# HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Submitted as Amendment to FY 20 21 AAP

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# CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION RUTH D. HILL, DIRECTOR



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

The Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation provides proactive leadership in a variety of ways to support the attainment of housing and homelessness goals throughout the city. We are the lead agency for the BEACH Community Partnership and the Continuum of Care. We provide staff and administrative support to both organizations. We are involved in the local, regional, state, and federal level of discussions on all housing matters. We belong to all appropriate support organizations that influence decisions at each level.

Monthly Wednesday meetings were held throughout the FY years of 2021 - 2022 - and 2023, as TEAMS meetings and in-person with all associated organizations under the umbrella of the BEACH community partnership. Additionally, the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation is the lead and supporting agency for the BEACH Community Partnership, an organization comprising government, non-profit and faith-based organizations that advocate, educate, and provide assistance in the quest to end homelessness in the City of Virginia Beach. Senior and appropriate staff members are a substantial part of multiple Regional Organizations to End Homelessness throughout the South Hampton Roads region. We have successfully partnered to complete seven successful Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing programs in South Hampton Roads. Virginia Beach has participated in all seven and has hosted two of the projects, Cloverleaf and Crescent Square. We also developed and created the Housing Resource Center and work with multiple non-profit organizations and the City's DHS to provide numerous services there. We also provide leadership to Hampton Roads Community Housing Resource Board (HRCHRB) to create a common base of information used by entitlement cities for the affirmatively furthering of fair housing certification. The Compliance & Development Officer is an appointed member of the Greater Hampton Roads HIV Health Services Planning Council that oversees the Ryan White Funds managed by the City of Norfolk through the Health and Human Services grant. The City of Virginia Beach meets regularly with the project sponsors of the HOPWA funds to ensure that needs are being met on a regional basis. The Department also maintains membership on a variety of other housing and homeless related organizations throughout the region, state, and national level to maintain a strong leadership role in this arena as the largest city and second largest jurisdiction within the Commonwealth of Virginia. All these activities keep us front and center of coordinated efforts to meet the needs of the most vulnerable populations.

As the lead agency for the Continuum of Care (CoC), we provide staff support and agency leadership for the Continuum of Care, including the coordination and submission of the annual application, the Point-in-Time Count, and the Housing Inventory information. Staff members regularly serve on multiple committees to ensure that the CoC remains compliant in their activities.

#### List the organizations consulted:

Agency/Org Consulted	Type of Agency/Org	Method of Consultation	Feedback
BEACH PARTNERSHIP	Collaboration of Multiple Agencies representing:  Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Health Services-Fair Housing Services - Victims Regional organization Planning organization Business Leaders Civic Leaders Business and Civic Leaders	TEAMS meetings and inperson meetings. Monthly.	Direction and Guidance for all funded activities. Best practices and assessed needs through assessment survey.
Continuum of Care	Multiple Organizations Represented. CofVB is Lead Agency.	TEAMS meetings and inperson meetings. Monthly.	Direction and Guidance for all funded activities. Best practices and assessed needs through assessment survey.

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

Based on Needs assessments and data input provided by each provider organization, determination was made collaboratively on needs for TBRA program and supportive services as well as needs for permanent housing and affordable housing additional units. An additional program for increased vouchers was approved and was funded separately by City funds from City Council.

#### **Public Participation**

The initial public notice was provided in October of 2021 along with the public meetings held by City DHNP and the BEACH Partnership. Subsequently additional public hearings were held in March 2022 for line-item estimated budgets and usage. A needs assessment survey was also performed that was used by the BEACH partnership for the plan.

The Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation utilizes multiple media arrangements to engage citizens throughout the entire year. In addition to the mandatory civic hearings required for needs assessments and the annual action plan, we held monthly meetings within the BEACH Community Partnership which provides key stakeholders the opportunity to dialogue and provide input into identifying the community's needs as well as opportunities for coordinated action in developing the plan.

