

Member grantees are preparing CDBG-CV amendments in the 2020 Action Plan. The County will continue to utilize the 2019 Action Plan for CARES Act related amendments.

## **Executive Summary**

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

#### **1. Introduction**

The Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development is committed to making the County and its neighborhoods a better place to live, work and play. The County strives to provide safe, decent and affordable housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunities especially for low to moderate income individuals and the special needs population living in the community. The Consolidated Plan for Hudson County outlines the uses of entitlement grants released by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for three programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG).

The Division of Housing and Community Development works closely with partner municipalities, the local housing authorities, the local Continuum of Care and its members, stakeholder organizations as well as citizens through the Citizen Participation Process to identify the priority needs and form the goals of the Consolidated Plan. Through the fulfillment of the goals outlined in this Plan, the County will improve the quality of life for LMI and special needs citizens in the community.

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

Hudson County has developed its strategic plan based on an analysis of the data presented in this plan and an extensive community participation and consultation process. Through these efforts, the County has identified four priority needs with associated goals to address those needs. The priority needs with associated goals include:

##### **Expand & Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities**

- 1A Expand Public Infrastructure
- 1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity
- 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities

##### **Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing**

- 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities
- 2B Increase Affordable Rental Housing Opportunities

**Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements**

- 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs
- 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households

**Homelessness Housing and Support Services**

- 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance
- 4B Provide Assistance to Homeless Shelters
- 4C Provide for Street Outreach

**3. Evaluation of past performance**

The County, with other public, private and nonprofit community housing providers and non-housing service agencies have made significant contributions to provide safe, decent and affordable housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunities especially for low to moderate income individuals in the community. However, affordable housing remains one of the most prolific needs facing the County, as documented by the current Consolidated Plan, the County’s previous Consolidated Plan, and the 2018 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

The CAPER provides an assessment of progress towards the five-year goals and the one-year goals of HUD entitlement grants CDBG, HOME and ESG. According to the most recent CAPER, the County either met and/or exceeded its goals for improvements to public facilities and infrastructure. The County also exceeded its goals in assisting persons experiencing homelessness with rapid rehousing and homeless services. Where progress was not made toward specific goals was the affordable housing goals of providing new affordable housing for renters and homeowners as well as rehab of housing for renters. Due to the significant need for affordable housing options, the County will continue to work towards assisting LMI households in need of affordable housing and meeting the goals set in the Plan.

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

Hudson County is engaged in ongoing efforts to increase coordination amongst the complex network of public, private, and nonprofit organizations that deliver housing and social services to the community. As the administrators of HUD's CDBG, HOME and ESG programs, the Division of Housing and Community Development acts as a hub for community and housing development in the area. Open lines of communication are maintained between the County and the area's many nonprofit organizations, the housing authorities and the members of the Continuum of Care and are given opportunities to participate in the Consolidated Planning process. These community stakeholders help provide input that shapes the priority needs identified in the Strategic Plan.

Division of Housing and Community Development staff also attempt on an ongoing basis to encourage participation by all citizens with special emphasis on persons of low- to moderate-incomes and those with special needs to participate in the Consolidated Planning process. The County conducted a series of community meetings as well as a public review period for the Plan to obtain insight from the public into community development needs and priorities. Full details of the County's citizen participation outreach efforts are available in PR-15 Citizen Participation.

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

Hudson County ensures that there are multiple opportunities for interested community stakeholders to review and comment on the County's housing and community development plans in the Strategic Plan. A series of public meetings were held during the Consolidated Planning process to inform the public and community stakeholders of the contents of the Plan. A 30-Day Public Comment Period beginning on April 13, 2020 through May 13, 2020 was held to give the public an opportunity to review the Consolidated Plan & Action Plan draft.

Full details of the County's citizen participation outreach efforts are available in PR-15 Citizen Participation. As well, citizen participation outreach efforts are also recorded and attached as a PDF in the appendices in AD-25 of this Plan.

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

All comments received during the planning process were accepted.

## **7. Summary**

Primary data sources for the Consolidated Plan include: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2000 Census, 2012-2016 CHAS, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), Inventory Management System/PIH Information Center (IMS/PIC), HUD Housing Inventory Counts (HIC), 2020 Point-in-Time data, and local data sources. A disparity exists between data tables throughout the plan in that tables which utilize ACS contain 2017 data and tables that utilize CHAS contain 2016 data. At the time of writing only 2016 CHAS data was available from HUD. However, 2017 ACS data was available and thus the County thought it best to utilize the most current data source where possible, and that incongruencies in the source years were outweighed by the more accurate demographic and housing picture painted by the 2017 ACS data.

## The Process

### PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

**1. Describe agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source**

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

| Agency Role        | Name          | Department/Agency                             |
|--------------------|---------------|---|
| CDBG Administrator | HUDSON COUNTY | Division of Housing and Community Development |
| HOME Administrator | HUDSON COUNTY | Division of Housing and Community Development |
| ESG Administrator  | HUDSON COUNTY | Division of Housing and Community Development |

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative

The primary objective of the County’s CDBG, HOME and ESG program is the provision of safe, affordable, and decent housing, and the provision of a suitable living environment for low and moderate-income persons. This includes a wide range of programs and activities as described in the following sections of the 5-Year Strategic Plan and the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

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

### **1. Introduction**

Hudson County is committed to addressing the Community's priority needs in the most efficient and effective way possible. In order to accomplish this, the Division of Housing and Community Development, as the lead agency in the development of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and the FY 2020 Action Plan, coordinates with citizens, municipal officials, non-profit agencies, public housing agencies, private developers, economic development officials, governmental agencies and the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness/Continuum of Care (HCAEH) in preparation of this Plan.

**Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I)).**

The County recognizes that the preparation of the Consolidated Plan requires discussion and consultation with many diverse groups, organizations, and agencies. The County held several public meetings in the course of preparing the Plan, and the Plan was reviewed at a meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders prior to its approval. These meetings are summarized in the Citizen Participation Section.

The County also reviewed community and regional plans, held discussions with the other participating jurisdictions in the County, reviewed the County's several Housing Authority Plans, as well as assessing the findings of a web-based survey to determine needs and priorities.

**Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness**

The Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development serves as the chair of the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH). The HCAEH acts as Hudson County's Continuum of Care (CoC), and leads meetings on a bi-monthly basis to discuss the needs of the homeless service system and clients experiencing homelessness. The Division serves as the Collaborative Applicant for purposes of the HUD Continuum of Care Program.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards and evaluate outcomes, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the administration of HMIS**

The Division consults with the CoC HCAEH when making funding decisions for the ESG Program. The Performance and Evaluation Committee of the HCAEH reviews ESG applications and takes part in the monitoring of ESG funded programs. The Performance and Evaluation Committee also reviews individual project performance using the performance standards developed jointly for CoC and ESG monitoring. HCAEH members were encouraged to take part in the various focus groups that were held on the consolidated planning process and the survey was shared with all members.

In consultation with the HCAEH and Performance and Evaluation Committee, the Division has developed and continues to make improvements to the administrative processes used to allocate and monitor the performance of ESG funded programs. The Division created an ESG program manual to assist with the implementation of the program by grantees.

**2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdictions consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities**

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

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| 1 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | HUDSON COUNTY  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - County  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Homelessness Strategy<br>Economic Development<br>Market Analysis<br>Anti-poverty Strategy   |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The County Division of Housing and Community Development is the lead agency in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.  |
| 2 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-homeless<br>Regional organization   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Homelessness Strategy<br>Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Homelessness Needs - Veterans<br>Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth   |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH) is the local Continuum of Care in the County and consulted with the homeless strategy. HCAEH participated in meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 3 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | North Bergen Housing Authority   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community.   |

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| 4 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Guttenberg Housing Authority   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 5 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Harrison Housing Authority   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 6 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Secaucus Housing Authority   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 7 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Weehawken Housing Authority  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |



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| 8  | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | West New York Housing Authority  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 9  | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Bayonne Housing Authority  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 10 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hoboken Housing Authority  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |
| 11 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Union City Housing Authority   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | PHA<br>Service-Fair Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The housing authority was consulted through meetings and a stakeholder survey to help determine the priority needs of the community. |

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| 12 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Act Now Foundation - Dementia Center   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Elderly Persons   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 13 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Big Brothers Big Sisters Essex County Mentoring Program  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Children  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 14 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - Local   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Borough was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County.      |
| 15 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF HUDSON COUNTY  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Children  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |

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| 16 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Collaborative Support Program of NJ  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing<br>Services-Education  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 17 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Covenant House New Jersey  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Children<br>Services-homeless   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 18 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hoboken Shelter  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing<br>Services-homeless   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 19 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hudson County Cancer Coalition   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Health  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |

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| 20 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hudson County CASA   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Children<br>Services - Victims<br>Child Welfare Agency  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 21 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hudson County Division of Planning   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - County  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Division was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County.     |
| 22 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Hudson Pride Center  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Health<br>Services-Education  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 23 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | City of Jersey City Division of Community Development  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - Local   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Division was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County.     |

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| 24 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Liberty Family Success Center  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Education   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 25 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Moderate Income Management Company, Inc  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 26 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | New Jersey Citizen Action Education Fund   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Education   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 27 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Northeast New Jersey Legal Services  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services - comprehensive legal representation  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 28 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Palisades Family Success Center  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Education   |

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|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 29 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | SAVE LATIN AMERICA INC.  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-Education   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 30 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Soldier On   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County. |
| 31 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS   |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - Local   |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |
|    | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Town was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County.         |
| 32 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | United Way of Hudson County  |
|    | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-homeless  |
|    | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment  |

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| <p><b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p> | <p>The organization was consulted at a meeting about the community and housing development needs in the County.</p> |
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**Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

There were no agencies or organizations intentionally not consulted. All comments were accepted.

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

| Name of Plan                            | Lead Organization                                    | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?  |
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| Continuum of Care                       | Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH)   | Hudson County is a member of the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH) Continuum of Care (NJ-506, Jersey City, Bayonne/Hudson County). Hudson County works with the local COC to prevent and to end homelessness in the region and helps to guide the needs of the Strategic Plan.   |
| NJ CEDS                                 | North Jersey Comprehensive Development Strategy      | Hudson County is a participant in the North Jersey Comprehensive Development Strategy. The CEDS Action Plan identified four focus areas that can be coordinated with the consortiums consolidated plan.They are: 1.) Support the Growth of Regional Innovation Clusters, 2.) Enhance North Jersey Regions Infrastructure and Other Assets, and 4.) Align Workforce Training With Industry Needs. These helped to guide the needs in the Strategic Plan. |
| Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing | County Division of Housing and Community Development | The AI reviews fair housing issues, barriers to fair housing choice, and outlines activities to address barriers in the County. Its recommendations were incorporated and prioritized in the Plan's housing priorities.   |

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

**Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(I))**

The Consolidated Plan calls for coordination with the County and local municipalities to work together to identify and implement programs such as public facility and infrastructure improvements, public services for LMI households and homeless services throughout the County. The CDBG programs identify planned activities as well as which town or township will be the location of the development project.

**Narrative**

N/A



**PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.105, 91.115, 91.200(c) and 91.300(c)**

**1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation  
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

The Division of Housing and Community Development is responsible for the development of and updates to the Citizen Participation Plan. The Division also maintains all required records and reports available for public review. Records are kept and made available which show racial and income data as well as beneficiaries of CDBG funded activities.

Division of Housing and Community Development staff also attempt on an ongoing basis to encourage participation by all citizens with special emphasis on persons of low to moderate incomes and those with special needs to participate in the Consolidated Planning process.

The Division has developed a formal process for soliciting the maximum amount of citizens' input into the comprehensive housing and neighborhood planning process. With regard to the 5-Year Consolidated Plan, public hearings and various meetings are conducted prior to the formulation of the plan. The public is also afforded 30 days to comment on the contents of the Consolidated Plan. Citizen comments are then summarized and included in the Consolidated Plan document.

The table below shows details of the County's citizen participation outreach efforts.

### Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
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|------------|------------------|---|---|--|--|---------------------|
| 1          | Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community<br><br>Mayor | There were four in attendance including the Mayor and the Town Manager. | Guttenberg CDBG Town Meeting held on January 23, 2020. Discussion focused on status of past projects and plans for new projects. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program and the foreclosure registry initiative. The Town for the next few funding cycles would like to focus on upgrades to their traffic signals located town-wide in heavily pedestrian areas. There will be a check in on addresses of past funded project and follow up on draw downs. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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|------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|---------------------|
| 2          | Public Meeting   | Mayor              | Staff met with the new Mayor.  | East Newark CDBG Town Meeting held on January 27, 2020. Discussion was an overview of what CDBG funding can be used for, review of past projects and discussion for the future. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program and the foreclosure registry initiative. The Mayor will continue to seek public service funding for the senior center but will likely apply for additional funds. A commitment was made to meet again to discuss needed construction upgrades to the senior center and recreational center for youth. The Mayor will be provided a list of all | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received   | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|---------------------|
| 3          | Public Meeting   | Mayor              | Staff met with the Mayor.      | <p>Kearny CDBG Town Meeting held on January 27, 2020. Discussion focused on the status of current grants and goals for upcoming five years. The town will work to submit vouchers for completed work. There will be a balance on prior CDBG grants that they would like to reprogram. Devon/Chestnut street, the 2019 project will go to bid in February, likely with a May start date. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program. The Town for the next few funding cycles would like to focus on road improvements that have not been done</p> | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach   | Summary of response/attendance   | Summary of comments received  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|--|---|--|---------------------|
| 4          | Public Meeting   | Mayor and Councilman | Staff met with four that were in attendance including the Mayor, the Town Administrator and the Councilman 3rd Ward. | Secaucus CDBG Town Meeting held on January 27, 2020. Discussion focused on status of past projects and plans for new projects. Town shared issues relating to the currently funded senior center improvement project. Specifically, newly discovered environmental issues require the building to be demolished. This will result in funds needing to be reprogrammed, as costs will no longer be eligible. The town confirmed 1st street was completed, and will invoice accordingly. It was also informed that 6th street will go to bid in spring. Additionally, information was | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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|---|-------------------|--------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|
| 5   | Public Meeting    | Town Staff         | Staff had a call meeting over the phone with two members of the public including the Town Attorney. | Harrison CDBG Town Meeting (call) held on January 29, 2020. Discussion focused on status of past projects and plans for new projects. The little league field is in the design build phase and they anticipate work to begin in the Fall. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program and the foreclosure registry initiative. The Town priorities within the next funding cycle will center on improvements to the Harrison Library as well as the surrounding area. Also, improvements to the Town recreation center were mentioned as a future project. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |
| OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 09/30/2021) | Consolidated Plan |                    | HUDSON COUNTY   |  | 23   |                     |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance   | Summary of comments received   | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|---------------------|
| 6          | Public Meeting   | Town Staff         | Staff had meeting with two in attendance, which included the Township Manager and the Planning Department. | Weehawken CDBG Town Meeting held on February 4, 2020. Discussion focused on status of past projects and plans for new projects. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program and the foreclosure registry initiative. The Town priorities within the next funding cycle will center on road improvements particularly on 46th Street, 47th Street, 48th Street and 50th Street from Park Avenue to JFK Boulevard East. There was also discussion on improvements to a basketball court and traffic signal upgrades in eligible low-mod areas. | All comments were accepted.                  | 24                  |



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|------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|
| 7          | Public Meeting   | Mayor              | Staff had a meeting with two in attendance, which included the Mayor and Municipal Administrator. | West New York CDBG Town Meeting held on February 12, 2020. Discussion focused on status of past projects and plans for new projects. Issues with prior administration lead to significant delays in projects moving and funding being drawn down. Town is working hard to resolve this. Additionally, information was shared regarding Lead-based Paint program and the foreclosure registry initiative. The Town within the next two funding cycles would like to prioritize the construction of a new Library. 2020 funding would be for demolition of the proposed site, with construction in 2021. Other | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach     | Target of Outreach           | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received                        | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 8          | Public Review Period | Non-targeted/broad community | A 30-day public comment review period was held from April 13, 2020 to May 13, 2020 to give the public an opportunity to review and comment on the draft Plan. | All comments were accepted. There were no comments. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |
| 9          | Public Meeting       | Non-targeted/broad community | A public meeting was held on April 29, 2020 to discuss the draft Plan.  | All comments were accepted. There were no comments. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |
| 11         | Public Review Period | Stakeholder Organizations    | A stakeholder event was held on November 14, 2019 to discuss the community and housing development needs in the County  | All comments were accepted. There were no comments. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach     | Target of Outreach        | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 12         | Public Review Period | Stakeholder Organizations | A stakeholder meeting was held on April 22, 2020 to discuss the community and housing development needs in the County. There were 32 members in attendance. | A summary of comments made were:- Will there be funds made available from CARES Act for constituents who have lost income/employment and cannot afford to pay rent?- Can families apply for rental assistance?- Support for LGBTQ+ Community Center- Address public transport and sanitation as it relates to COVID-19.- Homeless shelters need funding.- Support for stakeholders who provide citizens with education and access to good healthcare. The goal is a healthier community.- Concern for barriers to housing | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

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| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach  | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received                  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
|------------|------------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 13         | Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community<br><br>Board of Chosen Freeholders | A caucus meeting of the County Board of Freeholders was held on May 12, 2020 at 4PM. The meeting was conducted via Zoom virtual meeting and the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan was reviewed. | No comments were made.                        | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |
| 14         | Public Meeting   | Non-targeted/broad community<br><br>Board of Chosen Freeholders | A Hudson County Board of Freeholders meeting was held on May 14, 2020 at 4PM via Zoom virtual meeting to approve the Plan.  | No comments were made. The plan was approved. | All comments were accepted.                  |                     |

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

# Needs Assessment

## NA-05 Overview

### Needs Assessment Overview

In order to ensure the most efficient and effective use of resources Hudson County must first assess the needs of the community. In this section, the County's various demographic and economic indicators will be described and analyzed to provide the foundation needed for grant management.

Developing a picture of the current needs in the County begins by looking at broad trends in population, income, and household demographics. Once that data has been gathered, it can be examined with a more nuanced analysis of variables, such as how family and household dynamics relate to race and housing problems.

A key goal of the Needs Assessment section is to identify the nature and prevalence of housing problems experienced by the County's residents. Per HUD's definition, there are four housing problems that are assessed:

- Cost-Burden, which is defined as households who spend 30% or more of their income on housing costs
- Lack of Complete Plumbing
- Lack of Complete Kitchen Facilities
- Overcrowding

In addition to the demographics analyzed, this section also looks at factors that impact or are impacted by the housing market. The County's public housing supply, the needs of those facing homelessness, and non-homeless special needs are addressed. Finally, non-housing development needs like public services and infrastructure are also analyzed to assist in determining how resources should be allocated.

Whenever possible, each of these issues is juxtaposed with economic and demographic indicators to determine if certain groups carry a disproportionate burden. Understanding the magnitude and prevalence of these issues in Hudson County is crucial in aiding in setting evidence-based priorities for entitlement programs.

Data Note: Many fields in this document are populated automatically by the IDIS system. In order to provide the most accurate and up-to-date analysis, additional data sources are often used.

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

### Summary of Housing Needs

The housing needs of a community are, like all items in the market economy, a product of supply and demand. However, determining the factors that impact supply and demand is much more complicated than building one housing unit for each household. Changes in population, household size, availability of rental housing, income, and the condition of a property all work to shift the community's housing needs.

The following section will show that the greatest housing issue facing Hudson County is affordable housing. According to the 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, there are approximately 111,309 cost burdened households in the County, making up 45.5%. Renters are more likely to be cost burdened, approximately 47.7% pay over 30% of their income towards housing. Homeowners are slightly better off but still 44.3% of those with a mortgage and 33% of those without a mortgage are cost burdened. This points to the current housing supply being either too small or too expensive.

| Demographics  | Base Year: 2000 | Most Recent Year: 2017 | % Change |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| Population    | 608,975         | 679,756                | 12%      |
| Households    | 230,546         | 252,352                | 9%       |
| Median Income | \$40,293.00     | \$62,681.00            | 56%      |

Table 5 - Housing Needs Assessment Demographics

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2000 Census, 2013-2017 ACS

**Data Source Comments:**

Since 2000, the population of Hudson County has grown steadily. Since 2000, the population has increased by over 11% and the number of households has increased by 9.5%. This unequal growth rate between population and number of households' points to an overall increase in average household size.

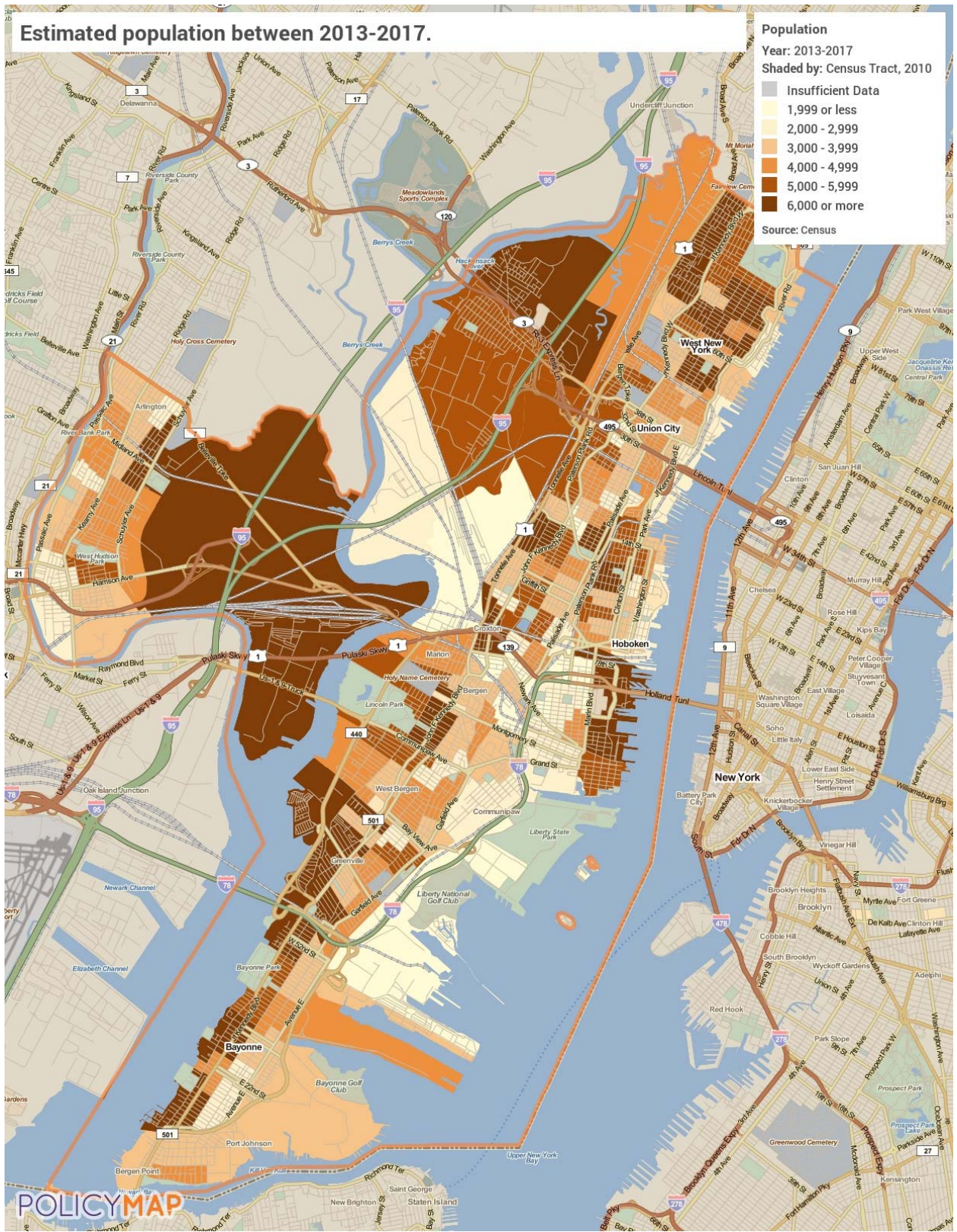
Residents have a 55.6% higher median household income than they did in 2000. Unfortunately, due to inflation the growth in purchasing power is significantly lower. The median household income in 2000 (\$40,293) had the same buying power as \$57,966 in 2017, meaning growth of approximately 8.1%.

### Population

The following map displays the population density throughout the County. Overall, there are not any clear areas with higher population census tracts than other areas. Many tracts throughout the County

have 5,000 or more people and these tracts are often near small population tracts with fewer than 3,000 people.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



**Population**

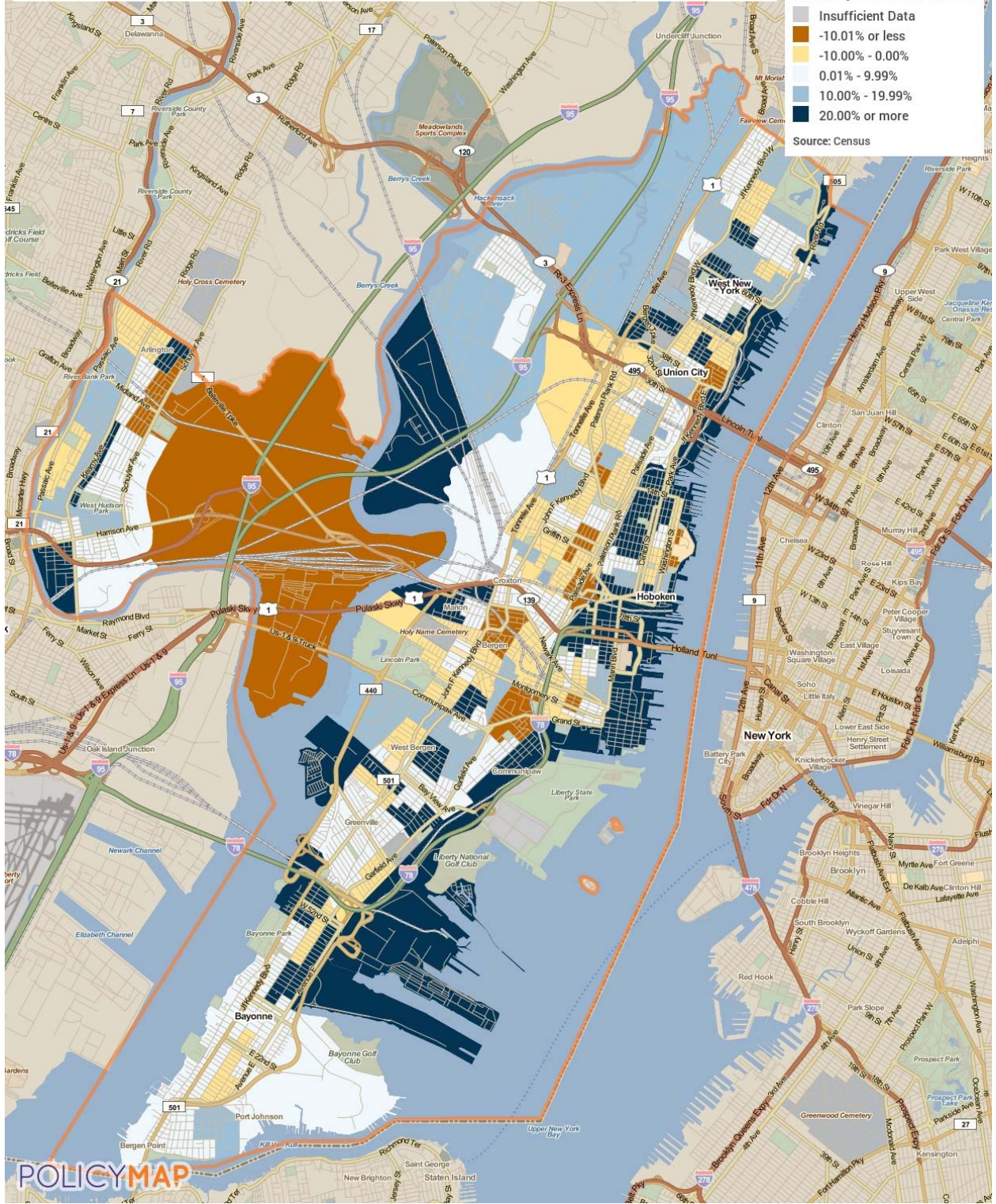
**Change in Population**



As noted above, the County's population grew by 11.6% during this time period. That growth was not uniform throughout the County. Waterfront tracts saw significantly faster growth than most other areas, often 20% or more. Inland tracts, on the other hand, saw either more modest growth or a population decrease since 2000.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

