decrease ambiguity and expedite development by providing design standards which allow a by-right, ministerial approval process for residential and mixed-use development.

Additionally, the City continues to actively encourage development in lower density zones through the use of senior housing and planned development overlay. Below are is a table of the the in process residential developments and their current status:

TRACT	DEVELOPER	PROJECT	LOCATION	DU	COM SF	TYPE	ACRE	Approval Date	Status
37904	Pacific Communities	Active Senior	NE McPherson and Mountain	201	N/A	PDO	40.4	In process	Submitted 2021.3 TM 21-05037, DPR 21-0002 & PDO 21-05038
38071	Stratford Ranch		NE Ramona and Evans	192	N/A	SFD	48.6	In process	Entitled 2022.5.10 (Submitted 2021.3.1) LLA 22-05177; Pmerger 22-05175 & 22-05176
38308	DTSP UV		G St and 2nd St	39	N/A	MFR	1.8	In process	Submitted 2021.11.12: TPM 21-05271; DPR 21-00018
21-00014	May Ranch		SW Rider and Evans	308	N/A	MFR	16	In process	Submitted 2021.11.12: DPR21-00014, SPA 21-05249; PR 20-05034
20-00008		Prairie view	NE Wilson and Dale	287	N/A	MFR	13.36	In process	DPR 20-00008
37907	Pacific Communities	Lanata	NW A St and Metz	91	N/A	MFR	12.8	In process	Submitted 2022.5.17 DPR 22-00014, PDO 22-05152 & TTM 22-05153

The City utilizes AB2345 (Assembly Bill) a allow a parking reduction for development that includes at least 20%

low-income units for housing developments meeting the criteria which include 11% percent very low-income units and located within one-half mile of a major transit stop that shall not impose a vehicular parking ratio, inclusive of parking for persons with a disability and guests that exceeds 0.5 spaces per unit. In addition, for senior housing development the City would reduce the parking requirements subject to the support of a parking reduction analysis.

Below are the entitles residential developments:

TRACT	DEVELOPER	PROJECT	LOCATION	DU	COM SF	TYPE	ACRE	Approval Date	Status
37817	Raintree Investments GVSP	GVSP	NEC of GV Pky & Ethanac 1,500' N of Etha	228	N/A	PDO	25.3	2/9/2021	Approve - Park Fee Agreement
37818	Raintree Investments GVSP	GVSP	NWC of GV Pky and Ethanac	138	N/A	PDO	14.7	2/9/2021	Approve - Park Fee Agreement
37818 - APT	Raintree Investments GVSP	GVSP	NWC of GV Pky and Ethanac	236	N/A	APT	14.1	2/9/2021	Approve - Park Fee Agreement

The City has entered into a public-private partnership with Grape Vine Development for a mixed-use affordable housing project on two adjacent, City-owned parcels in Downtown Perris, APNs: 313-092-007 and 022, totaling 0.8 acres. The project, located on South D Street at the corners of East First Street and East Second Street, is the first phase of the City’s plan to revitalize Downtown Perris through infill development that creates mixed-use affordable housing and community-serving commercial spaces. The developer is working with the City to explore shared costs for studies and plans associated with entitling the property.

**Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City of Perris continues to expend CDBG funds on a variety of activities that meet underserved needs. These programs provided new or expanded accessibility, affordability and sustainability to decent housing, improved public facilities, and a suitable living environment for low-income persons. Such programs included: youth recreational and educational programs, and fair housing services. In the 2021-2022 year, The City supported the following programs to address meeting underserved needs:

- Fair housing services to investigate allegations of housing discrimination, and landlord tenant complaint mediation, as well as advocacy services education and training.
- The More than a Meal Program provided nutritious meals to senior citizens age 62 and over at the Perris Senior Center.
- Youth services were provided through a variety of programs that provided art instruction, educational workshops on bullying and suicide prevention, and a variety of life enhancing programs such as homework assistance, fitness, tutoring, and day camps for the program year.
- Habitat for Humanity provided minor home rehabilitation for senior citizens age 62 and over.
- Through CDBG-CV funds, the City provided rental/mortgage assistance, utility assistance to eligible residents who were financially affected by COVID-19 and were at risk of homelessness. Furthermore, hotel vouchers were provided to individuals experiencing homelessness to minimize their exposure