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(s) of public notice: 10/19/2021

• Public comment period: start date - 10/19/2021 end date - 2/13/2023

• Date(s) of public hearing: 3/22/2022

#### Describe the public participation process:

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#### Audiences/Stakeholders:

- Citizens
- Nonprofit service providers
- Consumers
- BEACH General/Governing Board
- Housing Advisory Board
- VB Home Now
- TBA/Multifamily Housing Council
- Citizen Advisory Committees
- Hampton Roads Realtors
- Interfaith Alliance at the Beach
- Resident Advisory Board

- Housing & Neighborhood Preservation staff
- Virginia Beach Community Development Corporation
- Police, Human Services, Planning, EMS, Schools

#### Describe efforts to broaden public participation:

The Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation utilizes multiple media arrangements to engage citizens, besides just in person meetings. The public hearings were broadened to include a WEBINAR participation, TTDY, and translation services and interactive web site participation. Also, posted on social media and the City's website.

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

All recommendations received were either through oral discussion at the BEACH Partnership public meetings or received anonymously through the community survey. All recommendations received directed exactly how the city allocated the resources in its budget.

Summarize any comments or recommendations not accepted and state the reasons why:  $N\!/\!A$ 

#### Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis:

#### Needs Assessment Overview from Our Needs Assessment Survey

Through our analysis, we have found that our most severe issue is the percentage of households spending greater than 30% of their monthly income on housing cost. This burden puts families in great risk of financial hardships throughout their ownership or rental tenure as any unforeseen expense can place a family in extreme financial difficulties. This issue has the families in our community walking a virtual tightrope between housing stability and housing instability. We recognize this issue as a severe problem, but we also see this as a great opportunity to impact the lives of our citizens. Many of these families are already receiving financial assistance through our Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program. As a department, we additionally have the capacity to provide assistance to these troubled households through our Housing Rehabilitation programs that we fund with the assistance of our CDBG grant. Although housing rehab can't alleviate the problem of cost burdensome, it does provide some relief to families that are possibly living in substandard housing due to the fact that they can't afford significant or even minor repairs. We see this avenue for assistance as twofold because it helps the struggling family, but

it additionally provides stability to the community as properties are not allowed to become dilapidated. Additionally, we assist these individuals through our Tenant Based Rental Assistance programs which are funded with the use of our HOME grant.

The major issue we will face here in Virginia Beach within the next five years is the number of families facing some type of cost burden. We have very low rates of overcrowding and very low rates of housing structures that are considered substandard i.e., housing facilities that lack a full kitchen and plumbing facilities. We feel that these low numbers can be attributed to a very proactive Code Enforcement division that is funded through both City and our CDBG grant funds.

The city has noticed and increase in the total number of Households containing elderly individuals. Based on our data, this trend has remained consistent. The data HUD provides classifies elderly household into two categories. The first, households with at least one individual 62-74 years of age, and the second, households with at least one individual 75 years or older. Based on our current data, 22% of the city's households fall into the first category while 9% of our households fall into the second category. This is significant because 30% of these households are considered cost burdened. In response to these numbers, the Department will again team up with one of our local non-profit organizations to assist with the additional construction of another affordable senior facility Tranquility at the Lakes II. Tranquility is dedicated to assisting our elderly population find affordable housing.

#### Summary of Housing Needs:

Our total population has remained at a steady increase of 3% while our number of households has increased by 6%. It seems that a large amount of our population does cohabitate. In consideration of lower wages for service industry workers that assist with the City's tourist industry we feel that this unequal increase goes to illustrate that our city's largest housing problem is still cost burdensome. When an individual our family is cost burdened, a direct and logical response would be to cohabitate to alleviate the financial strains of providing housing on a sole providers income. This cohabitation allows individuals to combine resources and split housing cost which creates a more financially comfortable living environment. In addition, the city undertook a Housing Study completed in 2017 by Virginia Teach that reached these same conclusions, as well as looking at the declining available housing stock. The housing market and needs are further complicated by the Pandemic and the loss of employment, which we will not have the full impact until most likely in the Fall of 2020 through the Summer of 2021.