# Estimated percent change in the number of people between 2000 and the period of 2013-2017.



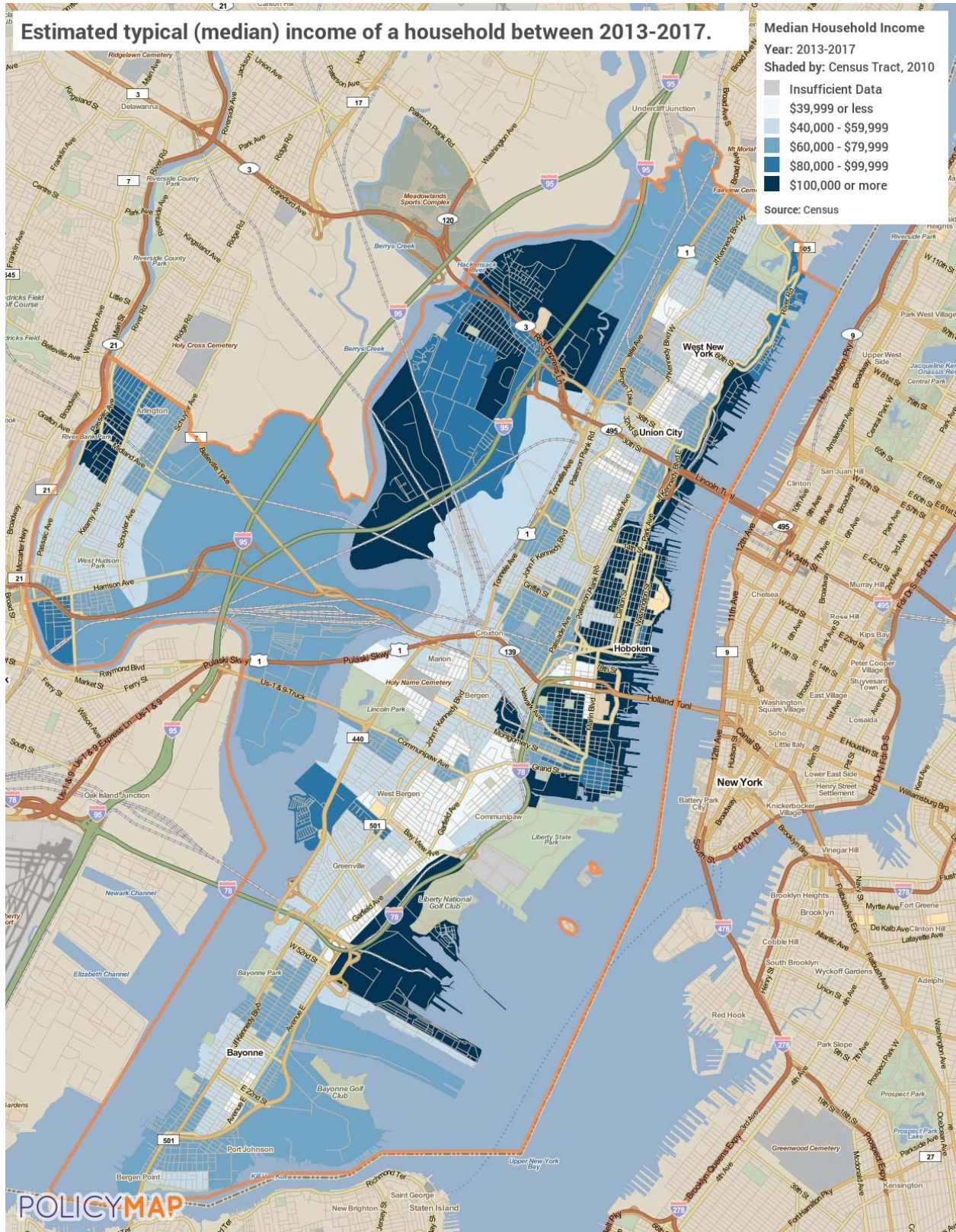
## Population Change

## Median Household Income

In Hudson County, a household's income appears to be linked to where that person lives. The majority of the tracts directly along the river have relatively high median household incomes, \$100,000 or more. Inland tracts had significantly lower MHIs, generally less than \$60,000.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated typical (median) income of a household between 2013-2017.**

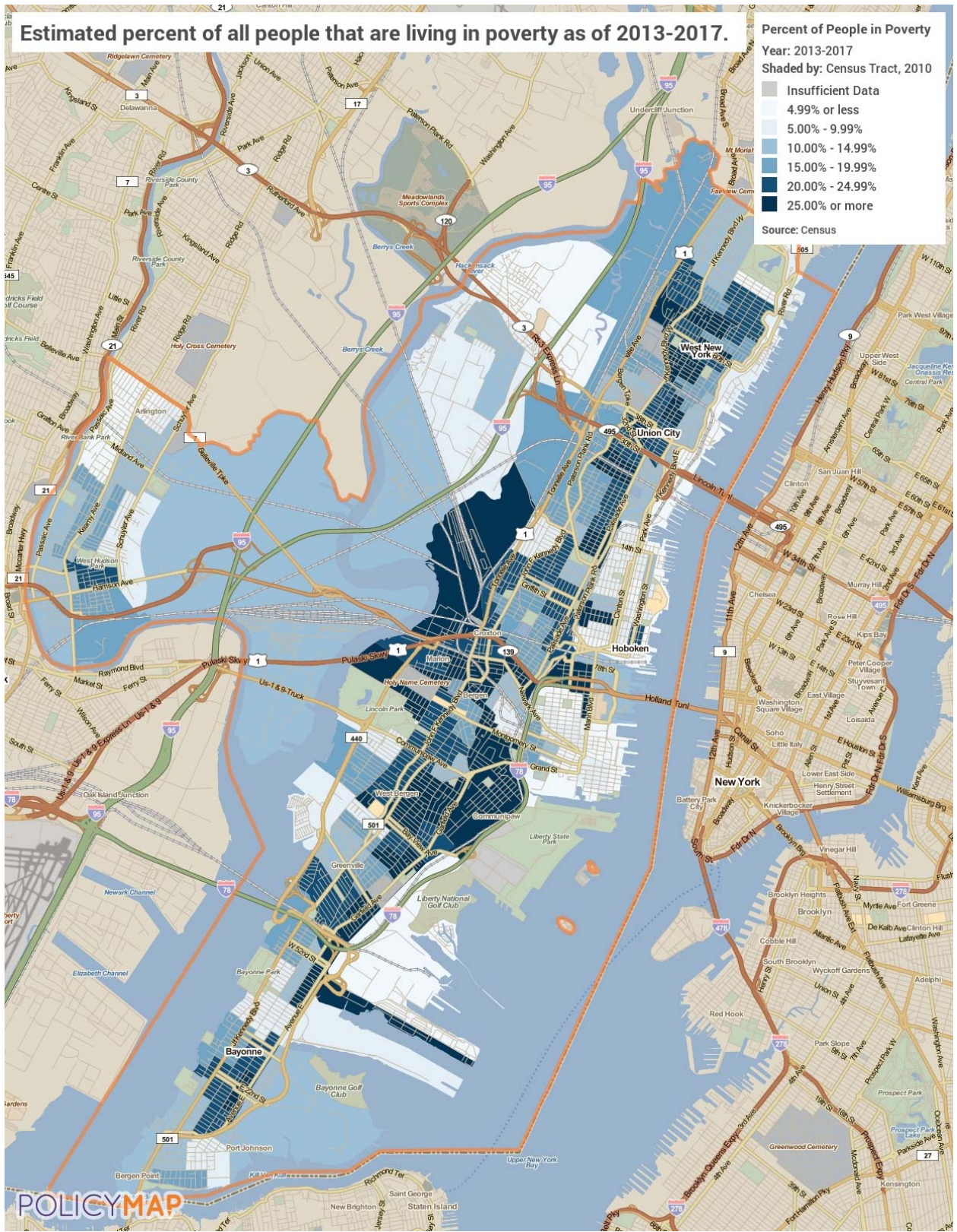


**Median Household Income**

**Poverty**

The following map shows that the areas with high poverty are also those that were identified above as having a low median household income. The poverty rate in several central tracts is over 25%, which is significantly higher than the tracts bordering the Hudson River where the poverty rate is generally less than 5%. High poverty areas are of particular concern to the County, especially if those areas also have high concentrations of minority residents. It is imperative for the County to address any identified Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (R/ECAP).

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



**Poverty Level**

## Number of Households Table

|   | 0-30%<br>HAMFI | >30-50%<br>HAMFI | >50-80%<br>HAMFI | >80-100%<br>HAMFI | >100%<br>HAMFI |
|---|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Total Households  | 44,855         | 33,065           | 38,255           | 20,200            | 73,765         |
| Small Family Households                                     | 16,175         | 12,790           | 15,105           | 7,780             | 29,390         |
| Large Family Households                                     | 3,315          | 2,960            | 4,090            | 2,545             | 7,585          |
| Household contains at least one person 62-74 years of age   | 9,095          | 6,480            | 7,695            | 4,310             | 14,920         |
| Household contains at least one person age 75 or older      | 7,340          | 4,435            | 3,995            | 1,775             | 4,075          |
| Households with one or more children 6 years old or younger | 8,840          | 6,400            | 7,370            | 3,790             | 17,795         |

**Table 6 - Total Households Table**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2012-2016 CHAS

**Data Source Comments:**

## Number Households

The above table breaks down family dynamics and income in the jurisdiction using 2015 CHAS data. Residents who are in higher income ranges tend to have household demographics that differ from those in lower income ranges. Residents aged 75 and older are more likely to be lower income than moderate income. Approximately 17% of extremely low-income households contain someone 75 or older while only 5.5% of households making greater than 100% HAMFI contain someone 75 or older.

The factors which influence household size and education are often interrelated and work to reinforce each other. Education, employment opportunities, marital status and many other factors influence the household's access to income and household size. Residents who marry later also generally have higher education levels and tend to have smaller families, which means that in addition to higher earning potential these households also have fewer people to care for and fewer baseline living expenses.

## Housing Needs Summary Tables

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

|   | Renter    |             |             |              |        | Owner     |             |             |              |        |
|---|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|
|   | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total  |
| <b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b>   |           |             |             |              |        |           |             |             |              |        |
| Substandard Housing - Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities                 | 1,220     | 640         | 605         | 190          | 2,655  | 25        | 55          | 190         | 15           | 285    |
| Severely Overcrowded - With >1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing) | 1,435     | 795         | 1,140       | 425          | 3,795  | 25        | 50          | 110         | 35           | 220    |
| Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)          | 2,235     | 1,970       | 2,000       | 1,000        | 7,205  | 85        | 200         | 420         | 310          | 1,015  |
| Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)       | 27,810    | 10,115      | 1,935       | 650          | 40,510 | 4,140     | 4,140       | 4,425       | 1,605        | 14,310 |
| Housing cost burden greater than 30% of income (and none of the above problems)       | 4,995     | 11,475      | 12,905      | 2,570        | 31,945 | 295       | 1,610       | 3,275       | 2,785        | 7,965  |



|   | Renter    |             |             |              |       | Owner     |             |             |              |       |
|---|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------|
|   | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total |
| Zero/negative Income (and none of the above problems) | 4,275     | 0           | 0           | 0            | 4,275 | 575       | 0           | 0           | 0            | 575   |

**Table 7 – Housing Problems Table**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2012-2016 CHAS

**Data Source**

**Comments:**

### Housing Needs Summary

The table above gives an overview of housing problems in the County. Using 2016 CHAS data, it provides the numbers of households experiencing each category of housing problem broken down by income ranges (up to 100% AMI) and owner/renter status.

Cost burden is clearly the biggest housing problem in the County in terms of sheer numbers – a common trend in many communities across the state and nation today. According to the 2016 CHAS data there were 36,160 renters and 15,800 homeowners in the 0% to 100% AMI range spending more than 30% of their income on housing costs (100% AMI is the area median income).

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

|   | Renter    |             |             |              |        | Owner     |             |             |              |        |
|---|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|
|   | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total  |
| <b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b>               |           |             |             |              |        |           |             |             |              |        |
| Having 1 or more of four housing problems | 28,670    | 12,675      | 5,495       | 2,260        | 49,100 | 4,155     | 4,205       | 4,865       | 1,915        | 15,140 |
| Having none of four housing problems      | 10,425    | 13,060      | 22,620      | 13,680       | 59,785 | 405       | 2,085       | 5,830       | 5,760        | 14,080 |

|   | 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 |
| Household has negative income, but none of the other housing problems | 4,275     | 0           | 0           | 0            | 4,275 | 575       | 0           | 0           | 0            | 575   |

**Table 8 – Housing Problems 2**

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source

Comments:

### Severe Housing Problems

The above table shows households with at least one severe housing problem broken out by income and occupancy. The trend in the data is simply the lower the income in a household, the greater presence of severe housing problems.

### 3. Cost Burden > 30%

|                             | Renter    |             |             |        | Owner     |             |             |        |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------|
|                             | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total  |
| <b>NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS</b> |           |             |             |        |           |             |             |        |
| Small Related               | 13,605    | 11,260      | 7,875       | 32,740 | 865       | 1,765       | 3,100       | 5,730  |
| Large Related               | 2,880     | 2,060       | 1,165       | 6,105  | 205       | 415         | 955         | 1,575  |
| Elderly                     | 1,920     | 1,505       | 970         | 4,395  | 760       | 1,155       | 1,465       | 3,380  |
| Other                       | 7,630     | 4,735       | 4,175       | 16,540 | 750       | 685         | 945         | 2,380  |
| Total need by income        | 26,035    | 19,560      | 14,185      | 59,780 | 2,580     | 4,020       | 6,465       | 13,065 |

**Table 9 – Cost Burden > 30%**

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source

Comments:

### Cost Burden

The table above displays 2016 CHAS data on cost-burdened households in the County for the 0% to 80% AMI cohorts.

### Housing Cost-Burdened

The maps and data above showed that income and poverty appear to be closely tied to geography, which includes clear concentrations in certain areas. For homeowner housing cost burden, the picture is less clear. Tracts with high homeowner cost burden rates (30% or more) are found throughout the County, even in some areas with high median incomes.

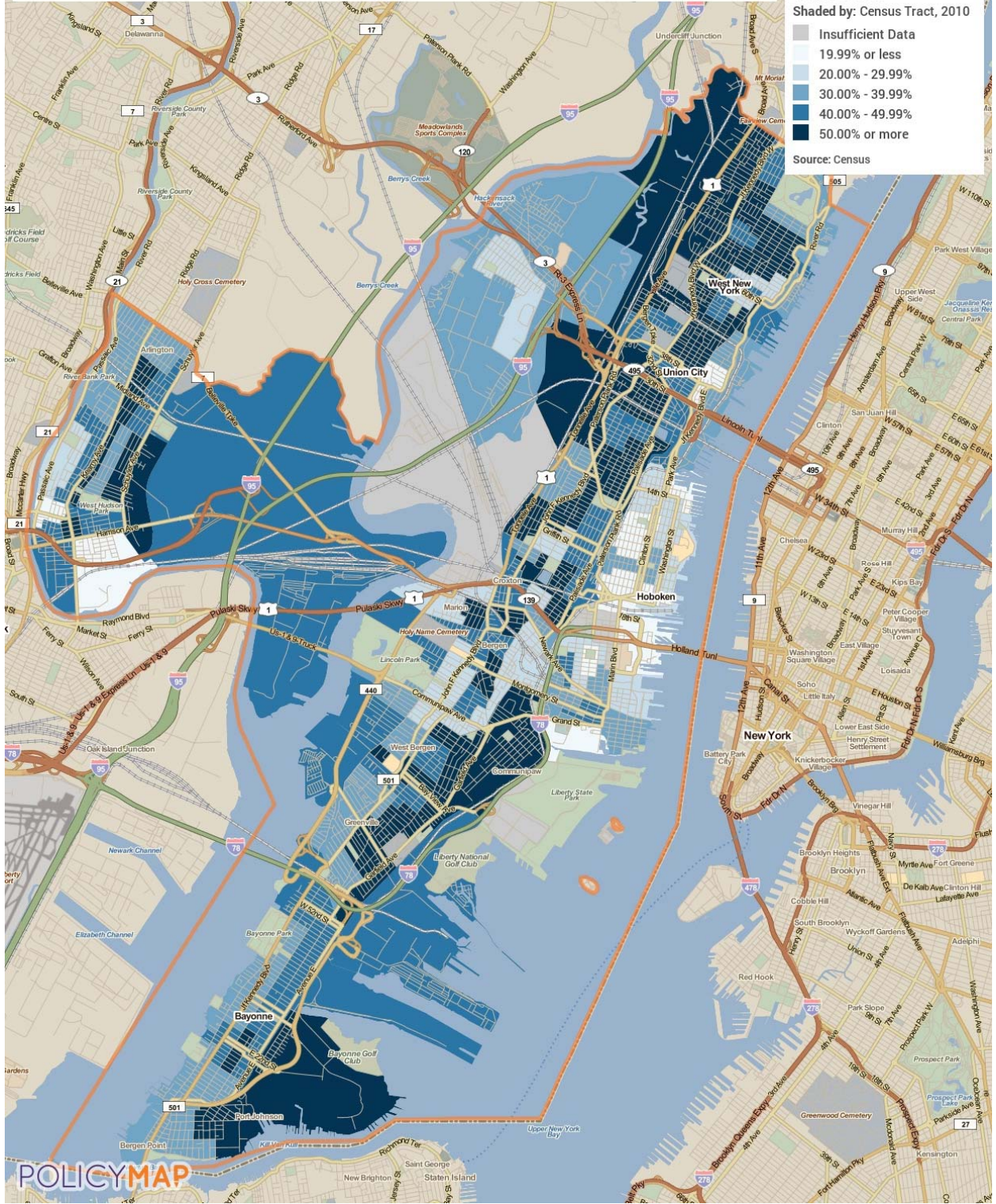
Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated percent of all homeowners who are burdened by housing costs between 2013-2017.**

**Percent of Homeowners who are Burdened**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 19.99% or less
- 20.00% - 29.99%
- 30.00% - 39.99%
- 40.00% - 49.99%
- 50.00% or more

Source: Census



**Cost Burdened Homeowners**

**Cost Burdened Renters**

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Cost burdened renters show a similar distribution throughout the County as homeowners. Despite concentrated areas of income and poverty, the tracts with high cost burden (60% or higher) are found throughout the County, though it is less common on the eastern waterfront parts of the County. As noted above with median household income distribution in the County, the majority of the tracts directly along the eastern waterfront have relatively high median household incomes of \$100,000 or more. Inland tracts had significantly lower MHIs, generally less than \$60,000. When compared to the cost burden and severely cost burdened tables in this section, it is clear that housing cost burden is more prevalent in households with lower income.

# Estimated percent of all renters who are cost burdened between 2013-2017.

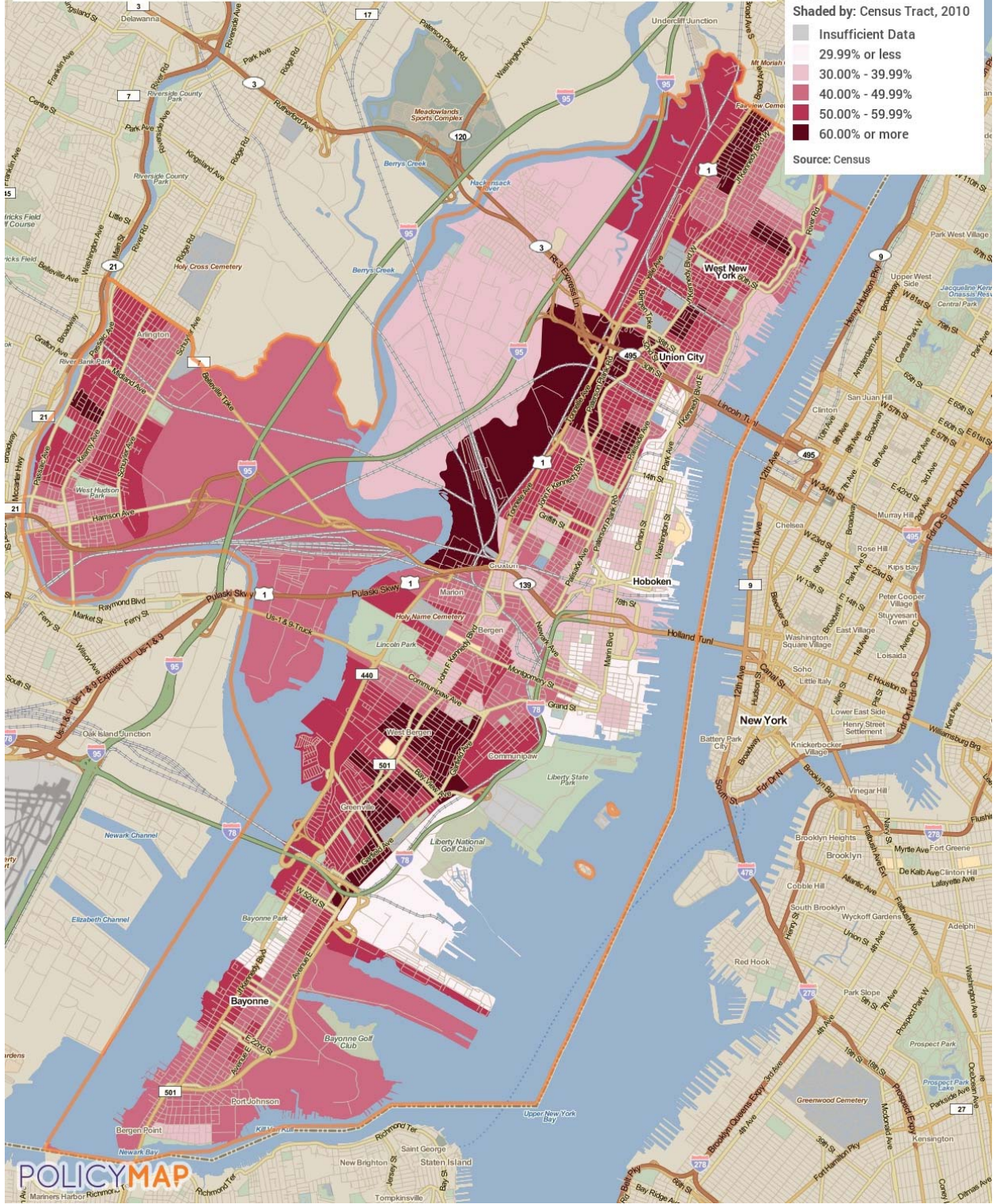
Percent of Renters who are Burdened

Year: 2013-2017

Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 29.99% or less
- 30.00% - 39.99%
- 40.00% - 49.99%
- 50.00% - 59.99%
- 60.00% or more

Source: Census



## Cost Burdened Renters

#### 4. Cost Burden > 50%

|                      | Renter    |             |             |        | Owner     |             |             |       |
|----------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------|
|                      | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total |
| NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS |           |             |             |        |           |             |             |       |
| Small Related        | 12,550    | 5,090       | 645         | 18,285 | 855       | 1,330       | 1,890       | 4,075 |
| Large Related        | 2,585     | 575         | 70          | 3,230  | 190       | 320         | 465         | 975   |
| Elderly              | 1,485     | 755         | 130         | 2,370  | 695       | 780         | 765         | 2,240 |
| Other                | 6,670     | 2,890       | 980         | 10,540 | 710       | 520         | 625         | 1,855 |
| Total need by income | 23,290    | 9,310       | 1,825       | 34,425 | 2,450     | 2,950       | 3,745       | 9,145 |

**Table 10 – Cost Burden > 50%**

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2012-2016 CHAS  
Data Source  
Comments:

#### Severe Cost Burden

The data presented above show the severe cost burden in the County, which is defined as paying more than 50% of household income on housing cost.

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

|                                       | Renter    |             |             |              |        | Owner     |             |             |              |       |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------|
|                                       | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | >80-100% AMI | Total |
| NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS                  |           |             |             |              |        |           |             |             |              |       |
| Single family households              | 3,110     | 2,310       | 2,395       | 970          | 8,785  | 110       | 150         | 400         | 170          | 830   |
| Multiple, unrelated family households | 450       | 445         | 675         | 390          | 1,960  | 0         | 90          | 119         | 175          | 384   |
| Other, non-family households          | 245       | 70          | 130         | 130          | 575    | 0         | 0           | 10          | 40           | 50    |
| Total need by income                  | 3,805     | 2,825       | 3,200       | 1,490        | 11,320 | 110       | 240         | 529         | 385          | 1,264 |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2012-2016 CHAS  
Data Source  
Comments:

## Overcrowding

HUD defines an overcrowded household as one having from 1.01 to 1.50 occupants per room and a severely overcrowded household as one with more than 1.50 occupants per room. This type of condition can be seen in both renter and homeowner households, but it is much more prevalent in renter households. There are over 16,000 renters, mostly single-family households, that are overcrowded.

|                                  | Renter    |             |             |       | Owner     |             |             |       |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------|
|                                  | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total | 0-30% AMI | >30-50% AMI | >50-80% AMI | Total |
| Households with Children Present | 0         | 0           | 0           | 0     | 0         | 0           | 0           | 0     |

**Table 12 – Crowding Information – 2/2**

**Data Source**

**Comments:**

Data for this table is not available and will be deleted from print versions.

## Describe the number and type of single person households in need of housing assistance.

According to the 2013-2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates 28.3% of occupied housing units in Hudson County are single person households. This equates to approximately 71,518 households. Renters are more likely to live in a single-person household than homeowners. Approximately 29.9% of renter-occupied units are single-person households as compared to 24.9% of owner-occupied households.

Elderly residents who live alone may be in particular need of housing assistance. They are often on a fixed income and need assistance to maintain autonomy. In Hudson County, nearly 40% of all households with someone over the age of 65 are single-person households, 21,556 people.

## Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who are disabled or victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

### Disability

In Hudson County there are approximately 63,440 individuals who have a disability. They represent 9.4% of the population. Black and American Indian residents have higher disability rates than other racial or ethnic groups. The disability rate is highest for older residents, which isn't surprising as disabilities become more prevalent as people age. Ambulatory difficulty is the most common disability with 37,569 individuals reporting it.

### Victims of Rape and Domestic Violence



In 2019, Hudson County served 543 households in emergency shelter, transitional housing or coordinated entry, who reported experiencing domestic violence, representing 16% of all clients served. During the same time frame only 76 households served in rapid rehousing or permanent supportive housing programs reported experiencing domestic violence, showing a major need for additional housing and services that focus on victims of domestic violence. Additionally, according to the State of New Jersey's 2016 Uniform Crime Report, there were 136 reported rapes in the County. Rape is consistently under reported and it is very likely there are significantly more families that need housing support due to this crime.

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

Like many communities across the country, cost burdened residents is the most common housing problem. When residents pay over 30% of their income to housing costs they are at an increased risk of homelessness and substandard living conditions. Resources spent on housing become unavailable for transportation, health care, childcare, and education. All these factors reinforce each other creating an economic situation that is difficult to get out of. High housing costs reduce the availability of reliable transportation which prevents access to new economic opportunities which then makes it difficult to earn enough money to cover housing expenses.

According to the 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, there are approximately 111,309 cost burdened households in the County, making up 45.5%. Renters are more likely to be cost burdened, approximately 47.7% pay over 30% of their income towards housing. Homeowners are slightly better off but still 44.3% of those with a mortgage and 33% of those without a mortgage are cost burdened. This points to the current housing supply being either too small or too expensive.

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

Housing problems tend to be more prevalent in low-income neighborhoods. An analysis of race, ethnicity, income and housing problems is conducted in MA-50.

### **Describe the characteristics and needs of Low-income individuals and families with children (especially extremely low-income) who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered 91.205(c)/91.305(c)). Also discuss the needs of formerly homeless families and individuals who are receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance**

Approximately 47.7% of the renters in Hudson County have rental obligations that consume more than 30% of their household income. This presents an unreasonably large burden on such households. Given the consistent increase in rents across the Country addressing cost burden requires both a reduction in housing prices and increase in economic opportunities. Homelessness prevention programs that assist at-risk renters before they reach an unresolvable impasse with their landlords needs sufficient funding and the necessary level of promotion so that all know how and when to take advantage of them.

In 2019, Hudson County served 371 households in rapid rehousing, including both short term and long-term programs. Based on 2019 System Performance Measures, the County has an approximate 13% recidivism rate in permanent housing programs, which includes both rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing. Using this 13% as an estimate, this would mean an estimate of 48 households receiving rapid rehousing will experience homelessness in the future and may require additional or longer-term housing interventions.

**If a jurisdiction provides estimates of the at-risk population(s), it should also include a description of the operational definition of the at-risk group and the methodology used to generate the estimates:**

Hudson County does not provide additional estimates of at-risk populations.