The City of Perris will continue to determine where underserved populations are located through results from the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing and annual community needs survey. To reduce the number of obstacles keeping the City from meeting the needs of the underserved populations in the community and help

improve service delivery, the Perris Housing Authority will continue to participate and facilitate citywide collaborations in coordinating the work of social service organizations, eliminating duplication of efforts, spearheading community-wide solutions to local needs and disseminating information, news, and data that will assist all participant organizations in this collaborative effort. The City of Perris Housing Authority conducts public bi-monthly Homeless Sub-Committee meetings with two City Council members, Perris Code Enforcement, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, and members of the public to discuss how we can collectively address homelessness.

**Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City of Perris is committed to reducing lead-based paint hazards citywide with an emphasis on housing units occupied by low- and moderate-income households. The City's Housing Authority notifies all residential rehabilitation program applicants about the hazards of lead-based paint. The City participates in and supports the regional lead poisoning prevention program administered by the County of Riverside, Department of Public Health, which educates the public about the dangers of lead by conducting health education presentations and distributing health education materials; assists property owners and families in eliminating sources of lead in their homes, through testing, incentives, and home visits; and provides a Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, which provides medical testing of children for lead poisoning on a sliding fee scale based on family income and assists parents in treating children identified with lead poisoning. The City will undertake the following actions, as required for implementation of Federal housing programs:

- Conduct Inspections and Risk Assessments in conjunction with all housing programs affected by Federal Lead-Based Paint regulations at 24 CFR 35, 24 CFR 570.608 and 24 CFR 982.401.
- Remediate and/or abate lead hazards when identified.

**Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

Most activities undertaken by the City of Perris with CDBG funds are efforts to reduce persons in poverty and improve the quality of life for residents, either directly or indirectly. Programs that directly influence the poverty level include direct services to homeless or those at risk of homelessness. Projects that indirectly affect poverty include those that upgrade the community and aid in affordable and or accessibility to housing.

During FY 2021-2022, the following action was taken in an effort to assist and possibly alleviate financial hardships for persons below the poverty line:

- The City funded public service programs or activities in order to provide free access/availability to extremely low and low-income persons, including but not limited to the youth recreation & education programming, senior citizen nutrition program, employment education, and fair housing services.
- Through CDBG-CV funds, the City provided rental/mortgage assistance, utility assistance to eligible residents who were financially affected by COVID-19 and were at risk of homelessness. Furthermore, hotel vouchers were provided to individuals experiencing homelessness to minimize their exposure

**Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City has an inclusive institutional structure approach that uses a variety of organizations and departments

within the City to carry out its housing, homeless, and community development plan. To eliminate gaps in institutional structures and enhance coordination, the City remains actively involved with internal City departments, outside agencies, and regional entities, including those that receive CDBG funding for public services, infrastructure improvements, economic development, and those involved in the Continuum of Care (CoC). Strengths and gaps regarding the institutional structure emerged from stakeholder and community meetings, community needs surveys, and other coordinated communication. The City continues to streamline and to make improvements to the delivery system to best serve the community through activities and services. As the needs of low- to- moderate- income residents change, the demand for types of services and programs will also change. The City provided technical assistance and capacity building to agencies to increase their effectiveness in implementing programs to address the City's housing and community development needs. In its effort for citizen participation, the City has several standing committee's which are open to the public, allowing for residents to voice their concerns and ideas. These committee's are the:

1. Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee
2. Ways and Means Committee
3. Homeless Sub-Committee

**Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

During the program year, the City conducted the following activities to enhance coordination and eliminate gaps in the institutional structure:

1. Continue to be a member of the Housing & Homeless Coalition for Riverside County (CoC);
2. Continue to work with the CoC and other agencies on regional homeless issues;
3. Continue to work with the Riverside County Housing Authority to ensure consistency between Consolidated Planning and Authority Planning requirements;
4. Continue to promote fair housing;
5. Coordinate with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department in the provision of services related to crime prevention, code enforcement and community policing;
6. Coordinate with the Public Works Department in the provision of infrastructure delivery; and
7. Coordinate with the Community Services Department and external agencies in the provision of public services.
8. Continue providing Responsible Compassion for the Homeless information in the City Newsletters which provides the public with the Do's and Don'ts of Responsible Compassion when rendering assistance to homeless individuals.
9. Look for additional funding resources to develop affordable housing units due to the high cost of housing production and construction;
10. Look at the needs of the senior population and plan for future services; and
11. Look at the needs of youth and family populations and plan for future programs and services.

By working in a collaborative partnership with service providers, other federal/state government agencies and the private sector on all community development programs; the City believes that good collaboration and coordination of programs, services and budgets will result in healthier communities. The City also



enhanced its efforts in the dissemination of information to the public by utilizing social media platforms to improve the distribution of helpful program information and updates to the public. This included:

1. The Economic Development Department updating marketing and demographic materials to attract businesses and workforce development opportunities;
2. Promotion of Healthy & Green initiatives including the Chef in the Garden series and the Junior Master Gardeners; and
3. Promotion of the City's annual Health Fair provides health education and resources free to the public, this includes wellness checks such as blood pressure and glucose checks, physical activity classes, and horticulture activities.

**Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)**

The City has an Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice that was updated for the 5-year period of 2019-2024. To ensure consistency with the policies and programs recommended by the Consolidated Plan and to ensure continued compliance with the Fair Housing Certification found at 24 CFR 91.225 (a)(1), the City adheres to recommendations made in its approved Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI).

Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

**Impediments are defined as:**

- Any action, omission, or decision taken because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices, or
- Any action, omission, or decision which have the effect of restricting housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin; or
- An assessment of the availability of affordable, accessible housing in a range of unit sizes.

During 2021-2022, the City continued to contract with the Fair Housing Council of Riverside County for the operation of a comprehensive fair housing services to further equal housing opportunities for all residents and households. The mission of the Fair Housing Council is "To provide comprehensive services which affirmatively address and promote fair housing (anti-discrimination) rights and further other housing opportunities for all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, familial status (i.e., presence of children), disability, ancestry, marital status, age, source of income, sexual orientation, genetic information, or other arbitrary factors." The City and the Fair Housing Council continue to work in partnership to address on-going concerns with housing discrimination and landlord-tenant mediation in Perris including identified impediments particularly as they impact low-income and minority households. Services provided by the Fair Housing Council include housing discrimination complaint processing, tenant-landlord information and mediation, fair housing educational presentations, and community-wide outreach through the dissemination of literature. During 2021-2022, the Fair Housing Council provided assistance with discrimination and landlord tenant mediation to 1,227 persons.

Additionally, along with assisting households with discrimination and landlord/tenant mediation, the Fair

Housing Council conducted a wide range of education and outreach activities throughout the year. These services included: First Time Homebuyer Workshops that included information on predatory lending practices; City Council Presentations; trained testers which greatly increased capacity to identify and investigate discrimination within Riverside County rental units; Fair Housing Training Course for property owners and managers; and Foreclosure Prevention Workshops. All of the workshops conducted by the Fair Housing Council are available in English and Spanish. All literature distributed by the Fair Housing Council is provided in English and Spanish and is located at all public counters in the City.

Actions taken during 2021-2022 to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the Analysis of Impediments include the following:

- Continued collaboration with the Social Work Action Group (SWAG) to identify appropriate housing, shelter placements or treatment centers for those identified as in need of emergency, transitional housing or substance abuse treatment for at-risk/homeless individuals and families; and
- Continued government and private collaboration from the Homeless Sub-Committee.