Demographic s	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Population	437,994	448,290	2%
Households	162,519	166,240	2%

Demographic	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	%
s			Change
Median			
Income	\$63,370.00	\$66,634.00	5%

Table 1 - Housing Needs Assessment Demographics

Data

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

Source:

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

	0-30%	>30-50%	>50-80% HAMFI	>80- 100%	>100% HAMFI
	HAMFI	HAMFI	ПАМП	HAMFI	HAMIFI
Total Households	12,810	14,325	27,585	18,965	92,560
Small Family Households	4,960	5,520	11,660	8,475	50,445
Large Family Households	835	895	2,360	1,715	8,025
Household contains at least					
one person 62-74 years of age	2,305	2,670	4,885	2,965	17,505
Household contains at least					
one-person age 75 or older	1,755	2,815	3,300	1,535	6,245
Households with one or more					
children 6 years old or					
younger	2,800	2,795	5,835	3,515	10,670

Table 2 - Total Households Table

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

## **Housing Needs Summary Tables**

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

			Renter					Owner	•	
	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100 % AMI	Total	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100 % AMI	Total
NUMBER OF	HOUSE	HOLDS								
Substandard										
Housing -										
Lacking										
complete										
plumbing or										
kitchen										
facilities	225	145	265	35	670	35	45	0	15	95
Severely										
Overcrowded										
- With >1.51										
people per										
room (and										
complete										
kitchen and										
plumbing)	30	15	70	40	155	0	35	4	4	43
Overcrowded										
- With 1.01-										
1.5 people per										
room (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	180	155	270	185	790	30	55	35	135	255
Housing cost										
burden greater										
than 50% of										
income (and										
none of the										
above					12,67					10,91
problems)	5,710	4,840	2,035	90	5	3,280	3,200	3,425	1,010	5

			Renter					Owner		
	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100 % AMI	Total	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100 % AMI	Total
Housing cost										
burden greater										
than 30% of										
income (and										
none of the										
above					14,47					10,29
problems)	485	2,130	8,990	2,865	0	430	1,230	4,620	4,010	0
Zero/negative										
Income (and										
none of the										
above										
problems)	780	0	0	0	780	575	0	0	0	575

Table 3 – Housing Problems Table

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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

			Renter	•				Owne	r	
	0- 30%	>30- 50%	>50- 80%	>80- 100%	Total	0- 30%	>30- 50%	>50- 80%	>80- 100%	Total
	AMI	AMI	AMI	AMI		AMI	AMI	AMI	AMI	
NUMBER (	OF HOU	<b>ISEHOI</b>	LDS				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		7111	
Having 1										
or more of										
four										
housing										
problems	6,145	5,160	2,640	350	14,295	3,345	3,340	3,465	1,160	11,310
Having										
none of										
four										
housing										
problems	1,195	2,705	11,995	8,425	24,320	775	3,125	9,490	9,025	22,415

			Renter	•				Owne	r	
	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total	0- 30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total
Household										
has										
negative										
income,										
but none										
of the										
other										
housing										
problems	780	0	0	0	780	575	0	0	0	575

Table 4 – Housing Problems 2

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

## 3. Cost Burden > 30%

		R	enter			O	wner	
	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total
NUMBER O	F HOUSE	HOLDS						
Small								
Related	2,975	3,715	5,300	11,990	1,045	1,380	3,590	6,015
Large								
Related	380	445	825	1,650	215	350	815	1,380
Elderly	1,365	1,425	1,455	4,245	1,755	1,930	2,240	5,925
Other	1,885	1,690	3,805	7,380	750	875	1,420	3,045
Total need	6,605	7,275	11,385	25,265	3,765	4,535	8,065	16,365
by income								

