



Interoffice Memorandum

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SUBJECT: March 7, 2023 – Consent Item
HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Amending the
2021-2022 One-Year Action Plan

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law to provide relief funding to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. To address the need for homelessness assistance and supportive services, a portion of ARP funds was appropriated to be administered through HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. On September 13, 2021, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published a notice (Notice CPD-21-10) to outline requirements for the use of funds in the HOME-ARP Program, as well as a process for allocating funds to eligible activities.

Orange County executed the HOME-ARP Grant Agreement on October 26, 2021 to access five percent of the total allocation for planning and administration activities. To access the remainder of funds, Orange County has developed the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that identifies activities Orange County intends to pursue with HOME-ARP dollars. Orange County solicited input from agencies and service providers whose clientele include the HOME-ARP qualified populations.

Qualifying populations for HOME-ARP are those defined as: homeless; at-risk of homelessness; fleeing/attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; and other populations where assistance would either prevent the individual or family's homelessness, or serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability, such as extremely low-income households that are severely rent-burdened. Families that include a veteran family member who meets one of these qualifying population criteria are also eligible to receive HOME-ARP assistance.

Orange County is receiving HOME-ARP dollars to be expended on eligible activities. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan outlines the following proposed uses of funding on eligible activities that include Supportive Services (\$1M), Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (\$5M); and Development of Affordable Rental Housing (\$3M). The HOME ARP Allocation Plan Budget is as follows:

**HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Budget
Amending the 2021-2022 One-Year Action Plan**

Supportive Services	\$ 1,000,000
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 5,000,000
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 3,000,000
Administration and Planning	<u>\$ 1,554,916</u>
Total HOME-ARP Budget	\$10,554,916

The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan certifications must be submitted to HUD as an Amendment to the 2021-2022 One-Year Action Plan for housing and community development programs. The Amendment to the 2021-2022 One-Year Action Plan incorporates supplemental funding in the amount of \$10,554,916. Adoption of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan by the March 31, 2023 deadline is required to receive the remainder of HOME-ARP funds allocated to Orange County. The budget period for the HOME-ARP funds ends September 30, 2030.

Public participation for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was solicited during the public comment period from December 12 to December 30, 2022. A public notice was published in La Prensa and the Orlando Sentinel on December 8 and December 11, 2022, respectively, announcing availability of the draft document for public comment. Public participation and consultation was solicited during the Community Development Advisory Board meeting held December 14, 2022. All comments received during the public comment period have been included in the final document.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Amending the 2021-2022 One-Year Action Plan and approval and execution of: 1) HOME-ARP Certifications; 2) Application for Federal Assistance SF-424; 3) Assurances – Non-Construction Programs; and 4) Assurances-Construction Programs. All Districts.

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Attachments

HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

AMENDING THE 2021-2022 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN



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INTRODUCTION

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11, 2021, and it provides federal funding to relieve the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses. Within the ARP, Congress appropriated \$5 billion specifically to address the need for homelessness assistance and supportive services.

This allocation of ARP funds, known as the HOME-ARP, will be administered through HUD's existing HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. HOME-ARP funds are committed to four eligible activities focused primarily on benefitting individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations. The four eligible HOME-ARP activities are: (1) development and support of affordable housing; (2) tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA); (3) provision of supportive services; and (4) acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units. HUD defines specific populations qualified to receive assistance funded by HOME-ARP (referred to as "Qualifying Populations" in this plan) as:

- Homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302(a));
- At-risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1));
- Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as defined by HUD (24 CFR 5.2003) and by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102);
- In other populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability; and
- Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet one of the preceding criteria.

Orange County received an allocation of \$10,554,916 in HOME-ARP funds and has concluded consultations and public participation processes that are essential in developing this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. Information and data from public meetings, focus groups, interviews of community-based organizations/agencies, and public surveys have been put together to create the proposed activities to address the unmet needs found to be present throughout the County. Orange County has developed the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to illustrate how HOME-ARP funds will be distributed locally, including how the funds will be utilized to address the needs of the qualifying populations. In particular, assistance is crucial for lower income residents who continue to struggle due to the pandemic, and unhoused or transitioning residents needing affordable housing. These unmet needs are listed on pages 20 through 22 for reference.

In accordance with federal regulations and the guidance contained in Community Planning and Development Notice CPD-21-10, the plan will be submitted to HUD as a substantial amendment to the County's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan. HOME-ARP funds must be expended by September 30, 2030.

CONSULTATION

Before developing this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the County consulted with a variety of agencies and service providers whose clientele include the HOME-ARP qualifying populations to identify unmet needs and gaps in housing or service delivery systems. Input from these providers was also used to determine the HOME-ARP eligible activities currently taking place within the County's jurisdiction and potential collaborations for administering the HOME-ARP Program.

At a minimum, the County is required by HUD guidance to consult with the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida (as the local Continuum of Care) and other agencies specializing in services supporting HOME-ARP qualifying populations. The County consulted with the following agencies:

- homeless and domestic violence service providers
- veterans' groups
- Orlando Housing Authority
- Winter Park Housing Authority
- the County's own Housing and Community Development Division (in its capacity as the County's public housing authority)
- public agencies that address the needs of the qualifying populations, and
- public or private organizations that address fair housing, civil rights, and the needs of persons with disabilities

These consultations are summarized in the table that follows.

Describe the consultation process including methods used and dates of consultation:

Orange County began its consultation process in November 2022 by identifying organizations and points of contact representing each of the required areas of consultation. Each of these contacts were sent an invitation to participate in a virtual focus group, an online questionnaire, or a phone interview. Nearly all stakeholders contacted opted to join a focus group; however, in some cases, other staff from participating organizations also took part in a phone interview or completed a questionnaire. In each of these settings, participants were asked detailed questions specifically targeted to the types of input required for the HOME-ARP plan. A total of 26 stakeholders joined focus groups, and four questionnaires were returned. These responses, combined with the input received from the public and community partners during the additional outreach process that took place in January-February of 2023, formed the basis for determining the County's proposed HOME-ARP activities, uses of funds, and the composition of a first draft of the HOME-ARP plan.

List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Ability Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permanent Supportive Housing provider focusing on expanding affordable housing for veterans, people with disabilities, older adults, at-risk for homelessness and homeless individuals/families 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality multi-family rental housing targeted to low-income households and those at risk of homelessness is a great need. Community housing for people with disabilities who have experienced homelessness has been helpful to keep this population stably housed. Supportive services are needed to help residents overcome employment barriers and build financial management skills.
Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legal Service provider assisting low-income renters and homeowners with Landlord & Tenant disputes, foreclosures, subsidized housing, fair housing, civil rights, etc. 	Focus Group and Phone Interview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number one issue is housing affordability. In predominately minority neighborhoods, for people who are already financially vulnerable and struggling or on fixed incomes, rising housing costs and rents are having a disparate impact. Affordable and accessible housing is also a big issue in the County. Florida has a large population of seniors with age-related disabilities.
Harbor House of Central Florida	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domestic Violence and Homeless Service provider that strives to eliminate domestic abuse by providing critical life-saving services to survivors, and outreach education to communities at large 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supportive services and physically safe bridge housing options for survivors of domestic violence are needed in Orange County. The DV population needs to have resources that create financial support and help people advance their career and become financially independent. Supportive services for children are also needed.
Homeless Services Network of Central Florida	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuum of Care (CoC) lead agency performing coordination, planning, administrative functions for CFCH/CoC partners along with providing Veteran Administration Supportive Services. 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterans have a full course of options from homeless prevention, emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, permanent housing for chronically homeless, and shallow subsidies to assist those in poverty. A top need would be hotel conversions into extremely low- and low-income housing units. Supportive service needs include community connections, access to disability income, and up-skilling.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Orange County, Citizens Resource & Outreach Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless Service Provider • Veterans Services 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning how to find and take advantage of services and benefit programs is important. • Greater education on various forms of discrimination is needed so that people can more easily recognize when they are being discriminated against.
Orange County, Housing and Community Development Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Housing Authority • Public Agency Addressing the Needs of Qualifying Populations 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of the County's current voucher program may be a good use of HOME-ARP funds because the County already has the operational structure for the program in place, and the demand for vouchers is high. • Small-scale bridge housing options could also be helpful to provide greater options to people exiting shelters or assistance programs, and for whom affordability of market rate housing will be an extreme challenge.
Orange County, Mental Health and Homelessness Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Agency Addressing the Needs of Qualifying Populations • Services for People with Disabilities 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The agency has observed a tremendous increase in homeless families with children due to rent increases. • Housing discrimination is a major problem among people with disabilities. • Vulnerable households need education and information in order to take advantage of available housing programs - many are too consumed with managing day-to-day struggles to seek opportunities.
City of Orlando, Office of the Mayor (Community Trust and Equity Initiative)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Agency committed to curbing systemic inequalities through affordable housing, job training, education, and economic development, expanded youth mentorship programs, and improved police policies. 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some residents have issues with LGBTQ discrimination and being asked too many invasive questions in the process of viewing a property or during conversations for rental.

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
Orlando Housing Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Housing Authority 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a need for more production of affordable rental housing. Make existing housing more affordable while we work on increasing the affordable housing supply. Incomes need to increase with rents; Orange County/Orlando is a desirable place to live, yet there is a lack of jobs that pay wages to afford housing. There is a need for more housing for persons with disabilities, ADA accommodations, and handicap accessible units (i.e., lower cabinets, wide doors, turn radius). Homeowners have lost homes and belongings due to hurricanes Ian and Nicole, and we do not have units to offer those impacted.
The Salvation Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homeless Service Provider 	Focus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bridge housing is needed across the region to assist all populations. When there is no inventory available for people transitioning from homelessness to job and housing security, they end up right back in the same emergency shelter programs. The outcomes cannot be successful if there is nowhere for them to transition to. Low-income affordable housing is the main need; supportive services are a significant need, as is non-congregate shelter.

Summarize feedback received and results of upfront consultation with these entities:

Stakeholders consulted during the HOME-ARP planning process articulated a clear need for increased affordable rental housing options targeted to low- and very low-income households. In combination with bridge housing to provide housing options to households exiting shelters or more intensive homelessness and/or domestic violence assistance programs, an expansion of the County’s housing inventory within this segment is a high priority need. While a variety of existing funding sources and programs are targeted to veterans experiencing homelessness, no other subpopulation has as comprehensive a set of housing and service options available to them. Additional tenant-based vouchers can help fill this need to a degree by subsidizing units in the market-rate inventory and making them affordable to low-income households. The

County's existing voucher programs indicate that staff has the knowledge and infrastructure needed to manage additional vouchers created with HOME-ARP funding.

In addition to the needs for expanded housing inventory and subsidies, stakeholders consulted also frequently described supportive service needs. Ranging from assistance for survivors of domestic violence in attaining financial independence to programs that help increase employment skills and connect residents with information and education about the available services offered, some form of supportive services will be necessary to ensure the success of other HOME-ARP funded housing programs. Stakeholders described the intensive needs and vulnerability of HOME-ARP qualifying populations, which often are heightened due to age, disability, or personal safety concerns, and acknowledged that case management investments may be substantial.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Participating Jurisdictions (PJ) must provide for and encourage citizen participation in the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. Before submission of the plan, PJs must provide residents with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed HOME-ARP Allocation Plan that is no less than 15 calendar days. The PJ must follow its adopted requirements for “reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment” for plan amendments in its current citizen participation plan. In addition, PJs must hold at least one public hearing during the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and prior to submission.

For the purposes of HOME-ARP, PJs are required to make the following information available to the public: a) the amount of HOME-ARP the PJ will receive, and b) the range of activities the PJ may undertake.

Describe the public participation process, including information about and the dates of the public comment period and public hearing(s) held during the development of the plan:

Date of public notice:

December 8, 2022 (La Prensa – Spanish)

December 11, 2022 (Orlando Sentinel – English)

Public comment period:

Start date – December 12, 2022

End date – December 30, 2022

Public hearing:

December 14, 2022

Describe the public participation process:

The County conducted a survey from May to July 2022 for members of the public to register their opinions and input on a variety of housing and community development topics, including homelessness and the use of HOME-ARP funding. Regarding homelessness in general, the highest needs identified by the survey respondents were homeless prevention, permanent housing, and transitional/supportive housing programs. Outreach to homeless persons and access to homeless shelters received the lowest *relative* prioritization among the homelessness needs, however, each of these was marked a high rather than low priority by a factor of more than 6 to 1.

A separate HOME-ARP questionnaire was developed and circulated within the community from November 2022 to February 2023 to collect more targeted community responses, specifically around the County’s use of HOME-ARP funding. The questionnaire was available online and in hard copy, and in English as well as Spanish. The County received 40 responses to the questionnaire, including 22 responses to the Spanish version. Permanent housing, transitional/supportive housing programs, and homeless prevention programs were the most highly rated needs; however, these were followed closely by the other response options. Asked to rank the various eligible HOME-ARP activities in order of need, questionnaire respondents

ranked purchase/construction of affordable rental housing and emergency shelter units most highly, respectively.

The draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was made available for public review and comment for a 19-day period beginning December 12 until December 30, 2022, via the Orange County's Housing and Community Development Division webpage: <http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>. The draft plan was also made available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division (525 E. South Street, Orlando, FL 32801), and at the Orlando Public Library main branch (Community Relations Department, 3rd Floor, 101 E. Central Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32801).

Additionally, a public hearing is required by the County's Citizen Participation Plan and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Regulations to receive public input prior to the plan being submitted for approval by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The public hearing was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Largo Training Room located on the 1st Floor of the Orange County Internal Operations Centre I (450 E. South St, Orlando, Florida 32801). Representatives from the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division and the Community Development Advisory Board conducted the public hearing. Prior to opening the hearing, Orange County staff made a presentation regarding the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, including the amount of HOME-ARP funding allocated to the County, the range of eligible activities, and the County's proposed allocation of HOME-ARP funding among those eligible activities. No public comments were received during the public hearing on the draft plan.

Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

In preparing this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the County conducted public outreach to gather input from residents, the Continuum of Care, housing authorities, non-profit agencies, local service providers, County staff, other government agencies, and others. To involve members of the public in the plan, the County conducted a community survey (available in English and Spanish, online and in hard copy). Hard copies of the survey were distributed by County staff at in-person neighborhood meetings and were made available at the Orange County Library in Downtown Orlando. The link to the web-based version of the survey was advertised through press releases and social media posts. The County's Communications Division assisted with the distribution and posting of these materials, sending the press release to over 250 contacts, which included local TV and radio stations, community newspapers, Hispanic media, and ethnic newspapers and publications. The survey was available from May to July 2022, and portions relevant to the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan received 81 responses. A separate HOME-ARP questionnaire was developed and circulated within the community from November 2022 to February 2023 to collect more targeted community responses specifically around the County's use of HOME-ARP funding. The questionnaire was available online and in hard copy, and in English as well as Spanish. The County received 40 responses to the questionnaire, including 22 responses to the Spanish version.

In addition to the survey and questionnaire, the County encouraged participation by the public through advertising the 19-day public review and comment period running from December 12 to December 30, 2022, as well as the public hearing scheduled for December 14, 2022. Advertisement for the comment period and hearing was published via a public notice in *La*

Prensa (Spanish) and *Orlando Sentinel* (English) on December 8 and December 11, 2022, respectively. The public notice included instructions and contact information for people needing various types of accommodation in order to participate in the comment period and hearing. This included instructions for those persons requesting accommodations due to a disability, or those needing information in Spanish or Creole in order to participate.

Summarize the comments and recommendations received through the public participation process either in writing, or orally at a public hearing:

Before developing this HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the County consulted widely with a variety of agencies and service providers whose clientele include the HOME-ARP qualifying populations. Consultations were achieved primarily through focus groups and surveys. The comments and recommendations received through these processes are summarized in the preceding "Consultation" section of this plan.

In addition, the County conducted a second round of public participation through in-person and virtual outreach efforts. These included a community meeting in District 6 of Orange County, Florida and extended outreach to local agencies that primarily serve domestic violence survivors, individuals with limited English proficiency, elderly, and persons with disabilities. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan questionnaire was re-sent to all these groups and agencies to receive feedback on the plan from the most impacted communities. As a result, a total of 40 responses to the County's HOME-ARP questionnaire were received (to include 22 responses in Spanish).

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why:

Not applicable. All comments and recommendations received were accepted and considered by the County in preparing this plan.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND GAPS ANALYSIS

This needs assessment and gaps analysis evaluates the size and demographic composition of all four of the HOME-ARP qualifying populations within Orange County and assesses the unmet needs of those populations. This analysis includes both gaps in the current supply of housing and shelter units as well as gaps within the services offered by the local network of homeless assistance organizations. A variety of data sources inform this analysis, including the County's recent 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, the CoC's Point in Time (PIT) and housing inventory counts, and consultations with service providers.

Homeless Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Homeless													
	Current Inventory					Homeless Population				Gap Analysis			
	Family		Adults Only		Vets	Family HH (at least 1 child)	Adult HH (w/o child)	Vets	Victims of DV	Family		Adults Only	
	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds					# of Beds	# of Units	# of Beds	# of Units
Emergency Shelter	612	210	549	-	10								
Transitional Housing	309	91	249	-	42								
Permanent Supportive Housing	98	29	1,372	-	713								
Other Permanent Housing	0	0	0	0	0								
Sheltered Homeless						650	657	--	--				
Unsheltered Homeless						0	224	--	--				
Current Gap										-188 emergency and transitional housing beds			

Data Sources: 1. 2022 Point in Time Count (PIT); 2. Continuum of Care 2022 Housing Inventory Count (HIC); 3. Consultation

Note: Data is for Orange County including the City of Orlando. The Continuum of Care's data from the Point-in-Time Count does not contain breakdowns by other permanent housing, veterans, or victims of domestic violence.

Housing Needs Inventory and Gap Analysis Table

Non-Homeless			
	Current Inventory	Level of Need	Gap Analysis
	# of Units	# of Households	# of Households
Total Rental Units	129,589		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 30% AMI (At-Risk of Homelessness)	2,311		
Rental Units Affordable to HH at 50% AMI (Other Populations)	8,017		
0%-30% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (At-Risk of Homelessness)		17,160	
30%-50% AMI Renter HH w/ 1 or more severe housing problems (Other Populations)		14,414	
Current Gap			31,574

Data Sources: 1. American Community Survey (ACS); 2. Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) Tables 2 & 8

Describe the size and demographic composition of qualifying populations within the PJ's boundaries:

Residents Experiencing Homelessness (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5)

The 2022 PIT count for the Orlando/Orange, Osceola, Seminole Counties CoC noted a total of 2,151 people experiencing homelessness, including 1,725 sheltered (80.2%) and 426 unsheltered (19.8%) people. Of the sheltered individuals, 1,233 were in emergency shelter (71.5%), and the remaining 492 were in transitional housing (28.5%). Of the 505 individuals counted under the age of 25, 12 were unsheltered (2.4%).

Within Orange County, the PIT count noted 1,531 people, or 1,075 households, experiencing homelessness. Of those, 650 people were in households with both adults and children (203 households, all of whom were sheltered in emergency or transitional housing). Of the 881 people in households with only adults (872 households), 224 were unsheltered, and 657 were sheltered in emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Residents At Risk of Homelessness (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5)

Overall, the most common housing problem in Orange County is cost burdens, regardless of tenure type. Over two-thirds (69%) of all households with incomes under 80% HAMFI in the County experience cost burdens. Severe cost burdens affect 19,415 owners and 32,086 renters in total comprising approximately 52% of all cost burdened households in Orange County. For the lowest income households (those with incomes under 30% HAMFI), severe cost burdens are most common, impacting nearly two-thirds (65%) of all households at that income level.

While the primary housing issues facing low- and moderate-income residents are related to affordability, there are other housing needs in the County. Approximately 3% of all households' experience overcrowding, and 2% of all households have no income. Less than 1% of all households reside in substandard housing or lack complete plumbing and kitchen facilities. Although these percentages are significantly smaller in comparison to households with cost burdens, the total number of households experiencing problems other than cost burdens amounts to 15,122, or about 5% of all households in the Orange County.

Survivors of Domestic Violence

In 2020, 106,515 crimes of domestic violence were reported to Florida law enforcement agencies resulting in 63,217 arrests. Applying these figures to the Orange County population (outside of the City of Orlando), about 5,550 people in Orange County reported domestic violence in 2020. In FY 2021-2022, Harbor House of Central Florida reported that there were 43,800 emergency shelter bed nights available for survivors of domestic violence.

The Centers for Disease Control estimates that about 6.2% of women and 5.1% of men in Florida have experienced some type of contact sexual violence, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner in the past 12 months, according to the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey State Report released in 2017. Applying these figures to the Orange County population (outside of the City of Orlando), about 69,585 women and 57,329 men in Orange County have experienced some type of intimate partner violence in the past 12 months.

Other Populations at Risk of Housing Instability:

Elderly and Frail Elderly

According to 2016-2020 American Community Survey estimates, about 12.4% of Orange County's population (outside of the City of Orlando) is elderly (aged 65 and over), and about 4.9% of the population is considered frail elderly (aged 75 and over). About 35.4% of individuals aged 65 and over have one or more disabilities (from ACS tables S0101 and S1810).

Numbers from the Shimberg Center's 2022 Rental Market Study indicate that approximately 9% of the broader Brevard, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Region is comprised of low-income, cost burdened renters aged 75 and over.

People with Disabilities

In Orange County, an estimated 152,126 people have a disability, representing 11.2% of the population, according to 2016-2020 American Community Survey estimates. Looking at data specifically for Orange County (outside of the City of Orlando), the disability rate is somewhat higher, 11.7%. People aged 18-64 years make up the largest share of the disabled population, representing over half (52.9%) of the population with disabilities and 6.1% of the total population in Orange County. By contrast, seniors (65+) make up 37.4% of the disabled population and 4.3% of the total population. Most common are ambulatory and cognitive difficulties, which impact 5.5% and 4.7% of the population, respectively. Hearing, vision, independent living, and self-care difficulties are less common, impacting about 2-4% of the population.

The Shimberg Center's 2022 Rental Market Study found that in the state of Florida, there are an estimated 90,241 cost burdened renter households that receive disability-related assistance.

People with HIV/AIDS and their Families

According to AIDSvu, an interactive mapping tool from Emory University's Rollins School of Public Health, an estimated 757 out of every 100,000 people in Orange County were living with HIV as of 2019. Further, 40 out of every 100,000 people living in the County were newly diagnosed with HIV in 2019.

Persons with Substance Use Issues

The Central Florida region that includes Orange and Osceola counties had an estimated 4.2% rate of alcohol use disorder in the past year for individuals age 12 and older, according to 2016-2018 data from the U.S. Substance Abuse & Mental Health Data Archive (SAMHDA). In the past year, 2.0% of the region's population is estimated to have used cocaine and 0.3% to have used heroin, per the 2016-2018 data.

Identify and consider the current resources available to assist qualifying populations, including congregate and non-congregate shelter units, supportive services, TBRA, and affordable and permanent supportive rental housing:

Orange County, excluding the City of Orlando, offers 171 public housing units located in the City of Winter Park and 205 public housing units offered by the Orlando Housing Authority. The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division also offers 1,263 Section 8 housing choice vouchers in the County. When the City of Orlando is included in these counts, Orange County offers a total of more than 4,000 housing choice vouchers. The Orlando Housing Authority offers 2,481 of these vouchers, which may be located both within the City of Orlando or in other locations in Orange County.

Orange County also offers short-term COVID-19 related Emergency Rental Assistance, having recently opened a second phase of the successful program (ERA2) in October 2022. Rental assistance under this program is intended for residents who already have housing and are behind on rent. It also excludes residents of the City of Orlando as the city received separate emergency COVID-19 relief funding. While this assistance is vital to lower income residents who are struggling due to the pandemic, it is ineffective in helping unhoused or transitioning residents to acquire affordable housing.

The HUD LIHTC database indicates that there are 127 LIHTC developments in Orange County containing a total of 25,594 units. Of these units, 22,614 are dedicated low-income units. The vast majority of these developments exist within the City of Orlando; there are only 12 developments with a total of 2,194 units that exist within Orange County but outside of Orlando city limits. As of 2018, CHAS data showed that there were 32,430 rental households in Orange County with incomes below 30% HAMFI, and another 32,145 rental households with incomes below 50% HAMFI. This indicates that rental households needing affordable or subsidized housing far outnumber the number of units available through such programs.

Orange County Government invests significant general revenue dollars into programs and housing units, greatly enhancing the resources available to assist HOME-ARP qualifying populations.¹

- The County used \$70,000 in general revenue funds for nine (9) units of bridge housing located on the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida campus.
- Orange County also provided \$547,740 in funding to Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. for 40 units of permanent supportive at the Maxwell Terrace complex, \$865,000 in funding to Aspire Health Partners for 30 units of transitional housing, and \$2.08M in funding to Homeless Services Network of Central Florida to annually offer permanent supportive housing for 274 households.
- In addition to funding bridge housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing units, the County allocates \$1.55M in general revenue funds annually for rapid re-housing of 127 homeless families (implemented by Homeless Services Network of Central Florida), and \$872,000 for the Diversion Program implemented by the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida.
- The County also contributes \$150,000 to cover annual operational expenses at the Samaritan Resource Center, a daily drop-in center for homeless individuals located in East Orange County.
- The County awards SHIP dollars to the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida for a rapid re-housing program, which is currently in its third year.

While most private and nonprofit sector facilities that serve homeless persons are located in the City of Orlando, they include the wider CoC jurisdiction as their service area and are able to serve residents of unincorporated Orange County. There are also several agencies that serve persons who are homeless in Orange County outside of the Orlando city limits. They include:²

- Aspire Health Partners provides 84 transitional housing beds.
- Catholic Charities of Central Florida provides 34 rapid re-housing beds for families with children.
- Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida provides 77 rapid re-housing beds for individual adults and families with children.
- Family Promise of Greater Orlando (Orange County) provides 34 emergency shelter beds.
- Grand Avenue Economic Community Development Corp. provides 75 permanent supportive housing beds for chronically homeless adults.
- Harbor House of Central Florida provides 120 emergency shelter beds for individual adults and families with children who are victims of domestic violence.

¹ Program and funding information provided by Orange County Housing and Community Development Division and Orange County Mental Health and Homelessness Division, 2022.

² Continuum of Care 2022 Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

- Homeless Services Network of Central Florida provides one emergency shelter bed through its isolation and recovery center.
- LifeStream Behavioral Health Center provides 50 transitional housing beds for families with children.
- Orange County Government provides 63 emergency shelter beds for individual adults through its Shelter Plus Care program.
- Samaritan Resource Center provides eight rapid re-housing beds for individual adults (Note: vouchers funded through Department of Children and Families ESG-CV program; funding ended in 2022).
- Wayne Densch Center provides 22 permanent supportive housing beds for individual adults at risk of homelessness who are severely mentally ill, have an alcohol or drug addiction, or are dually diagnosed.

Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

Residents Experiencing Homelessness (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5)

Data from the PIT count indicates a high level of need for housing and services for people experiencing homelessness in the region. Community input received during the development of this Plan also supports the need for resources for people experiencing homelessness in Orange County. Focus group participants noted several priority homeless needs in Orange County, including:

- Rental housing targeted for deep affordability (to low- and very low-income households)
- Bridge housing and transitional housing options
- Community housing for people with disabilities
- Safe and supportive housing for survivors of domestic violence
- Job training and connections to jobs
- Addressing barriers to employment, including transportation and childcare
- Financial literacy programs
- Additional rental housing vouchers
- Mental health services
- Healthcare services
- Addressing root causes of homelessness
- Substance abuse programs
- Single-room occupancy housing

Residents At Risk of Homelessness (as defined in 24 CFR 91.5)

Residents at-risk of homelessness typically live at or below the federal poverty level. High housing costs make it difficult for these populations to afford housing. Low incomes force many residents to live in congregate care, have roommates, or live with family. HUD's fair market rent documentation for FY 2022 estimates fair market rent for a two-bedroom unit in Orange County at \$1,422 per month, and for a three-bedroom unit at \$1,827 per month. Units for larger families come at an even higher cost. HUD's 2022 fair market for a four-bedroom unit is \$2,211; a household would need an income of nearly \$90,000 (or a wage of over \$42 per hour for a single-earner household) to afford such a rent without experiencing cost burden. Affordable large units for families of five or more are necessary to help large families avoid cost burden.

There is a need to increase the availability of affordable housing for very low-income, at-risk populations. This could include options such as smaller housing units; multifamily missing middle housing, including duplexes, triplexes, quadraplexes, and other small multifamily units; accessory dwelling units; cohousing with shared services; and other housing types that support increased levels of affordability.

Outreach to at-risk populations to ensure they are aware of available services is another need. Clarity in marketing and in public buildings about what services are available is important in supporting awareness of available services among vulnerable populations. Outreach also includes the development of relationships and trust so that people feel comfortable seeking out needed services.

Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice

Survivors of domestic violence (including those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking) frequently face unique challenges related to housing and services. Stakeholders consulted as part of the development of this plan suggested that the need for physical safety in housing is more pronounced than with other qualifying populations. Additionally, supportive services to help survivors establish a base of financial support (through education, financial management, and/or career support) are important needs. Counseling and supportive services, particularly for children impacted by domestic violence, is another need.

Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability as defined by HUD in the Notice

Housing may be inaccessible to populations with special needs or requiring special services for a variety of reasons. Persons with disabilities may find that their housing options are not ADA compliant or are outside the service range for public transportation. People living with HIV/AIDS, immigrants and refugees, people with criminal histories, and other populations with special needs are often discriminated against in housing application processes. People living with HIV/AIDS have a particular need for low-barrier housing that is free from requirements surrounding drug testing, sobriety, criminal background, and medical appointments. For these reasons, it is important to ensure that accessible, low-barrier housing is available, and to take actions to reduce discrimination, such as providing fair housing services.

The elderly, people with disabilities, and others who may not have access to vehicles, often need housing that is accessible to transportation, recreation, and employment. These populations require housing options that are integrated into the community to provide access to needed services and to reduce social isolation. Like other populations with special needs, people living with HIV/AIDS also would benefit from housing that provides easy access to health services, resources, and employment.

Housing that is safe and clean is another requirement for people with special needs. Units that are not clean or have other unhealthy conditions can worsen health issues for people who are already vulnerable.

Combating stigmas is an important concern for people with special needs. For adults with criminal histories and people living with HIV/AIDS, discrimination may make accessing adequate housing difficult. Further, a lack of understanding regarding the transmission of HIV may cause people to lose housing or employment, thus increasing risk of homelessness.

Additional housing and service needs for these populations include:

Transportation

Access to transportation is an important concern for people with special needs, yet gaps within the public transportation network result in uneven access to transit service across Orange County neighborhoods, particularly impacting low-income populations, persons with disabilities, and elderly populations. People with disabilities, the elderly, and others who may not have access to vehicles often seek housing close to transportation services to access employment, health services, and recreation opportunities. Persons with HIV/AIDS may look for housing nearby transportation services to access health services and other resources. If transit is not within walking distance, special needs populations require accessible, reliable transportation services to provide access to everyday needs. Stakeholders noted a need for improved transit reliability and better facilities at transit stops (i.e., benches or bus shelters). Some participants also identified transportation assistance as a key requirements for seniors in Orange County.

Specialized Housing and Services

Specialized housing addresses needs of specific populations. People with physical, intellectual, or developmental disabilities; people living with HIV/AIDS; and people with alcohol or drug addiction have specific housing needs that may be addressed through housing with wraparound services, such as case management, life skills programming, and health services. The Housing First model emphasizes that supportive services should not be required for people to access housing. Case management was identified by stakeholders as an essential component of programs related to reducing or preventing homelessness for many subpopulations.

Workforce Development and Employment Services

Special needs populations may also require workforce development and employment services. These programs may include employment navigation, job training, education, transportation services, and case management focused on employment, among others.

Physical and Mental Healthcare Access

Access to healthcare is frequently a necessity for special needs populations, as they are more likely to experience barriers such as economic disadvantage; medical issues and disability; language and literacy; age; and cultural, geographic, or social isolation. To increase access to healthcare, it is important for local governments and stakeholders to take steps to define, locate, and reach at-risk populations.

Identify any gaps within the current shelter and housing inventory as well as the service delivery system:

The centralized, professionally managed Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), data-driven Coordinated Entry System, and the Housing First approach implemented by the Central Florida region's Continuum of Care and assisted by Orange County ESG funding have resulted in an extremely effective and well-coordinated effort to end homelessness. With the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida serving as the Continuum of Care's lead agency, Central Florida has attracted significant federal, state, and local funding to support its regional plan to end homelessness. By shifting focus from an earlier "housing-readiness" model to a data-driven, best-practice "housing first" model, the CoC offers interventions that provide housing as the first step in ending homelessness, supported by wrap-around services to help vulnerable residents retain housing.

While this institutional delivery system is generally strong, there are also gaps and opportunities for improvement. In 2017, the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida conducted a review of the gaps, opportunities, and challenges facing the Central Florida Continuum of Care.³ After considering each of the various stages a homeless person or household passes through between becoming homeless and returning to stable housing, the Continuum distilled its three highest priority expansion needs in order to better meet gaps in services. The three highest priority needs, as described in the HSN document, are listed below:⁴

- **Permanent Supportive Housing for Non-Chronic Families:** Current resources are limited to providing Permanent Supportive Housing to households that have been homeless for at least a year. Given the vulnerability that children experience during homeless episodes, the CoC has prioritized identifying resources that will provide permanent subsidy and wrap around services to families unable to stabilize with the time limited supports provided through the region's rapid re-housing projects.
- **Diversion:** Diversion projects have been successful in assisting families who need very limited financial and/or services supports to regain access to stable permanent housing. Diversion projects that target these families are able to cost-effectively redirect newly homeless households back into permanent housing while limiting their involvement in the homeless services system.
- **Extended Engagement:** Individuals who have mental health and/or cognitive impairments may be severely limited in their ability to engage any system of care or

³ Homeless Services Network of Central Florida. *Continuum of Care (CoC) Plan: Gaps, Opportunities and Challenges*, 2017.

⁴ Homeless Services Network of Central Florida. *Continuum of Care (CoC) Plan: Gaps, Opportunities and Challenges*, 2017.

support. Most, if not all, of these individuals are eligible for current resources that would provide housing subsidy and wrap around services, while others would qualify for higher levels of care including Adult Living Facilities. Intentional effort at creative forms of outreach is required to effectively engage these highly vulnerable neighbors.

Under Section IV.4.2.ii.G of the HOME-ARP Notice, a PJ may provide additional characteristics associated with instability and increased risk of homelessness in their HOME-ARP allocation plan. These characteristics will further refine the definition of “other populations” that are “At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability,” as established in the HOME-ARP Notice. If including these characteristics, identify them here:

To assess affordability and other types of housing needs, HUD defines four housing problems:

1. **Cost burden**: A household has a cost burden if its monthly housing costs (including mortgage payments, property taxes, insurance, and utilities for owners and rent and utilities for renters) exceed 30% of monthly income.
2. **Overcrowding**: A household is overcrowded if there is more than 1 person per room, not including kitchens and bathrooms.
3. **Lack of complete kitchen facilities**: A household lacks complete kitchen facilities if it lacks one or more of the following: cooking facilities, refrigerator, or a sink with piped water.
4. **Lack of complete plumbing facilities**: A household lacks complete plumbing facilities if it lacks one or more of the following: hot and cold piped water, a flush toilet, or a bathtub or shower.

HUD also defines four **severe** housing problems, including a severe cost burden (more than 50% of monthly household income is spent on housing costs), severe overcrowding (more than 1.5 people per room, not including kitchens or bathrooms), lack of complete kitchen facilities (as described above), and lack of complete plumbing facilities (as described above).

A total of 107,793 households, approximately one-third of all households in Orange County, experience one of the listed housing problems. For both renters and homeowners in Orange County, cost burden is the most common housing problem faced, affecting 69% of all households with incomes under 80% AMI. Data for households experiencing severe housing problems show nearly one-fifth of all households (60,661 households) experience one or more severe housing problems listed. The County’s lowest income households (those under 30% AMI) experience these severe housing problems most acutely, with 65% being severely cost burdened, that is, spending more than half their incomes on housing costs.

While the primary housing issue facing low- and moderate-income residents are related to affordability, there are other housing needs in the County. Approximately 3% of all households’ experience overcrowding, and 2% of all households have no income. Less than 1% of all households reside in substandard housing or lack complete plumbing and kitchen facilities. Although these percentages are significantly smaller in comparison to households with cost burdens, the total number of households experiencing problems other than cost burdens amounts to 15,122, or about 5% of all households in the Orange County.

Residents with special needs often live at or below the federal poverty level. High housing costs make it difficult for these populations to afford housing. Low incomes force many residents to live in congregate care, have roommates, or live with family. HUD’s fair market rent documentation for FY 2022 estimates fair market rent for a two-bedroom unit in Orange County at \$1,422 per month, and for a three-bedroom unit at \$1,827 per month.

There is a need to increase the availability of affordable housing for populations with special needs. This could include options such as smaller housing units; multifamily missing middle housing, including duplexes, triplexes, quadraplexes, and other small multifamily units; accessory dwelling units; cohousing with shared services; and other housing types that support increased levels of affordability.

Housing may be inaccessible to populations with special needs for a variety of reasons. Persons with disabilities may find that their housing options are not ADA compliant or are outside the service range for public transportation. People living with HIV/AIDS, immigrants and refugees, people with criminal histories, and other populations with special needs are often discriminated against in housing application processes. People living with HIV/AIDS have a particular need for low-barrier housing that is free from requirements surrounding drug testing, sobriety, criminal background, and medical appointments. For these reasons, there is a need to ensure that accessible, low-barrier housing is available and to take actions to reduce discrimination, such as providing fair housing services.

The elderly, people with disabilities, and others who may not have access to vehicles, often need housing that is accessible to transportation, recreation, and employment. These populations need housing options that are integrated into the community to provide access to needed services and to reduce social isolation. Like other populations with special needs, people living with HIV/AIDS also require housing that provides easy access to health services, resources, and employment.

Housing that is safe and clean is another need for people with special needs. Units that are not clean or have other unhealthy conditions can worsen health issues for people who are already vulnerable.

Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

Priority needs for qualifying populations include:

- Affordable housing;
- Emergency and transitional housing (non-congregate shelter) with wraparound services for people experiencing homelessness;
- Supportive services, including mental health services, employment services, housing navigation, case management, and other wrap-around services; and
- Homelessness prevention services, including rent and utility assistance.

Explain how the PJ determined the level of need and gaps in the PJ's shelter and housing inventory and service delivery systems based on the data presented in the plan:

The level of need and gaps in shelter and housing inventory were determined using the Homeless Needs Inventory and Housing Need Inventory tables, information in the County's 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, and consultation with housing and service providers.

Data from the 2022 Point-in-Time and Housing Inventory counts indicates that there were 1,531 people experiencing homelessness in Orange County and 1,719 emergency and transitional beds available, indicating a surplus of emergency shelter and transitional housing beds.

The Housing Needs Inventory indicates that 31,574 renter households with incomes of 50% AMI and below have severe housing problems, which may include lacking kitchen or complete plumbing, severe overcrowding, or severe cost burden.

The gaps in the service delivery system were determined through focus groups with housing and service providers, stakeholder interviews, and public meetings conducted during the HOME-ARP and 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan community engagement processes. Needs were also determined through the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida's review of the gaps, opportunities, and challenges facing the Central Florida Continuum of Care.

HOME-ARP ACTIVITIES

Describe the method for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subrecipients and/or contractors:

For uses of HOME-ARP funding that will rely on subrecipients or contractors for implementation (as is the case for affordable housing development and delivery of supportive services), Orange County will select partners using its established Request for Applications (RFA) and Request for Proposals (RFP) processes. Where possible, these RFA and RFP processes will be conducted in conjunction with the standing Annual Action Plan cycles where an RFA and/or RFP can be issued to solicit applications for HOME-ARP funding opportunities as well as other CDBG and HOME proposals at the same time. As required by federal regulations, a risk assessment is conducted as part of these selection processes to ensure project feasibility.

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly:

The County will administer its HOME-ARP funds directly, maintaining responsibility for project selection and compliance with all HOME-ARP guidelines.

Use of HOME-ARP Funding

Funding Category	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 1,000,000		
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 0		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 5,000,000		
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 3,000,000		
Non-Profit Operating	\$ 0	0%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 1,554,916	15%	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 10,554,916		

If any portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds were provided to a subrecipient or contractor prior to HUD's acceptance of the HOME-ARP allocation plan because the subrecipient or contractor is responsible for the administration of the PJ's entire HOME-ARP grant, identify the subrecipient or contractor and describe its role and responsibilities in administering all of the PJ's HOME-ARP program:

Not applicable. The County will not allocate funds to a subrecipient or contractor to administer the entire HOME-ARP allocation.

Describe how the PJ will distribute HOME-ARP funds in accordance with its priority needs identified in its needs assessment and gap analysis:

Having engaged members of the public, conducted consultations with the local Continuum of Care and other professional stakeholders knowledgeable of the County's needs related to HOME-ARP qualifying populations, and also analyzed data on housing and shelter gaps affecting these populations, the County proposes to allocate its HOME-ARP funding to the following activities:

1. **Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)** - The County's allocation of funds to TBRA will provide 60-70 vouchers to qualifying households over the course of the grant period (i.e., through 2030). The Division of Housing and Community Development operates its own Public Housing Agency (FL-093) within Orange County. This unique organizational structure provides an advantage for the rapid implementation of a TBRA Program. Housing vouchers offer a stable and feasible long-term strategy for persons experiencing homelessness or those at high risk of being homeless.
2. **Affordable Rental Housing** - Through local Housing Trust Fund (local general revenue) dollars, state SHIP funding, and other sources, the County has access to significant sources of leverage that will allow the County to efficiently create 75 new affordable rental units with a HOME-ARP investment of approximately \$40,000 per unit. Existing RFP and RFA systems will provide a means for the County to solicit development partners and execute on these opportunities once they are identified. The County's HOME-ARP allocation remains available into 2030, so pursuit of this strategy may wait for stabilization in the housing market and construction costs.
3. **Supportive Services** - The County has identified the need for supportive services through its focus group meetings with community partners and stakeholders. Approximately 600 households (100 households annually) will be served through HOME-ARP funded one-on-one housing counseling and placements, budget counseling and financial education, and potentially, career counseling. The County will use its Annual Action Plan RFA process, or a similar process if requesting applications for funding outside of an annual action plan timeframe, for soliciting applications for such services.

In addition to these three programmatic uses of HOME-ARP, the County will retain approximately 15% of its grant (\$1,554,916) to fund the costs and planning and administration of the HOME-ARP activities. The primary administrative expense is expected to be for the hiring of additional case managers to assist with the increase in TBRA vouchers offered.

Describe how the characteristics of the shelter and housing inventory, service delivery system, and the needs identified in the gap analysis provided a rationale for the plan to fund eligible activities:

The County plans to use the largest share of its HOME-ARP funding to expand the number of Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) vouchers. The general unaffordability of housing for low-income households, and the instability faced by households living with severe cost burdens can be significantly alleviated through the use of vouchers. Households receiving voucher assistance will be better able to access housing of their choice without spending more than they can afford. Despite the community's ongoing need for transitional housing or non-congregate shelter units, the County's unique position as a voucher administering agency allows it to make optimal use of additional TBRA vouchers using its existing administrative infrastructure and capacity. Additionally, development of non-congregate shelter under the HOME-ARP program is complicated by the fact that the operational and personnel costs associated with the management of non-congregate shelter units must be funded by other sources and funding for those types of expenses is scarce. The availability of additional housing, in addition to supportive services that can lead to economic self-sufficiency, is a more feasible approach to solving the housing needs of vulnerable populations in a timely manner. Funding for supportive services will improve long term housing stability for the duration of the assistance.

Orange County partnered with the regional Continuum of Care (CoC FL-507) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to provide non-congregate shelter to persons and households experiencing homelessness during the pandemic and those who were homeless and tested positive. During the community's COVID-19 response, the County and the region also experienced a significant reduction in the number of traditional congregate emergency shelter beds. In response, the community added additional non-congregate capacity and is still serving approximately fifty (50) households in a bridge housing program for families who are enrolled in rapid re-housing programs. This strategy also assisted the community in the deployment of the HUD Emergency Housing Voucher program.

Successes, however, are complicated by Central Florida's highly competitive housing market. The "time-to-housing" for participants of rapid re-housing programs now exceeds 200 days, and the cost of hotel leasing has increased significantly as the tourist industry rebounds. Orange County has also explored numerous opportunities for converting hotel/motels into permanent housing. The complex nature of the Central Florida housing market and tourist economy has made the feasibility of expanding non-congregate shelter and hotel conversions untenable. Orange County continues to evaluate opportunities and strategize in partnership with the Continuum of Care. Given the nature of this reality, the County, in consultation with the CoC, chose to utilize HOME-ARP funds to support the expansion of the TBRA program and development of new affordable units. Further addressing the high priority need for more affordable housing units in the County, the allocation of \$3,000,000 for development of new affordable rental units will add to the County's inventory of quality affordable rental options. For the 31,574 Orange County households with incomes under 50% AMI who live with severe housing problems, these new rental units will help address the housing quality and affordability issues.

Finally, it is important to note the degree to which consultation with local stakeholders suggested a need for supportive services in addition to the creation of new housing units and rental assistance vouchers. Not only will the County use a substantial portion of its administrative funds from the HOME-ARP grant to hire new case managers to assist voucher holders with the complex and interconnected support needs they frequently have, but the allocation of another

\$1,000,000 from the available funding for services such as housing counseling, budget counseling, financial education, and career counseling responds to a clear and well-documented need arising from local conversations with service providers.

HOME-ARP HOUSING PRODUCTION GOALS

Estimate the number of affordable rental housing units for qualifying populations that the PJ will produce or support with its HOME-ARP allocation:

Through its HOME-ARP investments, Orange County expects to create 75 new affordable rental units, with an approximate per-unit HOME-ARP subsidy of \$40,000 a unit. Additional funding may be leveraged from the County's Housing Trust Fund (local general revenue) and/or SHIP (state) funding from the state in order to realize development of these housing units. In addition to these new units, the County will create another 60-70 new vouchers for qualifying households over the course of the program period (through September 30, 2030).

Describe the specific affordable rental housing production goal that the PJ hopes to achieve and describe how it will address the PJ's priority needs:

According to the most recent Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data, there are 31,574 very low-income renter households (below 50% AMI) that experience a severe housing problem; for many of them, that problem is a severe cost burden wherein they are spending more than half their income on housing costs. Analysis of the data by tenure reveals that renters are more likely to be affected (32,086 renters below 50% AMI are severely cost burdened), but that severe cost burden affects a substantial number of homeowners as well (19,415 owners affected). Many of these severely cost burdened homeowners may be seniors who own their homes but whose incomes have declined in retirement.

Additional housing issues that may contribute to a residents' risk of becoming homeless or otherwise experiencing housing instability are being extremely low-income (earning 30% or less of AMI) and/or living in substandard or overcrowded housing conditions.

By adding 75 new permanent affordable rental units and simultaneously providing voucher assistance to 60-70 additional households, the County's HOME-ARP funds begin closing the estimated gap of 31,574 rental units affordable at 50% AMI. Providing housing of this type prevents at-risk families in unstable housing situations from becoming homeless, and thus preserves available emergency shelter and transitional housing options for the homeless households who most need them.

Data from the 2022 Point-in-Time Count combined with the CoC's most recent Housing Inventory Count indicates a gap of 1,102 emergency, transitional, and permanent housing beds needed to fully serve the Orange County population in need of such housing. Given limitations on the County's ability to add new non-congregate shelter units due to real estate availability and the scarcity of outside funding for staffing and operations, an alternative strategy is to provide expanded access to longer-term and permanent affordable housing options. Through 60-70 additional HOME-ARP funded vouchers and 75 new affordable rental units, the County will be increasing the capacity to stably house residents who are able to exit shelter programs but for whom there are no available, affordable housing options. Many stakeholders described

their organizations' difficulties with this transition and how it can leave residents occupying needed shelter beds on the streets again only because more independent housing options are not available. Thus, the County's strategy of focusing on generalized affordable housing inventory should have a trickle-down effect and allow the existing inventory of emergency housing options to serve more of the residents most in need of basic emergency shelter.

PREFERENCES

Identify whether the PJ intends to give preference to one or more qualifying populations or a subpopulation within one or more qualifying populations for any eligible activity or project:

Based on consultation with community partners and stakeholders, public feedback/outreach received by Housing and Community Development Division, and review of other regional plans and strategies, Orange County proposes to provide a preference to each of the following subpopulations:

- Elderly and/or persons with disabilities who are homeless or at risk of being homeless, to include those exiting other rental assistance and supportive services programs (such as rapid re-housing) due to program requirements but still needing assistance to ensure housing stability;
- Victims of human trafficking and domestic violence, to include those exiting other rental assistance and supportive services programs (such as rapid re-housing) due to program requirements but still needing assistance to ensure housing stability; and
- Cost burdened large families with 5+ members in the household.

It should be noted that all of the qualifying populations described in HUD's HOME-ARP guidance will be eligible to be served in one or more of the County's HOME-ARP funded activities; these preferences do not limit eligibility but only indicate how applicants will be prioritized for access to housing, vouchers, and supportive services. Applications from any person meeting any of the qualifying population definitions will be reviewed for eligibility. Eligible applicants meeting one or more of the preference conditions listed above will receive priority placement on any waiting lists established for HOME-ARP funded rental housing or vouchers.

In applying these preferences, the County will act in compliance with all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a). Eligibility and selection of applicants will be determined without regard to an applicant's race, color, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, familial status, or national origin.

If a preference was identified, explain how the use of a preference or method of prioritization will address the unmet need or gap in benefits and services received by individuals and families in the qualifying population or subpopulation of qualifying population, consistent with the PJ's needs assessment and gap analysis:

The County established the above preferences to ensure that the unique funding and characteristics of the HOME-ARP program are implemented to maximum effect within the community. In making those determinations, the County consulted with stakeholders and considered public input. That information paired with data on rates of disability, unique housing challenges faced by elderly residents and large families, and the specific housing types and features needed to safely house survivors of human trafficking and domestic violence, has

informed the list of preferences. Each of these populations' experiences particularly acute and/or dangerous housing issues when unable to access stable housing.

For example, elderly and/or disabled residents who experience homelessness are uniquely vulnerable to serious health impacts. Therefore, keeping these exceptionally vulnerable populations securely housed or helping them successfully transition out of emergency housing protects the individual residents' health and access to care and treatment resources while also preserving case management and supportive service resources for other populations often requiring less intensive housing interventions.

Survivors of domestic violence and people who have experienced human trafficking are given a preference because of the importance of getting these populations into secure housing where they are safe from abusers and not compelled to return to unsafe housing situations. This population requires specialized supportive services, often focusing on financial independence and employment access. A strong network of existing providers is able to provide for these supports but have indicated a primary need is for safe community housing for these residents to live after exiting short-term programs. Additionally, there are two (2) rapid re-housing programs currently being developed by the Continuum of Care, in collaboration with service providers, to specifically assist victims of human trafficking and domestic violence. Length of assistance requirements associated with rapid re-housing programs might leave some program participants not stably housed at the program exit. To ensure that extended rental assistance and supportive services are available to households served by those existing rapid re-housing programs, an additional preference is being established.

A great deal of qualitative input suggests the difficulty in finding affordable housing in Orange County. That need is compounded for large families consisting of 5+ members of the household. The numbers of 4-bedroom rentals are exceedingly low and, when available, are rarely affordable to low-income households. Providing a preference to large families will give them a better opportunity to find and afford appropriate housing.

Identify the referral methods that the PJ intends to use for its HOME-ARP projects and activities. PJ's may use multiple referral methods in its HOME-ARP program:

For vouchers and affordable housing units funded by HOME-ARP, Orange County will use referrals from the Continuum of Care (CoC) to identify HOME-ARP qualifying populations. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is already in place between the CoC's lead agency, Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, and it will be amended to include HOME-ARP clients. If clients cannot be identified through the CoC referral system, Orange County has an option to create a waiting list that will only select clients that meet the qualifying criteria. Orange County already has a system in place in which agency partners and potential voucher holders can apply online during an established application period.

Orange County has recently established a referral and waiting list process for programs serving the very similar qualifying populations. The Mainstream Program vouchers are targeted for non-elderly households with disabilities who are at risk of homelessness or were previously homeless (50 of 65 vouchers leased up to date), and the Emergency Rental Program vouchers are targeted for homeless households, including homeless youth ages 18-24 and persons fleeing domestic violence and human trafficking (57 of 66 vouchers utilized to date).

When these two programs fill up, the County will continue to coordinate referrals received through the Continuum of Care's established Coordinated Entry System (CES) on a first come-first serve basis. Additionally, the local CoC is currently working on making improvements to the CES process to specifically serve victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

For individuals and families at risk of homelessness, the CES is designed to target prevention resources to those with the deepest need, such as individuals and households currently receiving rapid re-housing services but still unable to be stably housed without indefinite housing supports (rental assistance and supportive services) due to various reasons (to include disabling conditions, large family size, and other barriers). Furthermore, to provide housing assistance and supportive services to households at risk of homelessness, the County intends to engage with community stakeholders that offer homelessness prevention programs for referrals. These include the following non-profit agencies: Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Embrace Families Solutions, Family Promise of Greater Orlando, and other agencies.

For supportive services, residents of HOME-ARP funded rental housing units and recipients of HOME-ARP funded vouchers will be served first, followed by all other qualifying populations as available resources permit.

If the PJ intends to use the coordinated entry (CE) process established by the CoC, describe whether all qualifying populations eligible for a project or activity will be included in the CE process, or the method by which all qualifying populations eligible for the project or activity will be covered:

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) process administered by the local Continuum of Care currently provides referrals for individuals experiencing homelessness and those fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. The CoC has also recently received additional funding to improve/expand the CES process for victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. The CES process for homelessness prevention is designed to serve those with the deepest need, such as persons exiting rapid re-housing programs who are still unable to successfully sustain housing on their own due to various reasons. Additionally, agencies providing homelessness prevention services conduct intake for the programs to ensure individuals meet eligibility. The County's first source of referral for HOME-ARP funded housing (to include new affordable rental units and tenant-based rental assistance vouchers) will be the established CES process for three QPs, followed by the County's waiting list for similar rental assistance programs, followed by the referrals from community stakeholders for individuals at risk of homelessness. While the CES may not encompass all HOME-ARP qualifying populations, the additional methods of referrals (the County's existing voucher waiting list and referrals from providers of homelessness prevention services) does encompass all qualifying populations eligible for a project or activity.