## **CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230**

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

The City's Housing Authority has all administration and monitoring responsibilities for its CDBG Federal Entitlement Program. The City operates in accordance with the monitoring plan development for the CDBG Program, including an annual single audit in conformance with 24 CFR PART 2.

The performance of planned activities and projects of these CDBG funds are monitored in a variety of ways, depending on the type of program and requirements and includes desk audits, telephone contact, reports, and on-site visits. The following is a description of the City's monitoring component functions, to identify technical assistance needs and promote quality performance:

- Financial monitoring through monthly desk audits and an annual financial audit, as well as annual financial file monitoring
- Performance monitoring, including annual on-site monitoring
- Davis-Bacon Compliance monitoring, including an annual desk audit of Bid Specs and Documents
- Minority Business Enterprise/Women's Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) contracting is encouraged for all Federally funded contracts. Bid specifications include a questionnaire regarding business ownership. Contractor/Subcontractor information, including MBE/WBE status is collected quarterly and reported to HUD as such.
- The City of Perris supports the employment and training of low-income persons. Section 3 Compliance activities include a desk review, discussion with project managers for contracts in excess of \$200,000, and a review of the City's Section 3 Plan prior to project commencement to ensure an understanding of requirements. Section compliance is monitored through quarterly reporting from project managers.
- Continual communication and coordination with the local HUD representative located in Los Angeles

Monitoring activities are intended to be proactive so that deficiencies can be detected early and immediately corrected, and performance can be continually improved. The City Principal Management Analyst acts as the Project Monitor and reviews all program activities on a monthly basis. Financial management activities are monitored by the Principal Management Analyst, Housing Manager, and the Accounting Supervisor of the Finance Department.

In addition, all project costs are paid on a reimbursement basis; not in advance. Requests for reimbursement are required to be accompanied by proper documentation so that expenditures are verified before they are paid.

Public Service agencies are required to submit a quarterly program status reports. These quarterly program status reports are then used to input data into the IDIS system, which helps the Project Monitor to see how program goals are being met and assists in the preparation and completion of required annual reports.

As outlined above, CDBG Program projects are required to be monitored to ensure conformance with Davis-

Bacon requirements. The City requires all contractors to be licensed and checks with both the state board and HUD's debarred list on HUD's home page to ensure compliance. Applicable Performance Records are to be kept in the associated project file.

Finally, each budgeted project is reviewed for compliance with the National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) regulations to determine applicability and ensure compliance. Once environmental clearance has been obtained, the project can move forward to City Council and/or bid, etc., as appropriate. The supervisor monitors all Environmental Reviews. The City conducted required NEPA and CEQA reviews on all federally funded projects during 2021-2022.

The City performed on-site monitoring for all subrecipients during the 2021-2022 program along with continued monthly desk monitoring for all subrecipients to ensure compliance.

### **Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)**

#### **Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.**

Federal Regulations mandate a 15-day public comment period prior to submission of the CAPER to HUD. The City published its notice for public comment regarding the CAPER on September 9, 2022, in the Perris Progress newspaper and on September 9, 2022 in the Spanish Language based newspaper La Opinion.

#### Plan Development

The public is afforded a 15-day comment period to comment on the CAPER. A public hearing is also held regarding the performance report where additional public input may be received.

#### Public Hearings and/or Meetings

Public hearings provide a major source of citizen input on proposed programs and activities. On September 27, 2022 at 6:30 pm the City conducted a public hearing and held a public Council meeting in order to address housing and community development needs. Both were held before the proposed Consolidated Plan/Annual Plan and CAPER were adopted. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the public was provided the following link [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_uCJJGlfRQaPvVuDWftgpg](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uCJJGlfRQaPvVuDWftgpg) in the City Council agenda allowing for citizen participation and an opportunity to comment while maintaining social distancing. After registering, a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting was provided.

#### Public Notification

To ensure that all City residents had ample opportunity to take notice of all scheduled public hearings, all notices regarding such hearings, including the date, time and location, were published in a local newspaper of general circulation at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of public hearing.