Table 5 – Cost Burden > 30%

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

### 4. Cost Burden > 50%

		Re	nter			O	wner	
	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF	HOUSE	HOLDS						
Small								
Related	2,700	2,525	615	5,840	1,005	1,135	1,470	3,610
Large								
Related	380	245	125	750	200	195	265	660
Elderly	1,220	950	395	2,565	1,400	1,275	1,050	3,725
Other	1,800	1,285	930	4,015	720	655	640	2,015
Total need	6,100	5,005	2,065	13,170	3,325	3,260	3,425	10,010
by income								

Table 6 - Cost Burden > 50%

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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

			Rente	r				Owner	r	
	0-	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total	0-	>30-	>50-	>80-	Total
	30%	50%	80%	100%		30%	50%	80%	100%	
	AMI	AMI	AMI	AMI		AMI	AMI	AMI	AMI	
NUMBER OF	HOUSE	HOLD	S							
Single family										
households	230	140	285	155	810	20	50	24	4	98
Multiple,										
unrelated										
family										
households	0	30	45	34	109	10	40	15	69	134
Other, non-										
family										
households	0	0	60	35	95	0	0	0	65	65
Total need by	230	170	390	224	1,014	30	90	39	138	297
income										

Table 7 – Crowding Information – 1/2

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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

Table 8 – Crowding Information – 2/2

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

## Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5 Homeless Needs Assessment

Population	persons e	te the # of experiencing ssness on a n night	Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year	Estimate the # becoming homeless each year	Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year	Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness
	Sheltered	Unsheltered				
Persons in						
Households						
with Adult(s)						
and Child(ren)	18	10	27	9	38	45
Persons in						
Households						
with Only						
Children	0	0	0	0	0	0
Persons in						
Households						
with Only						
Adults	142	76	474	38	236	97
Chronically						
Homeless						
Individuals	27	11	0	7	0	236
Chronically						
Homeless						
Families	2	2	0	0	0	197
Veterans	0	14	2	0	0	0

Population	persons e homeles	te the # of experiencing esness on a n night	Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year	Estimate the # becoming homeless each year	Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year	Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness
	Sheltered	Unsheltered				
Unaccompanied						
Child	2	21	14	18	28	35
Persons with						
HIV	3	120	5	2	12	45

Table 9 - Homeless Needs Assessment

**Alternate Data Source Name:** 

**Data Source** 

**Comments:** 

#### At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Our coordinated assessment process uses a vulnerability assessment tool to prioritize and make the most appropriate referrals for shelter and/or housing placement based on the vulnerabilities of the household. Those most vulnerable are referred to available housing or shelter opportunities and placed in a coordinated weekly meeting with housing providers. Through this process we have significantly decreased the time it takes to utilize available housing and shelter resources and thereby decreased the time from a person's assessment to an appropriate referral. Based on the individual's assessment, those in need of support services are referred to housing with support services such as permanent supportive housing; or rapid re-housing with wrap-around services. These services assist people in maintaining housing stability and avoiding repeat homelessness.

# Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice

Virginia Beach City Council adopted a Strategic Plan to End Homelessness in October 2013. The activities in this Annual plan are consistent with the Strategic Plan. Our funding supports both housing and homeless service activities, which are both needed to help make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring. We work in coordination with the BEACH Community Partnership, described previously, to obtain and direct funding to critical needs in alignment with HUD priorities for homelessness. In addition, City Council has provided critical city funds to fill gaps or meet strategic objectives, especially by funding our call center and coordinated assessment function and an outreach team. We also coordinated a community application for State-allocated funds for homelessness, which is expanding the community's capability to address homelessness; and as noted above we work with regional partners where it is beneficial

to do so in addressing homelessness, including the development of efficiency apartments.

We operate the Housing resource Center as well as we have multiple service agencies that provide specific outreach to homeless persons, especially unsheltered persons, and assess their individual needs. 1) We operate a dedicated street outreach team that goes to all known areas and shelter providers to engage and refer homeless persons. 2) We have a centralized call center that receives all calls from people experiencing a housing crisis. The center does a preliminary assessment, works to divert people to alternative resources, and then refers for a detailed assessment all those who are literally homeless with no alternatives. The coordinated assessment team performs a detailed assessment using a standard assessment tool and process, and then makes "warm hand off" referrals for housing assistance based on the assessment. We operate a day support services center with the goal of engaging people who utilize services and connect them to various shelter housing through the coordinated assessment process. We have multiple agencies that provide shelter and transitional housing for homeless persons.