If the PJ intends to use the CE process established by the CoC, describe the method of prioritization to be used by the CE:

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If the PJ intends to use both a CE process established by the CoC and another referral method for a project or activity, describe any method of prioritization between the two referral methods, if any:

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Describe whether the PJ intends to limit eligibility for a HOME-ARP rental housing or NCS project to a particular qualifying population or specific subpopulation of a qualifying population identified in section IV.A of the Notice:

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If a limitation was identified, describe how the PJ will address the unmet needs or gaps in benefits and services of the other qualifying populations that are not included in the limitation through the use of HOME-ARP funds (i.e., through another of the PJ's HOME-ARP projects or activities):

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HOME-ARP REFINANCING GUIDELINES

Not applicable. Orange County will not use HOME-ARP funds to refinance existing debt and therefore does not establish any HOME-ARP refinancing guidelines in this plan.

APPENDICES

Appendix A

Public Notices and Community Outreach Materials

Appendix B

Orange County Housing and Community Development Survey

Appendix C

Orange County HOME-ARP Questionnaire

Appendix D

HOME-ARP Certifications and SF-424 Forms

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Public Notices

Project Website

Focus Group Notes and Slides

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El público tendrá la oportunidad de revisar y comentar sobre la enmienda sustancial propuesta al Plan de Acción del año 2021-2022 (en forma de Plan de asignación de HOME-ARP) a partir del lunes 12 de diciembre del 2022 hasta el viernes 30 de diciembre del 2022. El borrador del Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP estará disponible para su revisión en el siguiente enlace:

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La División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Orange llevará a cabo una audiencia pública sobre el Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP el miércoles 14 de diciembre del 2022 a las 6:00 p.m. en el Centro de Operaciones Internas, Sala de Capacitación Largo, Primer Piso, ubicado en 450 E. South Street, Orlando, Florida

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ENMIENDA SUBSTANCIAL DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN DEL 2021-2022

Oportunidad de Fondos: M21UP120213 (HOME-ARP)

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROGRAM

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Esta enmienda permitirá que el Condado reciba y administre fondos adicionales del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD). La enmienda sustancial al Plan de Acción del año 2021-2022 incorpora la cantidad de \$10,554,916 en fondos complementarios recibidos en virtud de la Ley del Plan de Rescate (ARP) del 2021 para proporcionar vivienda, servicios y refugio a personas sin hogar y otras poblaciones vulnerables. Esta financiación se asignó por fórmula a las jurisdicciones que calificaron a través del Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión HOME (HOME), y los usos propuestos de los fondos se resumen en un borrador del Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP.

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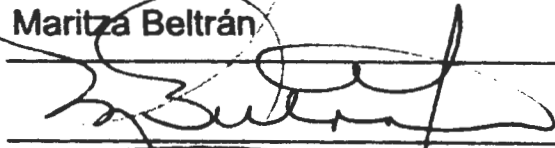




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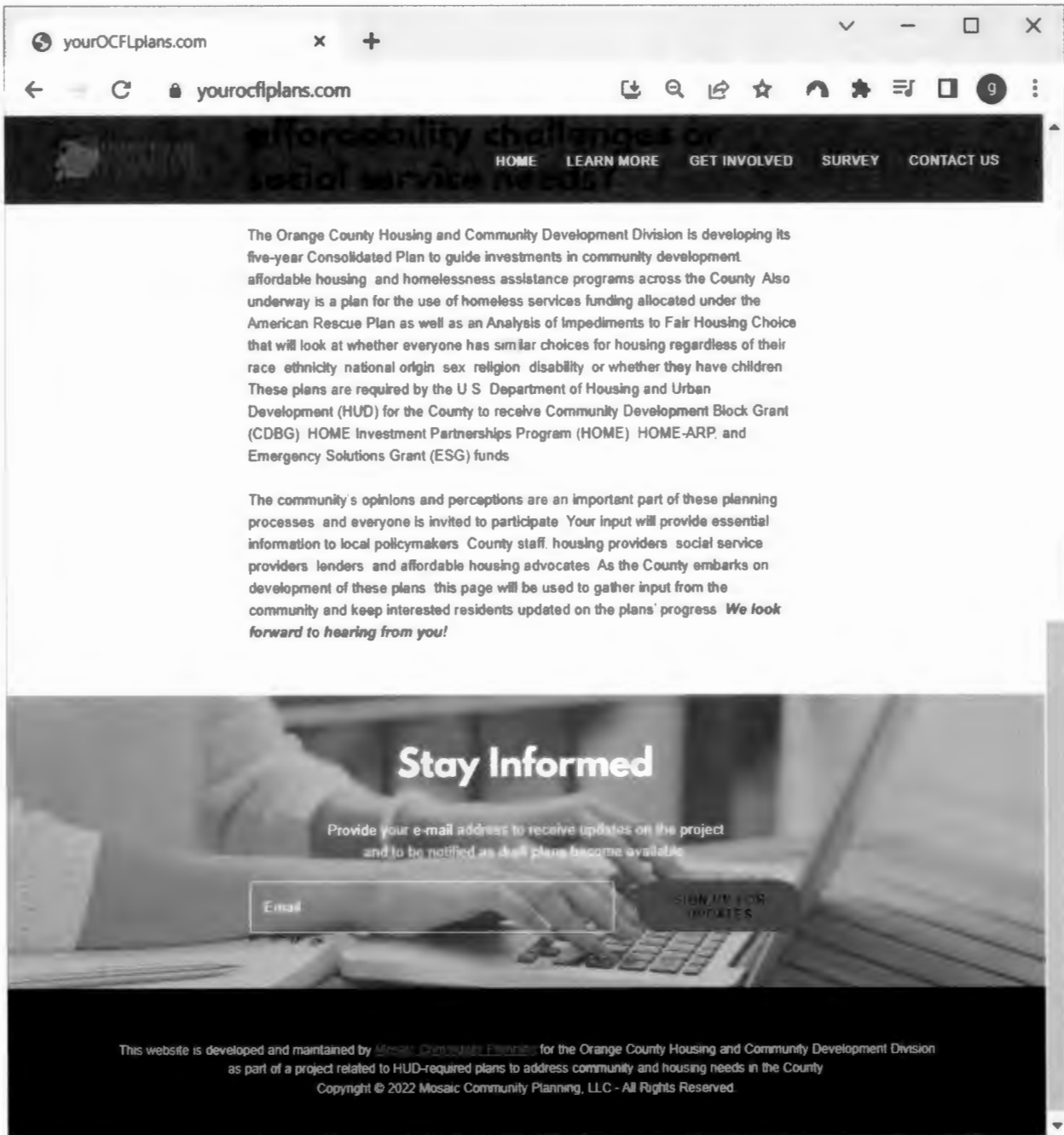
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The Orange County, FL Consolidated Plan and Fair Housing Study

TAKE THE SURVEY

Ideas for community improvements? Housing affordability challenges or social service needs?

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division is developing



The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division is developing its five-year Consolidated Plan to guide investments in community development affordable housing and homelessness assistance programs across the County. Also underway is a plan for the use of homeless services funding allocated under the American Rescue Plan as well as an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice that will look at whether everyone has similar choices for housing regardless of their race ethnicity national origin sex religion disability or whether they have children. These plans are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the County to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) HOME-ARP, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

The community's opinions and perceptions are an important part of these planning processes and everyone is invited to participate. Your input will provide essential information to local policymakers, County staff, housing providers, social service providers, lenders, and affordable housing advocates. As the County embarks on development of these plans, this page will be used to gather input from the community and keep interested residents updated on the plans' progress. *We look forward to hearing from you!*

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What plans are we working on?

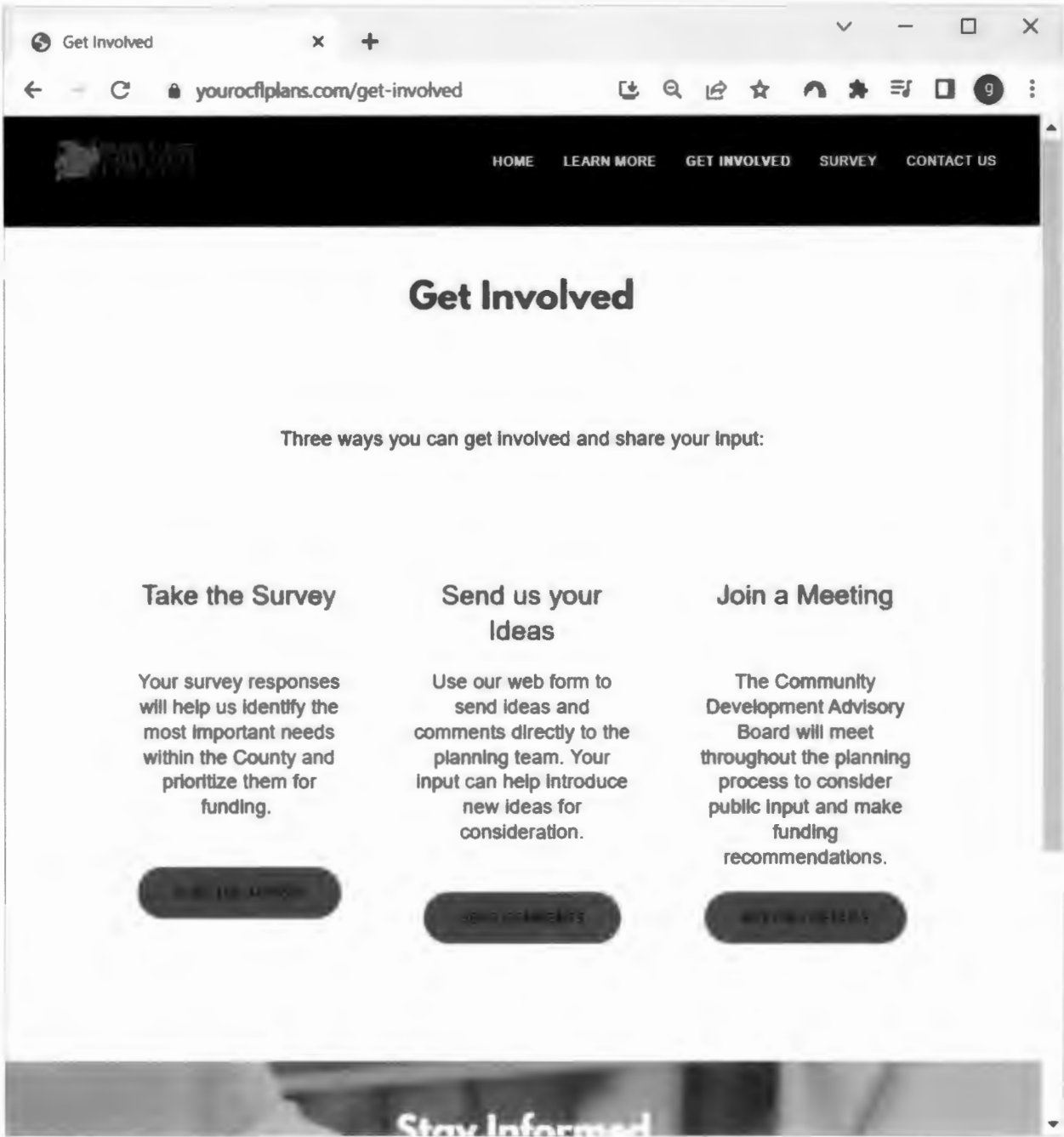
This planning includes the development of four different plans and studies all based on input received from the community

- The **Consolidated Plan** will assess the current housing market discuss characteristics of the County's population Identify community improvement priorities and outline a five-year plan to fund and implement them using funds received from HUD under the federal CDBG HOME and ESG programs
- The **Annual Action Plan** will identify projects the County plans to implement in 2022-2023 using federal CDBG HOME and ESG funds from HUD
- The **Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI)** will identify barriers to equal access to housing and neighborhood opportunities and propose strategies to overcome those barriers
- The **HOME-ARP Allocation Plan** will assess the local needs for homelessness assistance and describe how the County intends to use its HOME-ARP funds to meet those needs



Helpful Links

- [The Community Development Block Grant \(CDBG\) Program](#)
- [The HOME Investment Partnerships Act \(HOME\) Program](#)
- [The Emergency Solutions Grant \(ESG\) Program](#)
- [The HOME-ARP Program](#)
- [HUD's Guide to Consolidated Plans](#)
- [HUD's Guide to Fair Housing Planning](#)
- [How to File a Housing Discrimination Complaint](#)



Get Involved

Three ways you can get involved and share your input:

Take the Survey

Your survey responses will help us identify the most important needs within the County and prioritize them for funding.

[Take the Survey](#)

Send us your Ideas

Use our web form to send ideas and comments directly to the planning team. Your input can help introduce new ideas for consideration.

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Join a Meeting

The Community Development Advisory Board will meet throughout the planning process to consider public input and make funding recommendations.

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Help the County identify housing and community needs and prioritize goals for the 2022-2026 period.

- What additional amenities would you like to see in your neighborhood?
- What types of housing does Orange County need more of?
- How can the County better protect its residents from discrimination in housing?
- What programs would increase community and economic development in low-income neighborhoods?

Your input is essential to help the County focus its efforts and limited resources on the programs and services that are truly important and needed in our community and neighborhoods

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Comment Form

Name

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Message

We want to hear from you!

- What kinds of community facilities are most needed in your neighborhood?
- Are there particular public services (e.g. senior services, youth programs, homeless prevention, job training assistance) you would like to see offered where you live?
- What types of affordable housing does Orange County need more of?
- In your experience, is housing discrimination a problem here?

Use the comment form here to share additional input for consideration as these plans and studies are developed

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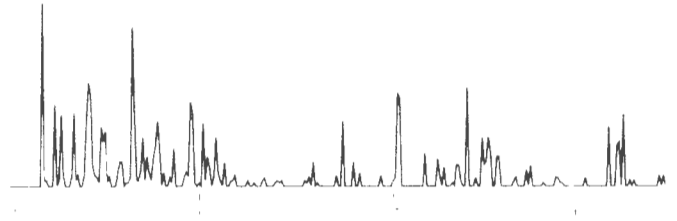


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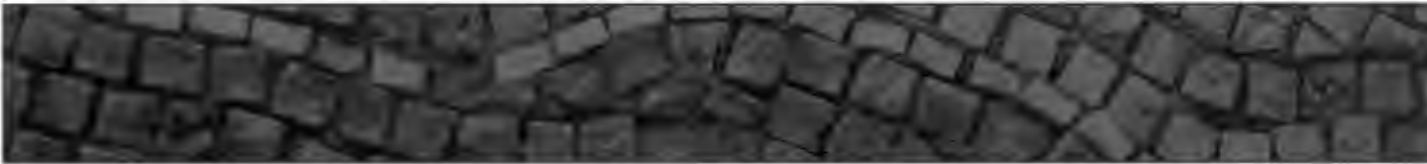
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Orange County **HOME-ARP Focus Group**

THE HOME-ARP PROGRAM

- The 2021 American Rescue Plan included a one-time \$5 billion appropriation creating the HOME-ARP program.
- While intended for homeless assistance and supportive services, the funds were programmed and allocated by formula through HUD's existing HOME Program.
- Grantees are required to develop an Allocation Plan describing their proposed use of the funds.

**Orange County's HOME-ARP
Allocation: \$10,554,916**

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Development and support of affordable housing
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
- Provision of supportive services
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units

QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

- Homeless
- At-risk of homelessness
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Individuals for whom provision of supportive services would prevent homelessness or who are at the greatest risk of housing instability
- Veterans and their families that meet any of the above criteria

INPUT & ENGAGEMENT TOOLS

- Quick homeless services questionnaire, available online
- Stakeholder focus group
- Project website
- Stakeholder interviews

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The Orange County, FL HOME-ARP and Fair Housing Study

Housing affordability challenges? Homeless service needs? What does fair housing mean to you?

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- After collecting input from stakeholders and the public, the draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be completed in December.
- Public comment period and public hearing on the draft plan in December.
- Presented to the Orange County Board of County Commissioners for adoption in January.
- The County's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) will report to HUD on progress toward the strategies contained in the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan.

DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION QUESTION #1

- What populations do you believe to be at the highest risk of housing instability and why? At risk of homelessness?

DISCUSSION QUESTION #2

- What types of emergency housing and homelessness services are most available in Orange County?
- What are the strengths of available housing options/programs and services for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness in Orange County?

DISCUSSION QUESTION #3

- What gaps do you believe still exist in the system?
- What resources are needed but are the least available?

DISCUSSION QUESTION #4

- Considering the eligible uses of HOME-ARP funding (affordable housing development or redevelopment, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter), which uses would be most impactful in addressing the identified needs/gaps in services in Orange County?

DISCUSSION QUESTION #5

- Please describe how the need for services has changed since 2020?

DISCUSSION QUESTION #6

- In your opinion, how significant of an issue is homelessness in Orange County? What does it look like? What forms does it take?

Complete the **questionnaire**,

Submit **comments**,

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THANK YOU!

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- Brian Postlewait, COO, Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc.
- Michelle Sperzel, CEO, Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.
- Jan Outzen, Finance Director, Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.
- Robert Glinka, COO/Program Director, The Salvation Army
- Heather Thomas, Sr. Program Manager, Orange County, Mental Health and Homelessness

What populations do you believe to be at the highest risk of housing instability and why? At risk of homelessness?

- Tremendous increase in families with children due to rent increases
- Immigrants being discharged from airport – challenge at their property = no family housing units
 - Have their visas but are migrating from another Country and are asked to leave the airport and escorted to a health center by Homeland Security
 - One couple sought help but there was no availability, husband was able to find a job and SA worked to help employer pay for hotel
- There is a connection between domestic violence and homelessness for families and youth aging out of foster care

- People from out of the area are looking for services after being impacted by the hurricanes (example of Jacksonville residents)
- Whenever new funds become available, we quickly move toward the conversation of prioritization. There are a number of subpopulations specifically served by different buckets of funding. And some that have no funding at all. Other than Veterans we don't have enough funding to serve literally homeless peoples among any subpopulation
- We will have a large influx of funds for youth over the years ahead that will need matching and also capital investment. There are not enough funds to serve the community and sub-population
 - Veterans are the only category where creative funding could potentially solve the issue
 - Would like to talk about how HOME-ARP could help leverage youth award
 - Need to identify where we are going to get the most impact for our allocation – need to look at combining HOME-ARP funds with funding awards to other organizations to leverage impact
 - Funding for planning means we can continue to work towards functional zero instead of just continuing the cycle
 - Issue with victims of DV don't leave because they cannot afford to
 - Providers do not have the capacity to serve the # of victims in our area – capacity issue is housing-related because there are resources for case management
- Goal is to transition individuals from homelessness to job and housing security and the issue is there is no inventory of housing for these individuals which puts them back into the programs – the outcomes cannot be successful if there is nowhere for them to transition to

What types of emergency housing and homelessness services are most available in Orange County? What are the strengths of available housing options/programs and services for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness in Orange County?

- 2150 homeless people a night without a shelter – even though we have quite a few shelters we do not have enough capacity to assist everyone (data from City of Orlando officials)
- 70% of those experiencing homelessness do not reach out for help and attempt to resolve the issue on their own

- Veterans have a full course of options from Homeless Prevention, Emergency Shelter, Rapid-Rehousing, Permanent Housing for Chronically homeless, and Shallow subsidies to assist those in poverty.
- Arrangement with the VA to provide shelter to vets referred by the VA which makes them part of the solution but not part of the big picture solution
- We have a lot more opportunities for Chronically Homeless than 6 years ago, but we still have about 300-400 Chronically homeless persons in our community who will likely never resolve their homeless situation on their own due to disabilities
- Economic justice work and transitional housing work is up which helps with financial management and helps people career up; DV population needs to have resources that create financial support
- We have different strategies for different populations and this needs to be a part of the conversation and planning

What gaps do you believe still exist in the system? What resources are needed but are the least available?

- Housing the commonality across all sub-populations
- Bridge housing is needed across the region to assist all populations
 - Individuals doubled up is a bad situation
 - Non-Congregate Shelter = Emergency Shelter in the form of a hotel or private rooms
- Bridge housing is needed across the region to assist all populations
- DV needs physical safety needs are different than other wrap around services – they need access to secure housing
- Our shelters are not low barrier anymore when we utilize hotels in that we can house people who traditionally will not go into a shelter setting. There is also easier entry. Privacy and autonomy is key in these situations to serving populations more effectively
 - Length of stay is over 200 days because there are not available units and they are stable
- DV has unique challenges when it comes to transition from the ER shelter to re-housing because there are specialized services that are needed such as education, financial independence, counseling, and supportive services for children

- There is a significant gap in COVID funding and we can do with as the funds are expended

Considering the eligible uses of HOME-ARP funding (affordable housing development or redevelopment, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter), which uses would be most impactful in addressing the identified needs/gaps in services in Orange County?

- Low-income affordable housing the main need, Supportive services are a significant need, Non-congregate shelter
- Hotel conversions for extremely low and low income housing (to assist with those on a disability check at 30% AMI or \$800 per month for a family to thrive)
- Supportive services and housing for survivors
- Community connections, disability income, up-skilling
 - Acknowledge that people thriving in our community is by living with another person and have shared income
 - Single parents, DV victims, and homeless have an extreme disadvantage because they cannot share resources or income
- Look at how the County can leverage HOME-ARP funds along with the youth award federal dollars so we can maximize resources
- HUD subsidized assets on the campus, can HOME-ARP and HUD funds be combined to support on-campus rental units and SA is reimbursed for market rents
 - Rental subsidies are very helpful

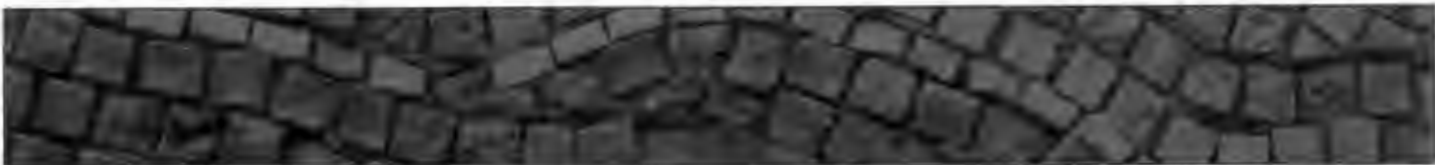
Please describe how the need for services has changed since 2020.

- Growth of the County and City over the last 2-3 years as populations have shifted from other places into our local market place
 - Make up of our population has changed which changes the economic make up of our region
 - Middle to lower class families can no longer afford homes as they could before due to those coming from high wealth states
 - This is a longer term issue as people find Florida more affordable as people escape weather and taxes of other places
- Health has an impact on economic and this was seen resulting from COVID

- Homeless individuals cost the system a significant amount of money as they interact with several parts of the system for their needs
- We need to make sure our decisions make economic sense so we do what is right for people and our region
- COVID federal funding going away is creating issues around what is sustainable now that the funding is going away
 - Major deficiencies in the system are now being seen in areas where we provided additional support to populations in our region

Comments from the Zoom Chat

- ADUs are great options. I'm not sure how OC has eased the barriers for those to be built.
- There is also very little accountability for Security Deposit Reconciliation.
- Has Orange County considered the city of Orlando's neighborhood engagement model for the areas that are outside of the city limits? it's a really effective mechanism to bring neighborhood leaders together to distribute info.



Orange County
**HOME-ARP Allocation Plan &
Analysis of Impediments Update**

THE HOME-ARP PROGRAM

- The 2021 American Rescue Plan included a one-time \$5 billion appropriation creating the HOME-ARP program.
- While intended for homeless assistance and supportive services, the funds were programmed and allocated by formula through HUD's existing HOME Program.
- Grantees are required to develop an Allocation Plan describing their proposed use of the funds.

**Orange County's HOME-ARP
Allocation: \$10,554,916**

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Development and support of affordable housing
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
- Provision of supportive services
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units



QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

- Homeless
- At-risk of homelessness
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- Individuals for whom provision of supportive services would prevent homelessness or who are at the greatest risk of housing instability
- Veterans and their families that meet any of the above criteria

CONSULTATION WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS

In preparing the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, the County consulted with a range of organizations and service providers within the community, including:

- Ability Housing
- Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc.
- Harbor House of Central Florida, Inc.
- Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, Inc.
- Orange County, Citizens Resource & Outreach Division
- Orange County, Housing and Community Development Division
- Orange County, Mental Health and Homelessness Division
- City of Orlando, Office of the Mayor (Community Trust and Equity Initiative)
- Orlando Housing Authority
- The Salvation Army
- Winter Park Housing Authority

FEEDBACK FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS

- Quality multi-family rental housing targeted to low-income households and those at risk of homelessness is a great need.
- There is a need for more housing for persons with disabilities, ADA accommodations, and handicap accessible units (i.e., lower cabinets, wide doors, turn radius).
- Expansion of the County's current voucher program may be a good use of HOME-ARP funds because the County already has the operational structure for the program in place, and the demand for vouchers is high.
- Low-income affordable housing is the main need; supportive services are a significant need, as is non-congregate shelter.
- The DV population needs to have resources that create financial support and that help people advance their career and become financially independent.
- Supportive service needs include community connections, access to disability income, and up-skilling.

PROPOSED USE OF HOME-ARP FUNDS

Funding Category	Amount
Supportive Services	\$ 1,000,000
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 0
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 5,000,000
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 3,000,000
Administration and Planning	\$ 1,554,916
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 10,554,916

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

- **Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA):** voucher assistance to 60-70 households over the course of the grant period (i.e., through 2030)
- **Affordable Rental Housing:** create 75 new permanent affordable rental units with a HOME-ARP investment of approximately \$40,000 per unit using local Housing Trust Fund and/or SHIP funds as additional leverage
- **Supportive Services:** serve a total of 600 high-risk households through personalized case management including housing counseling, budget counseling and financial education, and career counseling

PROPOSED PREFERENCES

- Unless preferences are established in the Plan, applications from any/all qualifying populations must be served in the order received.
- The County proposes to establish three preferences:
 - Elderly and/or persons with disabilities who are homeless or at risk of being homeless
 - Victims of human trafficking and domestic violence
 - Cost-burdened large families with 5+ members in the household

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Public comment period is open December 12-30
- Presentation to the Orange County BCC for adoption in January/February 2023
- Staff will submit the plan to HUD for approval by March 31, 2023
- Upon HUD approval, the County will have access to the full amount of its HOME-ARP award
- Progress will be reported to HUD and the public as part of the County's CAPER
- *All HOME-ARP funds must be drawn and expended by September 30, 2030*

FINDINGS OF THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE

WHAT IS THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS?