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

The factors that contribute to an increased risk of homelessness are as varied as the populations served by the programs available to address them. Lack of sufficient income or the employment stability needed to generate adequate income is a key element. Health issues (both mental and physical) and the lack of education or having job skills that aren't valued or needed by employers can heavily influence the amount of income available to pay for a family's housing. Household breakup/lack of familial relationships, substance abuse, criminal background, prior evictions, high levels of debt and the loss of benefits (such as housing vouchers or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)) can adversely impact the stability of a family's housing situation. Incidences of domestic violence or human trafficking can also greatly diminish one's ability to afford housing, especially when children are involved.

### **Discussion**

N/A

## NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems - 91.405, 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

### Introduction

This section compares the existence of housing problems amongst racial groups against that of the jurisdiction as a whole in an effort to determine if any group(s) share a disproportionate burden of the area's housing problems. For this purpose, HUD guidelines deem a disproportionately greater need exists when persons of a particular racial or ethnic group experiences housing problems at a rate of at least 10 percentage points higher than the jurisdiction as a whole.

The following series of tables looks at the existence of housing problems amongst different racial and ethnic groups across the 0%-30%, 30%-50%, 50%-80%, and 80%-100% AMI cohorts that have one of the four severe housing problems: 1) lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2) Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3) More than one person per room, 4) Cost burden over 30%.

### 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        | 37,005                                   | 5,854                                 | 4,530  |
| White                          | 8,445                                    | 1,575                                 | 1,255  |
| Black / African American       | 5,925                                    | 810                                   | 675  |
| Asian                          | 2,935                                    | 245                                   | 1,130  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 100                                      | 4                                     | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 10                                       | 0                                     | 25   |
| Hispanic                       | 19,590                                   | 3,220                                 | 1,445  |
| 0                              | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*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        | 27,475                                   | 8,845                                 | 0  |
| White                          | 7,075                                    | 3,530                                 | 0  |
| Black / African American       | 3,335                                    | 185                                   | 0  |
| Asian                          | 2,240                                    | 3,555                                 | 0  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 80                                       | 1,010                                 | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 10                                       | 405                                   | 0  |
| Hispanic                       | 14,735                                   | 160                                   | 0  |
| 0                              | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*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        | 24,704                                   | 13,625                                | 0  |
| White                          | 6,370                                    | 3,930                                 | 0  |
| Black / African American       | 2,870                                    | 1,645                                 | 0  |
| Asian                          | 2,630                                    | 1,145                                 | 0  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 10                                       | 12                                    | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 4  | 10                                    | 0  |
| Hispanic                       | 12,820                                   | 6,875                                 | 0  |
| 0                              | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*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        | 9,155                                    | 14,105                                | 0  |
| White                          | 3,485                                    | 4,460                                 | 0  |
| Black / African American       | 945                                      | 1,835                                 | 0  |
| Asian                          | 1,190                                    | 1,375                                 | 0  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 25                                       | 10                                    | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 0  | 10                                    | 0  |
| Hispanic                       | 3,510                                    | 6,415                                 | 0  |
| 0                              | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2012-2016 CHAS  
Data Source Comments:

\*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%

**Discussion**

Extremely Low-Income Households

In Hudson County, approximately 78% of extremely low-income households have at least one housing problem. There is one racial group that is disproportionately impacted by housing problems in this income group, American Indian or Alaska Natives. Of this group, over 96% of households have a housing problem. While this is data that should be recognized, it should be noted that the overall American Indian or Alaska Native population is relatively small in this income group with only 104 households.

Very Low-Income Households

Very low-income households have a lower overall rate of housing problems in the jurisdiction as a whole with 75.6%. Two racial or ethnic groups are disproportionately impacted by housing problems. Approximately 94.7% of African American or Black households and 98.9% of Hispanic households in this group have a housing problem.

Low Income Households

Jurisdiction-wide 64.5% of low-income households have at least one housing problem. There are no racial or ethnic groups disproportionately impacted in this income group.

#### Moderate Income Households

Moderate income households have noticeably lower rates of housing problems. Only 36.4% of the County's households in this group have a housing problem. One group stands out, American Indian and Alaska native households again are disproportionately impacted at 71.4%, but again this group is relatively small at 35 households.

#### Conclusion

Unfortunately, the majority of very-low and low-income households across the jurisdiction experience one or more housing problems. However, Black or African American and Hispanic households in the very low income group are disproportionately impacted, as are American Indian or Alaska Native households in the extremely low and moderate income groups.

## NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems - 91.405, 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

### Introduction

This section compares the existence of severe housing problems amongst racial groups against that of the jurisdiction as a whole in an effort to determine if any group(s) share a disproportionate burden of the area's housing problems. For this purpose, HUD guidelines deem a disproportionately greater need exists when persons of a particular racial or ethnic group experiences housing problems at a rate of at least 10 percentage points higher than the jurisdiction as a whole.

The following series of tables looks at the existence of housing problems amongst different racial and ethnic groups across the 0%-30%, 30%-50%, 50%-80%, and 80%-100% AMI cohorts that have one of the four severe housing problems: 1) lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2) Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3) More than 1.5 persons per room, 4) Cost burden over 50%.

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

| Severe Housing Problems*       | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole        | 32,185                                   | 10,664                                | 4,530  |
| White                          | 7,400                                    | 2,610                                 | 1,255  |
| Black / African American       | 5,050                                    | 1,685                                 | 675  |
| Asian                          | 2,775                                    | 405                                   | 1,130  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 85                                       | 19                                    | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 10                                       | 0                                     | 25   |
| Hispanic                       | 16,865                                   | 5,945                                 | 1,445  |
| 0                              | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*The four severe housing problems are:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

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

| <b>Severe Housing Problems*</b> | <b>Has one or more of four housing problems</b> | <b>Has none of the four housing problems</b> | <b>Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems</b> |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Jurisdiction as a whole         | 16,635  | 14,825                                       | 0   |
| White                           | 4,615   | 3,810  | 0   |
| Black / African American        | 2,000   | 1,810  | 0   |
| Asian                           | 1,575   | 755  | 0   |
| American Indian, Alaska Native  | 65  | 15   | 0   |
| Pacific Islander                | 10  | 0  | 0   |
| Hispanic                        | 8,370   | 8,435  | 0   |
| Other                           | 0   | 0  | 0   |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*The four severe housing problems are:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

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

| <b>Severe Housing Problems*</b> | <b>Has one or more of four housing problems</b> | <b>Has none of the four housing problems</b> | <b>Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems</b> |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Jurisdiction as a whole         | 10,205  | 28,120                                       | 0   |
| White                           | 2,740   | 7,555  | 0   |
| Black / African American        | 880   | 3,635  | 0   |
| Asian                           | 1,390   | 2,385  | 0   |
| American Indian, Alaska Native  | 0   | 30   | 0   |
| Pacific Islander                | 0   | 15   | 0   |
| Hispanic                        | 5,195   | 14,500                                       | 0   |
| Other                           | 0   | 0  | 0   |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

\*The four severe housing problems are:



1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

**80%-100% of Area Median Income**

| Severe Housing Problems*       | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole        | 4,130                                    | 19,135                                | 0  |
| White                          | 1,230                                    | 6,715                                 | 0  |
| Black / African American       | 340                                      | 2,440                                 | 0  |
| Asian                          | 700                                      | 1,870                                 | 0  |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 15                                       | 20                                    | 0  |
| Pacific Islander               | 0  | 10                                    | 0  |
| Hispanic                       | 1,845                                    | 8,080                                 | 0  |
| Other                          | 0  | 0                                     | 0  |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2012-2016 CHAS  
Data Source Comments:

\*The four severe housing problems are:

1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

**Discussion**

This is a summary for each AMI cohort from the data in this section. The most recent CHAS data (Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) used for this analysis demonstrates the extent of housing problems for the overall jurisdiction and then by racial or ethnic group to determine which group was disproportionately affected. HUD guidelines deem a disproportionately greater need to exist when a particular racial or ethnic group experience housing problems at a rate at least 10 percentage points higher than the jurisdiction as a whole. Only racial or ethnic groups that experienced a disproportionately greater rate were highlighted for each AMI cohort.

Extremely Low-Income Households

In Hudson County, approximately 67.9% of extremely low-income households have at least one severe housing problem. There is one racial group that is disproportionately impacted by severe housing problems in this income group, American Indian or Alaska Natives. Of this group, over 81.7% of households have a severe housing problem. While this is data that should be recognized, it should be

noted that the overall American Indian or Alaska Native population is relatively small in this income group with only 104 households.

#### Very Low-Income Households

Very low-income households have a lower overall rate of severe housing problems in the jurisdiction as a whole at a rate of 52.9%. Three racial groups are disproportionately impacted by severe housing problems. Approximately 67.6% of Asian households, 91.3% of American Indian or Alaska Native households, and 100% of Pacific islander households. The latter two groups have a relatively small population within the jurisdiction; there are 80 American Indian or Alaska Native households and 10 Pacific Islander households

#### Low Income Households

Jurisdiction-wide 26.6% of low-income households have at least one severe housing problem. One group, Asian households, are disproportionately impacted by severe housing problems. In that group 36.8% of the households have a severe housing problem.

#### Moderate Income Households

Moderate income households have the lowest rate of severe housing problems at 17.8%. One racial group stands out, American Indian and Alaska native households again are disproportionately impacted at 42.9%, but again this group is relatively small at 35 households.

#### Conclusion

There are greater levels of disproportionate impact of severe housing problems than housing problems. In each income group there is at least one race or ethnicity that is disproportionately impacted. American Indian and Alaska Native households are disproportionately impacted by severe housing problems in three income groups and Asian households are impacted in two.

## NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens - 91.405, 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

### Introduction

HUD defines a disproportionately greater need - housing cost burden when the members of a racial or ethnic group at a given income level experience a housing cost burden at a greater rate (10% or more) than the income level as a whole. Households who pay more than 30% of their income for housing are considered cost burdened. Households paying more than 50% of their income are considered severely cost burdened.

### Housing Cost Burden

| Housing Cost Burden            | <=30%   | 30-50% | >50%   | No / negative income (not computed) |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| Jurisdiction as a whole        | 136,035 | 51,095 | 55,535 | 4,785                               |
| White                          | 57,380  | 15,290 | 15,415 | 1,350                               |
| Black / African American       | 13,060  | 5,965  | 7,610  | 680                                 |
| Asian                          | 22,970  | 5,630  | 555    | 1,185                               |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 170     | 50     | 170    | 0                                   |
| Pacific Islander               | 55      | 20     | 10     | 25                                  |
| Hispanic                       | 42,400  | 24,140 | 26,775 | 1,545                               |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:

2012-2016 CHAS

Data Source Comments:

### Discussion

According to the most recent CHAS data, in Hudson County 21.1% of households are cost burdened due to spending 30% to 50% of their income on housing costs. An additional 22.9% are severely cost burdened and spend more than 50% of their income on housing costs. There is only one situation where a racial group is disproportionately cost burdened. Approximately 43.6% of American Indian or Alaska Native households are severely cost burdened.

## **NA-30 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion - 91.205 (b)(2)**

**Are there any Income categories in which a racial or ethnic group has disproportionately greater need than the needs of that income category as a whole?**

In general, different racial and ethnic groups are not disproportionately impacted by cost burden, housing problems, or severe housing problems. The one possible exception is the American Indian and Alaska Native population. Households in this group were identified as being disproportionately impacted several times in this analysis. The population is relatively small overall and there is high potential for a large margin of error, but it is still important to ensure that this is taken into consideration.

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

No additional needs have been identified.

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

Within Hudson County where different racial or ethnic groups are heavily concentrated. This is explored in detail in MA-50.

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

### Introduction

Public housing was established to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low- and moderate-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. Public housing includes federally subsidized, affordable housing that is owned and operated by the public housing authorities. In Hudson County Consortium, nine of the eleven municipalities operate public housing programs. This does not include the Jersey City Housing Authority as Jersey City is an entitlement community not included with Hudson County.

1. Guttenberg
2. Harrison
3. Secaucus
4. Weehawken
5. West New York
6. Bayonne
7. Hoboken
8. Union City
9. North Bergen

The data below is PIC (PIH Information Center) data provided by the PHAs to HUD.

### Totals in Use

|                            | Program Type |           |                |          |                 |                |                                     |                            |            |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
|                            | Certificate  | Mod-Rehab | Public Housing | Vouchers |                 |                | Special Purpose Voucher             |                            |            |
|                            |              |           |                | Total    | Project - based | Tenant - based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * |
| # of units vouchers in use | 0            | 0         | 5,431          | 2,779    | 5               | 2,771          | 0                                   | 1                          | 1          |

Table 22 - Public Housing by Program Type

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

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

### Characteristics of Residents

|   | Program Type |           |                |          |                 |                |                                     |                            |
|---|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|   | Certificate  | Mod-Rehab | Public Housing | Vouchers |                 |                | Special Purpose Voucher             |                            |
|   |              |           |                | Total    | Project - based | Tenant - based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program |
| # Homeless at admission                         | 0            | 0         | 0              | 0        | 0               | 0              | 0                                   | 0                          |
| # of Elderly Program Participants (>62)         | 0            | 0         | 3,042          | 947      | 1               | 944            | 0                                   | 1                          |
| # of Disabled Families                          | 0            | 0         | 731            | 482      | 1               | 481            | 0                                   | 0                          |
| # of Families requesting accessibility features | 0            | 0         | 5,431          | 2,779    | 5               | 2,771          | 0                                   | 1                          |
| # of HIV/AIDS program participants              | 0            | 0         | 0              | 0        | 0               | 0              | 0                                   | 0                          |
| # of DV victims                                 | 0            | 0         | 0              | 0        | 0               | 0              | 0                                   | 0                          |

Table 23 – Characteristics of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

## Race of Residents

| Race                          | Certificate | Mod-Rehab | Public Housing | Program Type |                 |                |                                     |                            |            |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
|                               |             |           |                | Vouchers     |                 |                | Special Purpose Voucher             |                            |            |
|                               |             |           |                | Total        | Project - based | Tenant - based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * |
| White                         | 0           | 0         | 4,811          | 2,569        | 3               | 2,563          | 0                                   | 1                          | 1          |
| Black/African American        | 0           | 0         | 554            | 195          | 1               | 194            | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |
| Asian                         | 0           | 0         | 38             | 10           | 1               | 9              | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0           | 0         | 11             | 4            | 0               | 4              | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |
| Pacific Islander              | 0           | 0         | 17             | 1            | 0               | 1              | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |
| Other                         | 0           | 0         | 0              | 0            | 0               | 0              | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |

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

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

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

## Ethnicity of Residents

| Ethnicity    | Certificate | Mod-Rehab | Public Housing | Program Type |                 |                |                                     |                            |            |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
|              |             |           |                | Vouchers     |                 |                | Special Purpose Voucher             |                            |            |
|              |             |           |                | Total        | Project - based | Tenant - based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * |
| Hispanic     | 0           | 0         | 3,167          | 2,113        | 2               | 2,109          | 0                                   | 1                          | 1          |
| Not Hispanic | 0           | 0         | 2,264          | 666          | 3               | 662            | 0                                   | 0                          | 0          |

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

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

**Data Source:** PIC (PIH Information Center)



**Section 504 Needs Assessment: Describe the needs of public housing tenants and applicants on the waiting list for accessible units:**

As public housing authorities receiving Federal funds from HUD, the nine (9) Housing Authorities operating in Hudson County are obligated to protect the rights of persons with disabilities. The housing authorities continually work to become compliant with federal and state laws that provide protection to persons with disabilities, including Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The housing authorities also affirmatively market and assist families with disabilities.

Data from PIC (PIH Information Center) generated for the Consolidated Plan in 2019 show that there is a combined 5,431 public housing development units in use, and 731 were with disabled families (13.5%). There were 2,779 HCV vouchers and 482 were with disabled families (17.3%).

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

The most immediate need of residents of public housing and HCV holders is additional affordable housing and incomes that can support self-sustainability. Eligible participants in the public housing programs are low- to moderate-income households and would have incomes below the median income in the County. Without the help of subsidized housing, they would not be able to afford housing at market rates. Additionally, 56% of public housing residents are elderly as well as 13.5% of residents have a disability. For the HCV voucher program, 34% of voucher holders are elderly and 17.3% are with a disability. These groups may be in need of accommodations to housing to make them accessible to meet their needs.

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

There is a much greater and ongoing need for affordable housing for residents in public housing than in the general population. Residents in public housing are more likely to be very low-income and therefore more severely cost burdened than the general population.

The elderly may require housing accommodations due to the nature of elderly persons being more likely to be disabled than the general population. Elderly are also more likely to be living on fixed incomes, which means any change in housing costs affects affordability to them more than the general population. As well, persons and families with a disability likely need accommodation to housing to make them accessible.

**Discussion**

N/A

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

### Introduction:

Homelessness is a particularly troublesome and complex issue that most communities across the United States must address. A major reason that homelessness is difficult to address is that it has many causes with overlapping and interrelated variables. The cause of any single person’s homelessness often lies, not in a single factor, but at the convergence of many events and conditions. From one perspective, homelessness is an economic problem caused by unemployment, lack of affordable housing options, or poverty. From another perspective, homelessness is a health issue because many homeless persons struggle with mental illness, physical disabilities, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, or a combination of those health factors. A third perspective is to view homelessness as a social problem with factors such as domestic violence, educational attainment, and race lying at the root. In reality, homelessness can be caused by all of these issues and they are often interrelated. Due to this complexity, addressing homelessness requires a collaborative and community-based approach.

The Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act defines the “homeless” or “homeless individual” or “homeless person” as an individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate night-time residence; and who has a primary night-time residence that is:

- A supervised publicly or privately-operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the mentally ill);
- An institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or
- A public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings

### Homeless Needs Assessment

| Population   | Estimate the # of persons experiencing homelessness on a given night |             | Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year | Estimate the # becoming homeless each year | Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year | Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness |
|--|--|-------------|--|--|---|--|
|  | Sheltered  | Unsheltered |  |  |   |  |
| Persons in Households with Adult(s) and Child(ren) | 0  | 175         | 586  | 267  | 309   | 62   |

| Population                               | Estimate the # of persons experiencing homelessness on a given night |             | Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year | Estimate the # becoming homeless each year | Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year | Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness |
|--|--|-------------|--|--|---|--|
|  | Sheltered  | Unsheltered |  |  |   |  |
| Persons in Households with Only Children | 0  | 0           | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0  |
| Persons in Households with Only Adults   | 298  | 471         | 2,814  | 1,248                                      | 326   | 31   |
| Chronically Homeless Individuals         | 181  | 114         | 1,556  | 623  | 182   | 26   |
| Chronically Homeless Families            | 0  | 4           | 13   | 3  | 4   | 85   |
| Veterans                                 | 8  | 19          | 185  | 88   | 54  | 33   |
| Unaccompanied Child                      | 10   | 34          | 171  | 110  | 20  | 16   |
| Persons with HIV                         | 6  | 26          | 104  | 40   | 16  | 92   |

**Table 26 - Homeless Needs Assessment**

**Data Source Comments:** 2020 PIT Count

Indicate if the homeless population is: Has No Rural Homeless

**If data is not available for the categories "number of persons becoming and exiting homelessness each year," and "number of days that persons experience homelessness," describe these categories for each homeless population type (including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth):**

Data is available for the categories "number of persons becoming and exiting homelessness each year," and "number of days that persons experience homelessness." See table above.

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

| <b>Race:</b>                     | <b>Sheltered:</b> | <b>Unsheltered (optional)</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| White                            | 271               | 133                           |
| Black or African American        | 350               | 163                           |
| Asian                            | 5                 | 2                             |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 3                 | 0                             |
| Pacific Islander                 | 2                 | 0                             |
| <b>Ethnicity:</b>                | <b>Sheltered:</b> | <b>Unsheltered (optional)</b> |
| Hispanic                         | 214               | 85                            |
| Not Hispanic                     | 432               | 213                           |

**Data Source** 2020 PIT Count. In Hudson County there were 12 multi-racial individuals and 3 multi-racial persons in families, all  
**Comments:** sheltered.

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

See question above.

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

In Hudson County, over 50% of the individuals experiencing homelessness are Black or African-American. This is significantly higher than the overall county population where only 12.37% of the population is Black or African American.

Approximately 30% of the residents experiencing homelessness are Hispanic. This is lower than the Countywide population that is 43% Hispanic.

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

Overall, approximately 31.5% of residents experiencing homelessness are unsheltered. This population is primarily male, over the age of 24, and in a household without children. Approximately 31% of Black or African American residents experiencing homelessness are unsheltered.

**Discussion:**

N/A

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

### **Introduction**

There are four primary groups with non-homeless special needs in the jurisdiction. They are the elderly and frail elderly, those with HIV/AIDS and their families, those with alcohol and/or drug addiction, and individuals with mental or physical disabilities. This section will explain who they are, what their needs are, and how the County is accommodating or should accommodate these needs.

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

**Elderly:** The elderly population faces increased challenges and providing decent, affordable housing is incredibly important. It is medically beneficial and emotionally comforting for this population to remain in a familiar setting and, as a result, strong emphasis is placed on the elderly maintaining a lifestyle that is as independent as possible. Unfortunately, the elderly population is often on a limited income and/or has a disability, which puts financial pressure on them that reduces independence. As prices throughout the community inflate, the elderly population generally lacks the ability to increase their income to match.

According to the most recent data available, there are approximately 109,974 residents over the age of 60 in the County, making up 16.2% of the population. Approximately 32,000 residents over the age of 60 have a disability, or 29.7%, and approximately 16,800 (15.6%) are below the poverty level. Elderly residents are somewhat more likely to live in renter-occupied residences than owner-occupied residences, 55.9% and 44.1%, respectively. Nearly half (48.1%) of elderly residents are cost burdened.

**HIV/AIDS:** See discussion below.

**Alcohol and Drug Addiction:** Gathering accurate data about alcohol and drug addiction within a community is difficult. Addiction often goes unrecognized because people don't seek help due to fear of criminal charges and/or the social stigma associated with addiction and other medical issues. Often only when someone overdoses, gets arrested, or seeks treatment are they counted in statistics.

According to the 2017 Hudson County Substance Abuse Overview, the most common primary drug that lead to treatment admissions of Hudson County residents was heroin. Approximately 36% of admissions were from heroin, 26% for marijuana, and 22% for alcohol. The criminal justice system was the most common referral source, making up 36% of all referrals. Self-referral was the second most common at 30%. Approximately 90% of referrals were below the poverty level and 29% did not have insurance. There was a total of 4,534 admissions with 3,331 unduplicated clients and outpatient care was provided in one-third of cases.

**Disability:** There are 63,440 people in the County who have a disability, which is 9.4% of the population. Unsurprisingly, disability is correlated with age and older residents are more likely to have one or more disabilities. Nearly 50% of residents over the age of 75 have a disability, which is much higher than the disability rate of those between 35 and 64 (9.8%). Ambulatory difficulty is the most common disability and independent living difficulty is the second most common disability.

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

**Elderly:** Providing secure, safe, affordable, and stable housing for the elderly population is vitally important for this population. There are many factors that contribute to a healthy environment for the elderly including, but not limited to, access to health care, shopping, and social networks. A robust public transportation network is incredibly beneficial to assisting the elderly remain active and independent. Additionally, elderly resident's homes may need modifications to assist with any disabilities that may develop as a result of aging.

**HIV/AIDS:** See discussion below.

**Alcohol and Drug Addiction:** Individuals with substance abuse problems need a strong network in order to stay healthy and sober. Their housing needs include sober living environments, support for employment, access to health facilities, and easy access to family and friend networks. Additionally, detoxification facilities are necessary when addiction is first recognized.

**Disability:** Individuals with disabilities encompass a wide range of skill levels and abilities. Therefore, they have many of the same issues as the general population with the added needs that are unique to their capabilities. Individuals with disabilities usually have a fixed income and have limited housing options. The individuals who have more independent skills tend to utilize subsidized housing options. Individuals requiring more support find residences in the public welfare funded community homes either sharing settings or privately-owned personal care settings. Many individuals continue to reside with parents and families throughout adulthood. Regardless of the housing situation, a common thread is the need for continuous support services dependent of the level of capabilities.

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

Hudson County, the HIV/AIDS rate is approximately 745.3 cases per 100,000 people. Black or African American residents had the highest number of reported cases with 4,523 cases. The plurality of diagnosed cases is male (72.6%) and the 20-29 years of age group had the highest number 4,355 or 36%.

According to HIV.gov, the Federal government's information sharing site on HIV, HIV policies, programs and resources, stable housing is closely linked with successful HIV outcomes. Safe, decent, and affordable housing allow people with HIV to have better access to medical care, supportive services, HIV

treatment, consistent medication, and see their healthcare provider on a regular basis. On the other hand, persons with HIV without stable housing or who are homeless are more likely to have delayed care and access to treatment. Furthermore, persons with HIV are at risk of losing their homes due to factors such as discrimination, stigma of the HIV disease, increased costs due to medical care, or limited income/reduced ability to keep working due to HIV related illness.

Based on 2019 HMIS data for Hudson County, approximately 104 clients with HIV/AIDS entered the system's emergency shelter, transitional housing or coordinated housing program seeking housing assistance, showing the current HIV dedicated programs are not enough to address the need.

**Discussion:**

N/A



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

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

The County has identified the need for improved access to public facilities and has included a goal in the Strategic Plan:

#### **1C Improve Access to Public Facilities**

In this goal, the County will expand and improve access to public facilities through development activities for LMI persons and households and for special needs population (elderly, persons with a disability, victims of domestic abuse, etc.). Public facilities may include neighborhood facilities, community centers and parks and recreation facilities.

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

The County worked with key stakeholders, consulted the public, conducted an analysis of past successes, and forecast future needs to determine the Public Facility needs of the jurisdiction.

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

The County has identified the need for the expansion and improvements of public infrastructure and has included two goals in the Strategic Plan:

#### **1A Expand Public Infrastructure**

#### **1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity**

For these goals, the County will expand and improve public infrastructure through development activities for LMI persons and households. Activities can include adding ADA compliance for curb ramps and sidewalks and roadway improvement projects.

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

The County worked with key stakeholders, consulted the public, conducted an analysis of past successes, and forecast future needs to determine the Public Improvement needs of the jurisdiction.

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

The County has identified the need for public services for the special needs population and has included two goals in the Strategic Plan:

3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs Populations

3B Provide Vital Services for Low-to-Mod Income Households

For these goals, the County will provide supportive services for low income and special needs populations. Public services will target LMI citizens and may include services to address homelessness, persons with physical and mental health disabilities, the elderly, and the youth. Services may also include recreational programs for special needs populations, and education and health programs for special needs households.

**How were these needs determined?**

The County worked with key stakeholders, consulted the public, conducted an analysis of past successes, and forecast future needs to determine the Public Service needs of the jurisdiction.

# Housing Market Analysis

## MA-05 Overview

### Housing Market Analysis Overview:

The previous section provided the demographic information that is necessary to complete a comprehensive Market Analysis. Using the previously gathered data this section will begin looking closely at the housing market. A number of important indicators including trends in available types of housing, prices, age, and tenure will be analyzed to help determine the best use of grant funds by the Hudson County.

Additionally, this section includes factors that are not directly related to the supply and demand for housing in the County. These factors include:

- Public Housing
- Homeless Services
- Special Needs Facilities
- Community Development
- Employment

Finally, this section will conclude with a discussion of the overall needs for the community and transition into the 5-Year Strategic Plan.

## MA-10 Housing Market Analysis: Number of Housing Units - 91.410, 91.210(a)&(b)(2)

### Introduction

This section examines the composition of the County’s housing stock in terms of housing type and tenure. As noted in the Needs Assessment, simply having enough units for each household is not sufficient to meet demand. A variety of housing units must be available in a range of sizes and prices, for both homeowners and renters, in order to provide housing for all the County’s residents.

### All residential properties by number of units

| Property Type                   | Number         | %           |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1-unit detached structure       | 27,495         | 10%         |
| 1-unit, attached structure      | 15,783         | 6%          |
| 2-4 units                       | 102,633        | 37%         |
| 5-19 units                      | 52,886         | 19%         |
| 20 or more units                | 78,381         | 28%         |
| Mobile Home, boat, RV, van, etc | 564            | 0%          |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>277,742</b> | <b>100%</b> |

**Table 27 – Residential Properties by Unit Number**

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
Data Source Comments:

### Residential Properties by Number of Units

The table above breaks down the County’s housing stock by the number of units in each structure and by structure type. Traditional single-family, detached homes are relatively rare, accounting for less than 10% of all housing units. Locations with a few units (2-4 units) account for 37% of all housing units in the County and large developments (20 or more) account for 28.2%.