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The DHNP operated Housing Resource Center, Samaritan House, Seton Youth Shelters, LGBT LC, and Virginia Beach Community Development Corporation all have year-round emergency shelter facilities for domestic violence victims, youth, single homeless and family homeless participants. We operate a winter emergency shelter program in conjunction with local area churches and our HRC that provides emergency nighttime shelter. This occurs every day from the middle of November through the end of March.

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

We are following HUD's definition of At-Risk, which is as follows:

An individual or family who:

- (i) Has an annual income below 30% of median family income for the area; AND
- (ii) Does not have sufficient resources or support networks immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place defined in Category 1 of the "homeless" definition; <u>AND</u>
- (iii) Meets one of the following conditions:
- (A) Has moved because of economic reasons 2 or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for assistance;  $\overline{OR}$

- (B)Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship; OR
- (C) Has been notified that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance: <u>OR</u>
- (D) Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost is not paid for by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals, <u>OR</u>
- (E) Lives in an SRO or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than 2 persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than one and a half persons per room: OR
- (F) Is exiting a publicly funded institution or system of care, OR
- (G) Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient's approved Con Plan.

The method used to provide an estimate of the number of at-risk households is generated from the number of phone calls from individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis calling the designated coordinated assessment call center. All calls are entered and tracked in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). All calls involve assessing the nature of the callers housing crisis by utilizing a standard screening form. Questions on the form help to identify if the caller is literally homeless or at-risk of homelessness.

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

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	10,405	1,050	1,355
White	5,090	595	865
Black / African American	3,685	310	270
Asian	565	45	95
American Indian, Alaska Native	30	4	4
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	835	75	95

Table 10 - Disproportionally Greater Need 0 - 30% AMI

**Data** 2011

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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

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

30%-50% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	11,855	2,470	0
White	7,055	1,745	0
Black / African American	3,040	435	0
Asian	540	140	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	8	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	995	80	0

Table 11 - Disproportionally Greater Need 30 - 50% AMI

Data 2

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

\*The four housing problems are:

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

50%-80% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	19,705	7,875	0
White	11,930	5,465	0
Black / African American	4,850	1,320	0
Asian	825	345	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	45	10	0
Pacific Islander	10	0	0
Hispanic	1,525	500	0

Table 12 - Disproportionally Greater Need 50 - 80% AMI

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

\*The four housing problems are:

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

80%-100% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	8,385	10,575	0
White	6,020	6,590	0
Black / African American	1,295	2,270	0
Asian	340	615	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	4	55	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	470	775	0

Table 13 - Disproportionally Greater Need 80 - 100% AMI

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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

#### **Discussion**

N/A

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 (Optional):

The City of Virginia Beach uses its four Entitlement grants. We have over 12 contracts with service providers as well as public private partnerships to development, as well. We provide internally and through our service providers non-congregate sheltering during COVID, permanent rental housing service and support, TBRA and Voucher programs. We provide congregate sheltering at the Housing Resource Center.

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

#### Describe the unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations:

#### Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

Sheltered homeless are currently assisted with beds at the Housing Resource Center as well as temporarily sheltered in hotels as transition to permanent housing. Because of the Pandemic we were using multiple hotels for non-congregate sheltering for our homeless population. As we have moved back to congregate sheltering, we determined we needed to increase the capacity of the Housing Resource Center for 30 more male beds. We anticipate this redesign within the next several months and an increase in support staff and program support.