- Analysis of the regional fair housing landscape
- Four specific fair housing issues:
 - Integration and segregation
 - Areas of poverty
 - Access to opportunity
 - Housing need
- Fair housing priorities and goals



DATA SOURCES CONSULTED

HUD Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Data and Mapping Tool

Interactive maps and data tables

American Community Survey

Continuous sampling for current data

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy Data

Special HUD tabulation of ACS data

Public & Indian Housing Information Center

Public housing demographics and occupancy data

Previous Works of Local and Regional Research

Prepared by or for Orange County and Central Florida

IMPEDIMENT #1

Low Labor Market Engagement and Limited Incomes Restrict Housing Choice and Access to Opportunity Among Protected Classes

- Contributing Factor:
 - Disparities in labor market engagement by geography, race, and ethnicity

IMPEDIMENT #2

Housing Affordability Challenges Disproportionately Impact Housing Choices for Protected Classes

- **Contributing Factors:**
 - Free market rents are unaffordable to households earning AMI, and racial and ethnic minorities are less likely to earn AMI than white residents
 - Housing problems such as high rent or homeownership cost burden, disproportionately impact Black, Hispanic, and Native households
 - Rising housing prices are displacing residents from their neighborhoods, disproportionately impacting Black and Hispanic households

IMPEDIMENT #3

Existing Housing Stock is Insufficient to Meet Resident Needs

- Contributing Factors:
 - Large numbers of vacant housing units associated with seasonal vacation homes
 - Climate change and increased severity/timing of natural disasters has resulted in higher insurance rates and a greater need for costly home repairs, weatherization efforts, and disaster preparedness
 - Dominance of single-family housing typology results in a sprawling, car-dependent environment with insufficient alternative transportation methods
 - Highest rates of housing voucher use are concentrated in central Orlando and parts of east Orange County

IMPEDIMENT #4

Continued Need for Neighborhood Investment in Areas of the City and County with High Poverty Rates and Low Levels of Access to Resources and Services

- **Contributing Factors:**
 - Continued need for neighborhood reinvestment in areas of racially or ethnically concentrated poverty (i.e., R/ECAP census tracts) and other areas with high poverty rates and low levels of access to resources and services
 - Lack of access to fresh food retailers, particularly in east Orange County
 - Geographic disparities regarding school performance, and high levels of segregation by race, ethnicity, and income by school

IMPEDIMENT #5

Housing Options for Persons with Disabilities are Limited

- **Contributing Factors:**
 - Lack of affordable and accessible housing options for residents with disabilities
 - Persons with disabilities and elderly populations living on fixed incomes have difficulty making costly home repairs
 - Fair housing complaints indicate that disability is the most cited basis of discrimination, suggesting a need for greater education among housing providers about the rights of persons with disabilities

IMPEDIMENT #6

Lack of Accommodations for Orange County's Rapidly Growing Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Population

- Contributing Factor:
 - Rapid growth within both the Hispanic and foreign-born populations of Orange County within the past 20 years has not been matched by requirements for language accommodations as part of a protected class

AI SOLUTIONS & STRATEGIES

- For each of the contributing factors, the AI proposes strategies the County and its partners can pursue to address them, for example:
 - **Impediment #1**: Low Labor Market Engagement and Limited Incomes Restrict Housing Choice and Access to Opportunity Among Protected Classes
 - **Contributing Factor**: Disparities in labor market engagement by geography, race, and ethnicity
 - **Recommendation**: Target marketing for existing workforce development programs (such as Neighborhood Navigator) to areas of the county with the lowest levels of educational attainment and labor market participation
- County staff will be working with Mosaic to refine and finalize the AI's proposed strategies

Complete the **questionnaire**,

Submit **comments**,

Help **spread the word!**

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THANK YOU!

The County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs are managed by the
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Public Comments

The draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan was made available for public review and comment for a 19-day period beginning December 12 until December 30, 2022, via the Orange County's Housing and Community Development Division webpage: <http://www.ocfl.net/NeighborsHousing/CommunityDevelopment.aspx>. The draft plan was also made available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division (525 E. South Street, Orlando, FL 32801), and at the Orlando Public Library main branch (Community Relations Department, 3rd Floor, 101 E. Central Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32801).

Additionally, a public hearing was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Largo Training Room located on the 1st Floor of the Orange County Internal Operations Centre I (450 E. South St, Orlando, Florida 32801). Representatives from the Orange County Housing and Community Development Division and the Community Development Advisory Board conducted the public hearing. Prior to opening the hearing, Orange County staff made a presentation regarding the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, including the amount of HOME-ARP funding allocated to the County, the range of eligible activities, and the County's proposed allocation of HOME-ARP funding among those eligible activities.

No public comments were received during the comment period and public hearing on the draft plan.

APPENDIX B: HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SURVEY

A Housing and Community Development Survey was available to residents in both English and Spanish formats via the project website, www.yourOCFLplans.com. Hard copies of the survey were also distributed by County staff at in-person neighborhood meetings. The survey was available beginning May 3, 2022 and received 81 responses.

Survey Instruments (English and Spanish versions)

Survey Results

Orange County Housing and Community Development Survey

Your Opinion Counts!

Orange County is beginning work on a community study known as the 5-Year Consolidated Plan. This Plan will identify the County's biggest community development and affordable housing needs and outline how federal grant money will be used to respond to these needs through 2026. The County is also conducting a fair housing study to identify and address any local barriers to fair housing.

These studies are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the County to continue receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. Your input is essential to help us focus our efforts and the limited resources we have on the programs and services that are truly important and needed in our community and neighborhoods.

Your answers are confidential. Information will be reported in combination with other survey responses and in summary format to protect your privacy. Please do not write your name or other personal information anywhere on the survey. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Mosaic Community Planning at info@mosaiccommunityplanning.com or 470-435-6020. To learn more about the Consolidated Plan, the fair housing study, or our planning process, please visit www.yourOCFLplans.com.

Survey length: 25 questions

Estimated time to complete: 10 minutes

We thank you in advance for your time and effort!

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About Your Neighborhood

1. What do you like most about your neighborhood? (check all that apply)

- It's well-maintained
- My rent or mortgage is manageable
- I have good neighbors and feel supported
- I feel safe
- There are some amenities nearby (shops, restaurants, community center, library, etc.)
- There is green space nearby to enjoy the outdoors
- It's within walking distance to needed services like groceries, healthcare, necessities, work
- Public transportation is available nearby to access various services
- There are sidewalks to safely walk/ride on
- Other (please specify)

2. What do you like least about your neighborhood? (check all that apply)

- It's not maintained well or at all
- My rent or mortgage is too high
- I have bad neighbors that make my life stressful
- I don't feel safe
- There are no amenities nearby
- There is no green space nearby to enjoy the outdoors
- It's isolated away from needed services like groceries, healthcare, necessities or work, and having a vehicle is a necessity
- There are no sidewalks to safely walk/ride on
- There is drug activity/crime in the area
- Other (please specify)

3. Orange County is striving to become a more sustainable and resilient community that is prepared to withstand climate risks and bounce back after disasters. Thinking about your own home and neighborhood, what features do you believe would increase sustainability and resiliency? (check all that apply)

- Access to disaster recovery resources (such as shelters and/or services)
- Access to parks and green spaces
- Access to local food sources
- Charging stations for electric vehicles
- Drought-tolerant landscaping
- Emergency preparedness workshops
- Energy efficiency upgrades
- Green building standards for new housing construction
- Housing located near jobs and resources
- Improved stormwater management
- Increased transportation options
- Solar panel installations
- Tornado sirens and/or shelters
- Water-efficient fixtures
- Weatherization programs
- Other (please specify)

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Ranking Community Development and Housing Needs

4. Please select one option that you believe is the highest priority for Orange County's grant funding opportunities.

- Improvements to address physical needs of public facilities
- Infrastructure improvements (sidewalks, trails, water/sewer, etc.)
- Social services and public health
- Economic development and jobs
- Affordable housing and fair housing opportunities
- Homelessness

5. Please rank the following social service and public health needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Afterschool services and programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Credit / debt / financial counseling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Domestic violence services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drug abuse counseling / treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trade schools / education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fair housing activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food assistance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Health and mental health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing counseling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Internet access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Language programs / Language fluency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Services for people with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transportation services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about social service and public health needs in Orange County.

6. Please rank the following housing needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Help buying a home/downpayment assistance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Help for homeowners to make housing improvements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Help with rental payments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construction or rehab of housing for Seniors / Elderly	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing for people with disabilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing that accepts Section 8 vouchers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Energy efficiency improvements to housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construction of new affordable rental units	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construction of new housing for homeownership	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing/apartments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about housing needs in Orange County.

7. Please rank the following economic development needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Financial assistance to entrepreneurs and small businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Incentives for creating jobs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Promoting minority-owned neighborhood-based businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improvements to business storefronts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Redevelopment or demolition of blighted properties	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Historic preservation efforts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More code enforcement efforts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about economic development needs in Orange County.

8. Please rank the following needs for improvements addressing the physical needs of public facilities in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Child care centers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community centers (i.e. youth centers, senior centers, cultural centers)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community parks, playgrounds, gyms, and recreational fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Health care facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homeless facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improvements to existing facilities / ADA accessibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
One-stop service hubs (for social services, health services, job trainings, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public safety equipment and facilities (fire, police, emergency management)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about improvements to address the physical needs of public facilities in Orange County.

9. Please rank the following public infrastructure needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Neighborhood accessibility / ADA improvements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bike or walking trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electric vehicle charging stations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
High-speed internet access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Measures to reduce natural disaster impacts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sidewalk improvements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Street / road improvements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Stormwater and drainage improvements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about public infrastructure needs in Orange County.

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Homelessness

10. Please rank the following needs of the homeless population in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Access to homeless shelters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homelessness prevention	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outreach to homeless persons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Permanent housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transitional/supportive housing programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about the needs of the homeless population in Orange County.

11. Orange County has received a special allocation of \$10.5 million in federal relief funding to be used over the next few years for homelessness assistance and supportive services within the County. The five eligible uses for this funding are listed below. Please rank the list of eligible activities according to their level of need within the County (1=most needed and 5= least needed)

- Purchase and/or construction of new emergency shelter units
- Purchase and/or construction of new affordable rental housing
- Building stronger non-profit agencies
- Provision of supportive services (such as case management, etc.)
- Rental housing vouchers (new rental assistance)

12. How would you describe your housing stability over the past year?

- Stable, own and can afford my home
- Stable, renting and can afford my rent
- Economic hardship due to COVID pandemic (illness, loss of job, etc.) that resulted in loss of housing or near loss of housing
- Other circumstances (NOT Related to COVID pandemic) that resulted in loss of housing or near loss of housing
- Lost housing due to a natural or human-caused disaster
- Continued to experience homelessness

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Fair Housing

13. Do you understand your fair housing rights?

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No

14. Do you know where to file a housing discrimination complaint?

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No

15. Have you experienced housing discrimination when looking for housing in Orange County?

(For example, the following actions would represent housing discrimination if based on your race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or disability: refusal to rent or sell or negotiate the rental/sale of housing; falsely denying that housing is available for inspection, sale, or rental; setting different terms, conditions, or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling; or providing different housing services or facilities.)

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable / I have not looked for housing in Orange County

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Fair Housing

16. Did you file a report of that discrimination?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

17. If you did not file a report, why didn't you file? (Check all that apply.)

- I didn't know what good it would do
- I didn't know where to file
- I didn't realize it was against the law
- I was afraid of retaliation
- The process wasn't in my language
- The process was not accessible to me because of a disability
- Not applicable
- Other (please specify)

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Barriers to Fair Housing

18. Do you believe housing discrimination is an issue in Orange County?

- Yes
- No
- Somewhat
- I don't know

19. Do you think any of the following are barriers to fair housing in Orange County? (Check all that apply.)

- Community opposition to affordable housing
- Discrimination by landlords or rental agents
- Discrimination by mortgage lenders
- Discrimination or steering by real estate agents
- Displacement of residents due to rising housing costs
- Income inequality
- Lack of housing options for people with disabilities
- Landlords refusing to accept Section 8 vouchers
- Language barriers
- Limited access to banking and financial services
- Limited access to community resources for people with disabilities
- Neighborhoods that need revitalization and new investment
- Other (please specify)

Orange County Housing and Community Development Survey

General Information

20. In what ZIP code do you live? (enter 5-digit ZIP code; for example, 32801)

21. What is your current housing status?

- I own a home
- I rent a home / apartment
- I live in a hotel / motel
- I live with a relative
- I am homeless
- Other (please specify)

22. Which is your age group?

- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-61
- 62-74
- 75+

23. What is your total household income?

- Less than \$25,000
- \$25,000 to \$34,999
- \$35,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to \$74,999
- \$75,000 to \$99,999
- \$100,000 and above

24. What is your race / ethnicity? (Check any that apply.)

- White
- African American or Black
- Hispanic or Latino
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Native American or Alaska Native
- Multiple races
- Other

25. Please use the box below to provide any additional information regarding housing and community development needs in Orange County.

THANK YOU for your time in completing this survey and assisting with this housing and community development study.

Encuesta de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Orange

¡Tu Opinión Cuenta!

El Condado de Orange está comenzando a trabajar en un estudio comunitario conocido como el Plan Consolidado de 5 Años. Este plan identificará las mayores necesidades de desarrollo comunitario y vivienda asequible del condado y describirá cómo se utilizará el dinero de la subvención federal para responder a estas necesidades identificadas hasta 2026. El condado también está llevando a cabo un estudio de vivienda justa para identificar y abordar cualquier barrera local para la vivienda justa.

Estos estudios son requeridos por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de los Estados Unidos para que el Condado continúe recibiendo fondos de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG), del programa HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) y de la Subvención para Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG). Su aporte es fundamental para ayudarnos a centrar nuestros esfuerzos y los recursos limitados que tenemos en los programas y servicios que son realmente importantes y necesarios en nuestra comunidad y vecindarios.

Sus respuestas son confidenciales. La información será reportada en combinación con otras respuestas de la encuesta y en formato de resumen para proteger su privacidad. No escriba su nombre u otra información personal en ninguna parte de la encuesta. Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre la encuesta, comuníquese con Mosaic Community Planning escribiendo a info@mosaiccommunityplanning.com o llamando al 470-435-6020. Para obtener más información sobre el Plan consolidado, el estudio de vivienda justa o nuestro proceso de planificación, visite www.yourOCFLplans.com.

Longitud de la encuesta: 25 preguntas

Tiempo estimado para completar esta encuesta: 10 minutos

¡Le agradecemos de antemano su tiempo y esfuerzo!

Encuesta de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Orange

Sobre su vecindario

1. ¿Qué es lo que más le gusta de su vecindario? (marque todo lo que aplique)

- Tiene un buen mantenimiento
- Mi alquiler o hipoteca es manejable
- Tengo buenos vecinos y me siento apoyado
- Me siento seguro
- Hay algunos servicios cerca (tiendas, restaurantes, centro comunitario, biblioteca, etc.)
- Hay espacios verdes cerca para disfrutar del aire libre
- Está a poca distancia a pie de los servicios necesarios como supermercados, centros de atención médica, artículos de primera necesidad, trabajo.
- Se cuenta con transporte público cerca para acceder a varios servicios
- Hay aceras para caminar/montar bicicleta con seguridad
- Otros (especificar)

2. ¿Qué es lo que menos le gusta de su vecindario? (marque todo lo que aplique)

- No tiene un buen mantenimiento o no recibe ningún mantenimiento en absoluto
- Mi alquiler o hipoteca es por un monto muy alto
- Tengo malos vecinos que hacen mi vida estresante
- No me siento seguro
- No hay servicios cerca
- No hay espacios verdes cerca para disfrutar del aire libre
- Esta aislado de los servicios necesarios como supermercados, centros de atención médica, artículos de primera necesidad o el trabajo, y tener un vehículo resulta indispensable
- No hay aceras para caminar/montar bicicleta con seguridad
- Hay actividad relacionada con drogas/crímenes en la zona
- Otros (especificar)

3. El Condado de Orange se esfuerza por convertirse en una comunidad más sostenible y resiliente, preparada para resistir los riesgos climáticos y recuperarse después de la ocurrencia de desastres. Pensando en su propia casa y vecindario, ¿qué características cree que aumentarían la sostenibilidad y la resiliencia? (marque todo lo que aplique).

- Acceso a recursos para la recuperación ante desastres (como refugios y/o servicios)
- Acceso a parques y espacios verdes
- Acceso a fuentes locales de alimentos
- Estaciones de carga para vehículos eléctricos
- Paisajismo tolerante a sequías
- Talleres sobre preparación para emergencias
- Mejoras de eficiencia energética
- Normas de construcción ecológica para la construcción de nuevas viviendas
- Vivienda ubicada cerca de centros de trabajo y recursos
- Mejor gestión de las aguas pluviales
- Mayores alternativas de transporte
- Instalaciones de paneles solares
- Sirenas de advertencia de tornados y evacuación a refugios
- Accesorios para un uso eficiente del agua
- Programas de climatización
- Otros (especificar)

Encuesta de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Orange

Clasificación de las Necesidades de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario

4. Seleccione una opción que considere que es la prioridad más alta para las oportunidades de financiación con subvenciones del Condado de Orange.

- Mejoras para cubrir las necesidades físicas de las instalaciones publicas
- Mejoras de infraestructura (aceras, senderos, agua/desagüe, etc.)
- Servicios sociales y salud publica
- Desarrollo económico y empleo
- Vivienda asequible y oportunidades de vivienda justa
- Problema de personas sin hogar

5. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de servicios sociales y de salud pública en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Servicios y programas extracurriculares después de la escuela	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cuidado de niños	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Asesoramiento financiero / crediticio/ sobre deudas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios para casos de violencia domestica	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consejería/tratamiento de abuso de drogas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Formación laboral	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Escuelas/educación técnica	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Actividades de vivienda justa	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Asistencia alimentaria	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios médicos y de salud mental	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Asesoría en materia de vivienda	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acceso a Internet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Programas de idiomas / fluidez del idioma	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios legales	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios para adultos mayores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios para personas con discapacidades	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Servicios de transporte	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las necesidades de servicios sociales y salud pública en el Condado de Orange.

6. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de vivienda en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Ayuda para comprar una casa/asistencia con el pago de la inicial	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ayuda para que los propietarios puedan hacer mejoras en las viviendas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ayuda con los pagos de alquileres	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construcción o rehabilitación de viviendas para Adultos mayores / Ancianos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Viviendas para personas con discapacidades	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Viviendas que aceptan vales de la Sección 8	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras de eficiencia energética en viviendas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construcción de nuevas unidades de alquiler asequible	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Construcción de nuevas viviendas para propietarios de viviendas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rehabilitación de viviendas/ apartamentos de alquiler asequibles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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7. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de desarrollo económico en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Ayuda financiera a emprendedores y pequeñas empresas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Incentivos para la creación de puestos de trabajo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Promoción de negocios basados en el vecindario y de propiedad de minorías	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras en los escaparates comerciales	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reurbanización o demolición de propiedades deterioradas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Esfuerzos de preservación histórica	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mas esfuerzos en aplicación del código de edificaciones	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las necesidades de desarrollo económico en el Condado de Orange.

8. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de mejoras que aborden las necesidades físicas de las instalaciones públicas en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Centros de cuidado infantil	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Centros comunitarios (p. ej. centros juveniles, centros para adultos mayores, centros culturales)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parques comunitarios, parques infantiles, gimnasios, y campos recreativos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Centros de salud	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Instalaciones para personas sin hogar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras a instalaciones existentes/estándares ADA de accesibilidad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Centros de servicios de ventanilla única (para servicios sociales, servicios de salud, capacitación laboral, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equipos e instalaciones de seguridad pública (Bomberos, policía, gestión de emergencias)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las mejoras para abordar las necesidades físicas de las instalaciones públicas en el Condado de Orange.

9. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de infraestructura pública en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja a una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Mejoras en estándares ADA/Accesibilidad del vecindario	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senderos para bicicletas o caminatas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Estaciones de carga para vehículos eléctricos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acceso a Internet de alta velocidad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Medidas para reducir los impactos de los desastres naturales	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras en aceras	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras en calles/carreteras	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mejoras en agua pluviales y drenaje	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las necesidades de infraestructura pública en el Condado de Orange.

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Personas sin hogar

10. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de la población sin hogar en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Acceso a albergues para personas sin hogar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevención de personas sin hogar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alcance comunitario para personas sin hogar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vivienda permanente	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Programas de viviendas de transición/con apoyos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las necesidades de la población de personas sin hogar en el Condado de Orange.

11. El Condado de Orange ha recibido una asignación especial de \$10.5 millones en fondos de ayuda federal que se utilizarán durante los próximos años para brindar asistencia y servicios de apoyo a personas sin hogar dentro del Condado. Los cinco usos elegibles para este financiamiento se señalan a continuación. Clasifique la lista de actividades elegibles de acuerdo con su nivel de necesidad dentro del condado (1 = más necesario y 5 = menos necesario)

- Compra y/o construcción de nuevas unidades de albergue de emergencia
- Compra y/o construcción de nuevas viviendas de alquiler asequible
- Creación de agencias sin fines de lucro más sólidas
- Prestación de servicios de apoyo (como gestión de casos, etc.)
- Vales para viviendas de alquiler (asistencia para nuevos alquileres)

12. ¿Cómo describiría su estabilidad en cuanto a vivienda en el último año?

- Estable, soy dueño y puedo pagar mi casa
- Estable, alquilo y puedo pagar mi alquiler
- Dificultades económicas debido a la pandemia de COVID (enfermedad, pérdida de trabajo, etc.) que causó la pérdida de mi vivienda o que casi la perdiera.
- Otras circunstancias (NO relacionadas con la pandemia de COVID) que provocaron la pérdida de mi vivienda o que casi la perdiera.
- Pérdida de vivienda debido a un desastre natural o causado por el hombre
- Continué experimentando una situación de carencia de vivienda

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Vivienda Justa

13. ¿Comprende sus derechos a una vivienda justa?

- Sí
- Un poco
- No

14. ¿Sabe dónde presentar una denuncia de discriminación sufrida en relación con la vivienda?

- Sí
- Un poco
- No

15. ¿Ha sufrido discriminación en materia de vivienda al buscar viviendas en el Condado de Orange?

(Por ejemplo, las siguientes acciones representarían discriminación en materia de vivienda si se basaran en su raza, color, origen nacional, religión, sexo, situación familiar o discapacidad: negativa a alquilar, vender o negociar el alquiler/venta de la vivienda; negar falsamente que la vivienda esté disponible para la inspección, venta o alquiler; fijar distintos términos, condiciones o privilegios para la venta o alquiler de una vivienda; o proporcionar servicios o instalaciones de viviendas que son diferentes).

- Sí
- No
- No aplica / No he buscado vivienda en el Condado de Orange

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Vivienda Justa

16. ¿Presentó usted denuncia de esa discriminación?

- Sí
- No
- No aplica

17. ¿Si no presentó una denuncia, porque no la presento? (Marque todo lo que aplique).

- No sabía si serviría de algo
- No sabía dónde presentar la denuncia
- No sabía que eso iba contra la ley
- Tenía miedo a las represalias
- El procedimiento no estaba en mi idioma
- El procedimiento no era accesible para mi debido a una discapacidad
- No aplica
- Otro (especificar)

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Barreras a la Vivienda Justa

18. ¿Cree que la discriminación en materia de vivienda es un problema en el Condado de Orange?

- Sí
- No
- Un poco
- No lo sé

19. ¿Cree que alguno de los siguientes puntos constituyen barreras para la vivienda justa en el Condado de Orange? (Marque todo lo que aplique).

- Oposición de la comunidad a viviendas asequibles
- Discriminación por parte de arrendadores o agentes de bienes raíces
- Discriminación por prestamistas hipotecarios
- Discriminación o encasillamiento por parte de agentes inmobiliarios
- Desplazamiento de residentes por el alza de costos de viviendas
- Desigualdad de ingresos
- Falta de opciones de Vivienda para personas con discapacidades
- Arrendadores se niegan a aceptar vales de la Sección 8
- Barreras del idioma
- Acceso limitado a servicios bancarios y financieros
- Acceso limitado a recursos comunitarios para personas con discapacidades
- Vecindarios que necesitan revitalización y nuevas inversiones
- Otro (especificar)

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Información General

20. ¿Cuál es el código postal ZIP del área donde vive? (ingrese el código postal ZIP de 5 dígitos; por ejemplo, 32801)

21. ¿Cuál es su estado actual de vivienda?

- Soy dueño de una casa
- Alquilo una casa/apartamento
- Vivo en un hotel / motel
- Vivo con un familiar
- Soy una persona sin hogar
- Otro (especificar)

22. ¿Cuál es su grupo de edad?

- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-61
- 62-74
- 75+

23. ¿Cuál es el ingreso total de su hogar?

- Menos de \$25,000
- De \$25,000 a \$34,999
- De \$35,000 a \$49,999
- De \$50,000 a \$74,999
- De \$75,000 a \$99,999
- De \$100,000 a mas

24. Cuál es su raza / origen étnico? (Marcar todo lo que aplique).

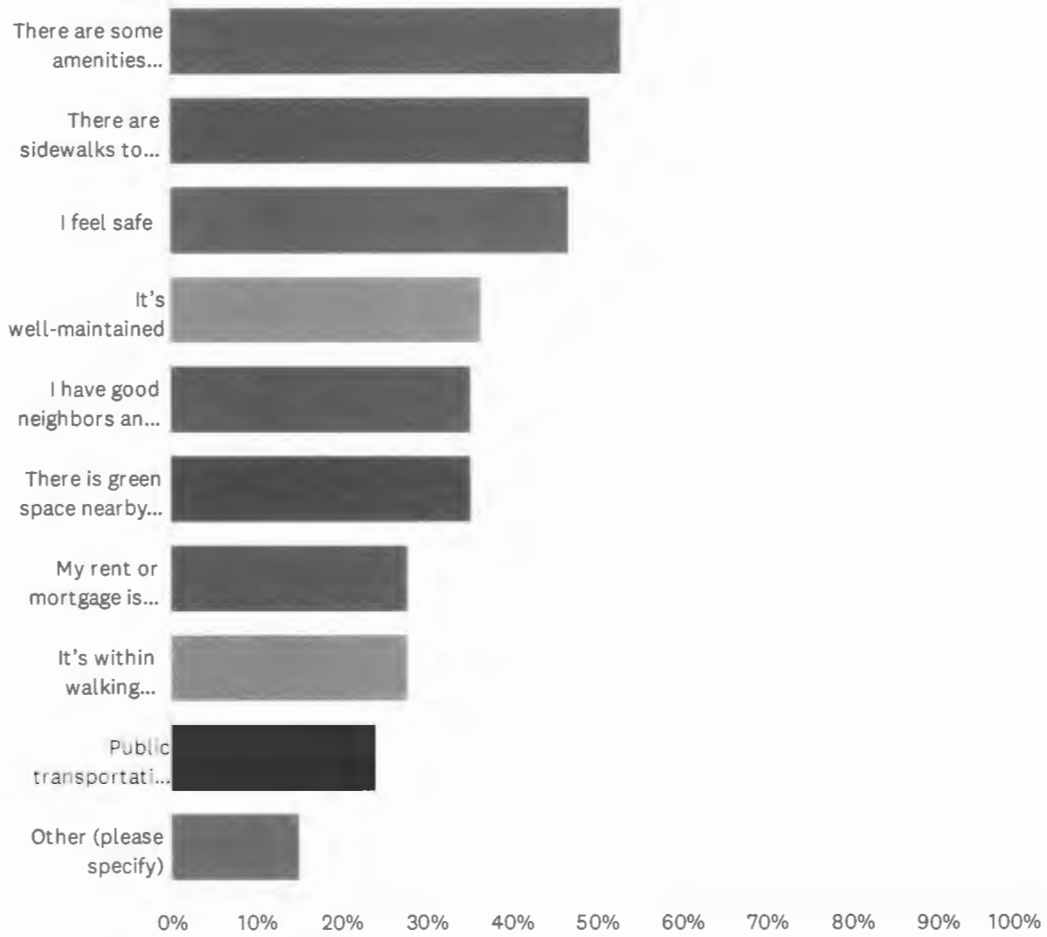
- Blanca
- Afroamericano o negro
- Hispano o latino
- Asiático o Isleño del Pacifico
- Nativa Americano o Nativo de Alaska
- Múltiples razas
- Otra

25. Utilice el recuadro que figura a continuación para proporcionar cualquier información adicional sobre las necesidades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario en el Condado de Orange.

GRACIAS por su tiempo para llenar esta encuesta y ayudar con este estudio de Vivienda y desarrollo comunitario.