Access to Meetings: All public hearings were conducted at the following location:

City of Perris, City Hall Council Chambers

101 N. D Street  
Perris, CA 92570

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the public was provided the following link [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_uCJJGlfRQaPvVuDWftgpg](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uCJJGlfRQaPvVuDWftgpg) in the City Council agenda allowing for citizen participation and an opportunity to comment while maintaining social distancing. After registering, a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting was provided.

Spanish translation is available at all public hearings if requested 72 hours in advance of meeting. However, no translation services were requested.

#### Evaluation/Review and Comment

Citizens were given the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft CAPER from September 9, 2022 through September 27, 2022. The City published a public notice in the local newspaper informing interested persons about the CAPER review/comment period.

#### Access to Information/Availability to the Public

As required by Federal regulations, the Consolidated Plan, the Annual Action Plan, the CAPER, and substantial amendments are made available at the following location:

City Perris Housing Authority  
135 North D. Street  
Perris, CA 92570

This location is in compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

#### Written Comments

Public comments were solicited through public notices for the public hearings. No written public comments were received.

#### Substantial Amendments

Substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan/Action Plan are defined as:

1. A new activity to be funded that was not contained in the final Annual Action Plan;
2. An existing approved activity which is cancelled; or
3. CDBG funds will be moved from an existing eligible activity to another in an amount greater than 50% of the existing activity allocation.

A substantial change in funding is herein defined as any amendment that exceeds 50 percent of the project/activity award for that program year.

In the event that an amendment to the Plan qualifies as a substantial change, citizens will be given an opportunity to participate in the planning process. This opportunity will be afforded to the citizens in the following manner:

1. Publication of Information for 30-day Comment Period and
2. Adoption of change through public hearing process

There were two substantial amendments and one non substantial amendment during FY 2021-2022 and include the following:

1. Substantial amendment for the reallocation of expiring FY 2014 funds. These funds were reprogrammed to the Rotary Park Amenities project.
2. Substantial amendment for the reallocation of unused FY 2016-2020 funds to eligible non-public service projects.
3. A non substantial amendment to reallocate funds from a closed FY21-22 public service activity to an existing non-public service activity.

#### Technical Assistance

The City conducted two (2) technical assistance workshops during the development of the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan to assist agencies or City departments choosing to assist low-income persons develop proposals for the CDBG Program. These workshops were held on December 16, 2020; and January 6, 2021. The technical assistance included:

1. Providing information on Federal programs, including the amount of Federal funds available;
2. A review of proposal guidelines and requirements for submission of proposals;
3. Answering questions regarding the Consolidated Plan and Annual action Plan Development process and/or the proposal process.

Two technical assistance workshop for sub-recipients awarded funding for the 2021-2022 program year were conducted on June 2, 2021. The technical assistance included:

1. CDBG Agreements;
2. Financial Systems;
3. Record Keeping;
4. Procurement & Contracting;
5. Reporting;
6. Reimbursements;
7. Monitoring; and

8. Other federal requirements

Complaints/Grievance Procedure

Citizens are encouraged to submit concerns or complaints in writing. All complaints should be submitted to: City of Perris Housing Authority 135 North D. Street, Perris, CA 92570. During the actual development of the CAPER, Consolidated Plan, and Annual Action Plan submission, written concerns or complaints regarding the Plans shall initiate a written response indicating assessment of the complaint and/or proposals and actions taken to address the complaints and/or proposals before final submission of the Plan to HUD. The City shall ensure that reasonable attempts are made to respond to questions or complaints in a timely manner, usually within fifteen (15) working days after receipt of the inquiry.

**CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)**

**Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.**

Due to the pandemic, as part of the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan, the City added priorities and objectives in order to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus. There was no discontinuation or reduction of any non-CV related activities, and Annual Action Plan goals and objectives were met. The City continues to monitor CDBG program performance to assess whether or not changes in program objectives are necessary. Any changes in program objectives would constitute an amendment to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan.