#### At Risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5

We are very concerned about people living with HIV/AIDS who are also experiencing housing/homelessness issues require immediate attention to ensure they're housed quickly so they can address their health status. Individuals who are diagnosed with HIV/AIDS are reluctant to enter emergency shelter programs because they do not want to disclose medications, which could then disclose their HIV status. Our data indicates that once a person living with HIV/AIDS enters into supportive housing, their medical status improves almost immediately. We track it through CD4 count and Viral Load lab tests. People who are medically compromised need a safe, clean place to live so they can address health issues. They are more adherent to medical care, which reduces the spread of HIV/AIDS. People living with HIV/AIDS can experience intermittent health crises, so we help them maintain their health care and their housing as things arise. We are seeing an increase in the risk level of this population becoming homeless.

# Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD in the Notice

We have had two non-profit organizations receive funding from federal sources for the development of additional domestic violence housing in our community. One project has already been completed and another one is being developed. We work closely with these organizations and the Department of Justice as we are a resort area and a highly concentrated area of trafficked youth.

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 assistance is targeted primarily to the homeless and to households with incomes below 80% of median income. Further, as required, HOME rental assistance is used to assist households with incomes below 60% of median; and ESG rapid re-housing assistance targets households below 30% of median.

The elderly population on a fixed income are a population at great risk. Our community demographics indicate that seniors, who are not homeowners, are unable to afford rent in our area. Affordable rental housing is by far the most critical need in Virginia Beach. The median rental value in Virginia Beach has increased 81% since 1990, after adjusting for inflation. Median gross rent increased 19.2% during the same period. In contrast, real household income increased only 10.1%. In the current Pandemic, job loss and unemployment are being met with an increase in rental rates, an adverse scenario. The rental market seems to be able to maintain high occupancy attracting families of high income who can afford the higher rental rates, whereas these units are being transitioned from low-moderate income citizens. The only solution is the development of more affordable rental units. Currently there are about 27,000 rental units in the city.

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

There is a need for the construction of more accessible units. We have 2,002 families on our waiting list that have a disability preference, we do not keep specific data on their request. We do maintain records pertaining to 504/reasonable accommodation requests. These requests typically pertain to service or process related exceptions. We have currently worked with a developer who has built two multi-family housing complexes and are accommodating several units for ADA families from our waiting lists.

The total housing inventory has increased 20.5% in the past twenty-five years. In 2019, there were 210,430 units in Virginia Beach; as compared to only 177,229 in 2009. Areas of higher rates of residential development include census tracts 454.10, 454.16, 454.20, 462.16, and 462.19 where the housing inventories in these areas have more than doubled since 1990. Two of these census tracts, 462.16 and 462.19 are areas of concentration of minority residents. Notably, 25% of the net increase in housing units occurred in 16 of the 19 areas of concentration of minority residents in Virginia Beach. A housing study was completed in 2017 for the City by Virginia Tech and is included on the housing website for the public.

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:

Lack of affordable housing constrains housing choice for seniors, those with disabilities, and veterans, as well as those at 0-30% AMI. This is a critical issue! Residents are limited to a smaller selection of neighborhoods because of a lack of affordable housing. Minimum wage single-income households cannot afford a housing unit renting for the HUD fair market rent in Virginia Beach. This situation forces these individuals and households to double up with others, or lease cheap, substandard units from unscrupulous landlords. Minorities and female headed households will be disproportionately impacted because of their lower incomes. At the same time the real household income was failing to keep pace with median rents, Virginia Beach continues to lose affordable rental units in contrast to the population and income ability of its citizens. Between 2001 and 2008, the number of affordable rental units renting for less than \$500 per month decreased by 3,049 units, or 69%. Units renting for \$500 to \$699 suffered even a larger decrease of 14,820 units, or 89%. By 2019 there are scarce number of any single units renting for less than \$700 with most average market lower rents at \$1,200 per month. There are also fewer landlords participating in programs that provide options to low and moderate income citizens.