### Multifamily Development Distribution

The maps below display the distribution of small, medium and large multifamily developments in the jurisdiction. Small multifamily units are buildings with 3-19 units, medium multifamily units are buildings with 20-49 units and large multifamily units are buildings with 50+ units. Unsurprisingly, multifamily developments are more prominent near New York City in the Jersey City area than elsewhere. It should be noted that In New Jersey tax assessors classify buildings with 5+ units as an apartment building (class 4C) and buildings with 1-4 units as residential (class 2) which often, but not always have an owner occupant

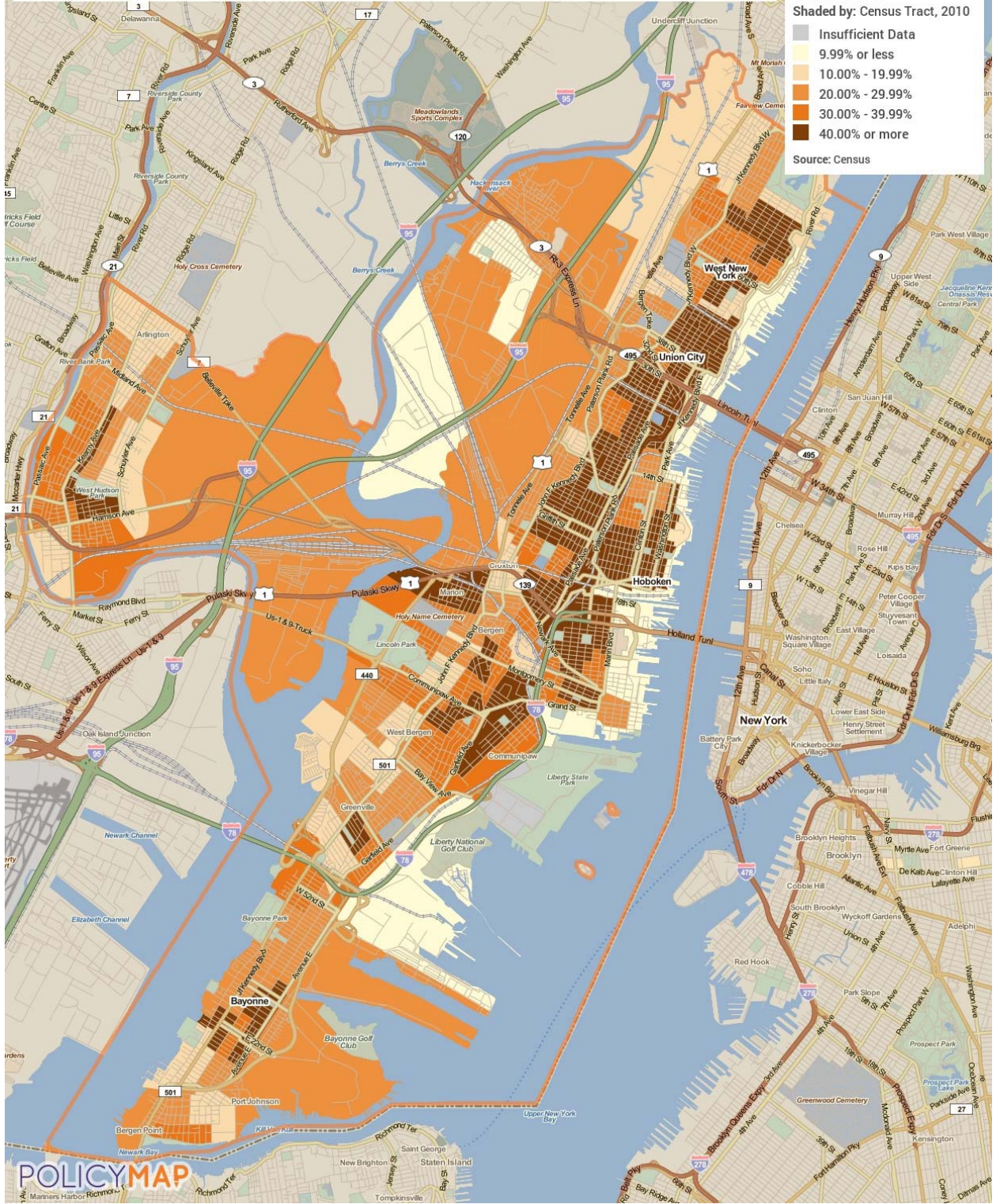
Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated percent of households that live in a building with 3-19 units between 2013-2017.**

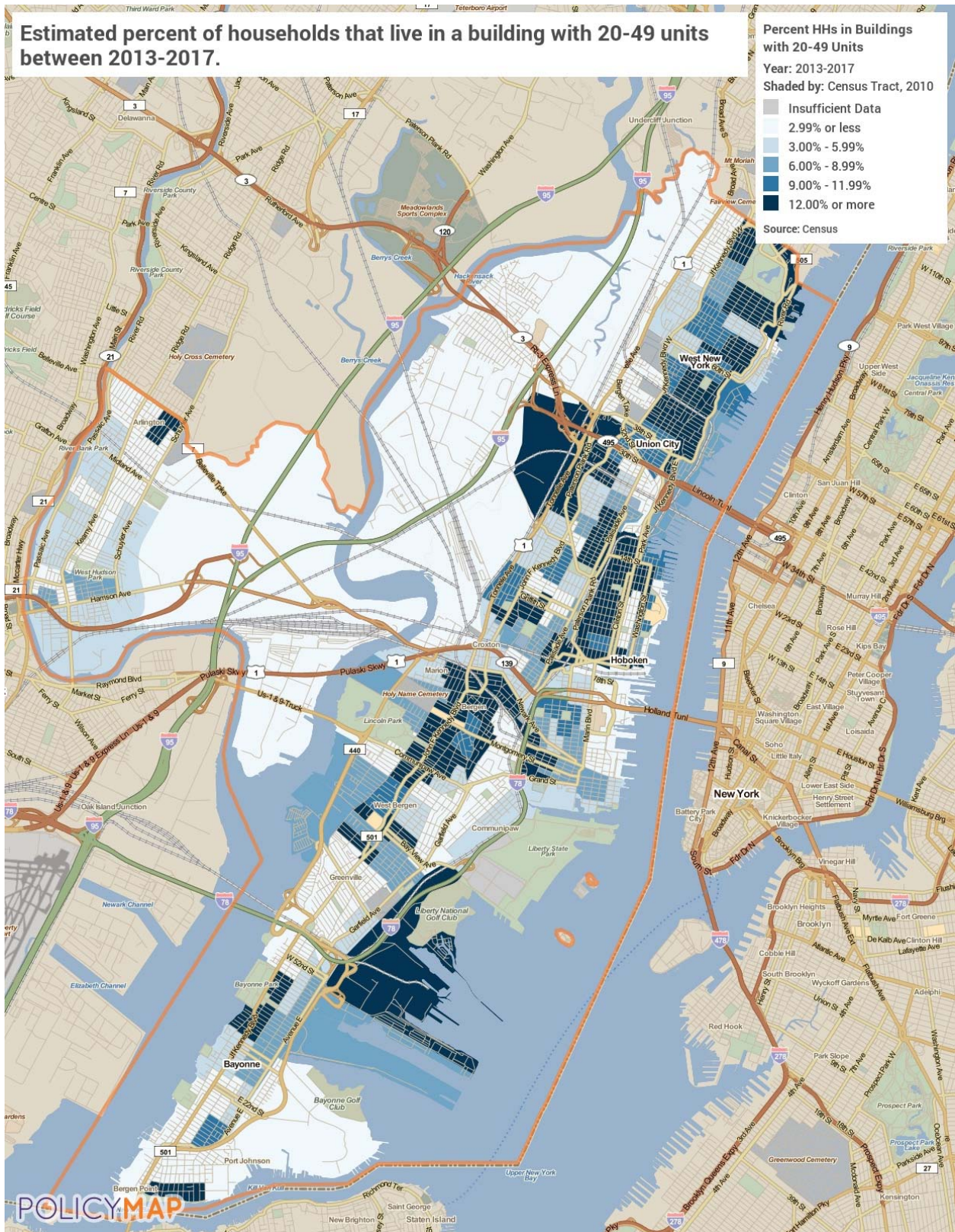
**Percent HHs in Buildings with 3-19 Units**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 9.99% or less
- 10.00% - 19.99%
- 20.00% - 29.99%
- 30.00% - 39.99%
- 40.00% or more

Source: Census



**Small Multifamily Developments**



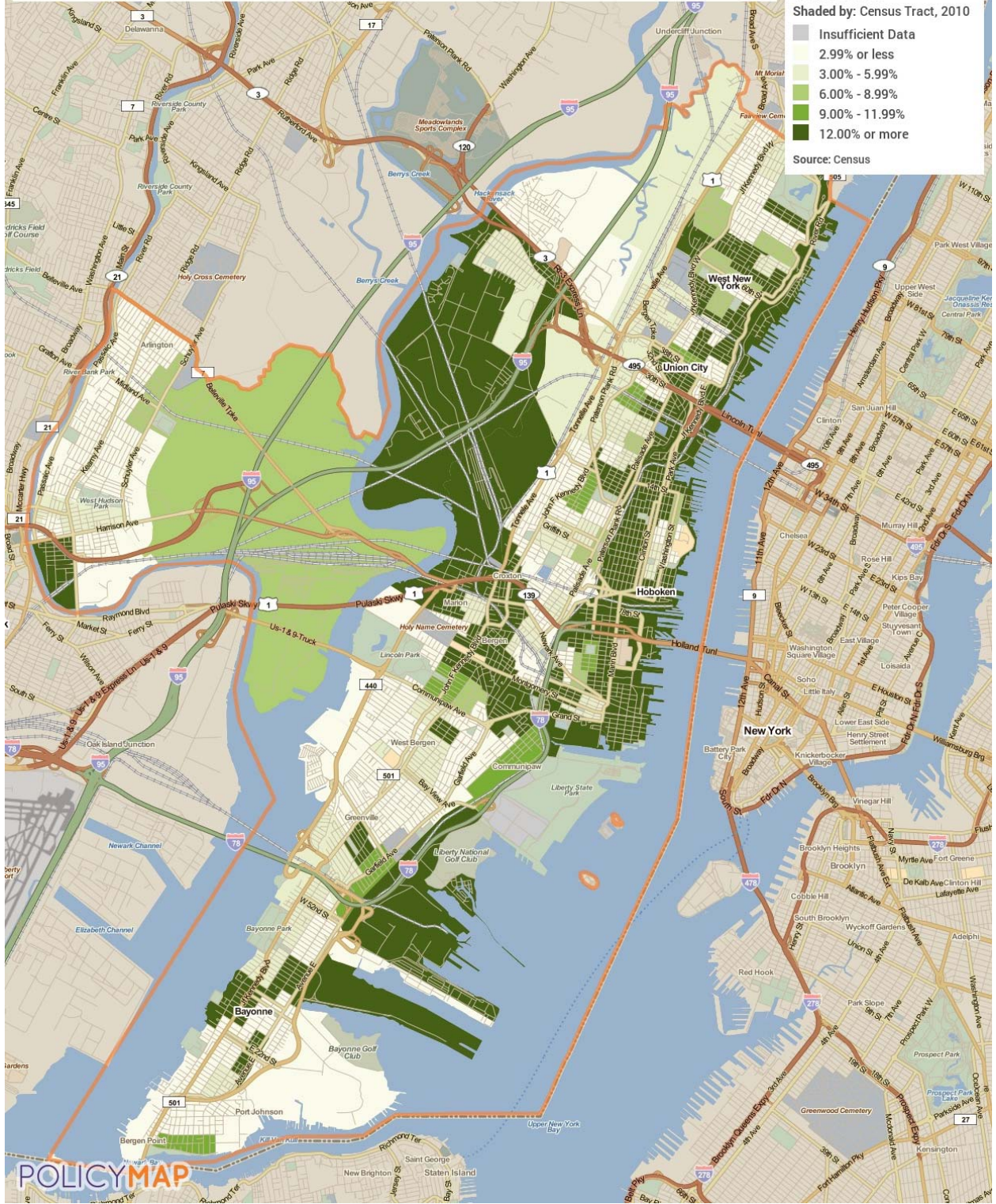
**Medium Multifamily Developments**

**Estimated percent of households that live in a building with 50 or more units between 2013-2017.**

**Percent HHs in Buildings with 50+ Units**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 2.99% or less
- 3.00% - 5.99%
- 6.00% - 8.99%
- 9.00% - 11.99%
- 12.00% or more

Source: Census



**Large Multifamily Developments**

## Unit Size by Tenure

|                    | Owners         |             | Renters        |             |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
|                    | Number         | %           | Number         | %           |
| No bedroom         | 1,631          | 2%          | 17,979         | 13%         |
| 1 bedroom          | 17,596         | 27%         | 88,383         | 65%         |
| 2 bedrooms         | 43,849         | 68%         | 105,977        | 78%         |
| 3 or more bedrooms | 65,493         | 102%        | 61,988         | 46%         |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>128,569</b> | <b>199%</b> | <b>274,327</b> | <b>202%</b> |

**Table 28 – Unit Size by Tenure**

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
Data Source Comments:

## Unit Size by Tenure

The size of available units in the County differs considerably for owners and renters. Renter occupied units are much more likely to be smaller, over 75% of the units have 2 bedrooms or less. Owner-occupied units, on the other hand, are considerably larger. Over 50% of the units have 3 or more bedrooms.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

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

In order to expand the supply of decent, safe, secure and affordable housing to very low- and low-income households. The County has worked with key stakeholders in the community to establish the following goals for this Consolidated Plan over the next five years:

- 20 LMI homeowner households will benefit from the construction of new or rehabilitated affordable housing (HOME).
- 80 LMI renter households will benefit from the construction of new affordable rental housing (HOME).
- 20 LMI renter households will benefit from rental housing rehabilitation (HOME).
- 100 homeless households will benefit from Tenant-based rental assistance (ESG).

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



There are currently 56 properties with Section 8 contracts in Hudson County. As of December 2019, eight of those contracts have expired. An additional 37 contracts are scheduled to expire before the end of 2024. Those 37 contracts account for 4,589 units, including 405 units with three or more bedrooms. Any contracts that are not renewed would represent a loss of affordable housing.

Source: HUD Multifamily Assistance and Section 8 Database

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

No, there is a lack of decent affordable units throughout the jurisdiction. According to the 2013-2017 ACS, there are 277,742 housing units in the County and 252,352 households. That means from a quantitative standpoint, there may be ample units in to house the population. However, high home values and rents result in much of the housing stock being out of the affordable range for large portions of the population. Cost burden is a significant issue in the jurisdiction, particularly for households earning at or below 50% AMI.

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

In Hudson County, the housing needs differ for homeowners and renters. Rental units are primarily relatively small, approximately 77.4% of the units have two bedrooms or less. The lack of larger rental units leads to large families living in overcrowded conditions. A major factor in this is the availability of 1-unit rental structures. It is common in Hudson County for 2-4-unit structures to include one homeowner household who rents out the remaining units to other households. According to the 2013-2017 ACS, approximately 5% of all rental units are in 1-unit detached or attached structures. For homeowners, over 36% of the housing market is made up of those structures.

Homeowner housing has traditionally been larger and more expensive than rental units. Over half of all homeowner occupied units are 3-bedroom or more. However, with the age of a person having their first child increasing there is an increased need for young adults to have access to smaller homes. In Hudson County, the average age of a first child was 29.2 in 2016, nearly three years older than the national average of 26.3. An additional factor is the growing number of retirees who may be looking to downsize. Between adults aged 25-34 years old and over 65 years old there are 218,762 individuals, or 109,381 households of couples living alone together. There are fewer than 40,000 owner-occupied units with 1-2 bedrooms, meaning rental properties may be the only option to avoid moving out of the county or living in a home that may be too big for the household.

Predicting the exact housing needs of a jurisdiction is difficult but educated assumptions can be made to help address the county's needs. The housing needs of homeowners and renters are intertwined but the primary need is affordable housing. A lack of affordable units for homeowners (or potential homeowners) increases demand on the rental market and drives up prices.

### **Discussion**

N/A

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

### Introduction

The following section examines the cost of housing for both homeowners and renters within Hudson County. A review is made of current home values and rents as well as the recent changes in home values and rents. Finally, a closer look is given to the affordability of the existing housing stock for the residents of the jurisdiction.

### Cost of Housing

|                      | Base Year: 2000 | Most Recent Year: 2017 | % Change |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| Median Home Value    | 150,300         | 349,500                | 133%     |
| Median Contract Rent | 703             | 1,286                  | 83%      |

Table 29 – Cost of Housing

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2000 Census, 2013-2017 ACS

**Data Source Comments:**

| Rent Paid       | Number         | %             |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Less than \$500 | 13,924         | 11.8%         |
| \$500-999       | 33,992         | 30.4%         |
| \$1,000-1,499   | 62,263         | 34.7%         |
| \$1,500-1,999   | 28,578         | 11.2%         |
| \$2,000 or more | 31,539         | 11.9%         |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>170,296</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

Table 30 - Rent Paid

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates

**Data Source Comments:**

### Housing Costs

Housing value and rents have increased substantially in the County. The reported average home value has increased by 133%. However, residents who are interested in purchasing a home will likely pay more than the average home value because the average sale price is generally higher than the reported value.

According to data from the US Census Bureau, rents have also increased in Hudson County, but not to the degree that home values have. The table above breaks out the rent paid by price cohorts in the County. Nearly 30% of the County's renters pay less than \$1,000 while nearly 20% pay over \$2,000. This trend of increasing has continued beyond the time period recorded by the US Census bureau. Since 2017, the county has added a large number of luxury complexes. These units are not affordable to low-income families who need a larger supply of affordable housing units. Later in this section, the report

examines rental rates as a percentage of household income to determine the affordability of rental housing.

The map below shows the median home value by census tract throughout the jurisdiction. Home values are significantly higher in tracts along the Hudson River. These tracts have a median home value of \$350,000 or more. Some tracts throughout the County have a median home value of half that.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated typical (median) value of an owner-occupied home between 2013-2017.**

**Median Home Value**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- \$199,999 or less
- \$200,000 - \$249,999
- \$250,000 - \$299,999
- \$300,000 - \$349,999
- \$350,000 or more

Source: Census

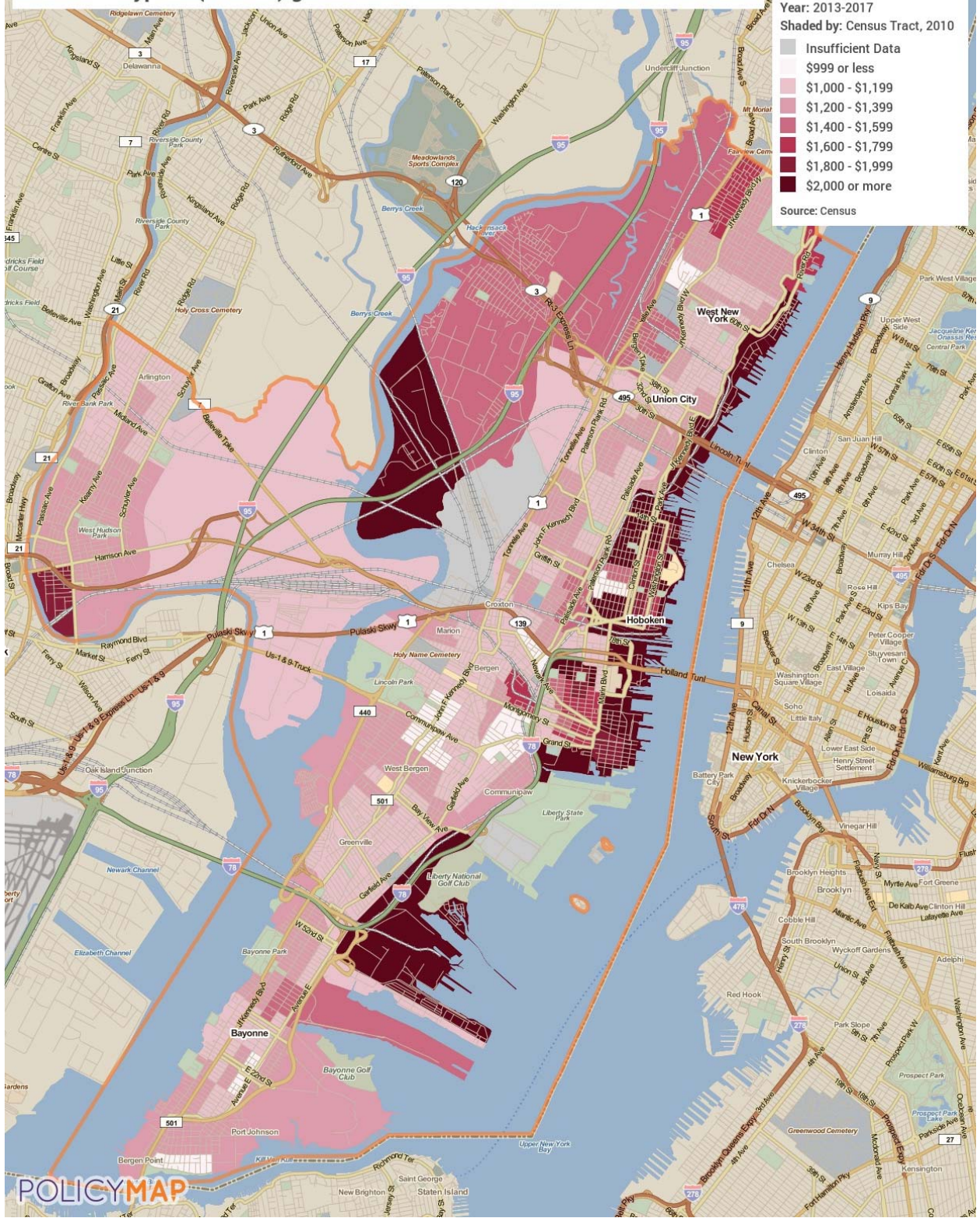


**Median Home Value  
 Rent**

The map below displays the median rent by census tract. The distribution of high median rents is similar to high home values. Units along the Hudson River have a median rent of \$2,000 or more while tracts more centrally located have a median rent of less than that.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated typical (median) gross rent between 2013-2017.**



**Median Rent**

## Housing Affordability

| % Units affordable to Households earning | Renter        | Owner         |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| 30% HAMFI                                | 7,555         | No Data       |
| 50% HAMFI                                | 17,389        | 865           |
| 80% HAMFI                                | 53,402        | 4,790         |
| 100% HAMFI                               | No Data       | 9,817         |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>78,346</b> | <b>15,472</b> |

**Table 31 – Housing Affordability**

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

## Housing Affordability

In general, there are less units available to lower income households than higher income households, particularly for homeowner households. The table above shows the number of housing units that are affordable at the various income cohorts based on the HUD Area Median Family Income (HAMFI). For both renters and owners, there are less affordable housing units available for lower income families. Just 7,555 rental units are affordable to area families earning 30% or less of the area median family income and only 865 housing units are affordable to home owners earning 50% of the area median family income. Housing costs have risen at a faster rate than income increases. A shortage of housing supply that doesn't meet the demand has caused prices to increase.

## Monthly Rent

| Monthly Rent (\$) | Efficiency (no bedroom) | 1 Bedroom | 2 Bedroom | 3 Bedroom | 4 Bedroom |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Fair Market Rent  | 1,178                   | 1,322     | 1,573     | 1,971     | 2,126     |
| High HOME Rent    | 1,051                   | 1,128     | 1,354     | 1,556     | 1,716     |
| Low HOME Rent     | 823                     | 882       | 1,058     | 1,223     | 1,365     |

**Table 32 – Monthly Rent**

Alternate Data Source Name:  
HUD 2019 FMR and HOME Rents  
Data Source Comments:

## HUD FMR and HOME Rent Limit

Fair Market Rents (FMRs) are set by HUD and used to determine payment standard amounts for HUD Programs. HUD annually estimates FMRs for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) defined metropolitan areas, some HUD defined subdivisions of OMB metropolitan areas and each nonmetropolitan county.

HOME Rents Limits are based on FMRs published by HUD. HOME Rent Limits are the maximum amount that may be charged for rent in HOME-assisted rental units and are applicable to new HOME leases.



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

In the Hudson County, the FMR for a two-bedroom apartment is \$1,573. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities without paying more than 30% of income on housing, a household must earn approximately \$5,250 monthly or \$63,000 annually. Assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks per year, this translates into a minimum “Affordable Housing Wage” of \$30.29/hour.

In New Jersey, a minimum-wage worker earns an hourly wage of \$10.00. In order to afford the FMR for a two-bedroom apartment, a minimum-wage earner must work approximately 120 hours per week, 52 weeks per year. The monthly rent affordable at minimum wage in Hudson county is \$480. There are not enough units priced at this level to supply lower-income households.

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

As noted in the above analysis, from 2000 to 2017, median home values and rents both increased substantially. The continued high price of both owner-occupied and rental housing reduces the ability of low-income households to find affordable housing. In addition, there are a high number of owner-occupied and renter-occupied households that are cost burdened. Given the population growth in the region it is likely that affordability will continue to be a problem within Hudson County.

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

The median contract rent in Hudson County is \$1,286. Approximately 37% of all renters pay between \$1,000 and \$1,499 a month, the largest cohort from Table 4 (Rent Paid). The Area Median Rent is between a 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom unit for the High HOME Rents, between efficiency and 1-bedroom for Fair Market Rents (FMR), and between 2-bedroom and 3-bedroom for Low HOME Rents. The Area Median Rent restricts the number of bedrooms in available and affordable units from HOME or FMR units.

As housing costs continue to outpace income growth, a great number of renter households will need assistance, either from direct rental assistance or through the development of a more affordable rental market. It is necessary to preserve the current affordable housing and to produce more to keep rental costs in check via incentive programs and increased availability.

### **Discussion**

N/A

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

### Introduction

The tables and maps in this section provide details on the condition of housing units throughout the region by looking at factors such as age, vacancy, and the prevalence of housing problems.

As defined by HUD, the four housing problems are:

- 1) a home which lacks complete or adequate kitchen facilities
- 2) a home which lacks complete or adequate plumbing facilities
- 3) a home which is overcrowded (having more than one person per room)
- 4) a household that is cost burdened (paying 30% or more of their income towards housing costs)

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

For the purposes of this plan, units are considered to be in “standard condition” when the unit is in compliance with the local building code, which is based on the International Building Code.

The definition of substandard housing is a housing unit with one or more serious code violations. For the purposes of this analysis the Consortium will also use the lack of a complete plumbing or a complete kitchen as an indicator of substandard housing.

Units are considered to be in “substandard condition but suitable for rehabilitation” when the unit is out of compliance with one or more code violations and it is both financially and structurally feasible to rehabilitate the unit.

### Condition of Units

| Condition of Units             | Owner-Occupied |             | Renter-Occupied |             |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
|                                | Number         | %           | Number          | %           |
| With one selected Condition    | 31,367         | 40%         | 76,138          | 44%         |
| With two selected Conditions   | 1,642          | 2%          | 8,783           | 5%          |
| With three selected Conditions | 86             | 0%          | 283             | 0%          |
| With four selected Conditions  | 0              | 0%          | 60              | 0%          |
| No selected Conditions         | 46,021         | 58%         | 87,972          | 51%         |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>79,116</b>  | <b>100%</b> | <b>173,236</b>  | <b>100%</b> |

**Table 33 - Condition of Units**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates

**Data Source Comments:**

## Housing Conditions

The table above details the number of owner and renter households that have at least one housing condition. As stated previously, HUD describes four housing conditions as being problems: 1) the home lacks complete or adequate kitchen facilities, 2) the home lacks complete or adequate plumbing facilities 3) the home is overcrowded - defined as more than one person per room, 4) the household is cost burdened by paying more than 30% of their income towards housing costs.

Nearly 40% percent of all owner-occupied housing units face at least one housing condition while 44% of all renters have at least one housing condition. Generally speaking, there are relatively few households with multiple housing problems and when compared to the affordability statistics provided earlier in this section, it is clear that the overwhelming majority of housing problems are housing cost burden.