Q1 What do you like most about your neighborhood? (check all that apply)

Answered: 79 Skipped: 2



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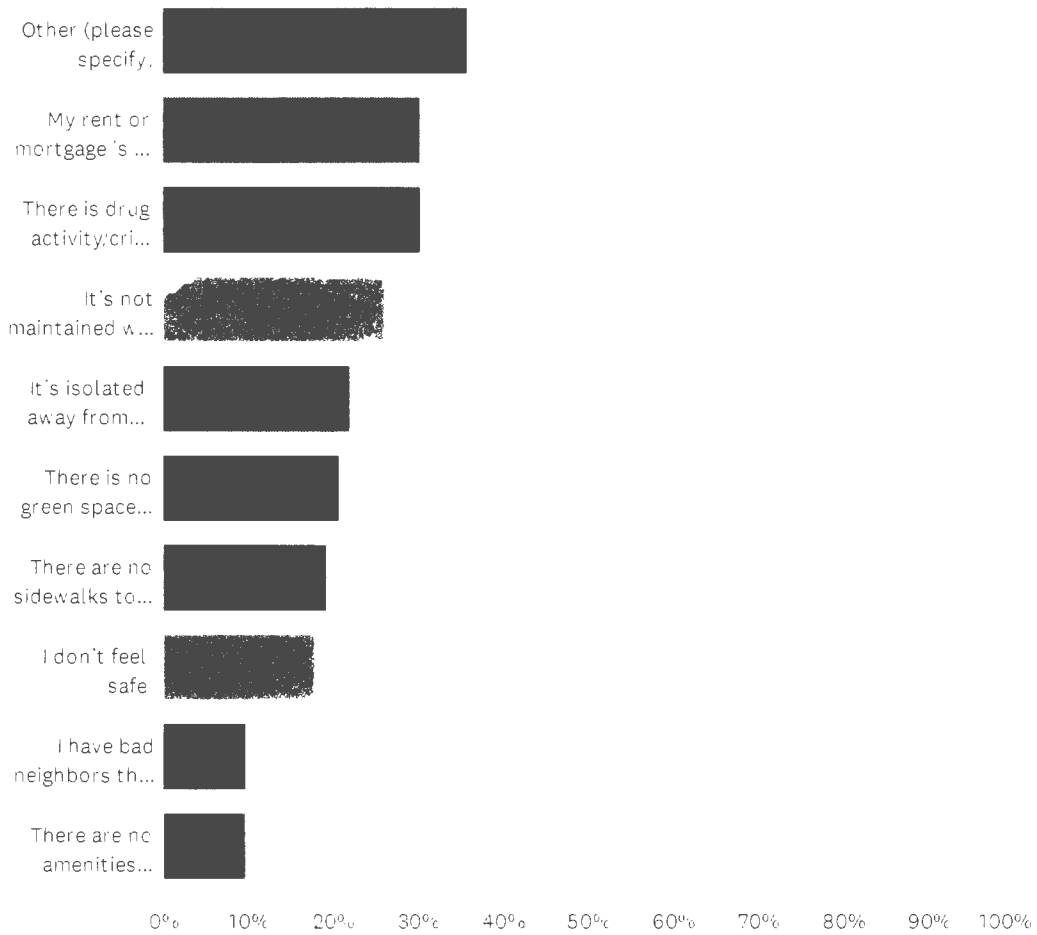
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

There are some amenities nearby (shops, restaurants, community center, library, etc.)	53.16%	42
There are sidewalks to safely walk/ride on	49.37%	39
I feel safe	46.84%	37
It's well-maintained	36.71%	29
I have good neighbors and feel supported	35.44%	28
There is green space nearby to enjoy the outdoors	35.44%	28
My rent or mortgage is manageable	27.85%	22
It's within walking distance to needed services like groceries, healthcare, necessities, work	27.85%	22
Public transportation is available nearby to access various services	24.05%	19
Other (please specify)	15.19%	12
Total Respondents: 79		

Q2 What do you like least about your neighborhood? (check all that apply)

Multiple Choice



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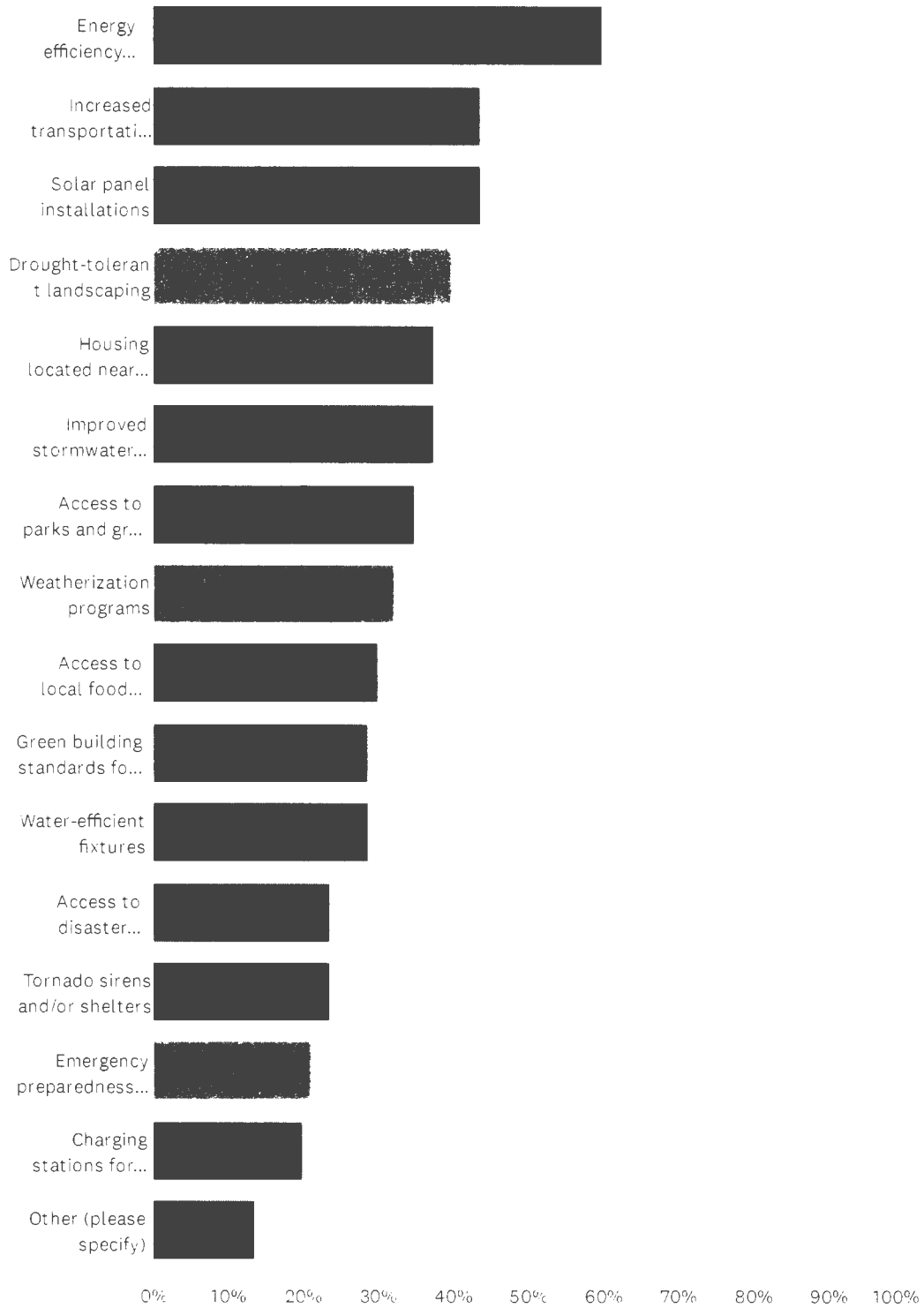
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Other (please specify)	36.11%	26
My rent or mortgage is too high	30.56%	22
There is drug activity/crime in the area	30.56%	22
It's not maintained well or at all	26.39%	19
It's isolated away from needed services like groceries, healthcare, necessities or work, and having a vehicle is a necessity	22.22%	16
There is no green space nearby to enjoy the outdoors	20.83%	15
There are no sidewalks to safely walk/ride on	19.44%	14
I don't feel safe	18.06%	13
I have bad neighbors that make my life stressful	9.72%	7
There are no amenities nearby	9.72%	7
Total Respondents: 72		

Q3 Orange County is striving to become a more sustainable and resilient community that is prepared to withstand climate risks and bounce back after disasters. Thinking about your own home and neighborhood, what features do you believe would increase sustainability and resiliency?
(check all that apply)

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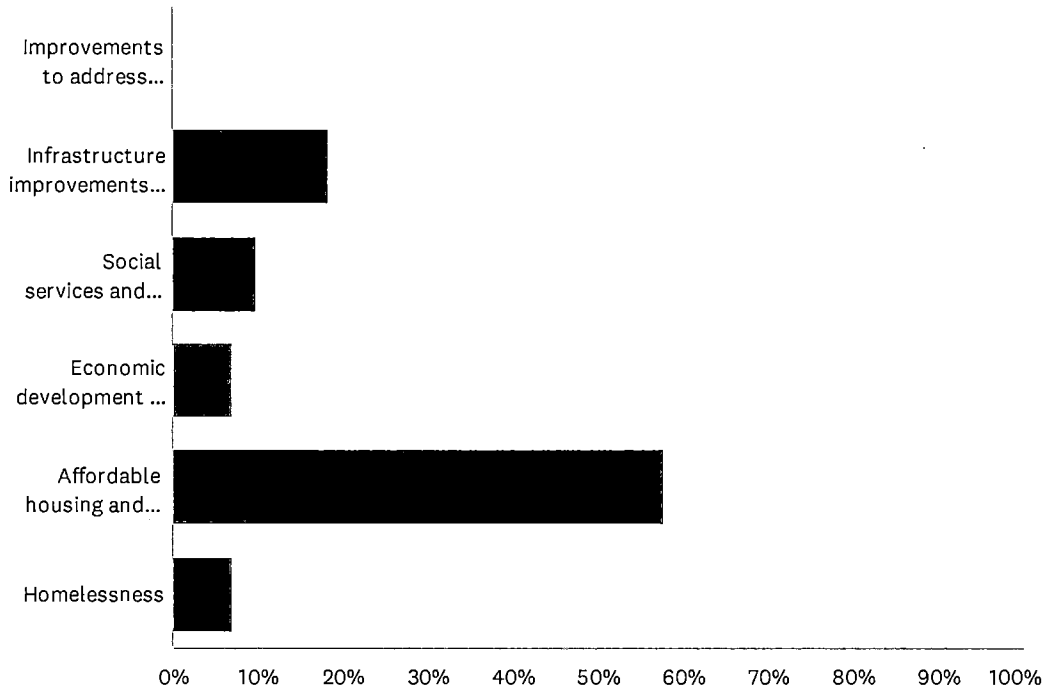


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Energy efficiency upgrades	60.00%	48
Increased transportation options	43.75%	35
Solar panel installations	43.75%	35
Drought-tolerant landscaping	40.00%	32
Housing located near jobs and resources	37.50%	30
Improved stormwater management	37.50%	30
Access to parks and green spaces	35.00%	28
Weatherization programs	32.50%	26
Access to local food sources	30.00%	24
Green building standards for new housing construction	28.75%	23
Water-efficient fixtures	28.75%	23
Access to disaster recovery resources (such as shelters and/or services)	23.75%	19
Tornado sirens and/or shelters	23.75%	19
Emergency preparedness workshops	21.25%	17
Charging stations for electric vehicles	20.00%	16
Other (please specify)	13.75%	11
Total Respondents: 80		

Q4 Please select one option that you believe is the highest priority for Orange County's grant funding opportunities.

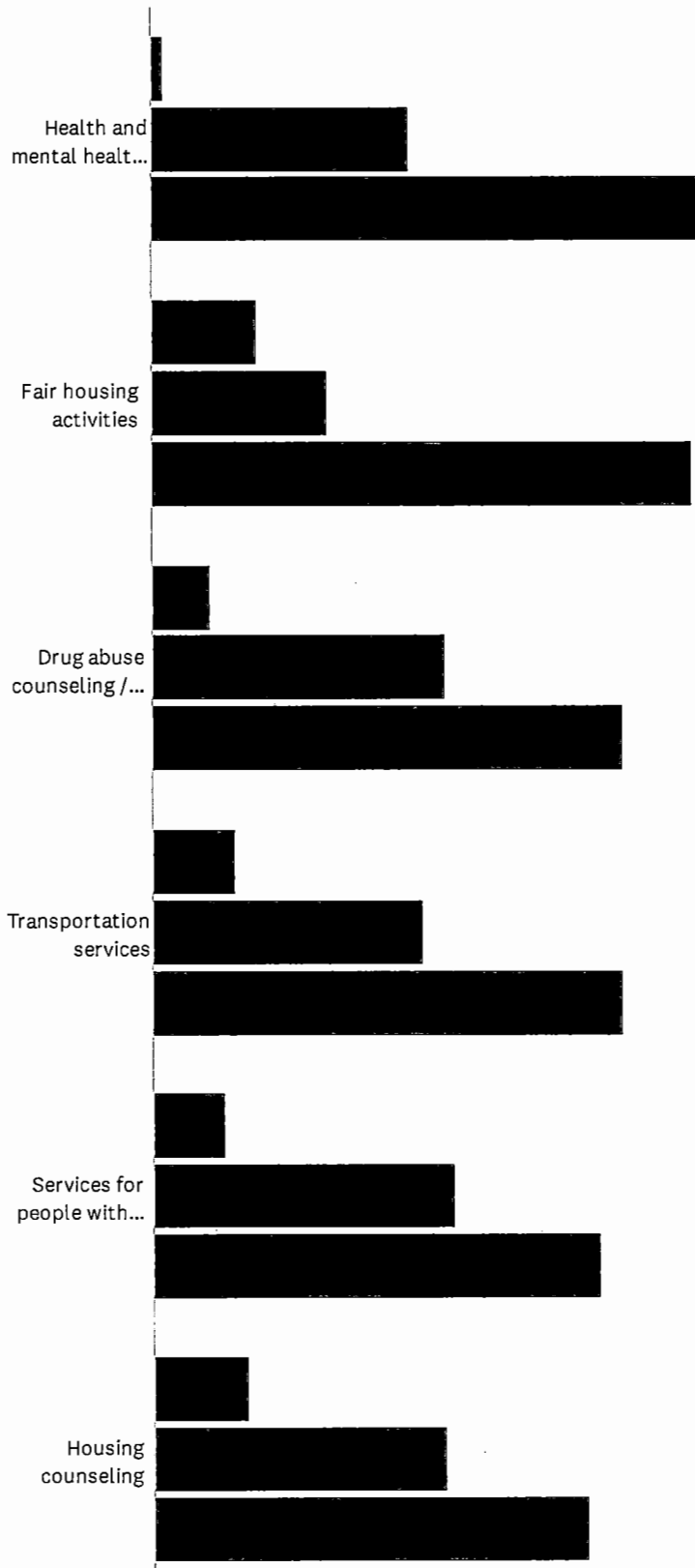
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Improvements to address physical needs of public facilities	0.00%	0
Infrastructure improvements (sidewalks, trails, water/sewer, etc.)	18.31%	13
Social services and public health	9.86%	7
Economic development and jobs	7.04%	5
Affordable housing and fair housing opportunities	57.75%	41
Homelessness	7.04%	5
TOTAL		71

Q5 Please rank the following social service and public health needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

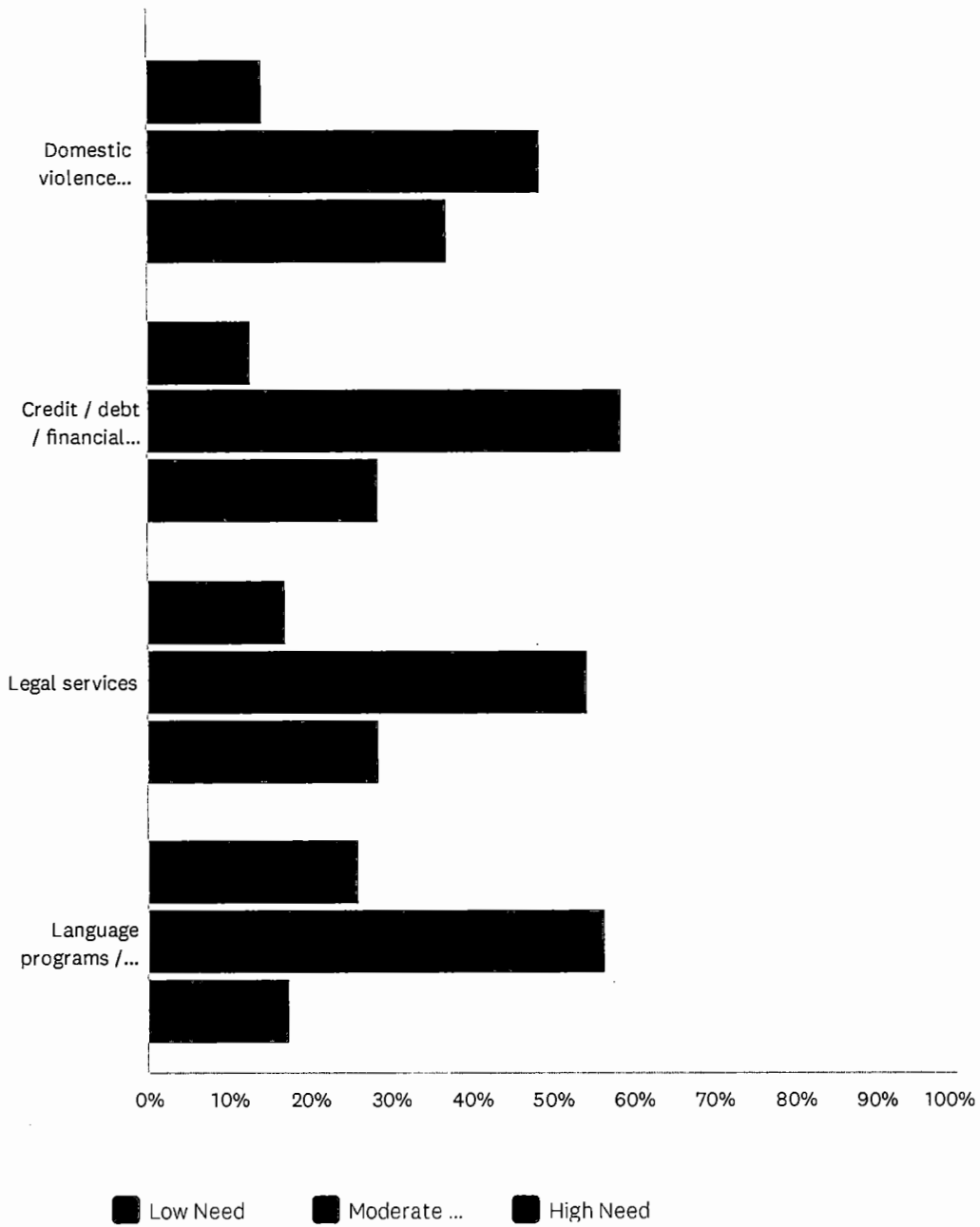
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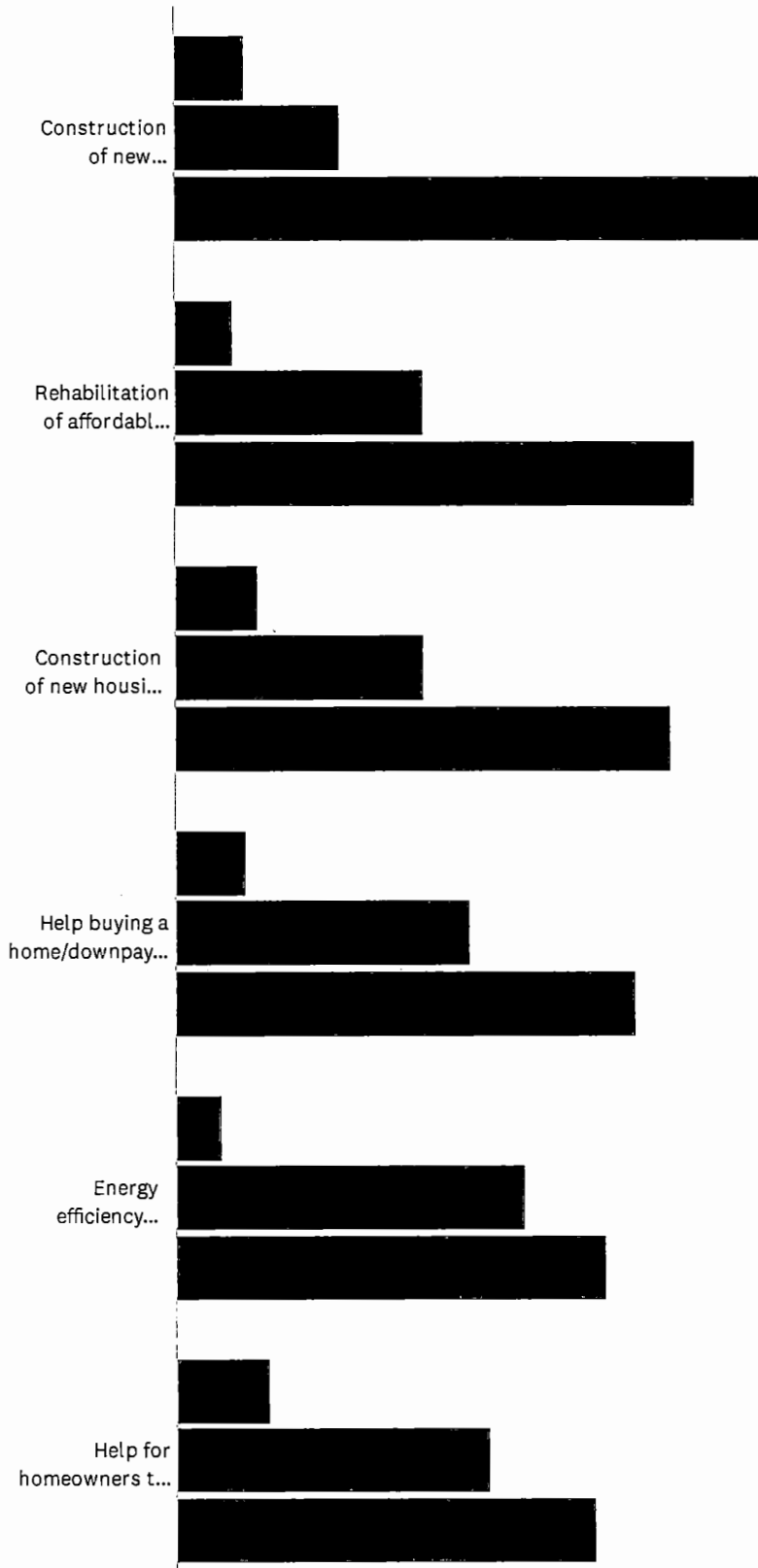


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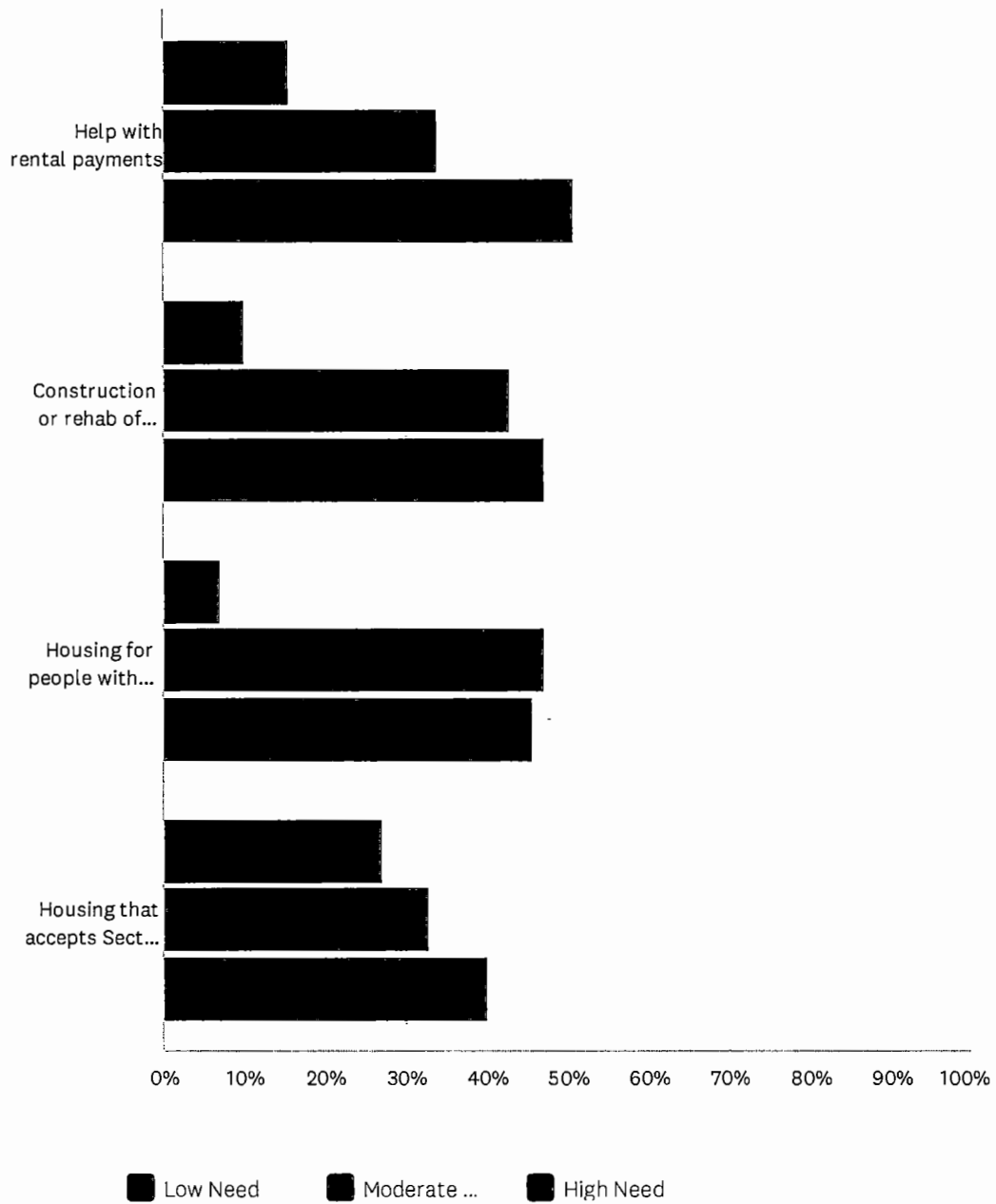
	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Health and mental health services	1.43% 1	31.43% 22	67.14% 47	70	2.66
Fair housing activities	12.86% 9	21.43% 15	65.71% 46	70	2.53
Drug abuse counseling / treatment	7.14% 5	35.71% 25	57.14% 40	70	2.50
Transportation services	10.00% 7	32.86% 23	57.14% 40	70	2.47
Services for people with disabilities	8.82% 6	36.76% 25	54.41% 37	68	2.46
Housing counseling	11.43% 8	35.71% 25	52.86% 37	70	2.41
Internet access	8.82% 6	44.12% 30	47.06% 32	68	2.38
Senior services	10.00% 7	42.86% 30	47.14% 33	70	2.37
Food assistance	10.00% 7	42.86% 30	47.14% 33	70	2.37
Trade schools / education	8.57% 6	47.14% 33	44.29% 31	70	2.36
Childcare	8.70% 6	49.28% 34	42.03% 29	69	2.33
Afterschool services and programs	7.35% 5	57.35% 39	35.29% 24	68	2.28
Employment training	11.43% 8	51.43% 36	37.14% 26	70	2.26
Domestic violence services	14.29% 10	48.57% 34	37.14% 26	70	2.23
Credit / debt / financial counseling	12.86% 9	58.57% 41	28.57% 20	70	2.16
Legal services	17.14% 12	54.29% 38	28.57% 20	70	2.11
Language programs / Language fluency	26.09% 18	56.52% 39	17.39% 12	69	1.91