#### **Cost of Housing**

	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Median Home Value	268,600	259,900	(3%)
Median Contract Rent	940	1,078	15%

Table 14 - Cost of Housing

Data

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

Source:

Rent Paid	Number	0/0
Less than \$500	4,150	6.8%
\$500-999	22,070	36.4%
\$1,000-1,499	24,990	41.2%
\$1,500-1,999	7,255	12.0%
\$2,000 or more	2,165	3.6%
Total	60,630	100.0%

Table 15 - Rent Paid

Data

2011-2015 ACS

Source:

#### **Housing Affordability**

% Units affordable to	Renter	Owner
Households earning		
30% HAMFI	1,635	No Data
50% HAMFI	4,060	1,830
80% HAMFI	24,470	11,295
100% HAMFI	No Data	24,225
Total	30,165	37,350

Table 16 – Housing Affordability

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

#### **Monthly Rent**

Monthly Rent (\$)	Efficiency (no bedroom)	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
Fair Market Rent	907	912	1,095	1,533	1,912
High HOME Rent	845	907	1,091	1,251	1,376
Low HOME Rent	656	703	843	975	1,087

Table 17 – Monthly Rent

Data

**HUD FMR and HOME Rents** 

Source:

Affordable housing inventory to include rental units are not keeping pace with the underemployed or low-moderate income wage earner, single through family of four. While the market median income has gone up, it is significantly centered on military families and salaried persons and not as an indicator of wage earners in all industries increasing.

Without the concentrated effort of private development partnering with public sector to create more affordable housing rental units, the current available units will continue to increase in rent costs, as there is a market of citizens who are able to afford. The disparity of gap between the two is only projected to increase. It is also unknown exactly what the impact of the deferred evictions may be on the local housing economy over the course of the next 18 months.

Fair Market rents are increasing in gap to median rents. Persons with vouchers over the past years were reasonably successful in leasing available properties, but that trend may become more and more difficult over the next two years. Rent has increased significantly in the past six months and will hold steady at a higher rate while we continue to work through new landlord programs to increase voucher acceptance.

#### Identify priority needs for qualifying populations:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance, Supportive Services, Affordable Housing Units, Vouchers, and Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Housing along with Specialized Needs Housing and Homeless Sheltering.

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:

- Through the Community Needs Assessment Survey
- In collaboration with BEACH Partnership
- Through Public Input and Citizen Participation
- Through Internal Data Gathering and Analysis

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Table 20 - Housing Affordability

Data

2011-2015 CHAS

Source:

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Table 21 – Monthly Rent

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#### **HOME-ARP** Activities

Describe the method(s)that will be used for soliciting applications for funding and/or selecting developers, service providers, subrecipients and/or contractors:

Through a HOME ARPA Housing Opportunity RFP

Describe whether the PJ will administer eligible activities directly: Yes, DHNP will directly administer activities.

If any portion of the PJ's HOME-ARP administrative funds are 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:

N/A

In accordance with Section V.C.2. of the Notice (page 4), PJs must indicate the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible HOME-ARP activity type and demonstrate that any planned funding for nonprofit organization operating assistance, nonprofit capacity building, and administrative costs is within HOME-ARP limits.

**Use of HOME-ARP Funding** 

	Funding Amount	Percent of the Grant	Statutory Limit
Supportive Services	\$ 76,607.00		
Acquisition and Development of Non- Congregate Shelters	\$ 0		
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 1,750,000.00		1000
Development of Affordable Rental Housing	\$ 1,187,729.00		
Prevention And Diversion	\$ 250,000.00	.065%	5%
Non-Profit Capacity Building	\$ 0	0 %	5%
Administration and Planning	\$ 576,059.00	15 %	15%
Total HOME ARP Allocation	\$ 3,840,395.00		A COLUMN

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

Internal Staffed Supportive Services for Vulnerable Populations and through Distribution and expansion of the TBRA Program to targeted populations. Through the development of a Housing Opportunity Funding RFP for Affordable rental units.

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:

They were the complete guide for the development of the plan and the estimated budgeted resources were included in the development of the department budget based on historical resources and staffing costs. These programs are sustainable for a period of three years and will then be included as a permanent city budgeted item.

#### **HOME-ARP Production Housing Goals**

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

Estimated 240 affordable rental units will be provided with the investment of 1,187,729.00 of the funded amount.