## Year Unit Built

| Year Unit Built | Owner-Occupied |             | Renter-Occupied |            |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|
|                 | Number         | %           | Number          | %          |
| 2000 or later   | 11,371         | 14%         | 26,008          | 15%        |
| 1980-1999       | 8,777          | 11%         | 23,147          | 13%        |
| 1950-1979       | 14,160         | 18%         | 33,768          | 19%        |
| Before 1950     | 44,808         | 57%         | 90,313          | 52%        |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>79,116</b>  | <b>100%</b> | <b>173,236</b>  | <b>99%</b> |

**Table 34 – Year Unit Built**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
**Data Source Comments:**

## Year Unit Built

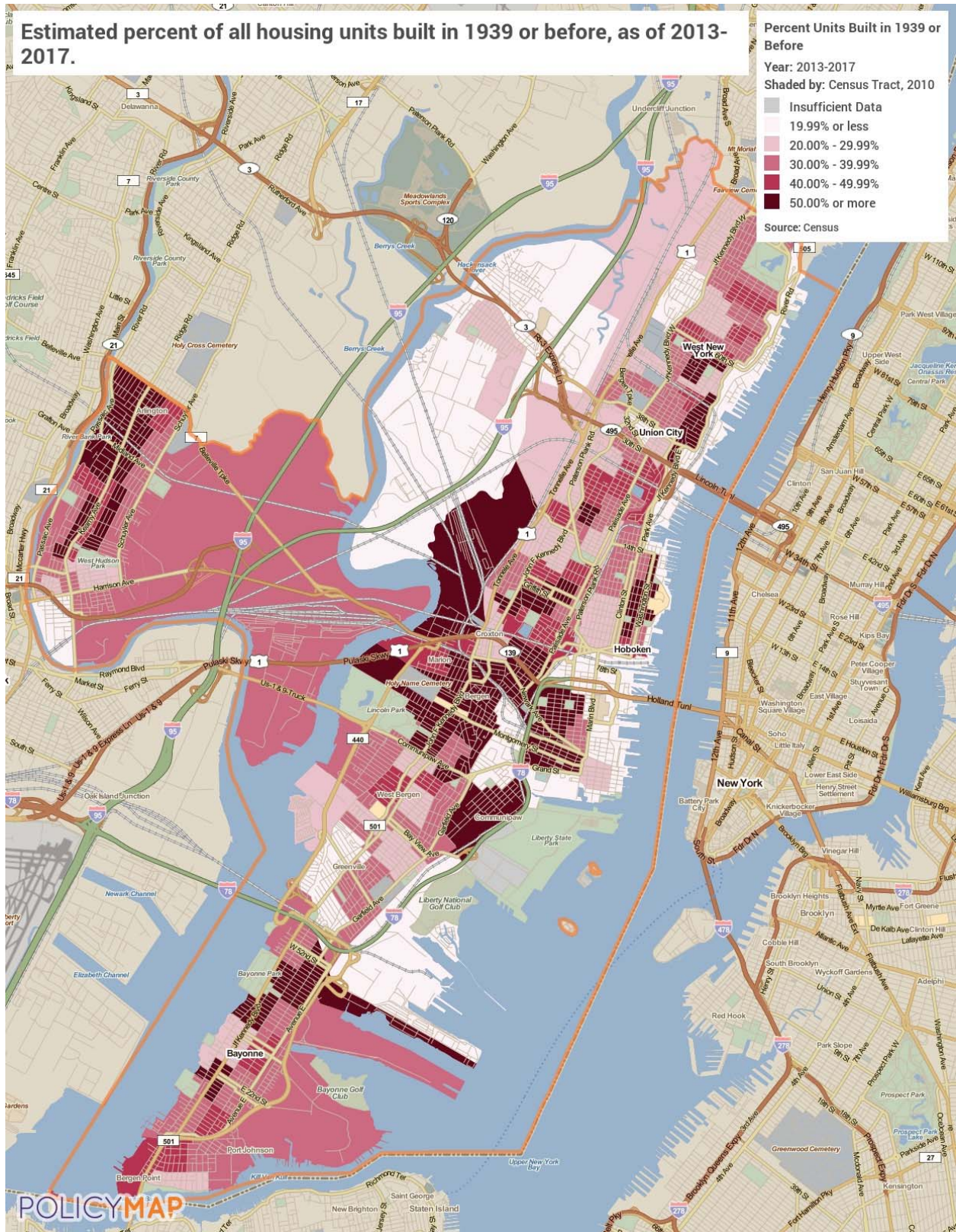
The majority of both renter-occupied and owner-occupied housing units were built before 1950. Since 2000, over 37,000 units have been added to the market, most of which are renter occupied. There are currently over 183,000 housing units that were built before 1980. These homes are at an increased risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard and may need significant remediation during any rehabilitation that may occur as they age.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

## Age of Housing

The maps below depict the prevalence of older housing units in the County. The first set of maps identifies the percentage of units built prior to 1940 while the second set of maps depicts units built prior to 1980. The darker shaded areas have higher concentrations of the older housing stock.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

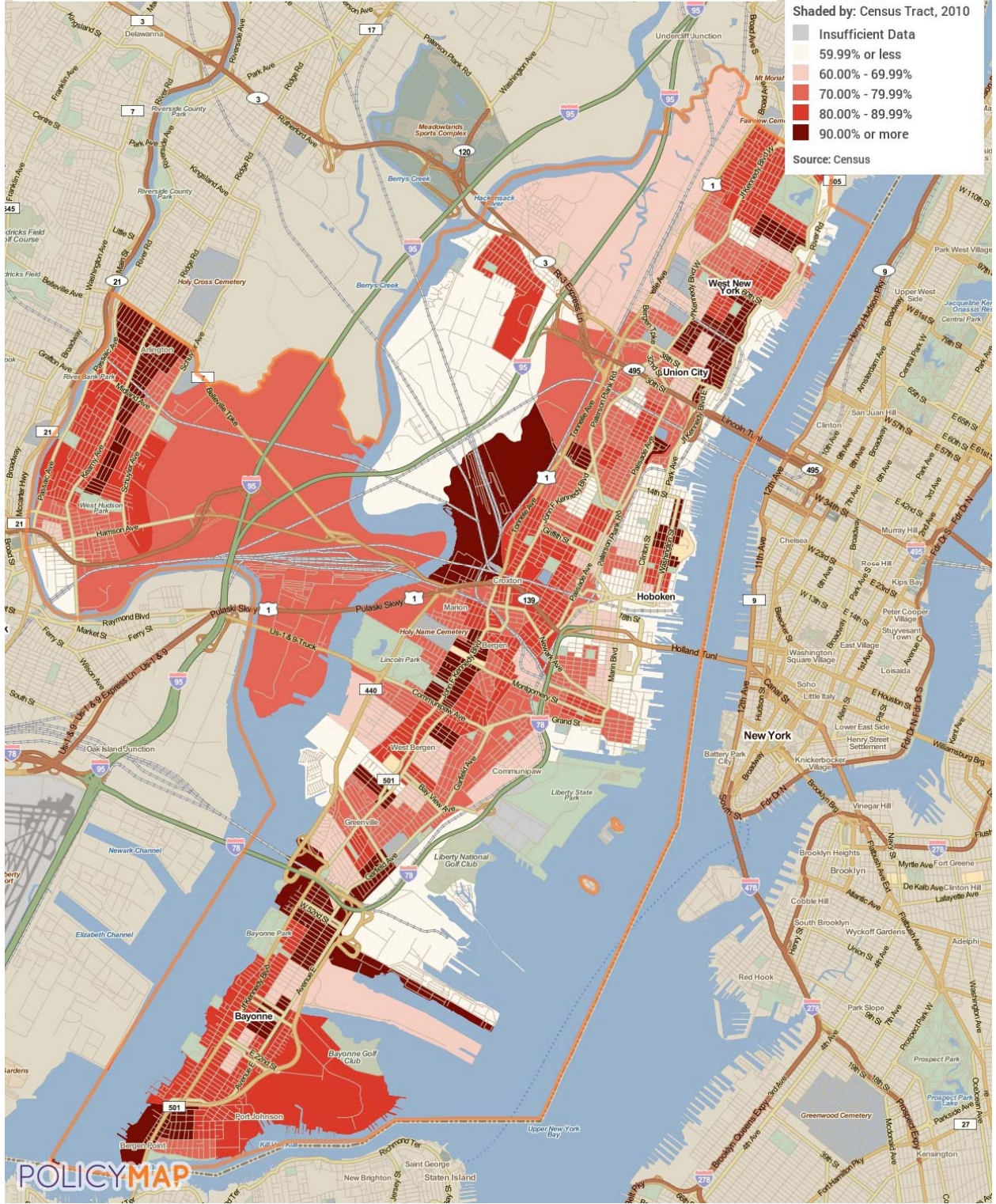


**Estimated percent of all housing units built in 1979 or before, as of 2013-2017.**

**Percent of Units Built in 1979 or Before**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 59.99% or less
- 60.00% - 69.99%
- 70.00% - 79.99%
- 80.00% - 89.99%
- 90.00% or more

Source: Census



**Housing Units Built Before 1980**

### Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard

| Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard                       | Owner-Occupied |     | Renter-Occupied |     |
|---|----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
|   | Number         | %   | Number          | %   |
| Total Number of Units Built Before 1980               | 58,968         | 75% | 124,081         | 72% |
| Housing Units build before 1980 with children present | 7,863          | 10% | 2,509           | 1%  |

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

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Total Units) 2011-2015 CHAS (Units with Children present)

### Lead-Based Paint Hazard

As mentioned previously, any housing unit built prior to 1980 may contain lead-based paint in portions of the home. The most common locations are window and door frames, walls, and ceilings, and in some cases throughout the entire home. Thus, it is generally accepted that these homes at least have a risk of lead-based paint hazards and should be tested in accordance with HUD standards. The greatest potential for lead-based paint and other environmental and safety hazards is in homes built before 1980. Within the County there are over 180,000 housing units built before 1980 and over 10,300 with children present.

### Vacant Units

|                          | Suitable for Rehabilitation | Not Suitable for Rehabilitation | Total |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| Vacant Units             | 0                           | 0                               | 0     |
| Abandoned Vacant Units   | 0                           | 0                               | 0     |
| REO Properties           | 0                           | 0                               | 0     |
| Abandoned REO Properties | 0                           | 0                               | 0     |

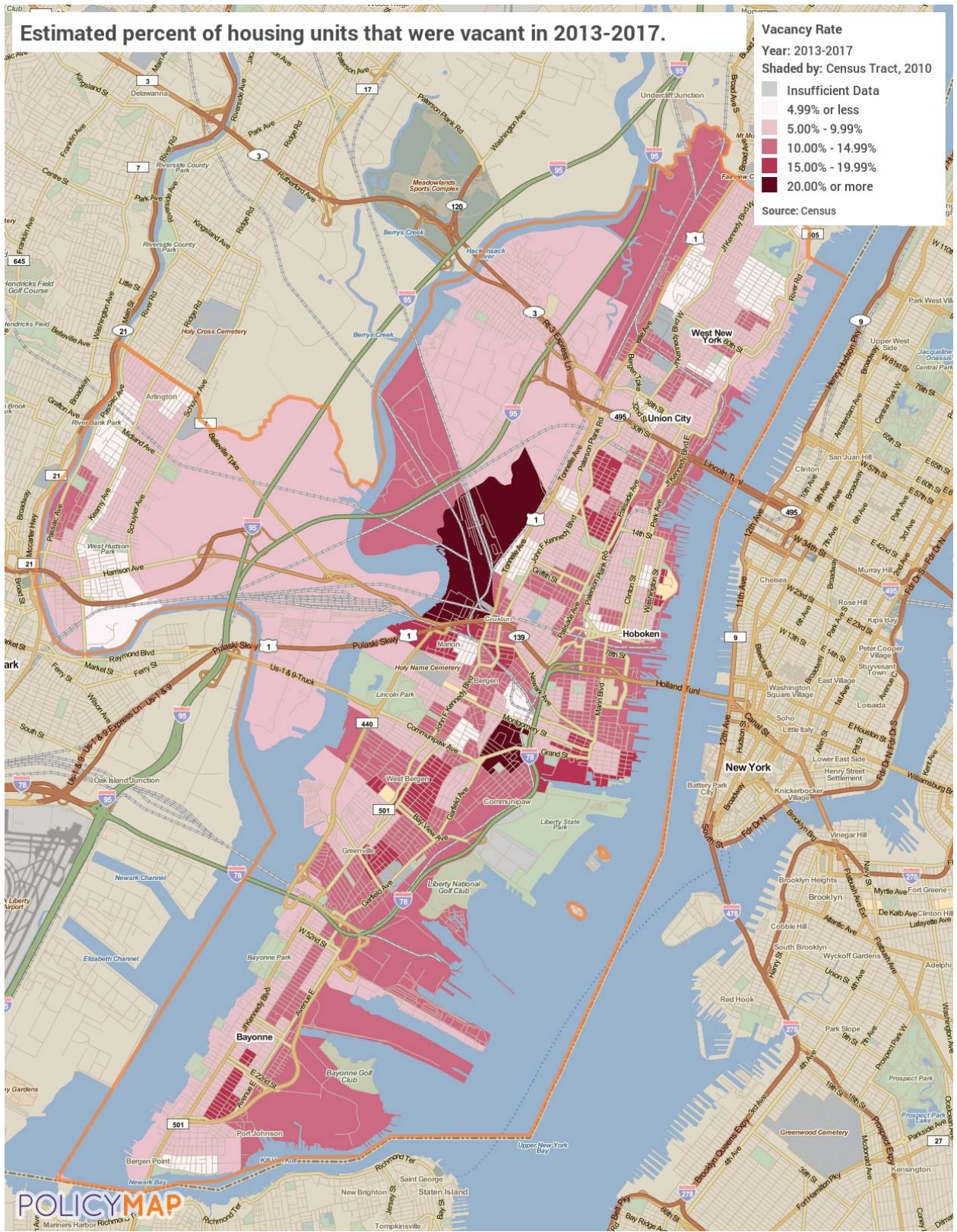
**Table 36 - Vacant Units**

Data Source: 2005-2009 CHAS

### Vacancy Rate

The map below shows the average housing vacancy rates throughout the County. The darker shaded areas have higher vacancy rates, while the lighter shaded areas have lower vacancy rates. In most census tracts throughout the County vacancy rates are less than 15%.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



**Vacancy Rate**

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

Based on the analysis of data, there is a significant need for County owner and rental rehabilitation based on the older age of a substantial portion of both the rental and owner housing stock, the high number of owner and renter units at risk for lead exposure and occupied by families with children, and the high number of renter and owner units identified as having one or more substandard conditions. According to the latest data.

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

To estimate the number of housing units in Hudson County occupied by low- or moderate-income families that may contain lead-based paint hazards, this report assumes that homes by year built are distributed evenly across income categories, as no local data exists to describe otherwise. However, considering LMI families are more likely to live in older homes than higher income families, it is a reasonable estimate that approximately 65% of the 183,000 homes built before 1978 are occupied by LMI families. That means an estimated 119,000 homes LMI families may live in a home with LBP hazards.

**Discussion**

N/A



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

### Introduction

The Hudson County Consortium includes nine public housing authorities that operate independently.

1. Bayonne Housing Authority
2. Guttenberg Housing Authority
3. Harrison Housing Authority
4. Hoboken Housing Authority
5. North Bergen Housing Authority
6. Union City Housing Authority
7. West New York Housing Authority
8. Secaucus Housing Authority
9. Weehawken Housing Authority

### Totals Number of Units

|   | Program Type |           |                |          |                |               |                                     |                            |            |   |
|---|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|---|
|   | Certificate  | Mod-Rehab | Public Housing | Vouchers |                |               |                                     |                            |            |   |
|   |              |           |                | Total    | Project -based | Tenant -based | Special Purpose Voucher             |                            |            |   |
|   |              |           |                |          |                |               | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * |   |
| # of units vouchers available   |              |           | 5,690          | 2,988    |                |               |                                     | 0                          | 0          | 0 |
| # of accessible units   |              |           |                |          |                |               |                                     |                            |            |   |
| <b>*includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition</b> |              |           |                |          |                |               |                                     |                            |            |   |

**Table 37 – Total Number of Units by Program Type**

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

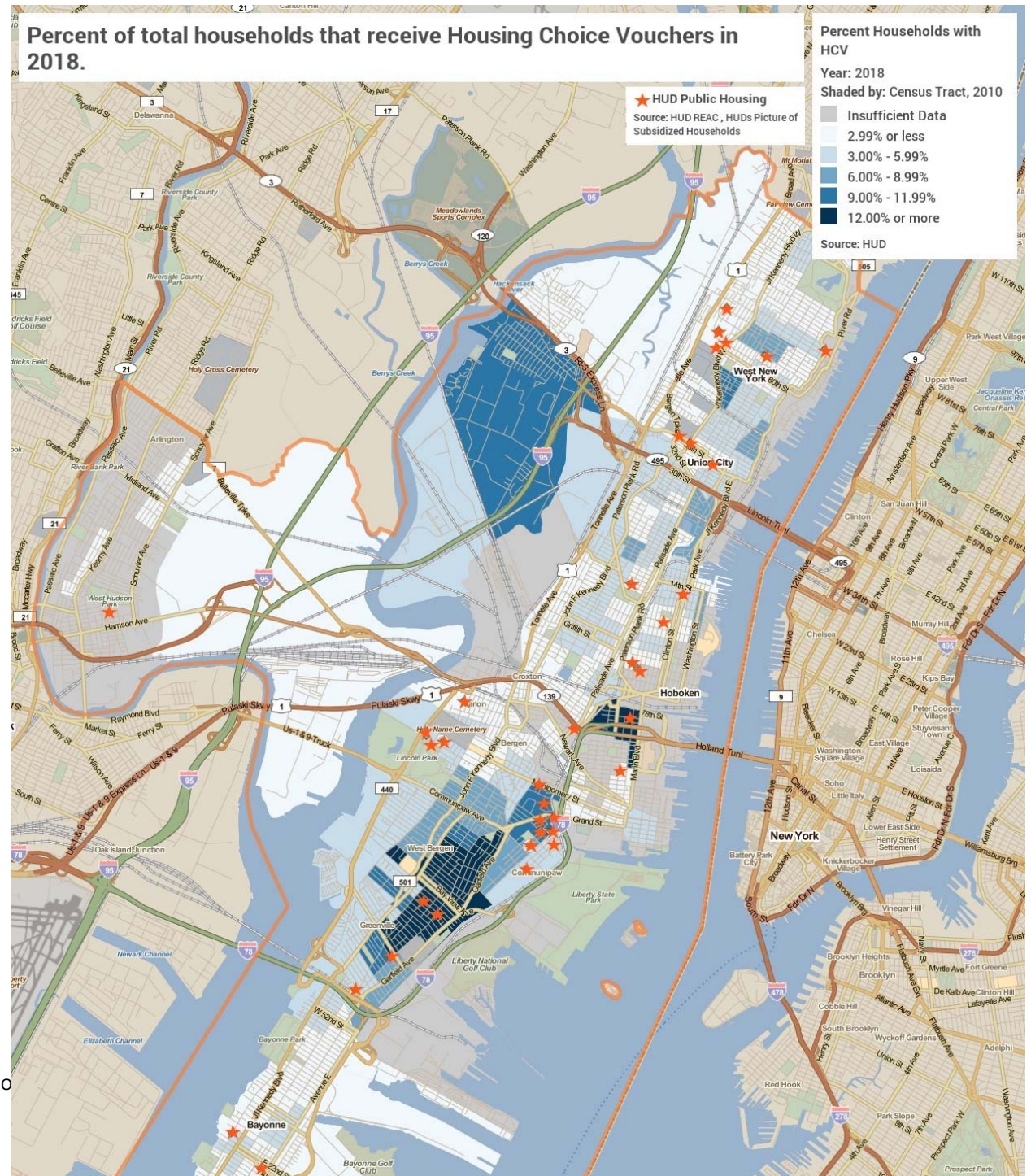
# Percent of total households that receive Housing Choice Vouchers in 2018.

**Percent Households with HCV**  
 Year: 2018  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 2.99% or less
- 3.00% - 5.99%
- 6.00% - 8.99%
- 9.00% - 11.99%
- 12.00% or more

Source: HUD

★ HUD Public Housing  
 Source: HUD REAC, HUDs Picture of Subsidized Households



**Distribution of HCV and Public Housing**

**Describe the supply of public housing developments:**

**Describe the number and physical condition of public housing units in the jurisdiction, including those that are participating in an approved Public Housing Agency Plan:**

Within Hudson County, but not including Jersey City, there are 19 public housing developments under the oversight of seven public housing authorities.

Bayonne Housing Authority

- Back Bay Gardens
- Hook Village/KVK Annex 1
- Hook Village/KVK Annex 2

Guttenberg Housing Authority

- Joseph P Macaluso Towers

Harrison Housing Authority

- Harrison Gardens

Hoboken Housing Authority

- Andrew Jackson Gardens
- Harrison Gardens

- Columbus Gardens
- Monroe & Adams gardens
- Fox Hill Gardens

North Bergen Housing Authority

- Meadow View
- Terrace Apartments
- Cullum Towers
- Lawler Towers

Union City Housing Authority

- Columbian Court
- Senior Citizens
- Hillside Terrace 1
- Hillside Terrace 2

West New York Housing Authority

- John F. Kennedy Towers

Secaucus Housing Authority

- The Elms
- Rocco Impreveduto Towers
- Kroll Heights

#### Weehawken Housing Authority

The quality of the public housing units in Hudson County varies considerably. There are six developments with an inspection score of less than 50. The lowest score is Andrew Jacksons Gardens in Hoboken with a score of 8. There are also five developments with a score over 90 with the highest being Lawler Towers with a 96 in North Bergen. The developments in Secaucus and Weehawken Housing Authorities did not have inspection scores available.

## Public Housing Condition

| Public Housing Development | Average Inspection Score |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| HOOK VLG/KVK ANNEX         | 92                       |
| HOOK VLG/KVK ANNEX 2       | 93                       |
| BACK BAY GRDNS             | 82                       |
| JOS P MACALUSO TWS         | 46                       |
| HARRISON GRDNS             | 84                       |
| HARRISON GRDNS 2           | 15                       |
| MONROE & ADAMS GRDNS       | 33                       |
| ANDREW JACKSON GRDNS       | 8                        |
| C COLUMBUS GRDNS           | 30                       |
| FOX HILL GRDNS             | 80                       |
| TERRACE APTS               | 94                       |
| CULLUM TWS                 | 95                       |
| MEADOW VIEW                | 87                       |
| LAWLER TWS                 | 96                       |
| COLUMBIAN CT               | 72                       |
| HILLSIDE TERR 1            | 78                       |
| HILLSIDE TERR 2            | 80                       |
| SENIOR CITIZENS            | 75                       |
| J F KENNEDY TWS            | 44                       |

Table 38 - Public Housing Condition

HUD identifies the public housing developments by these names in the physical inspection report and may not be listed as their commonly known names.

### Describe the restoration and revitalization needs of public housing units in the jurisdiction:

HUD provides physical inspection scores for PHA developments across the country. The physical condition scoring process is based on three elements within the property, which are:

1. Inspectable areas: site, building exterior, building system, common areas and dwelling units;
2. Inspectable items: walls, kitchens, bathrooms and other things to be inspected in the inspectable area; and
3. Observed deficiencies.

A score of 55 or below means that the property is in poor condition, and properties in excellent condition have a score of 90 and over. Multiple facilities in the County are in need of restoration and revitalization.

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

*Bayonne Housing Authority:* The mission of the Bayonne Housing Authority is to provide decent housing, safe suitable living environments for economically impeded persons, disabled persons and senior citizens without discrimination and to provide home ownership opportunities when available. The BHA continues to improve living conditions through capital grants and continues to market properties within the community to ensure access to assisted housing.

*Guttenberg Housing Authority:* In the course of carrying out its Mission, the Guttenberg Housing Authority strives to:

- Provide an environment of hope and opportunity to its family residents in their quest to self-actualize
- Efficiently manage and maintain its public housing and other subsidized housing, as well as administer its subsidy programs
- Provide services to the elderly and disabled that allows them to remain in their independent living environment for as long as humanly possible
- Ensure that all residents reside in a safe and secure environment

*Harrison Housing Authority:* The Mission of the Harrison Housing Authority is to assist low-income families, the elderly and the disabled with decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to achieve self-sufficiency and improve the quality of their lives. The Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient, ethical, and professional manner. The Housing Authority will create and maintain partnerships with its clients and appropriate community agencies in order to accomplish this mission.

*Hoboken Housing Authority:* The mission of the Hoboken Housing Authority is to provide safe, sanitary, affordable quality housing for individuals and families. To improve resident's quality of life by providing services, resources, programs and activities that foster self-sufficiency, dignity in addition to encourage a healthier and more fulfilling lifestyle. Building on our mission, the Hoboken Housing Authority is looking to rebuild its existing housing stock and improve the current outdated buildings to reflect the ever vital City of Hoboken.

*North Bergen Housing Authority:* The PHA provides comfortable and affordable housing in a safe, stable and secure living environment for low-income, senior, or disabled residents. The NBHA aligns its philosophy with that of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to create

strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all and to build inclusive and sustainable communities free from discrimination.

*Union City Housing Authority:* The Authority continues to play a vital role in maintaining the health of our community by building strong public and private partnerships, maintaining a high standard of property management, and assisting low and moderate income families to move toward economic self-sufficiency by providing an atmosphere that promotes educational growth and family stability. The Housing Authority has also established the following goals:

- To be the best property owner in Union City
- To utilize its resources in economical and efficient manner in meeting its goals and objectives
- To provide the necessary services to allow its capable family residents to move to private market housing
- To ensure that all residents reside in a safe and healthy environment

Continued in the **Discussion**

**Discussion:**

*West New York Housing Authority:* The mission of the West New York Housing Authority is to promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.

*Secaucus Housing Authority:* This housing authority is an autonomous authority that was established by the Town of Secaucus. It manages and operates three senior housing complexes under the federal Section 8 Project Based Voucher Program. The SHA also operates the Housing Choice Voucher program to assist income eligible families pay rent to private landlords.

*Weehawken Housing Authority:* The Weehawken Housing Authority operates 350 units of Section 8 subsidized housing, as well as provides 167 units of affordable housing for seniors. Additionally, it runs a senior nutrition center and a family self-sufficiency program.



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

### Introduction

Hudson County falls under Continuum of Care NJ-506, Jersey City, Bayonne/Hudson County.

### Facilities Targeted to Homeless Persons

|   | Emergency Shelter Beds          |                                    | Transitional Housing Beds | Permanent Supportive Housing Beds |                   |
|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
|   | Year Round Beds (Current & New) | Voucher / Seasonal / Overflow Beds | Current & New             | Current & New                     | Under Development |
| Households with Adult(s) and Child(ren) | 123                             | 54                                 | 20                        | 387                               | 0                 |
| Households with Only Adults             | 216                             | 256                                | 25                        | 439                               | 0                 |
| Chronically Homeless Households         | 0                               | 0                                  | 0                         | 293                               | 0                 |
| Veterans                                | 0                               | 0                                  | 0                         | 124                               | 0                 |
| Unaccompanied Youth                     | 0                               | 0                                  | 0                         | 21                                | 0                 |

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

**Data Source Comments:** HUD 2019 Housing Inventory Count Report (HIC), Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs

## **Describe mainstream services, such as health, mental health, and employment services to the extent those services are used to complement services targeted to homeless persons**

The Hudson County Office of Homeless Services works to “provide services to individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness”. The Department of Health and Human Services, which the Office of Homeless Services is a part of, administers the Social Services for the Homeless Grant. This grant funds many community-based organizations in the county, primarily to pay for emergency food, motel or shelter stays, rent, mortgage, utility, and security deposit assistance, and limited case management. The Office of Homeless Services collaborates closely with other organizations to complement their services.

Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH) is a consortium of various service and shelter providers, consumers, advocates, and government representatives working together to shape countywide planning and decision making. The HCAEH is led by the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development and serves as the Continuum of Care HCAEH’s mission is to:

- Identify the gaps and needs of homeless households in Hudson County and participate in the process of prioritizing local and state funding to meet these needs;
- Coordinate citywide applications for homeless housing and service funding, including but not limited to Hudson County’s annual application for HUD McKinney-Vento funding; and
- Track trends and adjust priorities to meet the changing needs of homeless households.

HCAEH membership includes not only homeless provider agencies, but agencies that focus on mental health, employment, substance abuse, education, etc, ensuring connection to wrap around services for homeless persons accessing programming.

Hudson County’s Frequent User (FUSE) Initiative, referred to as Familiar Faces, also works to assist hospitals and other public institutions with connecting chronically homeless persons to community resources and supportive housing solutions and lessen the repeat uses of those mainstream services.

### **Fair Housing Services for the Homeless**

Through the work of the HCAEH, regular feedback is solicited and collected regarding barriers to accessing housing. A number of programs have been developed that target populations experiencing or likely to face homelessness. Programs include permanent supportive housing for those who have experienced homelessness, with some programs targeting those with the most extensive incarceration histories, as they are likely to face discrimination when seeking housing. To avoid discrimination before it happens, local housing providers work to develop relationships with landlords and advocate for their clients. Providers also assist with credit workshops and budgeting to encourage landlords not to judge a client due to their past history. Additionally, the County has provided annual trainings and targeted assessments to combat housing barriers and discrimination. Trainings include LGBTQ+ competency and sensitivity, “Know Your Rights” trainings to ensure all housing providers are aware of fair housing

violations they may experience and how to report them, as well as trainings on rental leases so they are aware of landlords should and should not be including in a lease.