Q6 Please rank the following housing needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 71 Skipped: 10



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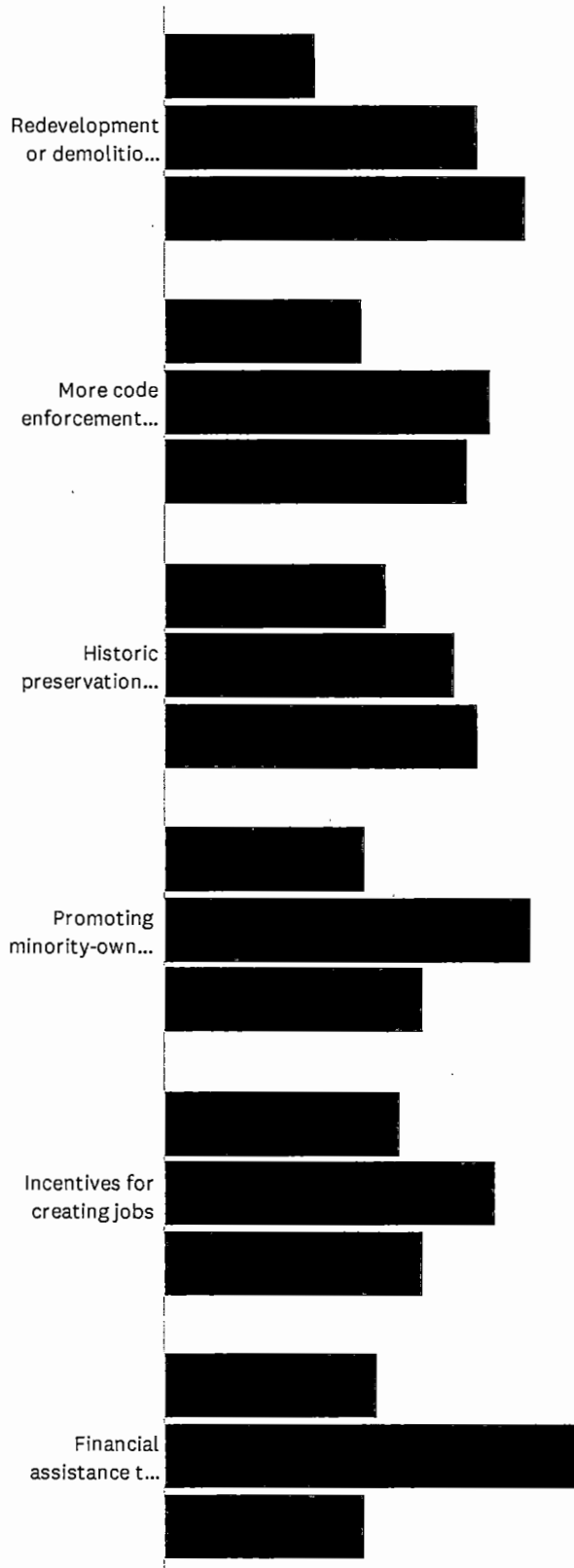


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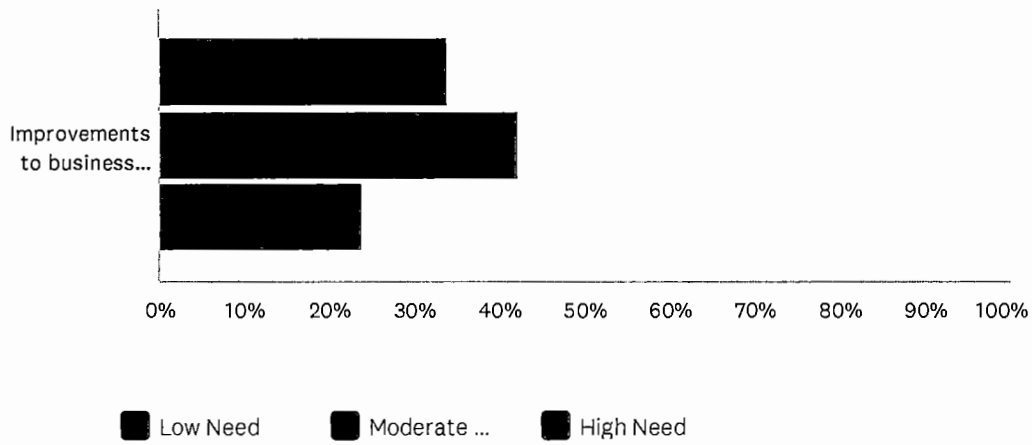
	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Construction of new affordable rental units	8.57% 6	20.00% 14	71.43% 50	70	2.63
Rehabilitation of affordable rental housing/apartments	7.14% 5	30.00% 21	62.86% 44	70	2.56
Construction of new housing for homeownership	10.00% 7	30.00% 21	60.00% 42	70	2.50
Help buying a home/downpayment assistance	8.57% 6	35.71% 25	55.71% 39	70	2.47
Energy efficiency improvements to housing	5.63% 4	42.25% 30	52.11% 37	71	2.46
Help for homeowners to make housing improvements	11.27% 8	38.03% 27	50.70% 36	71	2.39
Help with rental payments	15.49% 11	33.80% 24	50.70% 36	71	2.35
Construction or rehab of housing for Seniors / Elderly	10.00% 7	42.86% 30	47.14% 33	70	2.37
Housing for people with disabilities	7.14% 5	47.14% 33	45.71% 32	70	2.39
Housing that accepts Section 8 vouchers	27.14% 19	32.86% 23	40.00% 28	70	2.13

Q7 Please rank the following economic development needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 71 Skipped: 10



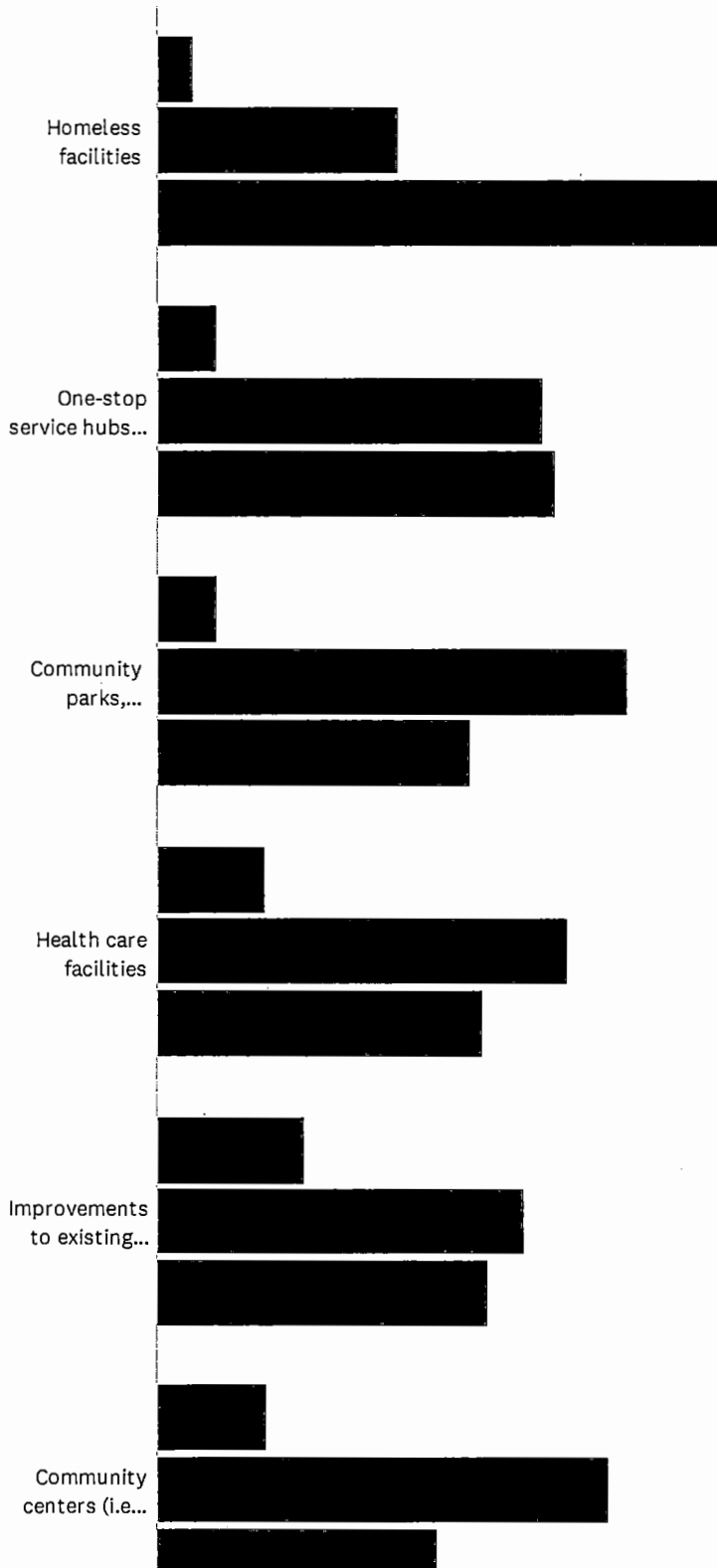
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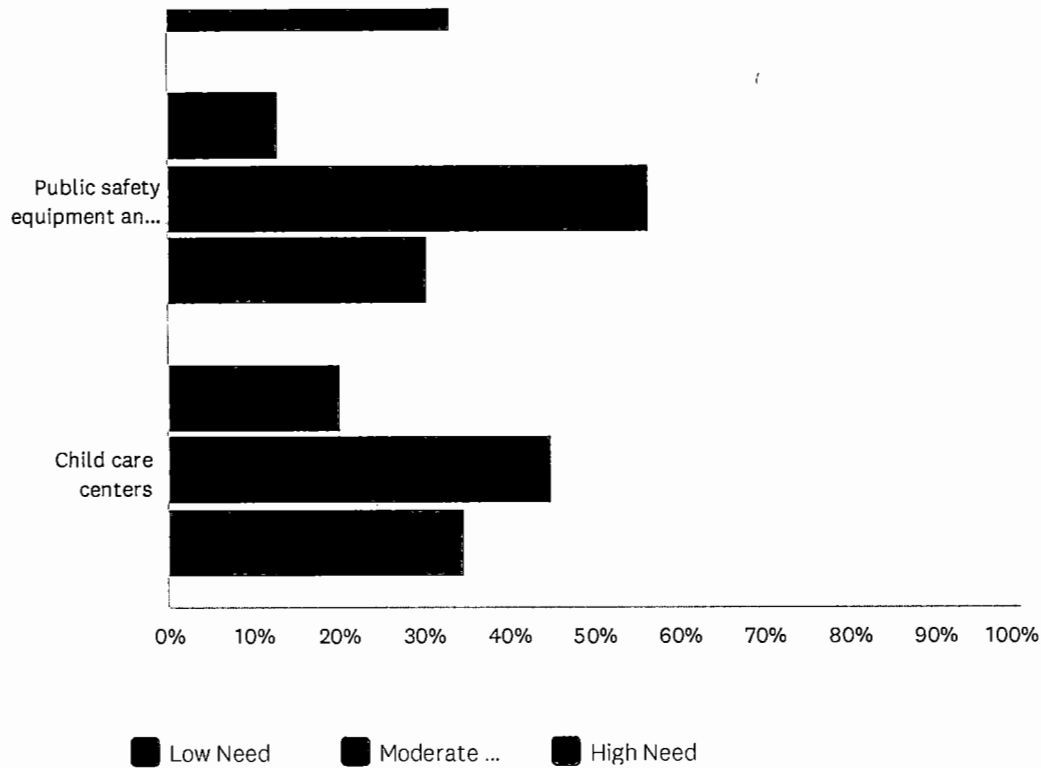
	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Redevelopment or demolition of blighted properties	18.31% 13	38.03% 27	43.66% 31	71	2.25
More code enforcement efforts	23.94% 17	39.44% 28	36.62% 26	71	2.13
Historic preservation efforts	26.76% 19	35.21% 25	38.03% 27	71	2.11
Promoting minority-owned neighborhood-based businesses	24.29% 17	44.29% 31	31.43% 22	70	2.07
Incentives for creating jobs	28.57% 20	40.00% 28	31.43% 22	70	2.03
Financial assistance to entrepreneurs and small businesses	25.71% 18	50.00% 35	24.29% 17	70	1.99
Improvements to business storefronts	33.80% 24	42.25% 30	23.94% 17	71	1.90

Q8 Please rank the following needs for improvements addressing the physical needs of public facilities in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 70 Skipped: 11



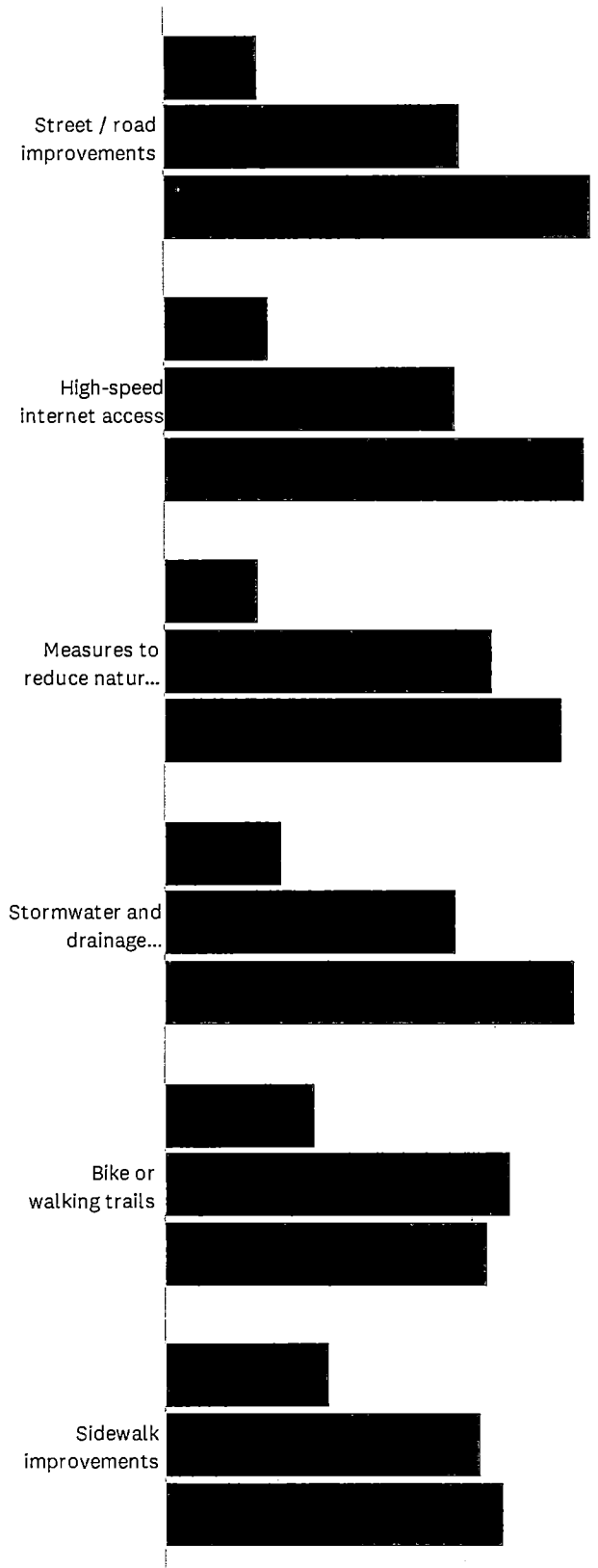
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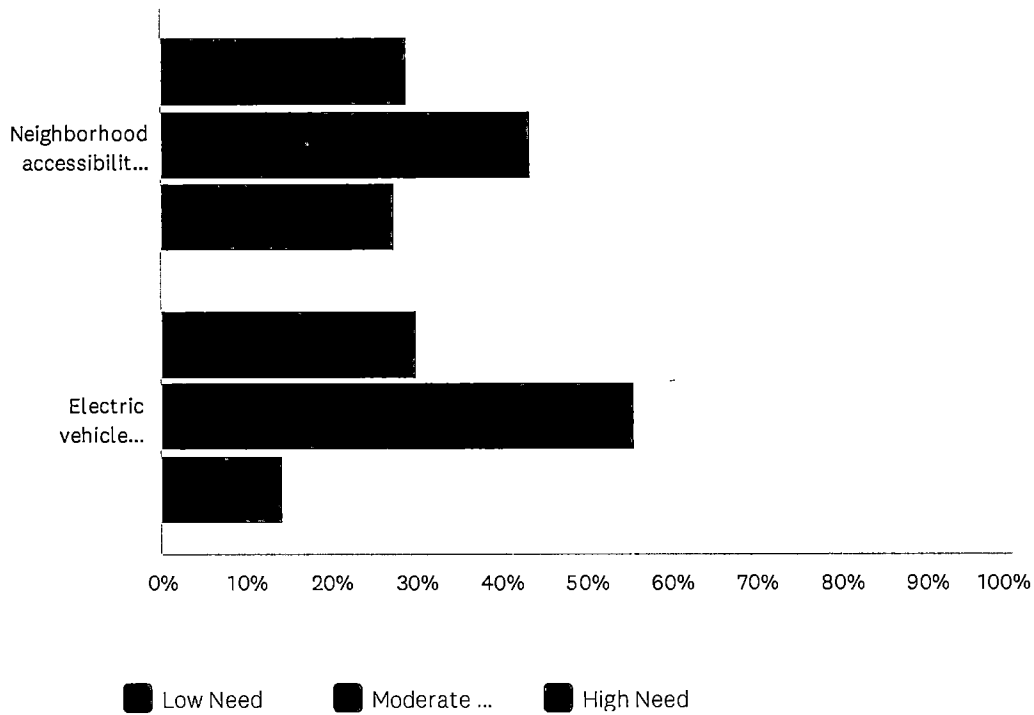
	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Homeless facilities	4.29% 3	28.57% 20	67.14% 47	70	2.63
One-stop service hubs (for social services, health services, job trainings, etc.)	7.14% 5	45.71% 32	47.14% 33	70	2.40
Community parks, playgrounds, gyms, and recreational fields	7.14% 5	55.71% 39	37.14% 26	70	2.30
Health care facilities	12.86% 9	48.57% 34	38.57% 27	70	2.26
Improvements to existing facilities / ADA accessibility	17.39% 12	43.48% 30	39.13% 27	69	2.22
Community centers (i.e. youth centers, senior centers, cultural centers)	13.04% 9	53.62% 37	33.33% 23	69	2.20
Public safety equipment and facilities (fire, police, emergency management)	13.04% 9	56.52% 39	30.43% 21	69	2.17
Child care centers	20.29% 14	44.93% 31	34.78% 24	69	2.14

Q9 Please rank the following public infrastructure needs in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 71 Skipped: 10



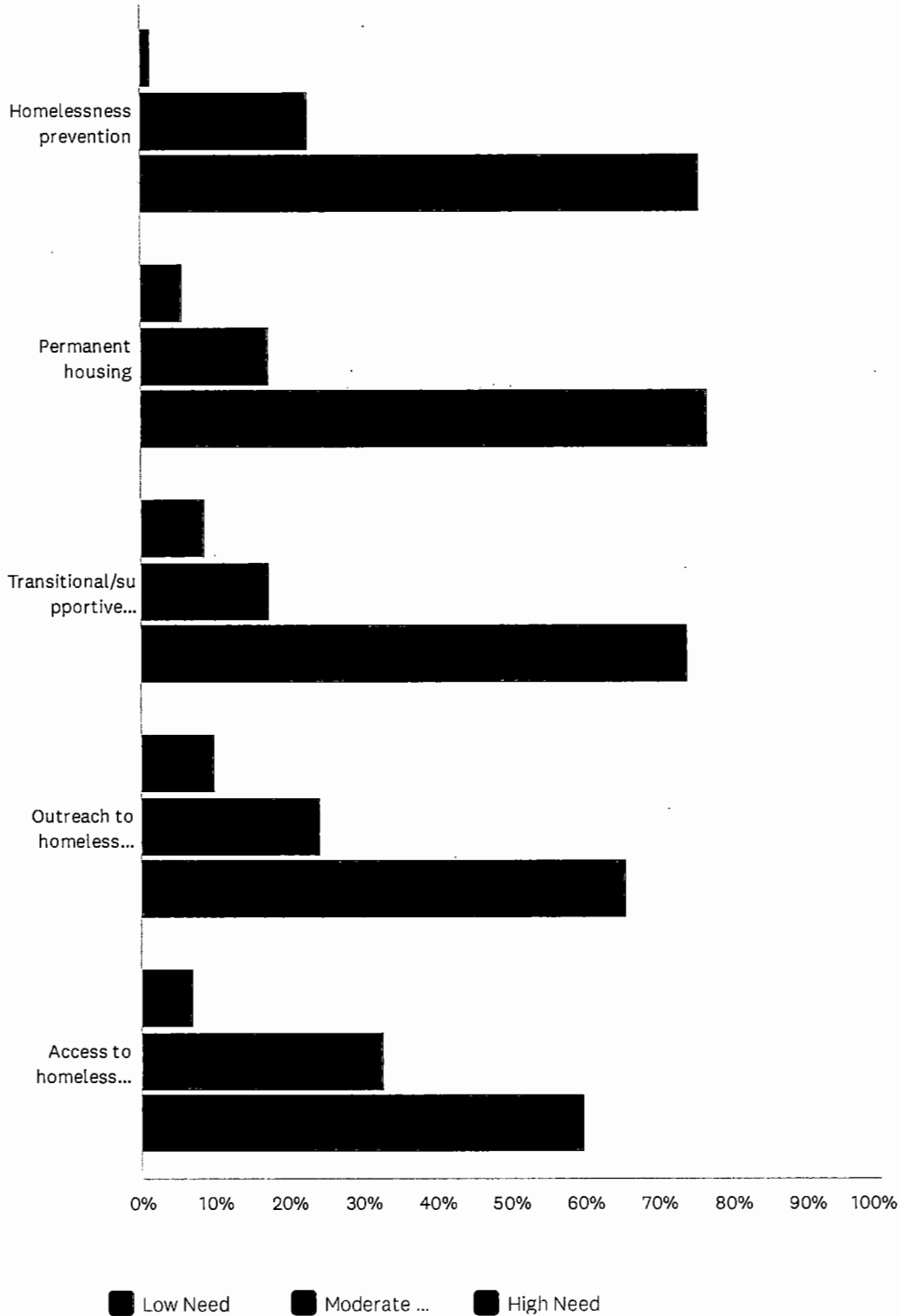
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	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Street / road improvements	11.59% 8	36.23% 25	52.17% 36	69	2.41
High-speed internet access	12.86% 9	35.71% 25	51.43% 36	70	2.39
Measures to reduce natural disaster impacts	11.43% 8	40.00% 28	48.57% 34	70	2.37
Stormwater and drainage improvements	14.29% 10	35.71% 25	50.00% 35	70	2.36
Bike or walking trails	18.31% 13	42.25% 30	39.44% 28	71	2.21
Sidewalk improvements	20.00% 14	38.57% 27	41.43% 29	70	2.21
Neighborhood accessibility / ADA improvements	28.99% 20	43.48% 30	27.54% 19	69	1.99
Electric vehicle charging stations	30.00% 21	55.71% 39	14.29% 10	70	1.84

Q10 Please rank the following needs of the homeless population in Orange County on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 70 Skipped: 11

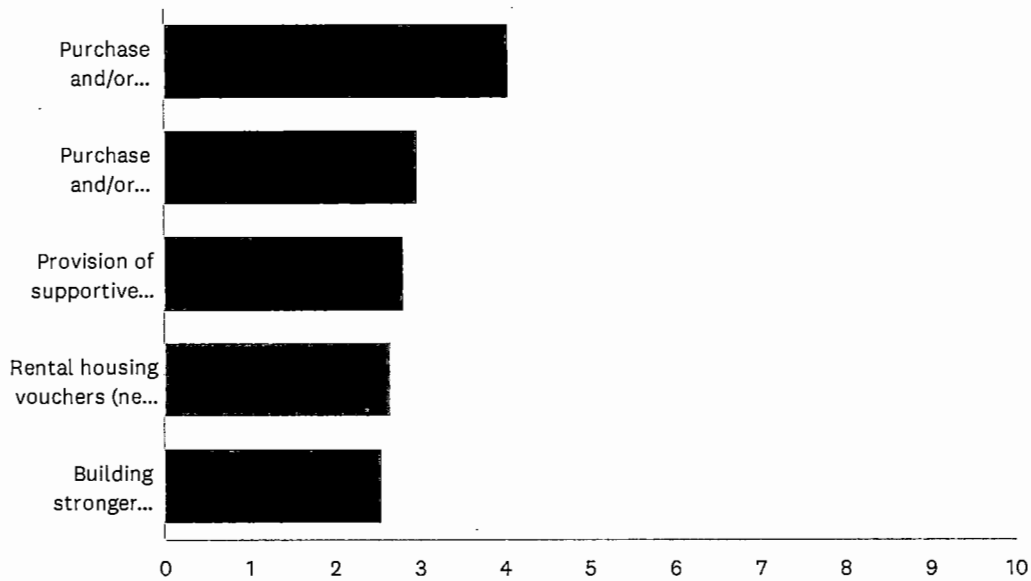


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	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Homelessness prevention	1.43% 1	22.86% 16	75.71% 53	70	2.74
Permanent housing	5.80% 4	17.39% 12	76.81% 53	69	2.71
Transitional/supportive housing programs	8.70% 6	17.39% 12	73.91% 51	69	2.65
Outreach to homeless persons	10.00% 7	24.29% 17	65.71% 46	70	2.56
Access to homeless shelters	7.14% 5	32.86% 23	60.00% 42	70	2.53

Q11 Orange County has received a special allocation of \$10.5 million in federal relief funding to be used over the next few years for homelessness assistance and supportive services within the County. The five eligible uses for this funding are listed below. Please rank the list of eligible activities according to their level of need within the County (1=most needed and 5= least needed)

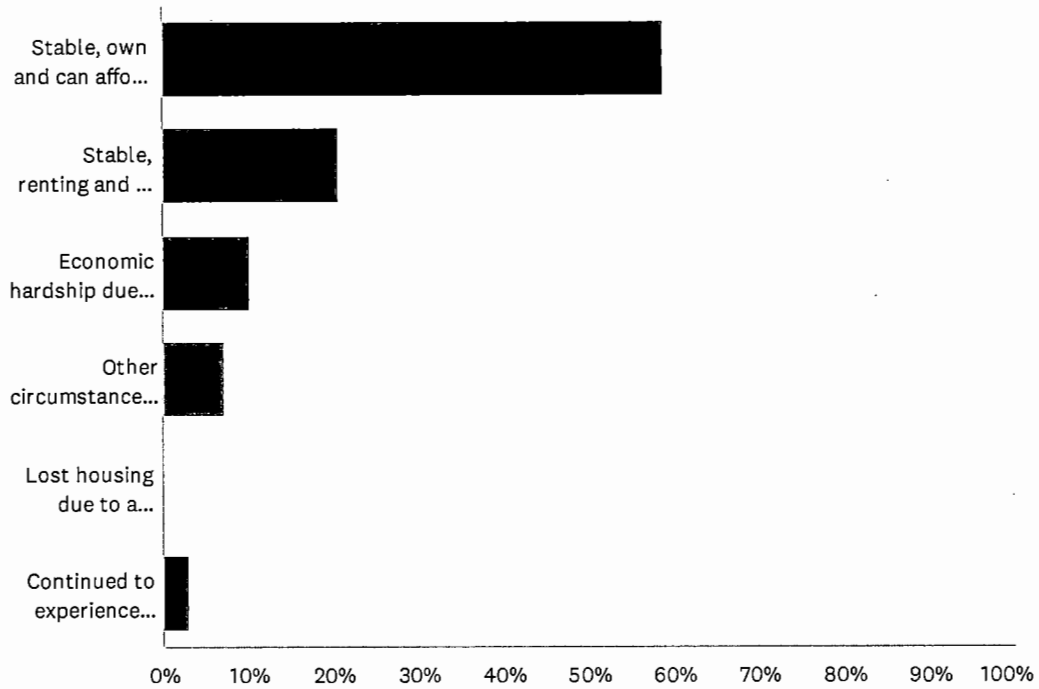
Answered: 70 Skipped: 11



	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Purchase and/or construction of new affordable rental housing	53.62% 37	20.29% 14	14.49% 10	1.45% 1	10.14% 7	69	4.06
Purchase and/or construction of new emergency shelter units	16.18% 11	27.94% 19	16.18% 11	17.65% 12	22.06% 15	68	2.99
Provision of supportive services (such as case management, etc.)	14.49% 10	18.84% 13	18.84% 13	28.99% 20	18.84% 13	69	2.81
Rental housing vouchers (new rental assistance)	7.14% 5	21.43% 15	22.86% 16	27.14% 19	21.43% 15	70	2.66
Building stronger non-profit agencies	10.29% 7	11.76% 8	27.94% 19	23.53% 16	26.47% 18	68	2.56

Q12 How would you describe your housing stability over the past year?