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

The funds will leverage affordability periods of new units for 40 years.

#### **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: Yes. Preference for TBRA and qualification guidelines will follow the same requirements for the most vulnerable populations as is currently in practice by the city under its currently approved TBRA program. Waiting list will also be used when appropriate.

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:

This will ensure that the Homeless, Homeless Disabled, Senior Disabled, Veteran Homeless Disabled, HIV Homeless, and 0-30% AMI are prioritized. This is consistent with our Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis.

#### Referral Methods

Coordinated Entry with Priority for the Vulnerable populations identified in this plan, is consistent with the on-going approved (CE) plan prioritization methodology for referrals and is not in any way different or changed.

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. (Optional): COC Coordinated Entry

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. (Optional):

The CE Plan for the COC is included in the Jurisdiction's Annual Action Plan

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

The CE Plan for the COC is included in the Jurisdiction's Annual Action Plan

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. (Optional):

N/A

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:

N/A

If a PJ intends to implement a limitation, explain why the use of a limitation is necessary to 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:

N/A

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):

N/A

#### **HOME-ARP Refinancing Guidelines:**

We will not use funds for re-financing

- Establish a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing to demonstrate that rehabilitation of HOME-ARP rental housing is the primary eligible activity

  N/A
- Require a review of management practices to demonstrate that disinvestment in the
  property has not occurred; that the long-term needs of the project can be met; and that
  the feasibility of serving qualified populations for the minimum compliance period can
  be demonstrated.

N/A

- State whether the new investment is being made to maintain current affordable units, create additional affordable units, or both.
   N/A
- Specify the required compliance period, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer.  $\rm N/A$
- State that HOME-ARP funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.
   N/A
- Other requirements in the PJ's guidelines, if applicable: N/A

#### **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:

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

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

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

**HOME-ARP Certification** --It will use HOME-ARP funds consistent with Section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) and the CPD Notice: *Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program*, as may be amended by HUD, for eligible activities and costs, including the HOME-ARP Notice requirements that activities are consistent with its accepted HOME-ARP allocation plan and that HOME-ARP funds will not be used for prohibited activities or costs, as described in the HOME-ARP Notice.

Signature of Authorized Official

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Date

OMB Number: 4040-0004 Expiration Date: 12/31/2022

View Burden Statement

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424				
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* 3. Date Received: August 19, 2021	The second second			
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8. APPLICANT INF	ORMATION:			
* a. Legal Name:	City of Virginia Beac	h		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):  54-072206  * c. Organizational DUNS:  0747362990000				
d. Address:				
* Street1: Street2:  * City: County/Parish:  * State: Province:	2408 Courthouse I Municipal Center Virginia Beach Virginia			
* Country:				USA: UNITED STATES
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Prefix: Ms Middle Name: M		* First Name:		Cindy
* Last Name: Du Suffix:	haney			
Title: Compliance & Development Officer				
Organizational Affiliation:				
* Telephone Number:	757-385-5754			Fax Number: 757-385-1874
Email: pduhaney@vbgov.com				

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:		
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* 10. Name of Federal Agency:		
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14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):		
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* a. Applicant VA-002	* b. Program/Project VA-002			
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18. Estimated Funding (\$):				
* a. Federal 3.840.395.00				
* b. Applicant				
* c. State				
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* e. Other				
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*g. TOTAL 3,840,395.00				
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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 218, Section 1001)				
X ** 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.				
Authorized Representative:				
Prefix: Mr * First	Name: Patrick			
Middle Name: A				
* Last Name: Duhaney				
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* Title: City Manager				
* Telephone Number: 757-385-4242	Fax Number:			
* Email: pduhaney@vbgov.com				
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#### **ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS**

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

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

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
- Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title, or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property aquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
- Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
- 5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progress reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.

- Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
- Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- 10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

- 11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
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- 13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
- 14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the

- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
- Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
- 18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
- Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
par 2	City Manager
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED 3/21/2023
City of Virginia Beach	8/11/2022 CW