**List and describe services and facilities that meet the needs of homeless persons, particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth. If the services and facilities are listed on screen SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure or screen MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services, describe how these facilities and services specifically address the needs of these populations.**

IA= individual adults, CH = chronically homeless

Emergency Shelter:

- Catholic Community Services Archdiocese of Newark (CCSAN) - Hope House 60 beds/20 units for families
- CCSAN - St Lucy's Shelter 80 year round/51 overflow beds for IA
- Communities of Faith or Housing Inc - Hoboken Shelter 50 year round/5 overflow beds for IA
- EMET Realty - Bridge Shelter - 25 year round/6 overflow beds for IA
- Family Promise of Hudson County - Emergency Shelter 11 beds/4 units for families
- Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corp (GSECDC) - HOPWA 5 voucher beds for IA or families
- Hudson County Division of Welfare - Emergency Placements 43 overflow voucher beds for families
- North Hudson Community Action Corp - Motel Placements 11 overflow voucher beds for families
- Palisades Emergency Residence Corp - PERC Shelter 61 year round/80 overflow beds for IA
- Urban Renewal Corp - Kearny Warming Center - 100 seasonal beds for IA
- WomenRising - DV Shelter 9 beds/4 units for families
- York Street Project - St. Joseph's Home 43 beds/17 units for families

Transitional Housing:

- CCSAN - Franciska Residence 14 IA beds
- CCSAN - Strong Futures 1 youth bed

-North Hudson Community Action Corp - Temporary Housing Program 4 beds/2 units for families

-The House of Faith - TH 10 beds for IA

-York Street Project - Hybrid TH 16 beds/7 units for families

Permanent Supportive Housing:

-CCSAN - St. Jude's Oasis 30 beds/5 units for families

-CCSAN - Canaan House 11 beds for IA, 2 beds/1 unit for families

-Collaborative Support Programs of NJ (CSPNJ) - DCA Moving On 14 units for IA

-CSPNJ - DCA Housing First Program 36 units for CH IA

-CSPNJ - Hudson SHC PH Bonus 2014: 27 units for CH IA

-CSPNJ - UW Life Starts 18 units for CH IA

-Communities of Faith for Housing Inc - McAdoo Apartments 4 units for CH IA

-Communities of Faith for Housing Inc - Scattered Site Shelter Plus Care 18 units for CH IA

-Covenant House - UW Life Starts 3 units CH youth

-GSECDC - Corpus Christi 27 units for IA, 20 beds/9 units for families

-GSECDC - DCA Housing First 33 units for CH IA

-GSECDC - Finally Home 12 units for CH IA

-GSECDC - Home At Last 8 units for CH IA, 4 beds/2 units for CH families

-GSECDC - PERC Shelter Plus Care 10 units for CH IA

-GSECDC - RIST Program 33 units for IA (10 CH)

-GSECDC - UW Life Starts 14 units for CH IA

-Jersey City Medical Center - UW Life Starts 20 units for CH IA

-NJ Veterans Affairs - HUD VASH 50 units for IA, 25 beds/8 units for families

- United Way of Hudson County - Collaborative Solutions 26 units for CH IA
- United Way of Hudson County - Live United 4 beds/2 units for CH families
- United Way of Hudson County - Ocean Ave Veterans 8 units for IA
- West New York Housing Authority - Homes for Heroes 12 units for IA (2 CH)and 18 beds/6 units for families
- WomenRising - Village of Families - 44 beds/20 units for CH families

Rapid Rehousing:

- CCSAN - SSVF 3 units for IA and 7 beds/2 units for families
- Community Hope - SSVF 1 unit for IA
- Covenant House - Youth RRH 6 units individual youth and 12 beds/5 units for youth families
- GSECDC - ESG RRH 17 units for IA, 31 beds/11 units for families
- GSECDC - JC ESG 15 units for IA, 44 beds/12 units for families
- North Hudson Community Action Corp - RRH 3 units for IA, 51 beds/17 units for families
- The House of Faith - RRH 10 units for IA
- York Street Project - RRH - 95 beds/29 units for families

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

### **Introduction**

There are four primary groups with non-homeless special needs in the jurisdiction. They are the elderly and frail elderly, those with HIV/AIDS and their families, those with alcohol and/or drug addiction, and the mentally or physically disabled. This section will explain who they are, what their needs are, and how the jurisdiction is accommodating (or should accommodate) those needs.

### **Including the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with alcohol or other drug addictions, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, public housing residents and any other categories the jurisdiction may specify, and describe their supportive housing needs**

**Elderly:** The supportive housing needs for this population can vary widely depending on the health and fitness of the individuals. In general, with aging disabilities and other health issues become more common. Because of this, supportive housing must include access to health professionals and housing modifications to assist the resident. It is important to help residents stay independent and in their own homes for as long as possible if they prefer that.

**HIV/AIDS:** Medical and social support is important for residents living with HIV/AIDS. While there have been great advances in the medical treatment of HIV/AIDS, it is still important to provide specialized support. Family and friends must be accessible and medical facilities should be nearby.

**Alcohol and/or Drug Addiction:** Individuals dealing with addiction often require housing options that will provide a safe, sober place for recovery. A strong network is necessary to maximize the chance they will stay healthy and sober. It is important that these persons have access to health services, support groups, employment assistance, and access to family and friends. Additionally, detoxification facilities are necessary when addiction is first recognized.

**Mental and Physical Disabilities:** Individuals with disabilities encompass a wide range of skill levels and abilities. Therefore, they have many of the same issues as the general population with the added needs that are unique to their situation. Oftentimes, individuals with disabilities have a fixed income and limited housing options. Individuals with more independent skills can utilize subsidized housing but individuals that need more support or specialized housing have fewer options. Many individuals continue to reside with parents and families throughout adulthood, which can put additional financial burden on the family. Regardless of the housing situation, a common thread is the need to continuous support services dependent on the level of capabilities.

The specific needs of local special needs subpopulations are described in NA-45, Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment.

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

*Health Care:* All health care facilities coordinate their discharge of homeless individuals through the assistance of the County's three Emergency shelters as well as the Hudson County Dept of Social Services and various homeless service providers. These health care facilities ensure that homeless individuals have access to available mainstream resources that can be utilized to secure needed supportive and housing services. In addition, strong emphasis is made on identifying a support network for the homeless individuals and, wherever possible, effort is made to re-connect the individual with any family or friends he/she may have and to involve the family in the discharge planning process. The homeless individual is actively involved in the discharge planning process, is informed of all of his/her options, and is allowed to choose those options he/she feels are most appropriate. The County's health care facilities provide a comprehensive plan from assessment to discharge, ensuring that the entire individuals need as appropriate. Hudson County's Frequent User (FUSE) Initiative program helps to break the cycle of familiar faces by providing permanent supportive housing solutions to individuals while saving public institutions money. By engaging with the health system, as well as with government and community providers, this program will help end the cycle of homelessness and provide a foundation for improved health and permanent housing for people in the County.

*Mental Health:* The mental health community coordinates their discharge of homeless individuals through the assistance of the Hudson County Dept of Health and Human Services, the Division of Welfare and various homeless service providers. The County's mental health facilities ensure that homeless individuals have access to available mainstream resources that can be utilized to secure needed services for support and housing services. As with the health care facilities, a strong emphasis is made on identifying a support network for homeless individuals and, wherever possible, effort is made to re-connect the individual with any family or friends he/she may have and to involve the family in the discharge planning process. The homeless individual is actively involved in the discharge planning process, is informed of all of his/her options, and is allowed to choose those options he/she feels are most appropriate. The County's mental health facility provides a comprehensive plan, insuring that the entire homeless individuals needs as appropriate (i.e., housing, physical and mental health, income support, life skills, etc.) are addressed through the County's support services and homeless services.

*Corrections:* The Hudson County Dept of Corrections and Rehabilitation (HCDOCR) works to ensure that every individual is stably housed upon discharge. The HCDOC Community Reintegration Program (CRP) provides community-based interventions to eligible inmates being released from jail. Hudson County's FUSE Initiative also seeks to identify and permanently house chronically homeless individuals who are the most frequent users of the HCDOCR, homeless shelters, hospitals and other crisis systems by using a Housing First model. Every individual in the HCDOC is provided a risk needs assessment which identifies barriers to healthy community-based functioning. Included in this assessment is the identification of the need for housing assistance. Participants are provided with housing and services to prevent homelessness and assist in their transition. Individuals that are not eligible for housing assistance through CRP are discharged to emergency shelters or transitional housing programs. The CRP works with

these programs to ensure that individuals are working toward stability in order to decrease the chances of recidivism.

**Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. 91.315(e)**

The County has identified the need to provide supportive services for persons who are not homeless, but have other special needs such as persons with a disability, the elderly, persons with drug or alcohol addiction and victims of domestic violence. To address this need, the County has provided a goal:

3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs Populations

Activities to support this goal are to provide supportive services for low income and special needs populations in the jurisdiction. Services may also include legal services, education programs, health services and recreational programs for special needs households.

**For entitlement/consortia grantees: Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. (91.220(2))**

See above.



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

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

Though public policies are meant to address the overall needs of citizens in the region, there are times where they may have a negative effect on certain aspects of the community, which in this case, are affordable housing and residential investment. Affordable housing and public and private residential investments are key components in furthering fair housing in any community. In part, to identify these negative effects and further the purposes of the Fair Housing Act, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made it a legal requirement that entitlement grantees, such as Hudson County, to affirmatively further fair housing. The primary tool communities have for identifying contributing factors for these barriers to fair housing is HUD Assessment of Fair Housing Tool (AFH), which replaces the prior Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI).

It is no longer sufficient for the government to respond after housing problems arise. In order to affirmatively further fair housing, it is incumbent upon Hudson County to anticipate potential problem areas and proactively seek solutions.

In 2020, Hudson County completed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, which outlined contributing factors to fair housing issues in the County. Among some of the barriers to affordable housing are high costs of living, scarcity of available land for housing development, unequal access to conventional loans for LMI persons, and lack of supportive services and operating funds for special needs housing developments.

### **The Waterfront Project (WFP)**

In the last decade the Division of Housing and Community Development and our partners have taken significant steps to continue to combat discrimination in the housing market.

A lot of this work has been done through the lead housing counseling and legal services entity for Hudson County, The Waterfront Project (WFP). In the last five years, through assistance from the Division of Housing and Community Development, WFP has expanded their services, staffing and counseling certifications. WFP has led many training sessions focused on fair housing and tenant's rights for residents, nonprofit social service providers, religious leaders and county staff and hold trainings annually.

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

### Introduction

This section provides insight into the economic development landscape of the County. Unemployment, commuting times, and education are also analyzed in this section.

### Economic Development Market Analysis

#### Business Activity

| Business by Sector                            | Number of Workers | Number of Jobs | Share of Workers % | Share of Jobs % | Jobs less workers % |
|---|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction     | 219               | 1,232          | 0                  | 0               | 0                   |
| Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations           | 33,442            | 19,667         | 9                  | 7               | -2                  |
| Construction                                  | 16,724            | 5,251          | 5                  | 2               | -3                  |
| Education and Health Care Services            | 67,194            | 49,731         | 19                 | 19              | 0                   |
| Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate           | 39,667            | 44,082         | 11                 | 17              | 6                   |
| Information                                   | 11,560            | 8,515          | 3                  | 3               | 0                   |
| Manufacturing                                 | 24,349            | 9,469          | 7                  | 4               | -3                  |
| Other Services                                | 16,489            | 6,263          | 5                  | 2               | -3                  |
| Professional, Scientific, Management Services | 54,726            | 37,828         | 15                 | 14              | -1                  |
| Public Administration                         | 10,344            | 14,096         | 3                  | 5               | 2                   |
| Retail Trade                                  | 37,279            | 29,859         | 11                 | 11              | 0                   |
| Transportation and Warehousing                | 29,039            | 24,403         | 8                  | 9               | 1                   |
| Wholesale Trade                               | 13,073            | 13,598         | 4                  | 5               | 1                   |
| Total   | 354,105           | 263,994        | --                 | --              | --                  |

**Table 40 - Business Activity**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 LEHD (Jobs)

**Data Source Comments:** The most recent LEHD data for jobs was 2015. To maintain time period consistency, the 2011-2015 ACS was used for comparison for workers.

## Labor Force

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force   | 381,266 |
| Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over | 354,105 |
| Unemployment Rate                              | 4.90    |
| Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24               | 14.70   |
| Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65               | 6.30    |

**Table 41 - Labor Force**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
**Data Source Comments:**

## Unemployment

Countywide, the unemployment rate is 4.9% for all persons in the civilian workforce. Approximately 14.7% of persons between the ages of 16 and 24 are unemployed. The County's total overall unemployment rate is less than the 7.4% national unemployment rate. The map below shows the distribution of unemployed persons throughout the County. Several tracts have an unemployment rate of over 12%.

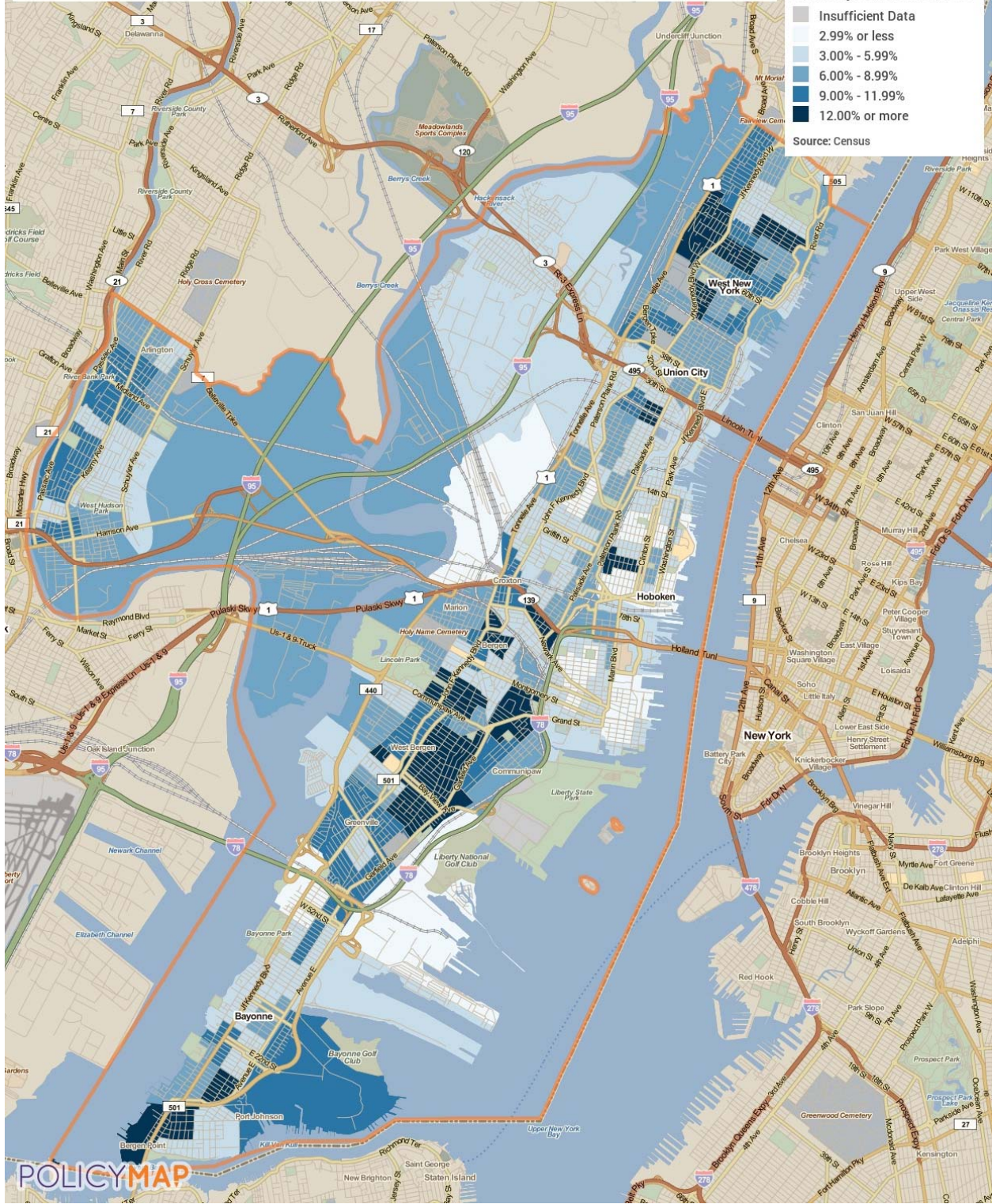
Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

# Estimated percent of people age 16 years or older who were unemployed between 2013-2017.

**Percent People Unemployed**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 2.99% or less
- 3.00% - 5.99%
- 6.00% - 8.99%
- 9.00% - 11.99%
- 12.00% or more

Source: Census



## Unemployment Rate

| <b>Occupations by Sector</b>                     | <b>Number of People</b> |
|--|-------------------------|
| Management, business and financial               | 141,387                 |
| Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations      | 436                     |
| Service  | 64,026                  |
| Sales and office                                 | 79,476                  |
| Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair | 20,518                  |
| Production, transportation and material moving   | 48,262                  |

**Table 42 – Occupations by Sector**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
**Data Source Comments:**

### Occupations by Sector

The largest employment sector is the management, business and financial sector, employing 141,387 persons throughout the County. This sector is followed by the sales and office sector with 79,476 persons employed and the service sector with 64,026.

### Travel Time

| <b>Travel Time</b> | <b>Number</b>  | <b>Percentage</b> |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| < 30 Minutes       | 116,320        | 35%               |
| 30-59 Minutes      | 153,473        | 46%               |
| 60 or More Minutes | 63,195         | 19%               |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>332,988</b> | <b>100%</b>       |

**Table 43 - Travel Time**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
**Data Source Comments:**

### Commute Travel Time

Approximately 35% of all persons commuting to work have a commute of less than 30 minutes each way. A plurality of commuters travel between 30 and 59 minutes to work while nearly 20% travel more than an hour.

# Estimated percent of workers with a work commute of more than an hour in 2013-2017.

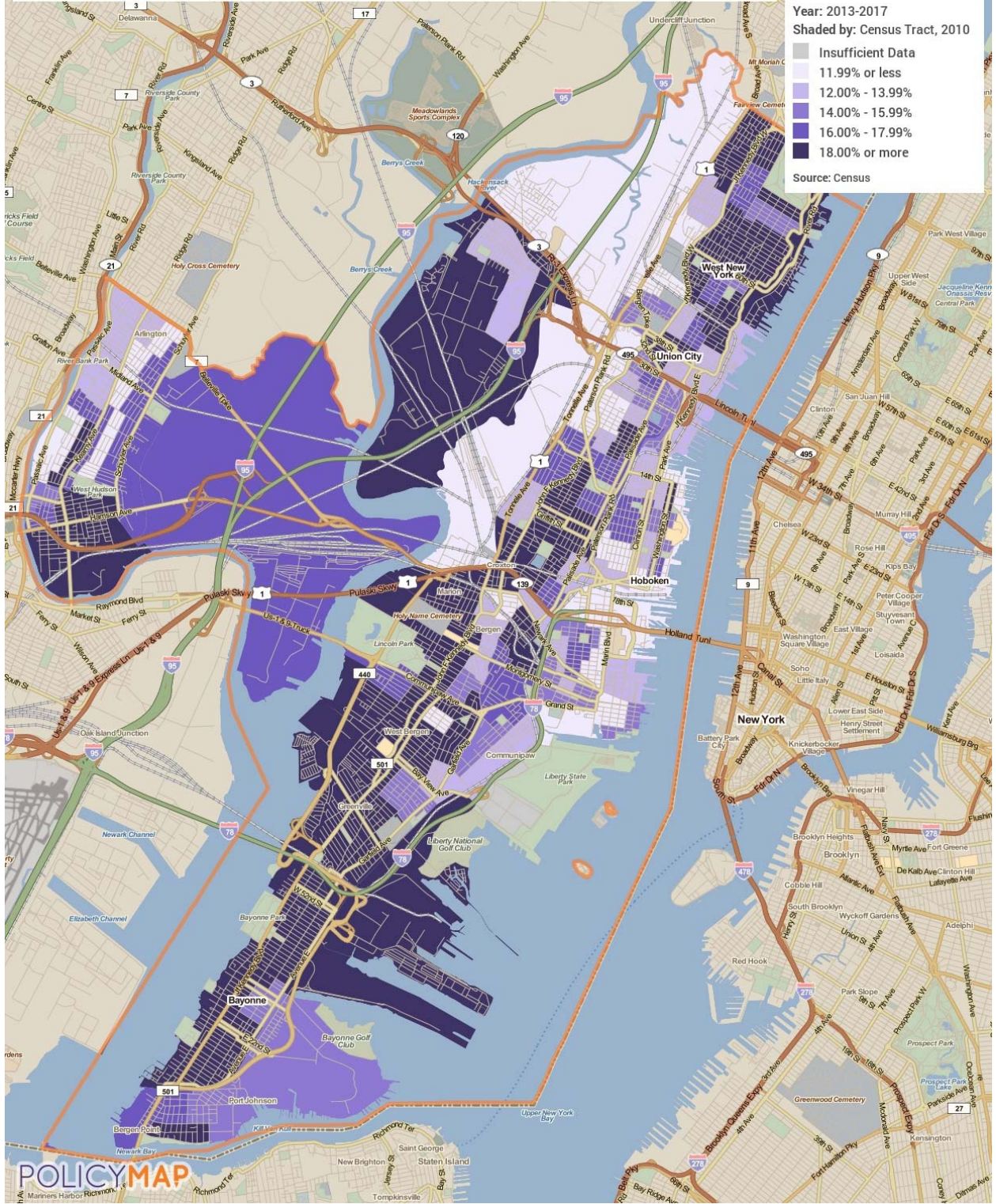
Percent Workers with Commute of More than 1 Hour

Year: 2013-2017

Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 11.99% or less
- 12.00% - 13.99%
- 14.00% - 15.99%
- 16.00% - 17.99%
- 18.00% or more

Source: Census



**Commuter Travel Time Greater Than One Hour**

**Education:**

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

| Educational Attainment                      | In Labor Force    |            | Not in Labor Force |
|---|-------------------|------------|--------------------|
|   | Civilian Employed | Unemployed |                    |
| Less than high school graduate              | 31,944            | 3,522      | 15,950             |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 70,001            | 6,848      | 24,332             |
| Some college or Associate's degree          | 59,065            | 4,715      | 14,339             |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                 | 148,357           | 5,617      | 21,043             |

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

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
Data Source Comments:

The table above details educational attainment by employment status for persons 16 years of age and older within the County.

Educational Attainment by Age

|   | Age       |           |           |           |         |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
|   | 18–24 yrs | 25–34 yrs | 35–44 yrs | 45–65 yrs | 65+ yrs |
| Less than 9th grade                       | 1,437     | 5,251     | 7,238     | 14,763    | 17,282  |
| 9th to 12th grade, no diploma             | 5,141     | 4,820     | 6,219     | 13,125    | 9,607   |
| High school graduate, GED, or alternative | 15,175    | 25,083    | 26,454    | 49,659    | 25,041  |
| Some college, no degree                   | 22,964    | 19,023    | 14,218    | 25,298    | 7,336   |
| Associate's degree                        | 2,404     | 6,605     | 4,694     | 8,321     | 2,341   |
| Bachelor's degree                         | 10,301    | 51,434    | 27,956    | 30,592    | 8,871   |
| Graduate or professional degree           | 1,610     | 30,562    | 19,943    | 14,603    | 5,506   |

**Table 45 - Educational Attainment by Age**

Alternate Data Source Name:  
2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates  
Data Source Comments:

The table above details educational attainment by age for persons 18 years of age and older within the County.

## Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

| <b>Educational Attainment</b>               | <b>Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months</b> |
|---|--|
| Less than high school graduate              | 21,348                                       |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 27,420                                       |
| Some college or Associate's degree          | 33,866                                       |
| Bachelor's degree                           | 61,637                                       |
| Graduate or professional degree             | 83,364                                       |

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

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates

**Data Source Comments:**

### **Median Earnings by Educational Attainment**

The median earnings of individuals in the County are closely tied to educational attainment. Median earnings increase as individuals attain higher education. A person with a Bachelor's degree generally earns nearly three times that of a person without a high school degree. A person with a graduate or professional degree can expect to earn more than three times somebody with only a high school degree.

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

Within Hudson County the major employment sectors are Education and Health Care Services; Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate; and Professional, Scientific, Management Services. These employment sectors represent 18.8%, 16.7%, and 14.3% of the jobs, respectively. The largest gap between the number of jobs and workers is in the Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate sector where there are approximately 4,500 more jobs than workers.

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

One of the primary needs identified through stakeholder input was devoting resources to more job training and to develop or improve programs with partnerships and employers so that residents seeking employment or opportunities for more income can have the required skillsets in the modern workforce. Technical training or apprenticeship programs would also benefit residents with hiring and network opportunities.

### **Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.**



Hudson County and other members of the North Jersey CEDS have developed a number of planned activities, investments, and initiatives that have the potential to impact economic development. Each of the strategies (listed below) have a number of strategies to address them, several of which apply particularly to Hudson County.

Strategy 3.1 is to provide incentives packages targeted at investment and job creation. This includes support for countywide participation in the identification of sites, support corporate campus redevelopments, and peer exchanges for municipalities to discuss growth options. By creating mixed use centers that are accessible by multiple transportation options the area can attract economic growth.

Strategy 4.2 is to create training programs that remove barriers for underrepresented populations. An example of this is the Women Rising non-profit organization in Hudson County. The actions to address this strategy includes improving remedial skills of underrepresented populations and using opportunities within the existing programs.

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

Currently, there is room for improvement in the alignment between skills and employment opportunities in Hudson County. The County is working with other members of the North Jersey CEDS to establish Regional Innovation Clusters to move towards a “cradle-to-college-and-career” approach. By connecting employers with qualified workers, the region can experience a simpler hiring process and reduce turnover related costs.

### **Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.**

Workforce development needs are especially noted for the construction trades in order to provide individuals with the skills necessary for entry to apprentice programs) and for training for jobs, such as IT and other STEM skills in the financial services industries.

The Hudson County Workforce Development Board (HCWDB), through the Hudson County One-stop Career Center, the Jersey City One Stop Career Center and the Jersey City Employment and Training Program provides a full range of services to youth and adults needing to prepare for or enter the workforce. HCWDB engages leaders from the private sector, public agencies, labor unions and community-based organizations to inform Hudson County’s workforce and economic development strategies and ensure that the workforce development system’s efforts to create a strong workforce are aligned with employer demands. The HCWDB conducts oversight of and sets broad priorities for allocation of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) to ensure that investments in the workforce development system are meeting the needs of industry and the education and training of current and future workers.

Services include job training, job placement, and supportive services. Job seekers and others can receive information about the job market, including currently available openings.

Further, the local workforce areas are aligned with key growth industry sectors, and are developing educational and workforce training programs that will career pathways for Hudson County's underemployed and underemployed adults as well as its opportunity youth by training workers in skills that will meet the demands of the region's rising sectors, such as information technology, financial services, healthcare, advanced manufacturing, and transportation, logistics and distribution (TLD). The local area is also an active collaborator in the regional training grants secured in the growth industries of these areas. Additionally, funding for workforce development programs, such as WorkFirst NJ and Workforce Investment Act funds reflect and contain training program offerings only for growth industries and in demand occupations.

Other key workforce development partners, such as the Hudson County Community College, are leveraging their funding (from Federal and State discretionary, competitive grants) programs to both One Stop Customers.

**Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?**

Yes

**If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.**

Hudson County is a participant in the North Jersey Comprehensive Development Strategy. The CEDS Action Plan identified four focus areas that can be coordinated with the consortium's consolidated plan.

Focus Area 1: Support the Growth of Regional Innovation Clusters

- Strategy 1: Create a pilot project in the region to demonstrate a potential model for streamlining state and local permitting processes
- Strategy 2: Develop a framework for establishing a North Jersey Economic Development District.
- Strategy 3: Coordinate outreach events for each regional innovation cluster with partners
- Strategy 4: Create a North Jersey Futures Council
- Strategy 5: Create programs in the region to connect small businesses to growth and business development opportunities, with a focus on regional innovation clusters.

Focus Area 2: Enhance North Jersey's Innovation and Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

- Strategy 1: Establish a regional system of virtual incubators.

- Strategy 2: Enhance the depth and diversity of technical assistance and networking resources available to the region’s startups and second-stage companies.
- Strategy 3: Foster other types of shared workspaces and connect them to economic development and finance programs.
- Strategy 4: Explore a framework for creating and capitalizing on a regional innovation fund.