Answered: 68 Skipped: 13



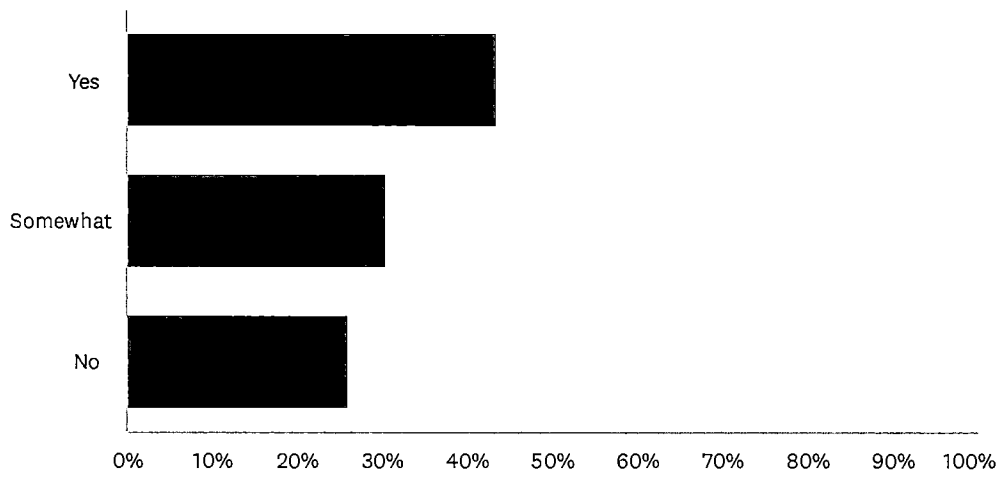
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Stable, own and can afford my home	58.82%	40
Stable, renting and can afford my rent	20.59%	14
Economic hardship due to COVID pandemic (illness, loss of job, etc.) that resulted in loss of housing or near loss of housing	10.29%	7
Other circumstances (NOT Related to COVID pandemic) that resulted in loss of housing or near loss of housing	7.35%	5
Lost housing due to a natural or human-caused disaster	0.00%	0
Continued to experience homelessness	2.94%	2
TOTAL		68

Q13 Do you understand your fair housing rights?

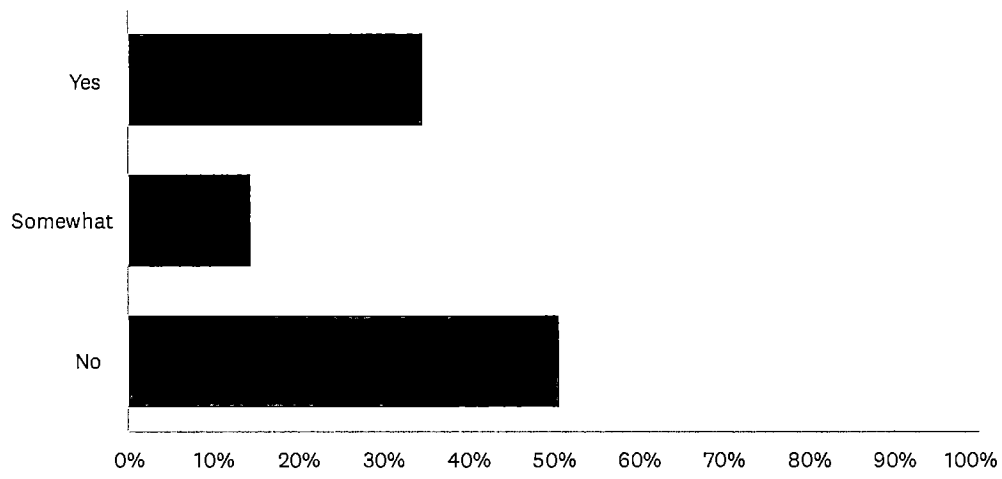
Answered: 69 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	43.48%	30
Somewhat	30.43%	21
No	26.09%	18
TOTAL		69

Q14 Do you know where to file a housing discrimination complaint?

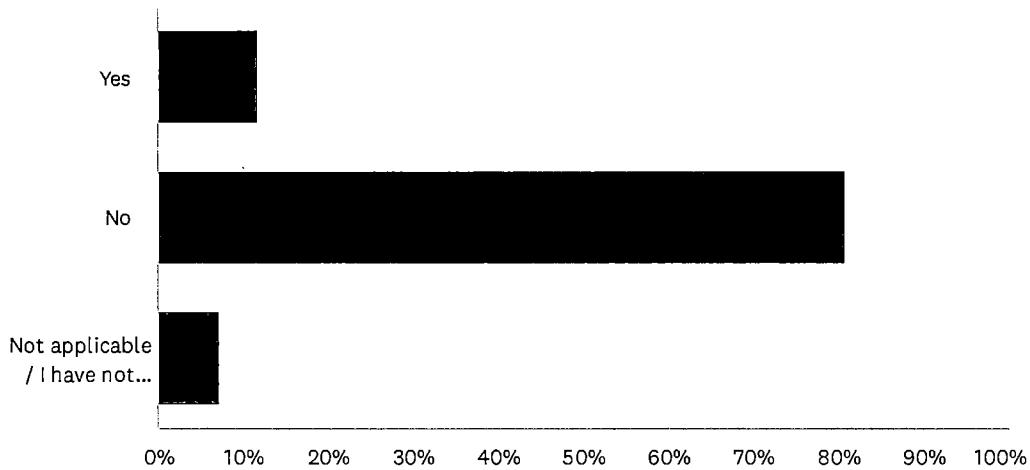
Answered: 69 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	34.78%	24
Somewhat	14.49%	10
No	50.72%	35
TOTAL		69

Q15 Have you experienced housing discrimination when looking for housing in Orange County?(For example, the following actions would represent housing discrimination if based on your race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or disability: refusal to rent or sell or negotiate the rental/sale of housing; falsely denying that housing is available for inspection, sale, or rental; setting different terms, conditions, or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling; or providing different housing services or facilities.)

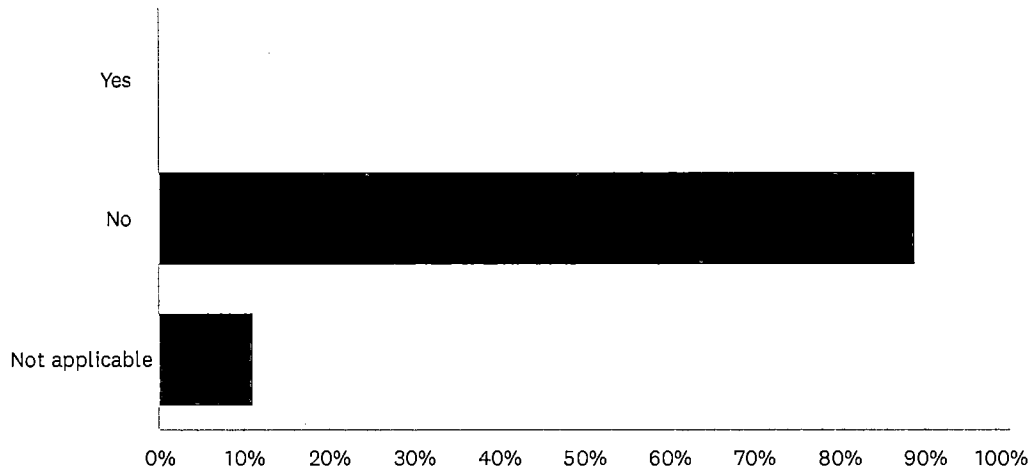
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	11.76%	8
No	80.88%	55
Not applicable / I have not looked for housing in Orange County	7.35%	5
TOTAL		68

Q16 Did you file a report of that discrimination?

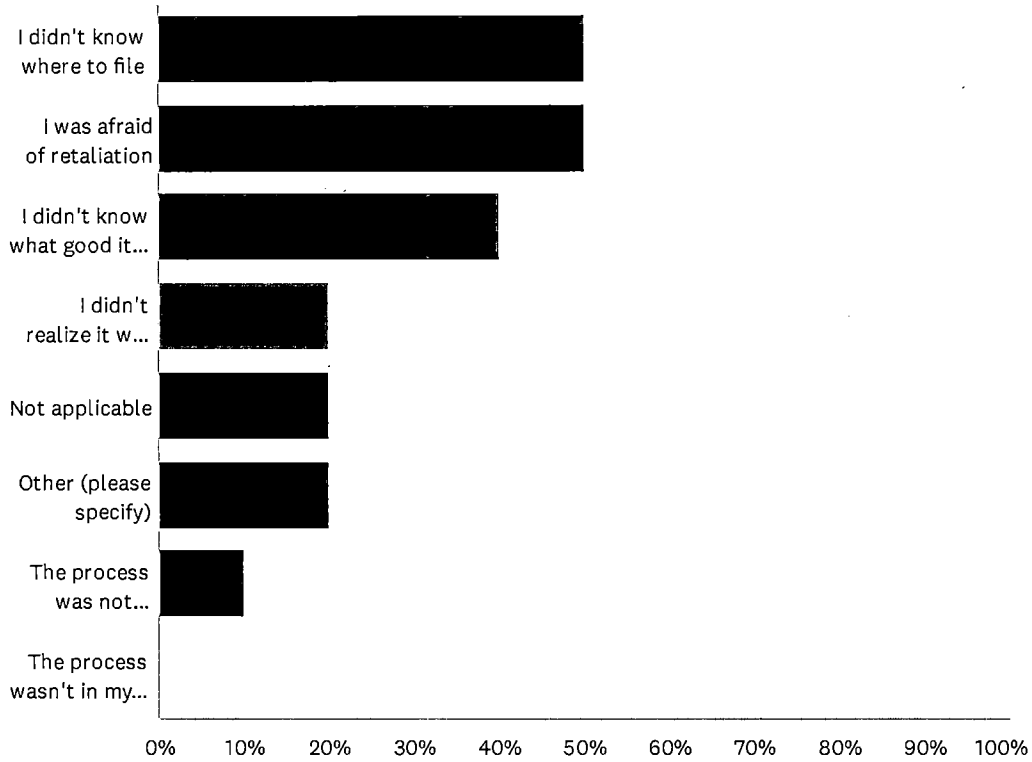
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	0.00%	0
No	88.89%	8
Not applicable	11.11%	1
TOTAL		9

Q17 If you did not file a report, why didn't you file? (Check all that apply.)

Answered: 10 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES

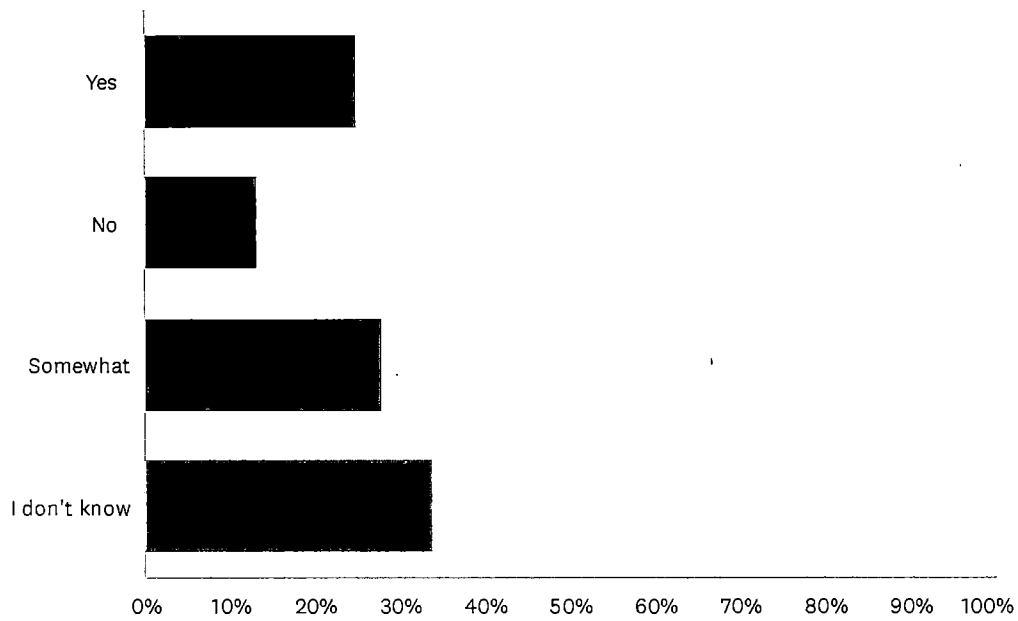
RESPONSES

I didn't know where to file	50.00%	5
I was afraid of retaliation	50.00%	5
I didn't know what good it would do	40.00%	4
I didn't realize it was against the law	20.00%	2
Not applicable	20.00%	2
Other (please specify)	20.00%	2
The process was not accessible to me because of a disability	10.00%	1
The process wasn't in my language	0.00%	0

Total Respondents: 10

Q18 Do you believe housing discrimination is an issue in Orange County?

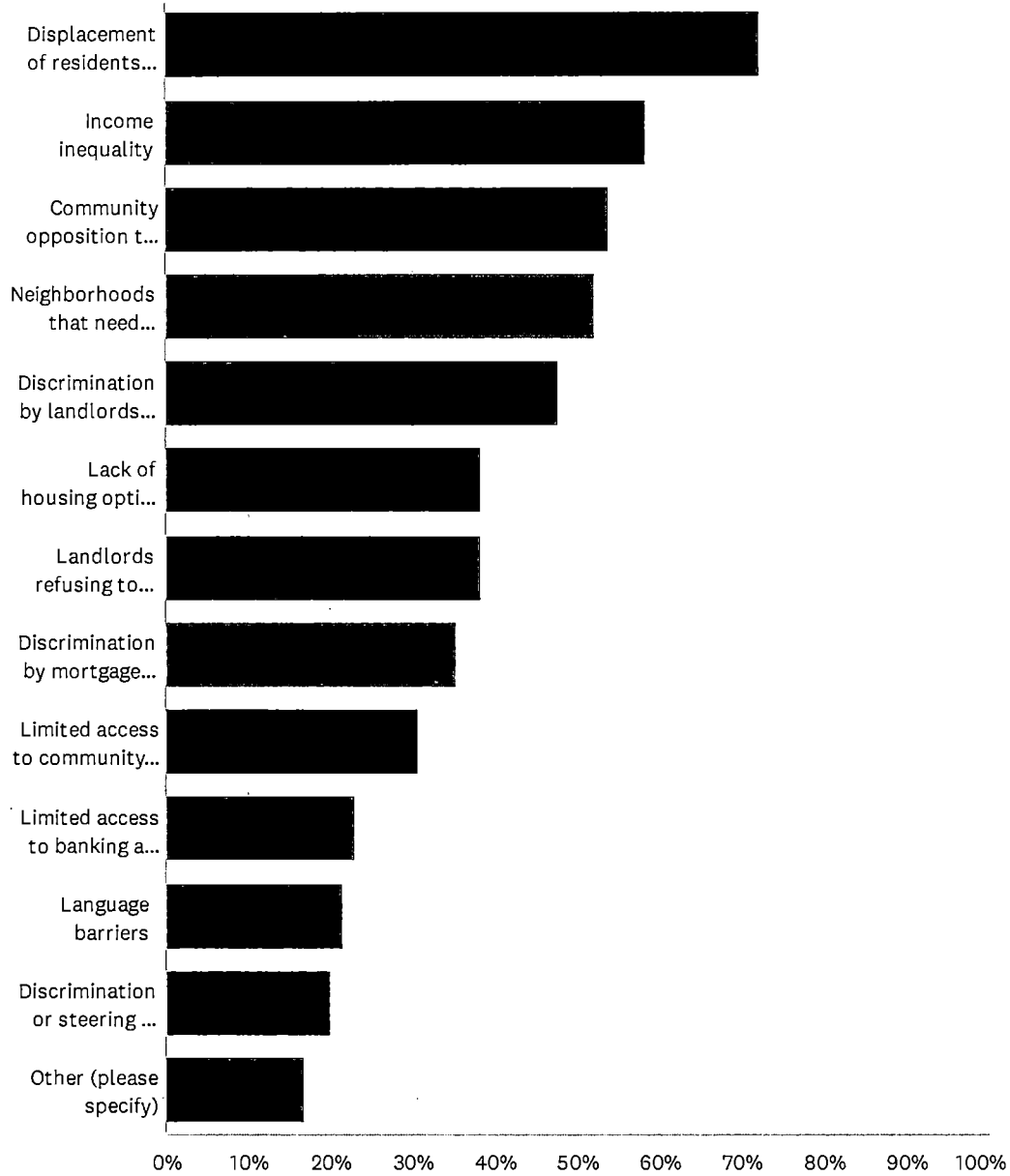
Answered: 68 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	25.00%	17
No	13.24%	9
Somewhat	27.94%	19
I don't know	33.82%	23
TOTAL		68

Q19 Do you think any of the following are barriers to fair housing in Orange County? (Check all that apply.)

Answered: 65 Skipped: 16



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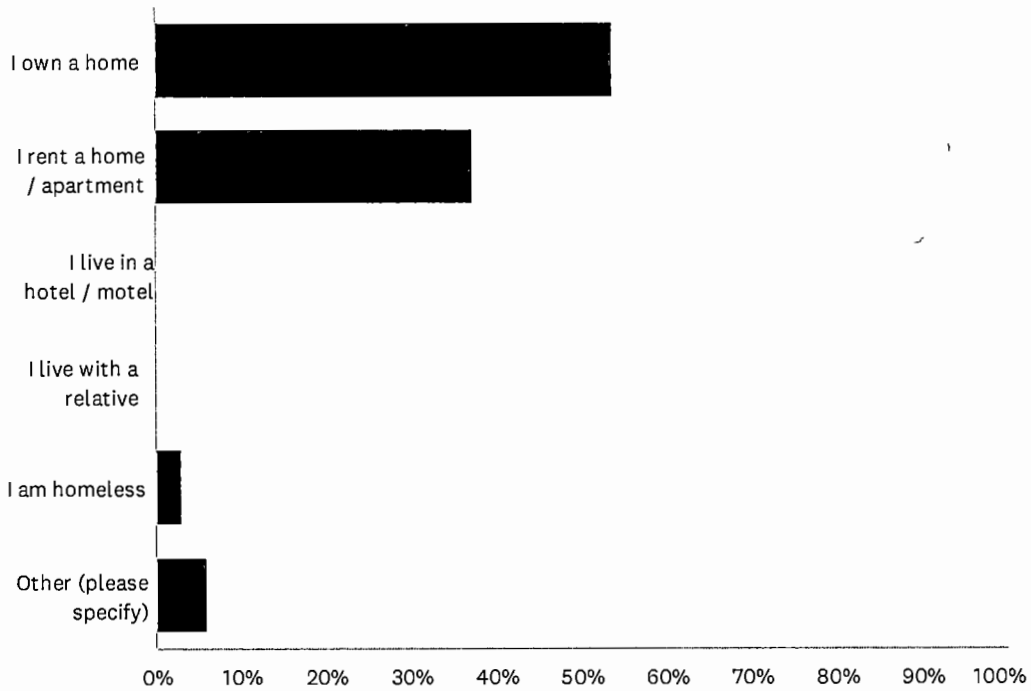
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Displacement of residents due to rising housing costs	72.31%	47
Income inequality	58.46%	38
Community opposition to affordable housing	53.85%	35
Neighborhoods that need revitalization and new investment	52.31%	34
Discrimination by landlords or rental agents	47.69%	31
Lack of housing options for people with disabilities	38.46%	25
Landlords refusing to accept Section 8 vouchers	38.46%	25
Discrimination by mortgage lenders	35.38%	23
Limited access to community resources for people with disabilities	30.77%	20
Limited access to banking and financial services	23.08%	15
Language barriers	21.54%	14
Discrimination or steering by real estate agents	20.00%	13
Other (please specify)	16.92%	11
Total Respondents: 65		

Q20 In what ZIP code do you live? (enter 5-digit ZIP code; for example, 32801)

Answered: 67 Skipped: 14

Q21 What is your current housing status?

Answered: 67 Skipped: 14



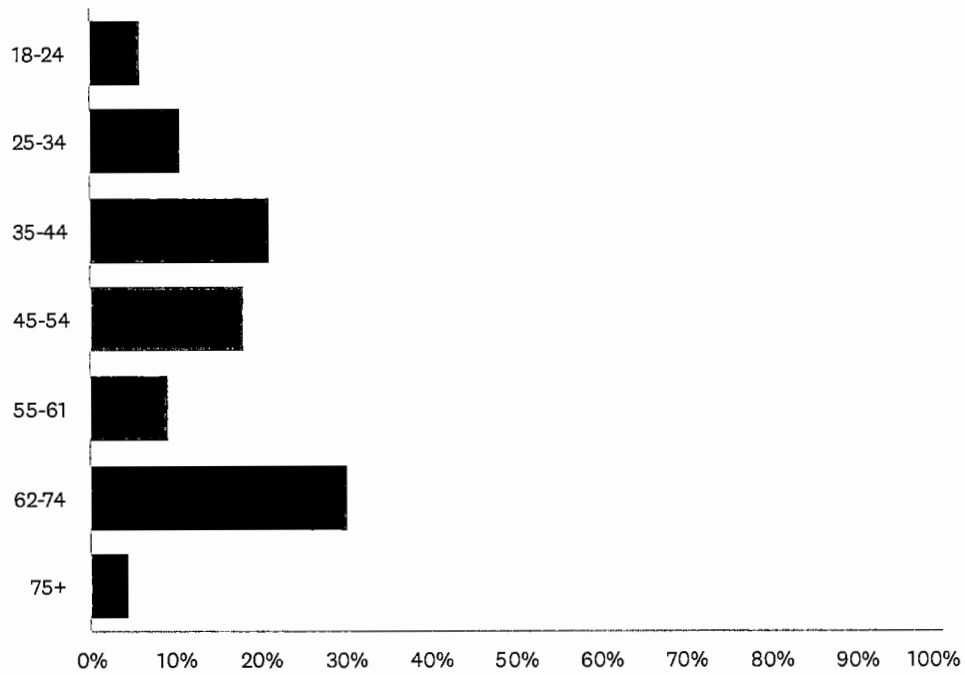
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

I own a home	53.73%	36
I rent a home / apartment	37.31%	25
I live in a hotel / motel	0.00%	0
I live with a relative	0.00%	0
I am homeless	2.99%	2
Other (please specify)	5.97%	4
TOTAL		67

Q22 Which is your age group?

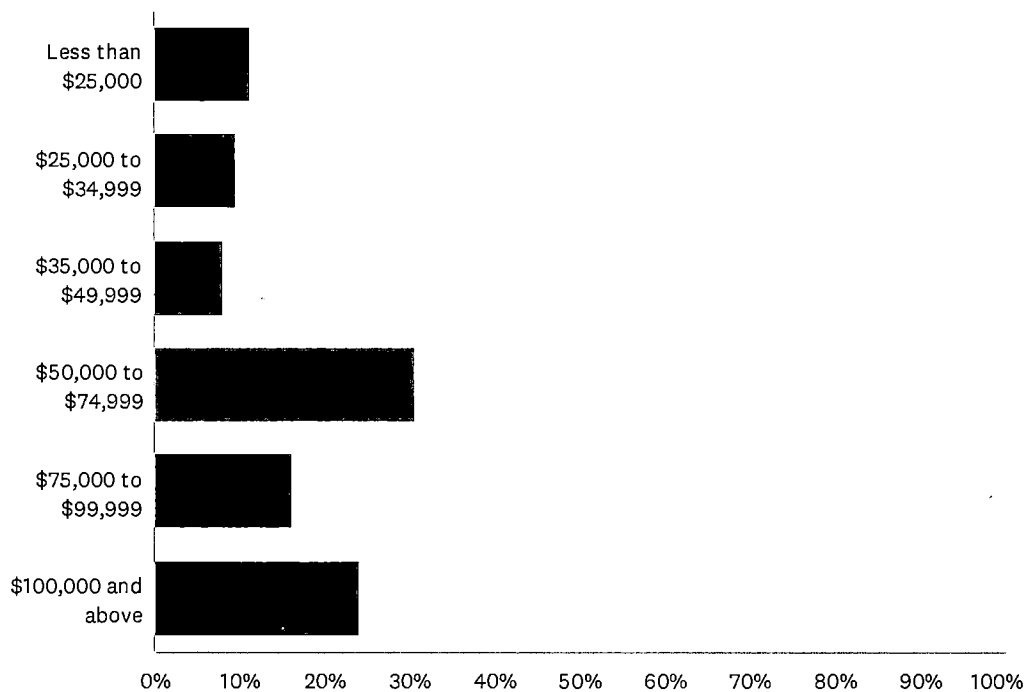
Answered: 66 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18-24	6.06%	4
25-34	10.61%	7
35-44	21.21%	14
45-54	18.18%	12
55-61	9.09%	6
62-74	30.30%	20
75+	4.55%	3
TOTAL		66

Q23 What is your total household income?