The City continues to carry out its CDBG Program with the HUD resources indicated in the Consolidated Plan and the waivers/guidance provided during the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic. The City provided all requested certifications of consistency in its Annual Action Plan, in a fair and impartial manner. More importantly, the City did not hinder Consolidated Plan implementation by action or willful inaction.

The City's first five-year consolidated plan was deliberately established to create a simple framework upon which a more extensive and comprehensive structure can be developed in future years. The Consolidated Plan focuses on the same types of activities and projects that comprised the City's CDBG program under the County of Riverside. Public agencies, non-profit organizations, and for-profit organizations all contribute to the provision of affordable housing, community development, and support services in Perris.

Outside agencies implemented approximately 70% of the CDBG projects and programs comprising 2021-2022.

Impact On Identified Needs

Overall, the largest impact on the identified housing and community development needs has been the level of funding compared to number of households in need of assistance. The City continues to fund those projects and activities that address the highest and greatest need within the community. Nonetheless, the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan and the activities undertaken in 2021-2022 were able to have an impact on identified needs. CDBG-CV funds provided through the CARES Act provided rental/mortgage assistance, utility

assistance payments, and homeless services during the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic to low-income households financially affected by the pandemic.

### Barriers To Fulfilling Strategies

The CDBG Program was affected by the coronavirus COVID-19 health pandemic and proved to be a barrier by causing delays or in fulfillment of some of the strategies identified in the FY 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan.

Apart from the pandemic, the greatest barrier to fulfilling strategies is the lack of available public and private financial resources. Needs identified in the Consolidated Plan include, but are not limited to: additional public services, infrastructure and facility improvements, affordable housing, senior housing, and transitional housing.

While CDBG funds have had a significant impact on meeting community development and housing needs, the demand for services is enormous. The City continues to fund those projects and activities that address the highest and greatest needs as indicated by resident input, community leaders and consultation with community stakeholders. Further, CDBG-CV funds provided through the CARES Act provided rental/mortgage assistance, utility assistance payments, and homeless services during the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic to low-income households financially affected by the pandemic.

As FY 2021-2022 was the City's second year of program implementation under the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan; overall, major goals are on target.

### **Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?**

No – The City does not have any Brownfields.

### **[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.**

N/A- not applicable.



**CR-58 - Section 3**

Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance **provided**

<b>Total Labor Hours</b>	<b>CDBG</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>ESG</b>	<b>HOPWA</b>	<b>HTF</b>
Total Number of Activities	1	a	a	a	a
Total Labor Hours	0				
Total Section 3 Worker Hours	0				
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours	0				

**Table 8 -Total Labor Hours**

<b>Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program</b>	<b>CDBG</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>ESG</b>	<b>HOPWA</b>	<b>HTF</b>
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing Targeted Workers	a	a	a	a	a
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding Targeted Workers.	a	a	a	0	0
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).	0	0	a	0	0
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.	0	0	a	0	0
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).	0	0	0	0	0
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.	a	a	0	a	a
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.	a	a	a	a	a
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.	a	a	a	a	a
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment including: drafting resumes, preparing for interviews, finding job opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.	a	a	a	a	a
Held one or more job fairs.	0	0	a	0	0
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.	0	0	a	0	0
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.	0	0	a	0	0
Assisted residents with finding child care.	0	a	0	0	0
<b>Assisted</b> residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.	0	a	0	a	0
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.	a	a	a	0	0
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.	a	a	a	a	0
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.	a	a	a	a	a
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online technologies.	a	a	a	a	a
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.	a	a	a	0	0
Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.	0	a	a	0	a
Other.	0	0	a	0	0

**Table 9 -Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program**

## **Narrative**

During FY 2021-2022 there were no completed construction projects , therefore, it is stillundetermined how many labor hours were completed by Section 3 workers and targeted Section 3 workers. Technical assistance during pre-bid meetings was conducted to ensure contractors understood the benchmark requirements and what must be submitted for compliance.