**Focus Area 3: Build on the Region’s Infrastructure and Other Assets**

- Strategy 1: Provide incentives packages targeted at job creation and private-sector investment in underutilized land ripe for mixed-use development.
- Strategy 2: Use the regional transportation and utility system as a framework for future investment.
- Strategy 3: Leverage the region’s location and its goods movement facilities as a major source of economic growth.
- Strategy 4: Strengthen tourism by promoting North Jersey’s cultural and natural amenities.
- Strategy 5: Enhance the promotion of arts and cultural tourism in the region.
- Strategy 6: Strengthen tourism by promoting North Jersey’s entertainment and recreation amenities at a regional scale.
- Strategy 7: Support and expand agritourism programs in order to generate economic activity while preserving farmlands.

**Focus Area 4: Align Workforce Training With Industry Needs**

- Strategy 1: Support the creation of a demand-driven system that aligns workforce development efforts with employer needs.
- Strategy 2: Create occupational and soft skills training programs to help remove employment barriers for underrepresented populations.
- Strategy 3: Identify career pathway initiatives and other similar training programs to help incumbent workers transition to living-wage occupations.
- Strategy 4: Create/facilitate the development of a regional apprenticeship program for non-college-bound students.
- Strategy 5: Raise awareness of opportunities in skilled trades and other traditional vocational and technical programs.
- Strategy 6: Promote workforce development strategies to support the state’s tourism industry.

**Discussion**

N/A

## MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

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

HUD identifies four specific data points that constitute "housing problems": cost burden, overcrowding, lack of complete plumbing facilities, and lack of complete kitchen facilities. Within the County, 0.4% of occupied units lack complete plumbing, 1.4% occupied units lack complete kitchen facilities, 7.2% are overcrowded, and 44.5% are cost burdened. Areas of concentration are census tracts that have two or more housing problems that are substantially higher than the County average. For this analysis, "substantially higher" means a lack of complete plumbing over 10.4%, a lack of complete kitchen facilities over 11.4%, overcrowding over 17.2%, or cost burden over 54.5%.

There are seven census tracts where multiple housing problems were concentrated:

**34017014600 (North Bergen):** Overcrowding 23.1%, Cost Burden 91.2%

**34017015600 (West New York):** Overcrowding 17.3%, Cost Burden 57.0%

**34017015700 (West New York):** Overcrowding 20.1%, Cost Burden 62.8%

**34017015900 (West New York):** Overcrowding 26.8%, Cost Burden 62.7%

**34017016200 (Union City):** Overcrowding 21.7%, Cost Burden 72.8%

**34017016900 (Union City):** Overcrowding 18.3%, Cost Burden 74.5%

**34017017600 (Union City):** Overcrowding 18.5%, Cost Burden 72.3%

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

Yes, there are several areas with a concentration of racial minorities, ethnic minorities, or low-income families. For the purposes of this analysis a "concentration" is any census tract where the minority population makes up 10% more than the countywide average or is low-income. Maps of these concentrations follow this section.

**Black Households:** In Hudson County, 12.37% of the population is Black. A significant portion of the West Bergen area of Jersey City has a concentration (greater than 22.37%) of Black households.

**Asian Households:** In Hudson County, 15.16% of the population is Asian. There are many tracts, particularly in the Jersey City and Secaucus area with a concentration of Asian households (greater than 25.16%).

**Hispanic:** Hispanic residents make up the largest non-white population in Hudson County. Approximately 43.17% of the population identifies as Hispanic. The northeastern portion of the county has a particularly high concentration of Hispanic families.

**Low-Income Households:** The Median Household Income in the County is \$62,681. Any household making 80% or less (\$50,145) is considered “low-income” and any tract with a Median Household Income of \$50,145 or less is a concentration. The central part of the county is primarily made up of low-income tracts.

See Concentration maps below at the end of the section.

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

The neighborhoods with a high concentration of minority or low-income residents often has a number of sub-optimal characteristics. These areas tend to have higher poverty rates and fewer job opportunities. The available housing units also have a higher likelihood of being built prior to 1980, thus an increased risk of lead-based paint hazards.

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

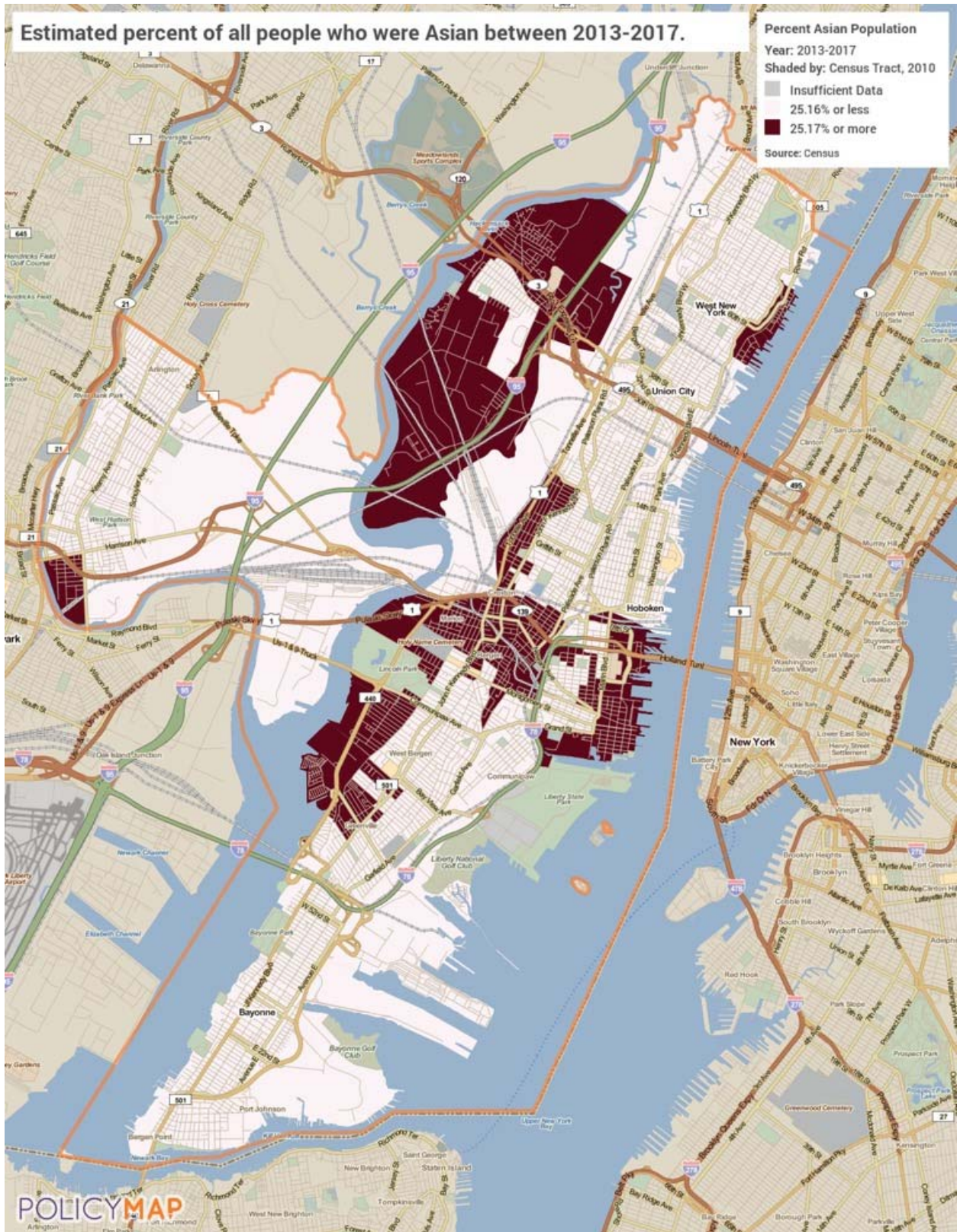
These communities often have strong community organizations and religious institutions. There is also adequate transportation access that has the potential to act as an avenue for growth and revitalization.

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

The strategic opportunities have been discussed above.



**Concentration Black Population**

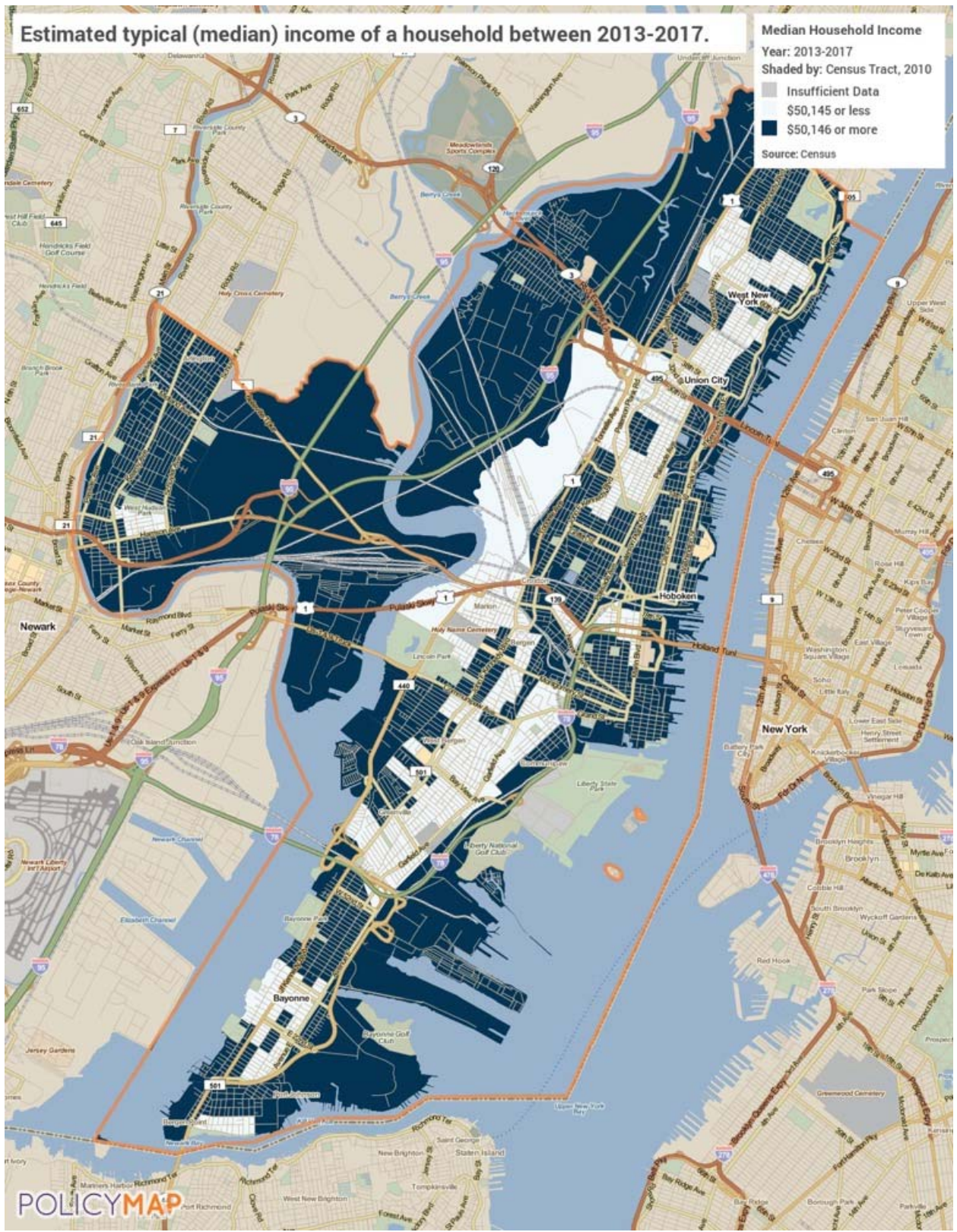


**Concentration Asian Population**



**Concentration Hispanic Population**





**Concentration LMI Households**



## **MA-60 Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income Households - 91.210(a)(4), 91.310(a)(2)**

### **Describe the need for broadband wiring and connections for households, including low- and moderate-income households and neighborhoods.**

Internet is an essential communications and information platform that allows users to take advantage of the increased interconnectedness of business, education, commerce, and day to day utility. Reliable access to the internet is becoming a necessity to thrive in the modern economic environment. Communities that lack broadband access struggle to keep pace with the country. Locations without broadband access impedes its population's ability to take advantage of the educational and entrepreneurial opportunities available online. This is particularly problematic for LMI areas where economic opportunities are already often lacking. Studies suggest a strong correlation between increased high-speed internet access and increased education and employment opportunities, especially in small cities and rural areas.

Hudson County does have some gaps in broadband coverage, mainly industrial areas near Interstate 95. Some areas within the County, such as Jersey City, have an average of three (3) options for broadband-quality Internet services. However, most of the county has only two (2) options of internet providers, to include LMI areas. An estimated 700 people in Hudson County do not have access to 25 Mbps wired broadband.

The following map shows broadband access throughout the County. Broadband access is defined as advertised internet speeds of 768 kilobits per second or higher. FCC data shows two (2) major infrastructure options within Hudson County: cable and DSL.

See map below at the end of the section: Broadband Access

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

Once broadband access has been obtained, it is important to ensure there is competition among service providers. Any resource that has a de facto monopoly on an area may not be incentivized to provide standard and consistent services. Hudson County has a total of eight (8) Internet providers offering residential service. Fios and Xfinity are the strongest providers in Hudson County so far as coverage. The average Hudson County household has at least two (2) options for broadband-quality Internet service. These providers frequently overlap around the County:

Fios (Fiber)

Xfinity (Cable)

Spectrum (Cable)

Verizon (DSL)

EarthLink (DSL)

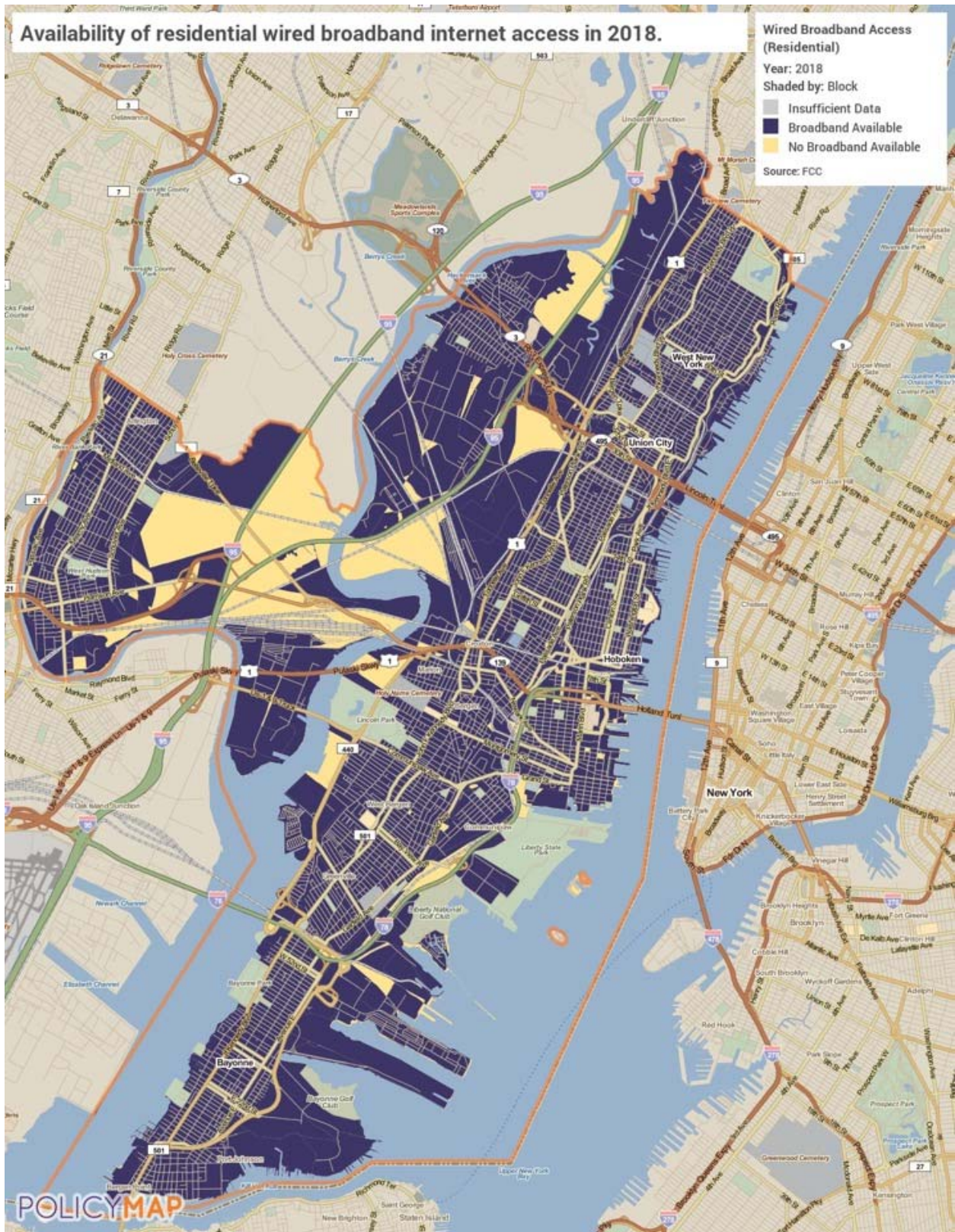
Optimum (Cable)

Viasat (Satellite)

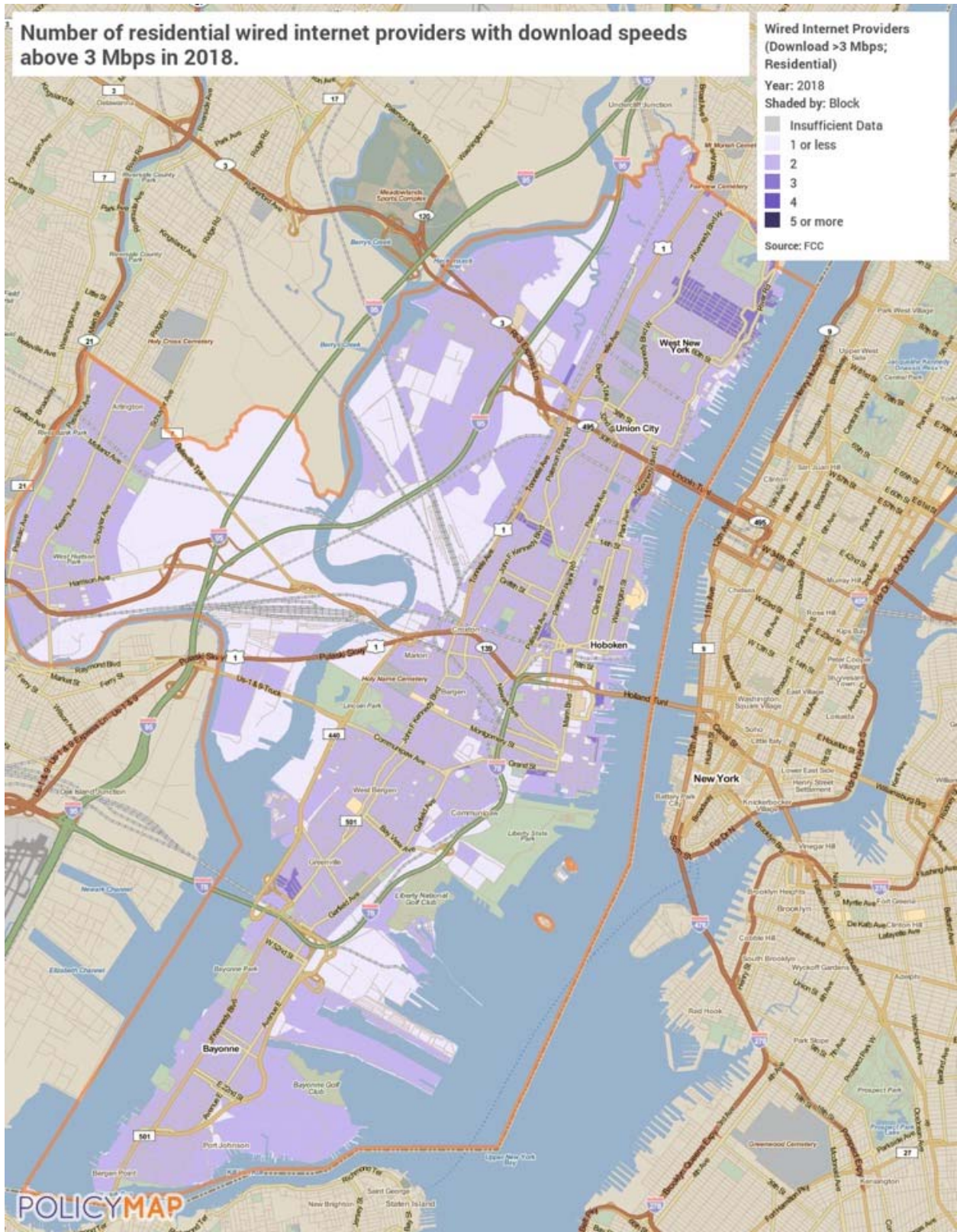
HughesNet (Satellite)

The following map shows the number of broadband service providers by census tract. Most of the County has at least two (2) options of high-speed internet with competitive providers, though there are some tracts with lower populations that only have access to one provider.

See map below at the end of the section: Highspeed Internet Providers



**Broadband Access**



**Highspeed Internet Providers**



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

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

Hudson County has historically been prone to various natural hazard events including hurricanes, coastal flooding, thunderstorms or tropical storms, winter weather/storms, and others. The potential impacts of climate change—including an increase in prolonged periods of excessively high temperatures, more heavy precipitation, more severe storms or droughts—are often most significant for vulnerable communities. The County is not immediately on the coast, but it is very near and has a high level of water area, so it may still be impacted by primary and secondary effects. By the middle of the century the average summer temperature is expected to rise four degrees. This rise in temperature could lead to altered weather and precipitation patterns, a rise in severe storms, an increased risk of catastrophic floods, increased electricity costs, and ruined crops. Additionally, any increase in the ocean levels or increased storm activity may lead to people moving from the coast. A shift in coastal population distribution to the County could affect housing costs, reduce the availability of jobs, and impact tax resources. This impact would likely be seen on a municipal level first and expand to noticeable county-wide increases.

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

Low- and moderate-income residents are at particular risk due to having less available resources to combat the impacts of natural disasters. A dramatic rise in electricity or housing costs could put them at imminent risk of homelessness or living in substandard conditions. Residents in rural communities will have less access to public support in case of emergencies and will have fewer resources to repair or prevent damage to their homes.

Hudson County strives to inform and prepare the general public for multi-hazard mitigation. There are online venues (including Hudson County Office of Emergency Management website) that disseminate numerous informational guidebooks, videos, and emergency resources to build disaster resiliency in the community from other resources such as FEMA and NJDOT.



# Strategic Plan

## SP-05 Overview

### Strategic Plan Overview

Hudson County's Strategic Plan outlines the County's overall vision for housing and community development and addresses the County's response to identified needs and priority areas over the next 5 years. The Strategic Plan specifically addresses how Hudson County intends to use CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds toward furthering HUD's statutory goals of providing safe, decent and affordable housing and providing for suitable living environments for the residents of Hudson County.

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

### **Geographic Area**

**Table 47 - Geographic Priority Areas**

#### **General Allocation Priorities**

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state

The County targets CDBG resources to low and moderate (LMI) income areas as defined by HUD on the basis of census data. The County is not targeting specific neighborhoods, rather relying upon the participating municipalities to identify needs and potential projects in each jurisdiction.

The scope and availability of affordable housing development necessitates flexibility in the geographic distribution of HOME funding. The County aims to provide affordable housing opportunities for residents across the geographic area to the greatest extent possible.

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

### Priority Needs

Table 48 – Priority Needs Summary

|   |                                    |  |
|---|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities  |
|   | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High   |
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate<br>Non-housing Community Development  |
|   | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   |  |
|   | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure<br>1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity<br>1C Improve Access to Public Facilities   |
|   | <b>Description</b>                 | Expand and improve public infrastructure through activities for LMI persons and households across the County. Improve access to public facilities that will benefit LMI persons and households. Funds will be used to improve public facilities such as recreational parks and community centers.  |
|   | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Through community participation and consultation of local stakeholder partners and organizations the need to Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities was identified. Adequate public facilities and infrastructure improvements are essential to addressing the needs of the LMI population, including the homeless, elderly and disabled. Public facilities improvements include public library projects in the town of Harrison and West New York. Improved road infrastructure, installation of ADA curb cuts, sidewalks, parking lots and traffic signal upgrades will be made in the town of Guttenberg, Kearny, Secaucus, and the Township of Weehawken. |
| 2 | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing  |
|   | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High   |
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate   |

|   |                                    |  |
|---|------------------------------------|--|
|   | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   |  |
|   | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities<br>2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities   |
|   | <b>Description</b>                 | Preserving housing and developing affordable housing, including construction of rental housing, rental rehabilitation, and increased homeownership opportunities remains one of the highest priorities in the jurisdiction.  |
|   | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Through community participation and consultation of local stakeholder partners and organizations the need to Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing was identified. Through the needs assessment housing cost burden is by far the largest housing problem in the jurisdiction. There are also a considerable number of housing units built before 1980 and may be in need of rehabilitation. |
| 3 | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements   |
|   | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High   |
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate<br>Families with Children<br>Elderly<br>Frail Elderly<br>Persons with Mental Disabilities<br>Persons with Physical Disabilities<br>Persons with Developmental Disabilities<br>Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions<br>Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families<br>Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Non-housing Community Development                     |
|   | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   |  |
|   | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs<br>3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households   |
|   | <b>Description</b>                 | Provide supportive services for LMI households and also the special needs populations in the jurisdiction. Public services will target LMI citizens and may include services to address homelessness, persons with physical and mental health, seniors, and youth.   |
|   |                                    |  |

|   |                                    |   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|
|   | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Through community participation and consultation of local stakeholder partners and organizations the need for Public Services for LMI and Special Needs was identified. Public Services offered by the city and partner non-profit organizations provide for vital and essential services for LMI households and families throughout the jurisdiction. Public services will also help to enhance education and improve living situations of LMI individuals and households in the jurisdiction. |
| 4 | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Homelessness Housing and Support Services   |
|   | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High  |
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Chronic Homelessness<br>Individuals<br>Families with Children<br>Mentally Ill<br>Chronic Substance Abuse<br>veterans<br>Persons with HIV/AIDS<br>Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Unaccompanied Youth  |
|   | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance<br>4B Provide Assistance to Homeless Shelters<br>4C Provide for Street Outreach   |
|   | <b>Description</b>                 | Provide for homeless activities and services, including Homeless Prevention, Shelters Services, and Rapid Re-Housing.   |
|   | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Through community participation and consultation of local stakeholder partners and organizations the need for homeless activities such as shelter operations and homeless prevention services was identified. The local PIT count has also identified homeless adults and families as a group that requires assistance.   |

**Narrative (Optional)**

N/A

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

### Influence of Market Conditions

| Affordable Housing Type               | Market Characteristics that will influence the use of funds available for housing type   |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) will be used to assist the homeless population in Hudson County based on the high number of persons experiencing homelessness as reported by the annual PIT count. Furthermore, approximately 28.3% of residents experiencing homelessness are unsheltered.  |
| TBRA for Non-Homeless Special Needs   | Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) will be used for the homeless population in Hudson County  |
| New Unit Production                   | Hudson County has a need for new affordable rental housing. Renter households outnumber homeowner households in the County by more than 2-to-1, however there is a higher percentage of renter households that are housing cost burdened. In particular need are the 40,000+ renters with severe housing cost burden (cost burden greater than 50% of income). By contrast, 14,310 homeowners are severely cost burdened.  |
| Rehabilitation                        | A large number of housing units in Hudson County were built before 1980 and may be in need of maintenance and/or repairs. As well, homes built before 1978 may be at risk of lead-based paint hazards. According to the ACS, 75% of owner-occupied housing and 71% of renter-occupied housing units were built before 1980 – making it pertinent to address older housing with rehabilitation needs. It should be noted that the high cost of housing rehabilitation in historic neighborhoods due to historic district preservation requirements is a barrier for affordable rental housing rehab projects. |
| Acquisition, including preservation   | See above in Rehabilitation. While there is a need to acquire older housing stock which may be in need of rehab, the County is not expecting to use funds towards acquisition of units.  |

**Table 49 – Influence of Market Conditions**

Since 2000, the population of Hudson County has grown steadily. Since 2000, the population has increased by over 11% and the number of households has increased by 9.5%. This unequal growth rate between population and number of households' points to an overall increase in average household size.