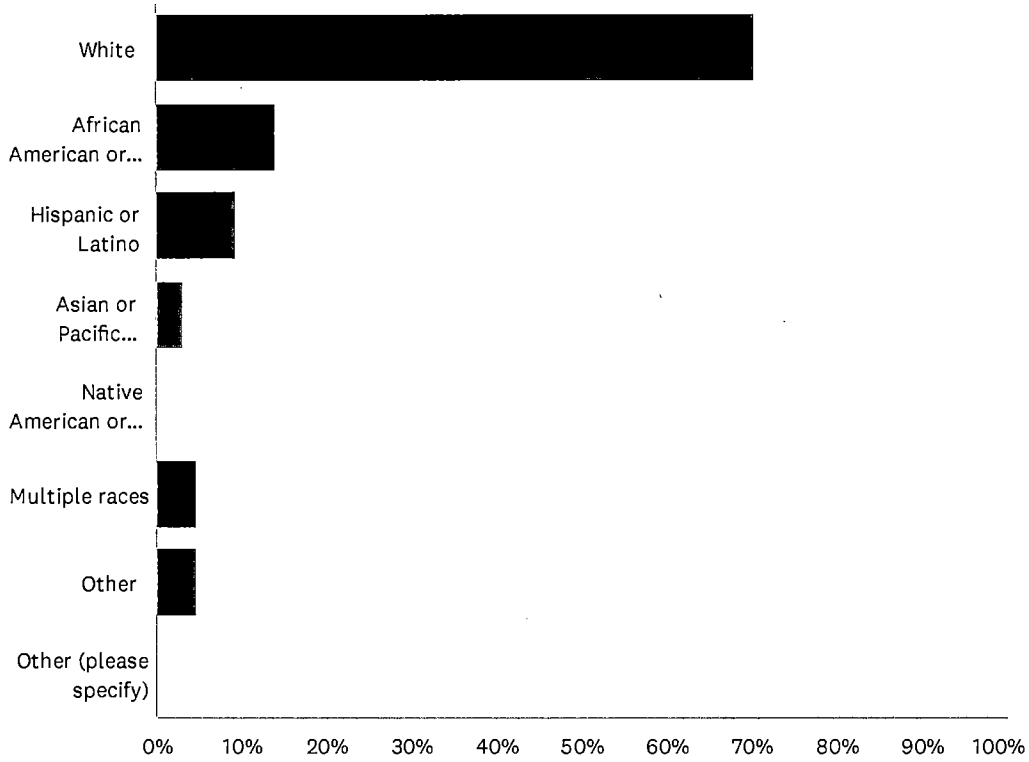
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than \$25,000	11.29%	7
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9.68%	6
\$35,000 to \$49,999	8.06%	5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	30.65%	19
\$75,000 to \$99,999	16.13%	10
\$100,000 and above	24.19%	15
TOTAL		62

Q24 What is your race / ethnicity? (Check any that apply.)

Answered: 64 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White	70.31%	45
African American or Black	14.06%	9
Hispanic or Latino	9.38%	6
Asian or Pacific Islander	3.13%	2
Native American or Alaska Native	0.00%	0
Multiple races	4.69%	3
Other	4.69%	3
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 64		

Q25 Please use the box below to provide any additional information regarding housing and community development needs in Orange County.

Answered: 30 Skipped: 51

APPENDIX C: HOME-ARP QUESTIONNAIRE

A HOME-ARP questionnaire (separate from the Housing and Community Development Survey) was developed and circulated within the community from November 2022 to February 2023 to collect more targeted community responses specifically around the County's use of HOME-ARP funding. The questionnaire was available online and in hard copy, and in English as well as Spanish. The County received 40 responses to the questionnaire, including 22 responses to the Spanish version.

Questionnaire Instruments (English and Spanish versions)

Results

Orange County HOME-ARP Questionnaire

Orange County is working on its HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, which will identify the most pressing needs of the unhoused population/those experiencing housing insecurity and provide recommendations on how the County's \$10.5 million allocation should be spent. Your input is essential to help us focus our efforts and the limited resources we have on the programs and services that are truly important and needed in our community. Your answers are confidential. Information will be reported in combination with other survey responses and in summary format to protect your privacy. We thank you in advance for your time and effort.

Estimated time to complete: 1-2 minutes

1. Please rank the following needs of the homeless population in Orange County, as you perceive those needs, on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

	Low Need	Moderate Need	High Need
Access to homeless shelters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Homelessness prevention	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outreach to homeless persons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permanent housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transitional/supportive housing programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please use the space below to share any other thoughts about the needs of the homeless population in Orange County.

2. Orange County has received a special allocation of \$10.5 million in federal relief funding to be used over the next few years for homelessness assistance and supportive services within the County. The five eligible uses for this funding are listed below. Please rank the list of eligible activities according to their level of need within the County (**1=most needed and 5=least needed**)

	Purchase and/or construction of new emergency shelter units
	Purchase and/or construction of new affordable rental housing
	Building stronger non-profit agencies
	Provision of supportive services (such as case management, etc.)
	Provision of rental housing vouchers (new rental assistance)

3. Which of the following homeless subpopulations should be given preference for assistance?
(Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Chronically homeless
<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless families
<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless youth
<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless veterans
<input type="checkbox"/>	People fleeing domestic violence
<input type="checkbox"/>	People with HIV/AIDS
<input type="checkbox"/>	People with severe mental illness
<input type="checkbox"/>	People with substance abuse disorders
<input type="checkbox"/>	People who have recently been evicted
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very low-income households with severe cost burden
<input type="checkbox"/>	People living in hotels/motels
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other people at risk of homelessness

4. What is your current housing status?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Owner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Renter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify):

5. Do you believe that you are housing cost-burdened (i.e. you spend more than 30% of your household income on housing costs)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

6. Are you part of a non-profit organization?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

Thank You!

Please return your completed survey to:
 Carmen Rasnick, Principal Planner
 Housing and Community Development Division
 701 E. South St.
 Orlando, FL 32801
Carmen.Rasnick@ocfl.net
 Office: 407-836-5167

Cuestionario HOME-ARP del Condado de Orange

El Condado de Orange está trabajando en su Plan de Asignación HOME-ARP, que identificará las necesidades más apremiantes de la población sin hogar y aquellos que experimentan inseguridad de vivienda y brindará recomendaciones sobre cómo se debe gastar la asignación de \$10.5 millones del Condado. Su aporte es fundamental para ayudarnos a enfocar nuestros esfuerzos y los recursos limitados que tenemos en los programas y servicios que son realmente importantes y necesarios en nuestra comunidad. Sus respuestas son confidenciales. La información se informará en combinación con otras respuestas de la encuesta y en un formato resumido para proteger su privacidad. ¡Le agradecemos de antemano su tiempo y esfuerzo!

Tiempo estimado para completarla: 1-2 minutos

1. Clasifique las siguientes necesidades de la población sin hogar en el Condado de Orange en una escala que va desde una necesidad baja hasta una necesidad alta.

	Necesidad baja	Necesidad moderada	Necesidad alta
Acceso a albergues para personas sin hogar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prevención de personas sin hogar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcance comunitario para personas sin hogar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivienda permanente	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Programas de viviendas de transición/con servicios de apoyo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Utilice el espacio que figura a continuación para compartir cualquier otra opinión sobre las necesidades de la población de personas sin hogar en el Condado de Orange.

2. El Condado de Orange ha recibido una asignación especial de \$10.5 millones en fondos de ayuda federal que se utilizará durante los próximos años para brindar asistencia y servicios de apoyo a personas sin hogar dentro del Condado. Los cinco usos elegibles para este financiamiento se señalan a continuación. Clasifique la lista de actividades elegibles de acuerdo con su nivel de necesidad dentro del condado (**1 = más necesario y 5 = menos necesario**)

	Compra y/o construcción de nuevas unidades de albergue de emergencia
	Compra y/o construcción de nuevas viviendas de alquiler asequible
	Creación de agencias sin fines de lucro más sólidas
	Prestación de servicios de apoyo (como gestión de casos, etc.)
	Vales para viviendas de alquiler (asistencia para nuevos alquileres)

3. ¿A cuál de las siguientes subpoblaciones sin hogar se les debe dar preferencia para recibir asistencia? (Marque todas las opciones que correspondan)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Población sin hogar de manera crónica
<input type="checkbox"/>	Familias sin hogar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jóvenes sin hogar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veteranos sin hogar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas que huyen de la violencia doméstica
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas que han sido afectadas por VIH/SIDA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas con enfermedades mentales graves
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas con trastornos por abuso de sustancias
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas que han sido desalojadas recientemente
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hogares de muy bajos ingresos con fuerte carga económica
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personas que viven en hoteles/moteles
<input type="checkbox"/>	Otras personas en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar

4. ¿Cuál es su estado de vivienda actual?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Propietario de su hogar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inquilino
<input type="checkbox"/>	Otros (por favor especifique):

5. ¿Considera usted que está sobrecargado(a) por los costos de la vivienda (es decir, gasta más del 30% de sus ingresos familiares en los costos de vivienda)?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sí
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

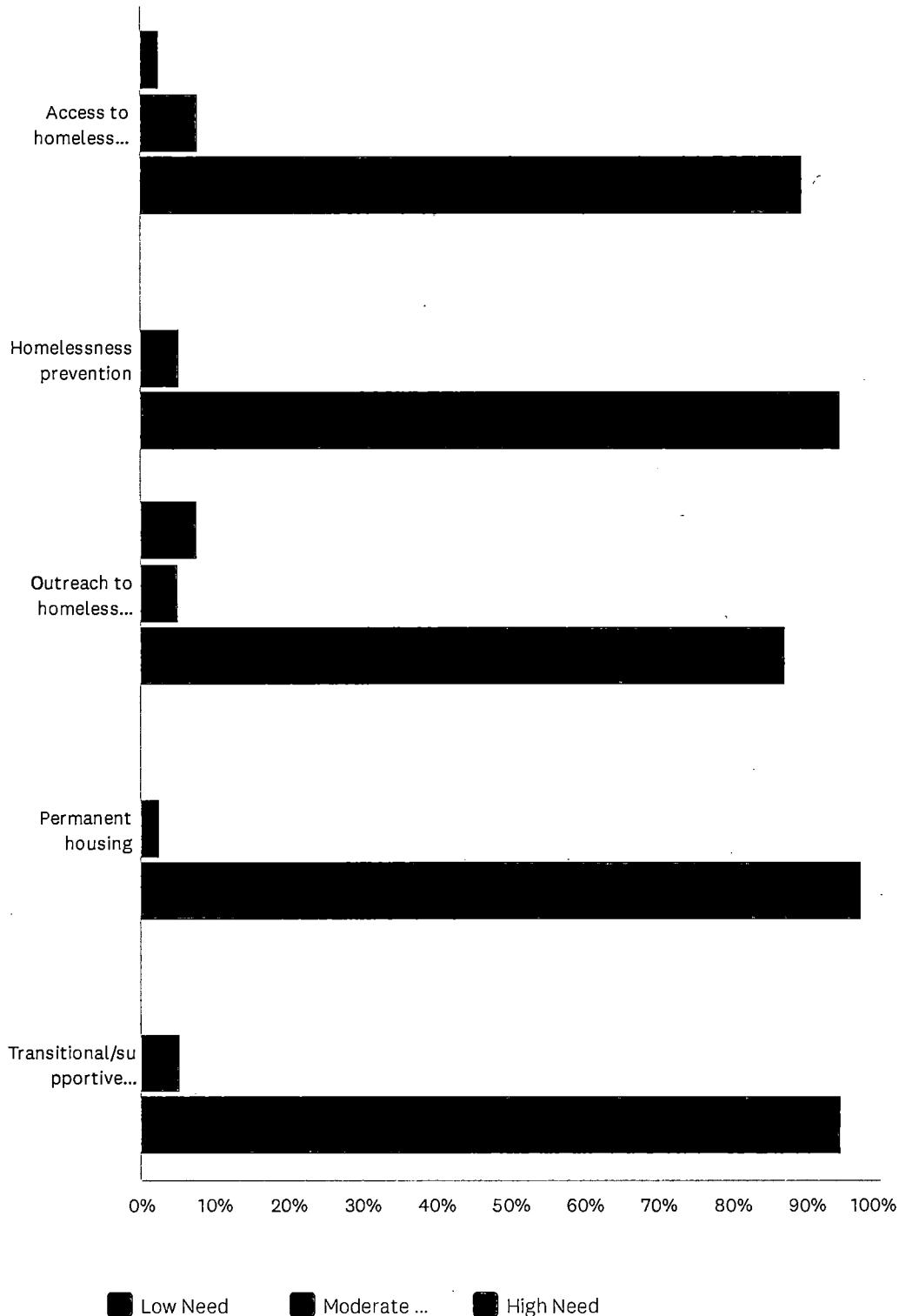
6. ¿Representa a una organización sin fines de lucro?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sí
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

¡Gracias!

Por favor devuelva su encuesta completada a:
 Carmen Rasnick, Planificadora Principal
 División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario
 701 E. South St.
 Orlando, FL 32801
Carmen.Rasnick@ocfl.net
 Office: 407-836-5167

Q1 Please rank the following needs of the homeless population in Orange County,, as you perceive those needs, on a scale ranging from a low need to a high need.

Answered: 39 Skipped: 1

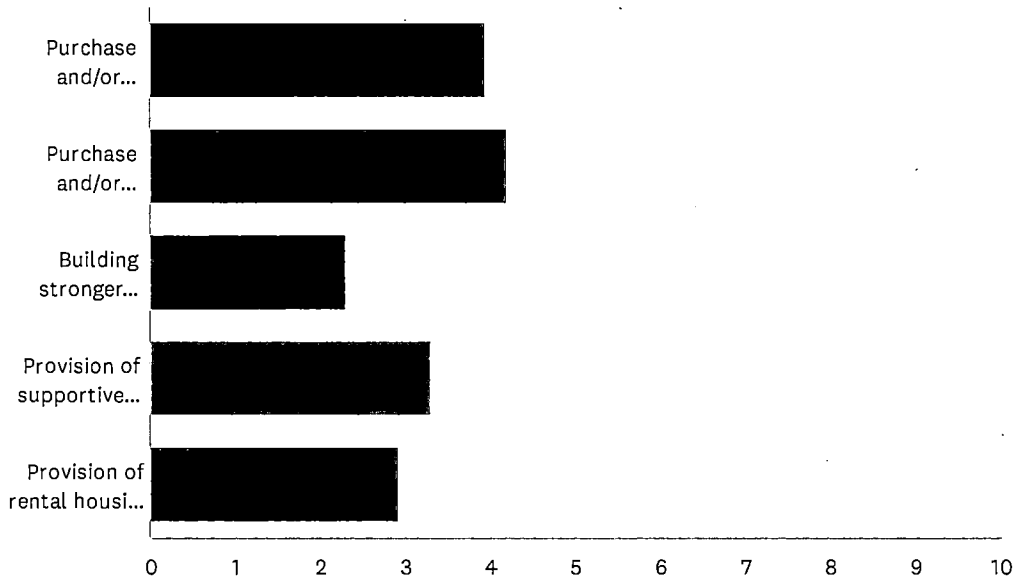


Orange County HOME-ARP Questionnaire

	LOW NEED	MODERATE NEED	HIGH NEED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Access to homeless shelters	2.63% 1	7.89% 3	89.47% 34	38	2.87
Homelessness prevention	0.00% 0	5.26% 2	94.74% 36	38	2.95
Outreach to homeless persons	7.69% 3	5.13% 2	87.18% 34	39	2.79
Permanent housing	0.00% 0	2.56% 1	97.44% 38	39	2.97
Transitional/supportive housing programs	0.00% 0	5.26% 2	94.74% 36	38	2.95

Q2 Orange County has received a special allocation of \$10.5 million in federal relief funding to be used over the next few years for homelessness assistance and supportive services within the County. The five eligible uses for this funding are listed below. Please rank the list of eligible activities according to their level of need within the County (1=most needed and 5= least needed)

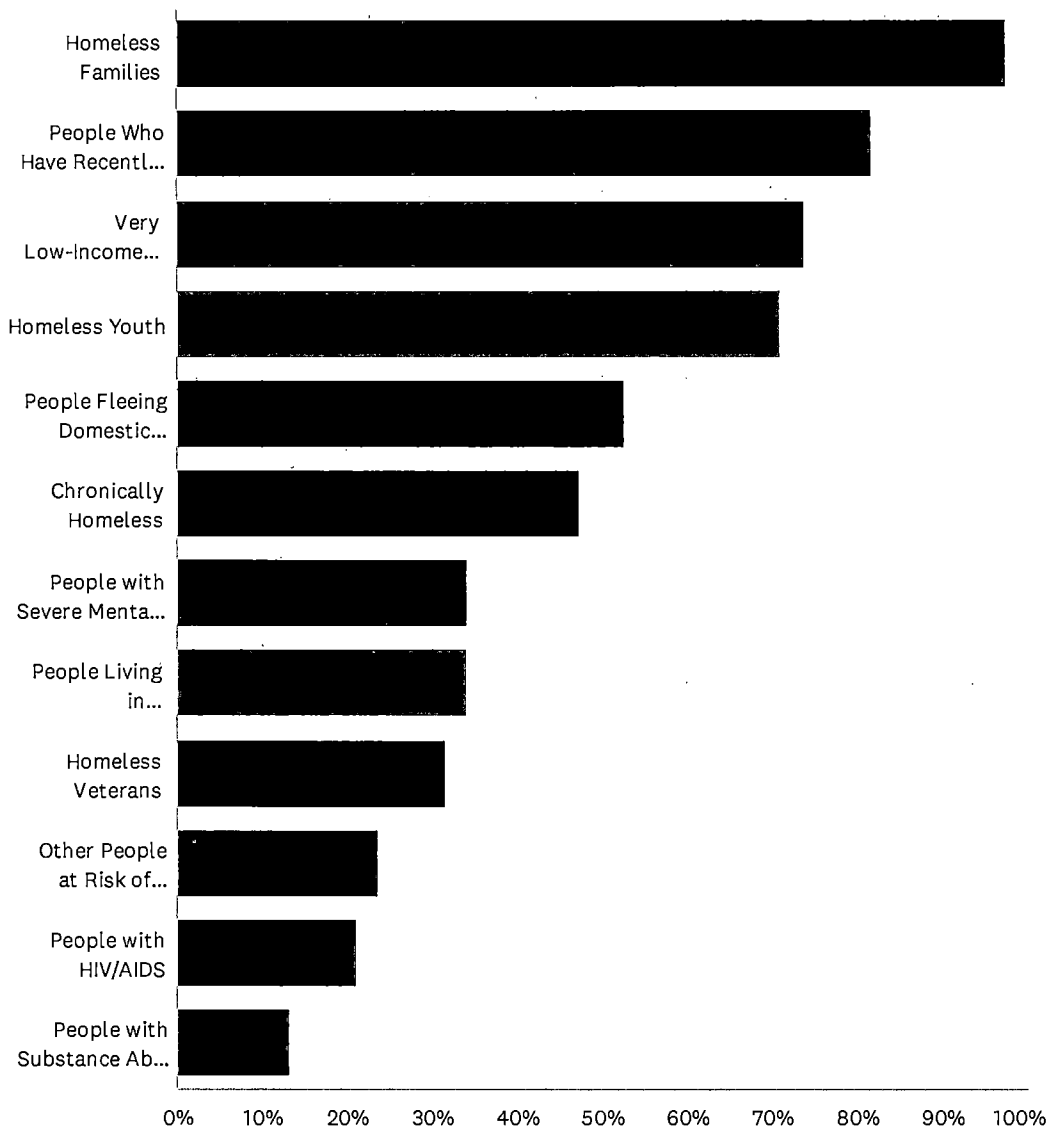
Answered: 34 Skipped: 6



	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Purchase and/or construction of new emergency shelter units	63.64% 21	0.00% 0	12.12% 4	15.15% 5	9.09% 3	33	3.94
Purchase and/or construction of new affordable rental housing	42.86% 6	42.86% 6	7.14% 1	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	14	4.21
Building stronger non-profit agencies	15.38% 2	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	30.77% 4	38.46% 5	13	2.31
Provision of supportive services (such as case management, etc.)	15.38% 2	30.77% 4	30.77% 4	15.38% 2	7.69% 1	13	3.31
Provision of rental housing vouchers (new rental assistance)	23.08% 3	15.38% 2	23.08% 3	7.69% 1	30.77% 4	13	2.92

Q3 Which of the following homeless subpopulations should be given preference for assistance? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 38 Skipped: 2

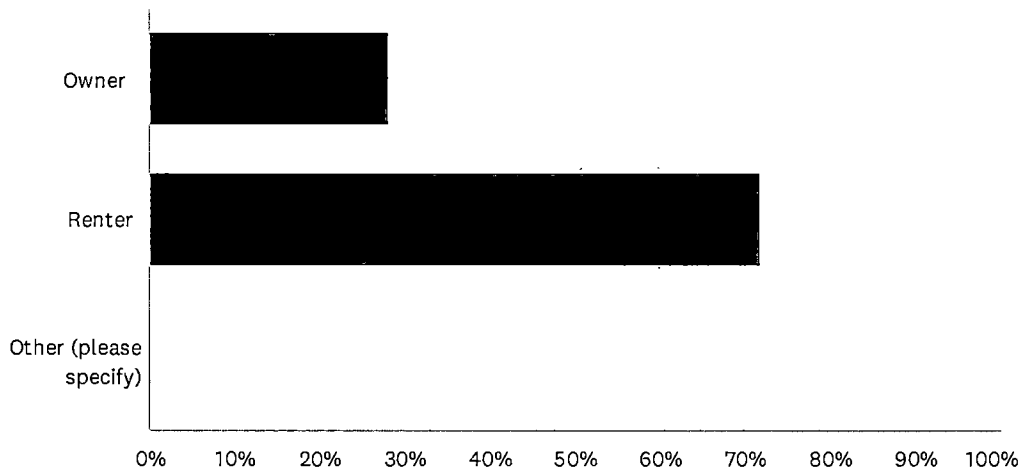


Orange County HOME-ARP Questionnaire

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Homeless Families	97.37%	37
People Who Have Recently Been Evicted	81.58%	31
Very Low-Income Households With Severe Cost Burden	73.68%	28
Homeless Youth	71.05%	27
People Fleeing Domestic Violence	52.63%	20
Chronically Homeless	47.37%	18
People with Severe Mental Illness	34.21%	13
People Living in Hotels/Motels	34.21%	13
Homeless Veterans	31.58%	12
Other People at Risk of Homelessness	23.68%	9
People with HIV/AIDS	21.05%	8
People with Substance Abuse Disorders	13.16%	5
Total Respondents: 38		

Q4 What is your current housing status?

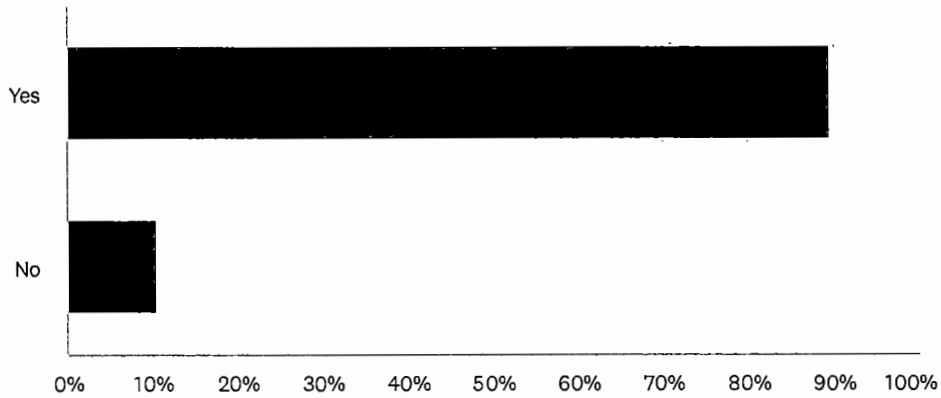
Answered: 39 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Owner	28.21%	11
Renter	71.79%	28
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
TOTAL		39

Q5 Do you believe that you are housing cost-burdened (i.e. you spend more than 30% of your household income on housing costs)?

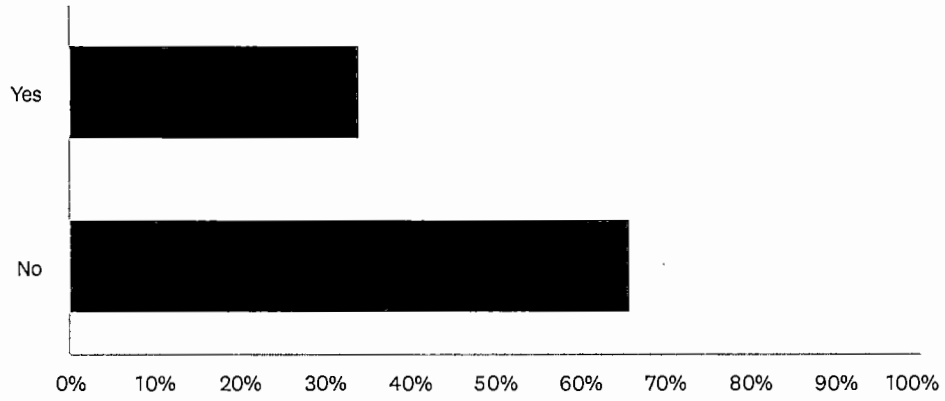
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	89.47%	34
No	10.53%	4
TOTAL		38

Q6 Are you part of a non-profit organization?

Answered: 38 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	34.21%	13
No	65.79%	25
TOTAL		38

APPENDIX D: CERTIFICATIONS AND FORMS

BCC Mtg. Date: March 7, 2023

HOME-ARP CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing pursuant to 24 CFR 5.151 and 5.152.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan --It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements contained in the HOME-ARP Notice, including the revised one-for-one replacement requirements. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42, which incorporates the requirements of the HOME-ARP Notice. It will follow its residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the HOME-ARP program.

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

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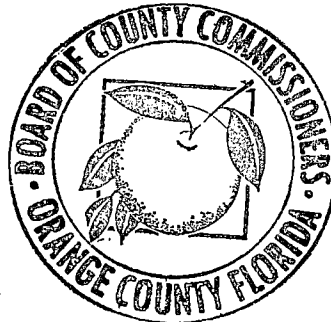
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Byron W. Brooks
Signature of Authorized Official

7 May 23
Date

Orange County Mayor
Title



BCC Mtg. Date: March 7, 2023

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/>
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5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>	5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: Orange County Board of County Commissioners		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 59-6000773	* c. UEI: ZAMZMX9ZHCM9	
d. Address:		
* Street1: 525 E. South Street	<input type="text"/>	
Street2:	<input type="text"/>	
* City: Orlando	<input type="text"/>	
County/Parish:	<input type="text"/>	
* State: FL: Florida	<input type="text"/>	
Province:	<input type="text"/>	
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES	<input type="text"/>	
* Zip / Postal Code: 32801-1393	<input type="text"/>	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Planning, Env and Dev Services	Division Name: Housing and Community Developm	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Mr.	* First Name: Mitchell	<input type="text"/>
Middle Name: L.	<input type="text"/>	
* Last Name: Glasser	<input type="text"/>	
Suffix:	<input type="text"/>	
Title: Division Manager		
Organizational Affiliation: County Division		
* Telephone Number: 407-836-5190	Fax Number: 407-836-5193	
* Email: Mitchell.Glasser@ocfl.net		

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

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME-ARP - HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan Program

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

M21-UP120213

* Title:

HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

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

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

Provision of supportive services; tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA); development of affordable housing; administration and planning.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="10,554,916.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
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* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="10,554,916.00"/>

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

a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

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

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

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

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Middle Name:
* Last Name:
Suffix:

* Title:

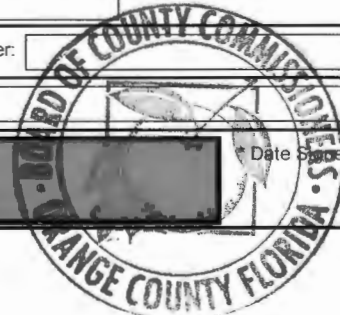
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* Signature of Authorized Representative:

Jerry Demings

* Date Signed:



BCC Mtg. Date: March 7, 2023

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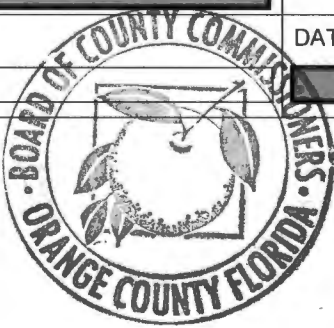
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