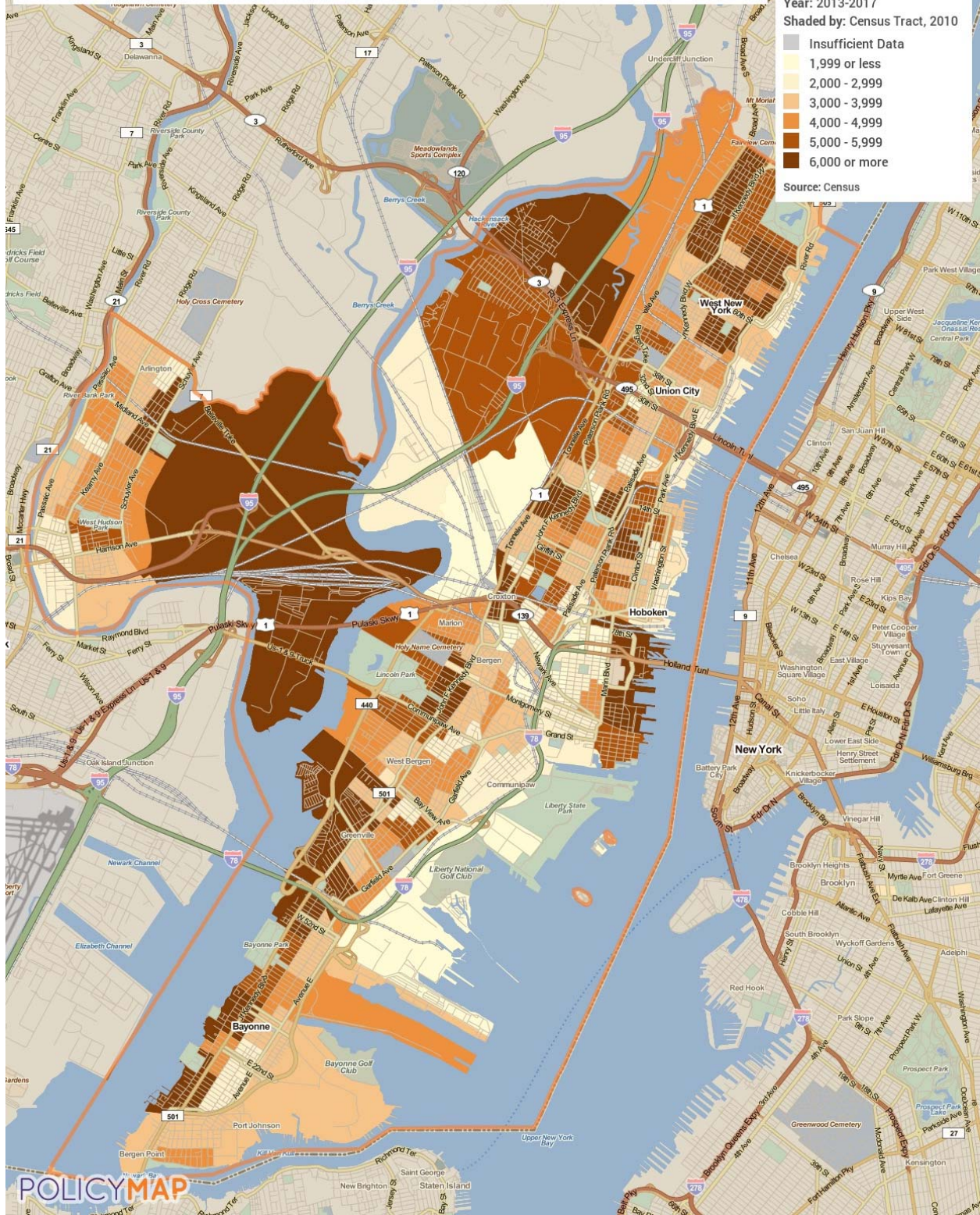
Residents have a 55.6% higher median household income than they did in 2000. Unfortunately, due to inflation the growth in purchasing power is significantly lower. The median household income in 2000 (\$40,293) had the same buying power as \$57,966 in 2017, meaning growth of approximately 8.1%.

## **Population**

The following map displays the population density throughout the County. Overall, there are not any clear areas with higher population census tracts than other areas. Many tracts throughout the County have 5,000 or more people and these tracts are often near small population tracts with fewer than 3,000 people.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

# Estimated population between 2013-2017.



**Population**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 1,999 or less
- 2,000 - 2,999
- 3,000 - 3,999
- 4,000 - 4,999
- 5,000 - 5,999
- 6,000 or more

Source: Census

## Population

## Change in Population



As noted above, the County's population grew by 11.6% during this time period. That growth was not uniform throughout the County. Waterfront tracts saw significantly faster growth than most other areas, often 20% or more. Inland tracts, on the other hand, saw either more modest growth or a population decrease since 2000.

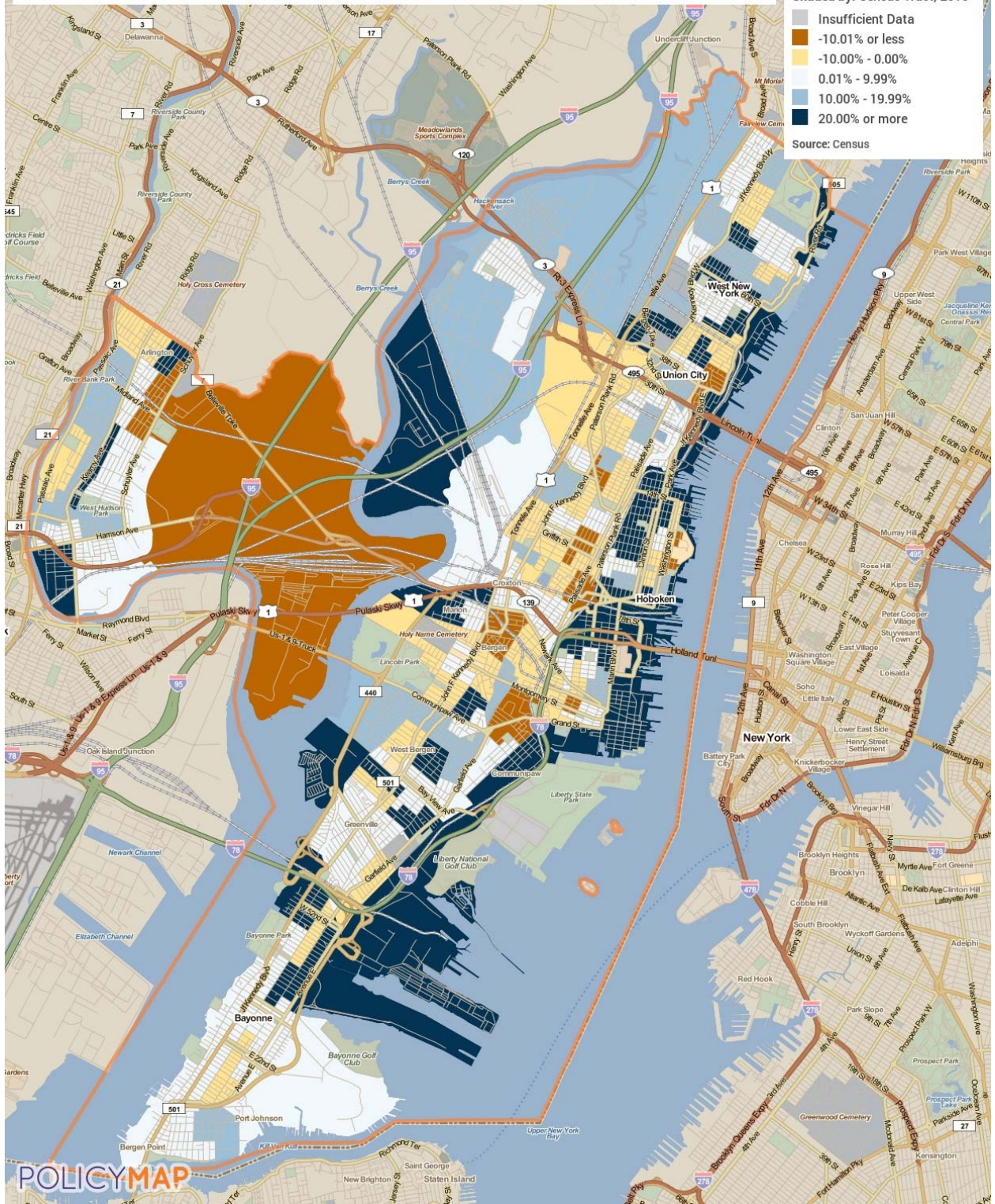
Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

# Estimated percent change in the number of people between 2000 and the period of 2013-2017.

**Pct Chg in Population**  
 Year: 2013-2017  
 Shaded by: Census Tract, 2010

- Insufficient Data
- 10.01% or less
- 10.00% - 0.00%
- 0.01% - 9.99%
- 10.00% - 19.99%
- 20.00% or more

Source: Census



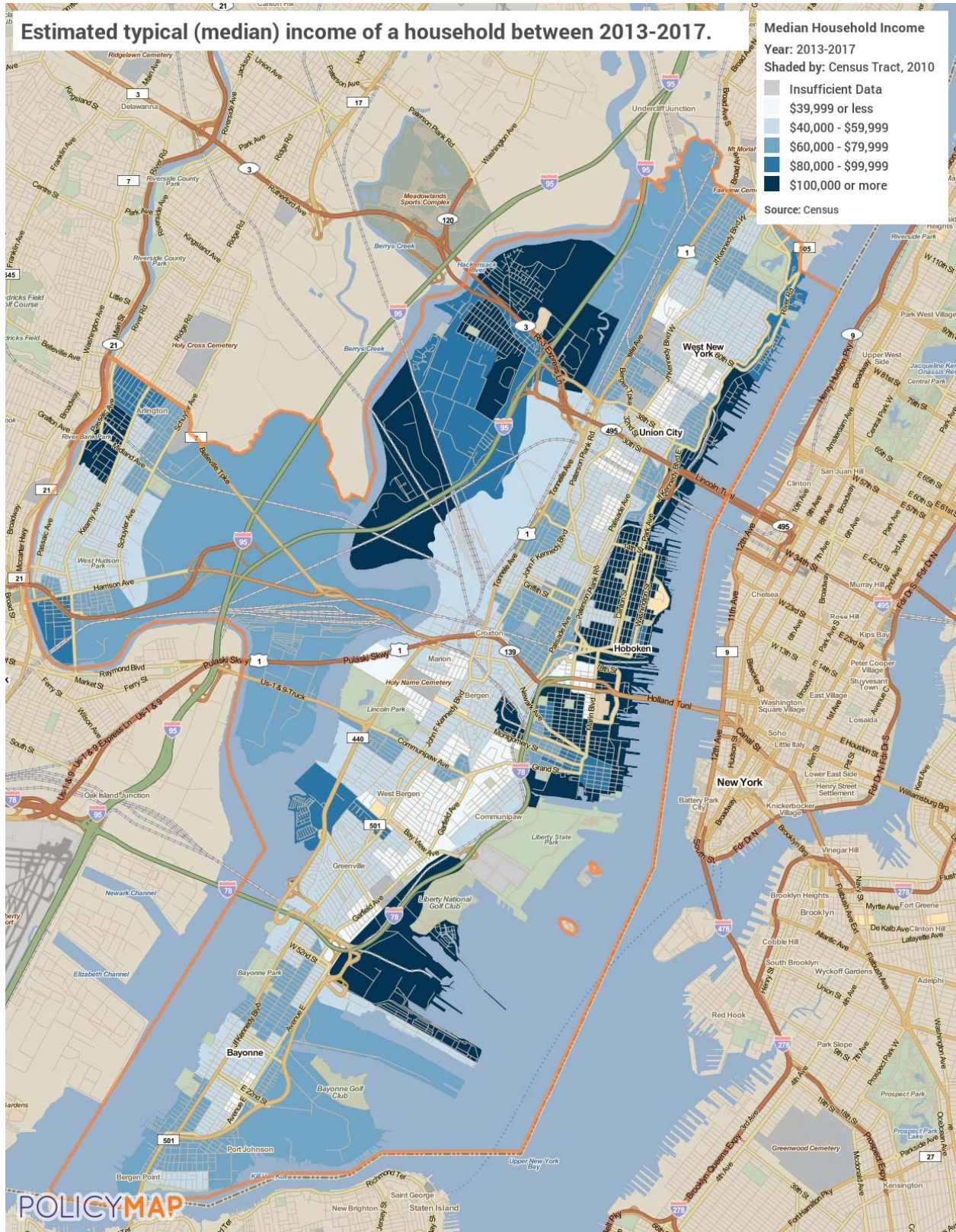
## Population Change

## Median Household Income

In Hudson County, a household's income appears to be linked to where that person lives. The majority of the tracts directly along the river have relatively high median household incomes, \$100,000 or more. Inland tracts had significantly lower MHIs, generally less than \$60,000.

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

**Estimated typical (median) income of a household between 2013-2017.**

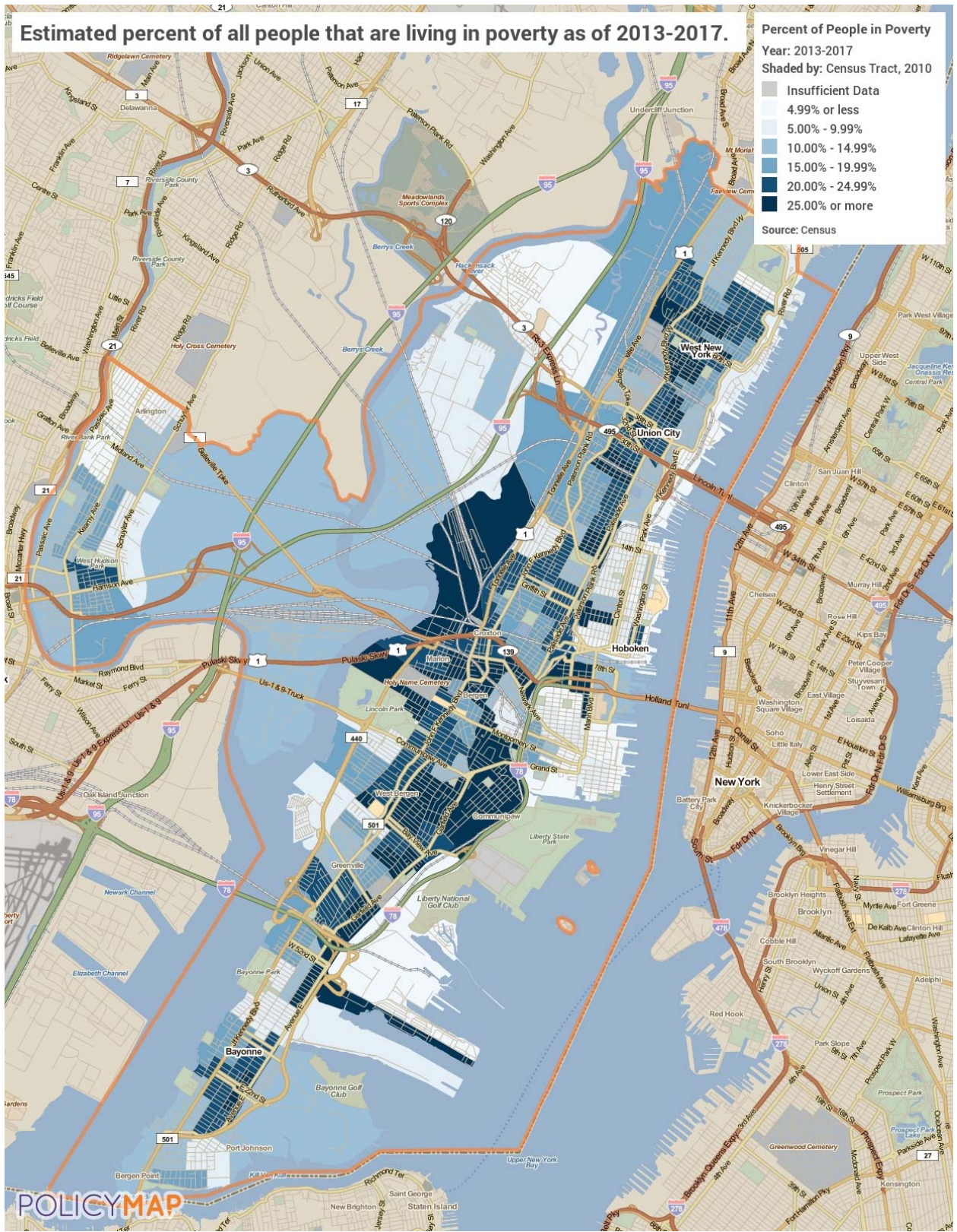


**Median Household Income**

**Poverty**

The following map shows that the areas with high poverty are also those that were identified above as having a low median household income. The poverty rate in several central tracts is over 25%, which is significantly higher than the tracts bordering the Hudson River where the poverty rate is generally less than 5%. High poverty areas are of particular concern to the County, especially if those areas also have high concentrations of minority residents. It is imperative for the County to address any identified Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (R/ECAP).

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



**Poverty Level**



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

### **Introduction**

Hudson County, like many jurisdictions, is faced with the challenging task of meeting increasing needs with fluctuating and/or decreasing federal and state resources.

The figures shown in the table below reflect HUD's current allocations. The figure for "Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan" anticipates level funding using the 2020 allocation amounts and projecting those amounts over the remaining years covered by the Consolidated Plan along with the funding that is in Reserves.

There is a total of \$155,213 CDBG reprogrammed funds. Reprogrammed funds are public services funds for \$10,000 and reprogrammed funds for construction activities for \$145,213.

If there are further funding cuts to CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs over the coming years, the County will adjust accordingly and craft Annual Action Plans reflective of funding



**Anticipated Resources**

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds   | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description  |
|---------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
|         |                  |   | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |  |
| CDBG    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Public Improvements<br>Public Services  | 2,163,090                        | 0                  | 155,213                  | 2,318,303 | 9,274,760   | CDBG funds are used to benefit low-and moderate-income persons/ households by services, improvements to public facilities and infrastructure improvements in qualified low/mod areas. There are reprogrammed Public Service funds of \$10,000 and reprogrammed funds for construction activities of \$145,213. |
| HOME    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Homebuyer assistance<br>Homeowner rehab<br>Multifamily rental new construction<br>Multifamily rental rehab<br>New construction for ownership<br>TBRA | 2,748,244                        | 0                  | 0                        | 2,748,244 | 10,995,052  | HOME funds are used primarily to increase the production of and maintain the existing stock of affordable housing within the Hudson Urban County. Additionally, funds are used for the creation of low-income home-buyer opportunities.  |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description  |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |  |
| ESG     | public - federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing<br>Financial Assistance<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing | 174,817                          | 0                  | 0                        | 174,817   | 699,268   | ESG funds are used for emergency shelter operation, outreach and rapid-rehousing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description             |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|-----------------------------------|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |                                   |
| Other   | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Overnight shelter<br>Public Services<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services | 3,076,187                        | 0                  | 0                        | 3,076,187 | 0   | CDBG CARES Act Funding            |
| Other   | public - federal | Admin and Planning<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing  | 2,089,371                        | 0                  | 0                        | 2,089,371 | 0   | ESG-CV funding from the CARES Act |

**Table 50 - Anticipated Resources**

**Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied**

Although other public and private resources to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan are extremely limited, CDBG, HOME and ESG projects in Hudson County have been successful in securing funding from other sources.

**CDBG:**

All applicants for CDBG funding are required to submit budgets inclusive of match and leveraged funds. While match is not a requirement, the provision of CDBG funding has allowed the various nonprofit public service entities and municipalities the ability to leverage additional funding for 2020 for their operations.

**HOME:**

The HOME program requires a twenty-five percent (25%) program wide matching contribution. Given the limited HOME funding available, the majority of projects seeking funding have secured significant additional funding including LIHTC, AHTF, SNHTF, and other various state, local, and private sources.

**ESG:**

All ESG subrecipients are required to submit a budget that demonstrates their match and leveraging for the project. All projects are required to have at least 100% match for the program. Many programs match their funding with State and local funding. In addition, the County of Hudson provides supplemental funding for activities that could be covered under ESG.

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

Not applicable. The County does not have any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan.

**Discussion**

N/A

## SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.415, 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

| Responsible Entity                         | Responsible Entity Type | Role  | Geographic Area Served |
|--|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| HUDSON COUNTY                              | Government              | Planning<br>neighborhood improvements<br>public facilities<br>public services | Jurisdiction           |
| Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness | Continuum of care       | Homelessness  | Region                 |
| Guttenberg Housing Authority               | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Harrison Housing Authority                 | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Secaucus Housing Authority                 | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Weehawken Housing Authority                | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| West New York Housing Authority            | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Bayonne Housing Authority                  | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Hoboken Housing Authority                  | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Union City Housing Authority               | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| North Bergen Housing Authority             | PHA                     | Public Housing<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |

**Table 51 - Institutional Delivery Structure  
Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System**

### Strengths in the Institutional Delivery System

- Target areas defined (services of LMI households and census tracts)
- Public Infrastructure projects in development spread across the county.
- Ongoing communication with the nine (9) participating housing authorities.
- Ongoing communication with the CoC (HCAEH).

**Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System**

- Availability of funding to provide housing and services.
- Availability of projects that address housing rehab for homeowners and renters.
- Low number of transitional housing units across the CoC.

**Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services**

| Homelessness Prevention Services        | Available in the Community | Targeted to Homeless | Targeted to People with HIV |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Homelessness Prevention Services</b> |                            |                      |                             |
| Counseling/Advocacy                     | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Legal Assistance                        | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Mortgage Assistance                     | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Rental Assistance                       | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Utilities Assistance                    | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| <b>Street Outreach Services</b>         |                            |                      |                             |
| Law Enforcement                         |                            | X                    | X                           |
| Mobile Clinics                          | X                          | X                    |                             |
| Other Street Outreach Services          | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| <b>Supportive Services</b>              |                            |                      |                             |
| Alcohol & Drug Abuse                    | X                          | X                    |                             |
| Child Care                              | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Education                               | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Employment and Employment Training      | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Healthcare                              | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| HIV/AIDS                                | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Life Skills                             | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Mental Health Counseling                | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| Transportation                          | X                          | X                    | X                           |
| <b>Other</b>                            |                            |                      |                             |
|   | X                          | X                    | X                           |

**Table 52 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary**

**Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)**

Hudson County has an array of services and an integrated Continuum of Care community of service providers that share information and utilizes the HMIS system to manage service delivery.

As listed in MA-30, there is an expansive list of member organizations in the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH) with various services addressing the needs of homeless persons, including those with HIV/AIDS in the County and CoC region. HCAEH has three overarching goals to cover the services needed by the homeless, which are: 1) Prevention and Diversion from Homelessness, 2) Creation of More Housing Opportunities for those Experiencing Homelessness and 3) Improved Coordination and Access to Services. HCAEH offers a website portal which connects individuals and families to resources that can assist with their unique needs.

As well as offering a variety of services through its CoC members, the CoC has in its homeless inventory a number of homeless shelters. According to HUD's 2019 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) reports, there are 339 emergency shelter beds and 45 transitional housing beds for homeless persons in over 20 facilities across the CoC service area. These units are designated for both individuals and families with children that are experiencing homelessness.

There are also over 500 permanent supportive housing beds available for chronically homeless person, homeless veterans, and unaccompanied homeless youth in 23 facilities managed by Catholic Community Services, Collaborative Support Programs of NJ, Communities of Faith for Housing, Covenant House, CSP New Jersey, Garden State Episcopal Community Development, Jersey City Medical Center, United Way and Women Rising. Garden State Episcopal Community Development also runs a shelter for those living with HIV/AIDS.

**Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above**

Strengths include the wide variety of services provided by HCAEH CoC members that cover the many unique needs of the homeless population in the County. These services can be accessed through their Homeless Services Navigator website portal at <http://hudsoncountyhomeless.com>.

As listed above and in the MA-30, there are also a number of emergency shelter and permanent supportive housing options operated across the County.

Gaps in the service delivery system are the relative low number of permanent housing provided within the County compared to the need.

**Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs**

The County's strategy to overcome gaps in its service delivery system for the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs is to partner with leading service providers in the local area. Through performance reports such as the CAPER, the County will be able to identify where improvements need to be made and where there are gaps in services.



Through the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness, a need for more permanent housing has been identified and can be addressed.

Additional information on the County's strategy to develop and enhance the institutional structure and service delivery system of its programs is provided in AP-85 Other Actions.

## SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 91.215(a)(4)

### Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name                                       | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                                   | Funding              | Goal Outcome Indicator  |
|------------|---|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---|----------------------|---|
| 1          | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure                 | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$3,018,484 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:<br>50000 Persons Assisted  |
| 2          | 1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity       | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$3,018,483 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:<br>50000 Persons Assisted  |
| 3          | 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities          | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$3,018,483 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:<br>40000 Persons Assisted  |
| 4          | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities         | 2020       | 2024     | Affordable Housing                |                 | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing             | HOME:<br>\$6,871,907 | Homeowner Housing Added:<br>10 Household Housing Unit   |
| 5          | 2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities | 2020       | 2024     | Affordable Housing                |                 | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing             | HOME:<br>\$6,871,908 | Rental units constructed:<br>150 Household Housing Unit<br><br>Rental units rehabilitated:<br>10 Household Housing Unit |

| Sort Order | Goal Name  | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                                | Funding              | Goal Outcome Indicator  |
|------------|--|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|---|
| 6          | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Homeless Special Needs        |                 | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements | CDBG:<br>\$1,269,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:<br>20000 Persons Assisted |
| 7          | 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households     | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements | CDBG:<br>\$1,269,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:<br>20000 Persons Assisted |
| 8          | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance  | 2020       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness Housing and Support Services      | ESG:<br>\$534,810    | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing:<br>100 Households Assisted                        |
| 9          | 4B Provide Assistance to Homeless Shelters       | 2021       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness Housing and Support Services      | ESG:<br>\$100,000    | Homeless Person Overnight Shelter:<br>450 Persons Assisted  |
| 10         | 4C Provide for Street Outreach                   | 2020       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness Housing and Support Services      | ESG:<br>\$339,275    | Homelessness Prevention:<br>3750 Persons Assisted   |

Table 53 – Goals Summary

## Goal Descriptions

|   |                         |   |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Expand public infrastructure through development activities for LMI persons and households. Activities can include adding ADA compliance for curb ramps and sidewalks and roadway expansion projects. |

|   |                         |   |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Improve access to public infrastructure through development activities for LMI persons and households. Public infrastructure activities include improvements to infrastructure in the jurisdiction such as roadway resurfacing and improvements to curbs and ramps on sidewalks for ADA compliance.   |
| 3 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Expand and improve access to public facilities through development activities for LMI persons and households and for special needs population (elderly, persons with a disability, victims of domestic abuse, etc.). Public facilities may include neighborhood facilities, community centers and parks and recreation facilities.  |
| 4 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Increase homeownership opportunities for LMI households through the construction of new homeowner housing.  |
| 5 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Increase affordable rental housing opportunities for LMI households through rental units constructed and rental units rehabilitated.  |
| 6 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide supportive services for low income and special needs populations in the jurisdiction. Public services will target LMI citizens and may include services to address homelessness, persons with physical and mental health disabilities, the elderly, and the youth. Services may also include recreational programs for special needs populations, and education and health programs for special needs households. |
| 7 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide supportive services for low- to moderate-income households in the jurisdiction. Public services will include: fair housing awareness, crime prevention programs, case management for emergency assistance, employment programs, and health programs.  |

|    |                         |   |
|----|-------------------------|---|
| 8  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance   |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide for rapid re-housing (RRH) assistance for the homeless population in the jurisdiction.  |
| 9  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 4B Provide Assistance to Homeless Shelters  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide assistance to homeless shelters and support programs that offer overnight homeless services.  |
| 10 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 4C Provide for Street Outreach  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide for street outreach services that help to assist the homeless and homeless prevention services for the homeless population in the jurisdiction. |

**Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2)**

Hudson County estimates that over the 5-Year Strategic Plan, it will assist LMI households with affordable housing activities listed below:

Rental units constructed: 80 Household Housing Unit

Rental units rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit

Homeowner Housing Added: 20 Household Housing Unit

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

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

The County will have ongoing consultation with the Housing Authorities in regards to the need to increase the number of accessible units and if required by Section 504. As public housing authorities receiving Federal funds from HUD, the nine (9) Housing Authorities operating in Hudson County are obligated to protect the rights of persons with disabilities. The housing authorities continually work to become compliant with federal and state laws that provide protection to persons with disabilities, including Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The housing authorities also affirmatively market and assist families with disabilities.

Data from PIC (PIH Information Center) generated for the Consolidated Plan in 2019 show that there is a combined 5,431 public housing development units in use, and 731 were with disabled families (13.5%). There were 2,779 HCV vouchers and 482 were with disabled families (17.3%).

### **Activities to Increase Resident Involvements**

The County will continue to provide information about homeownership activities to the Housing Authorities for posting and/or dissemination to public housing residents to encourage them to participate in homeownership opportunities.

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

N/A

### **Plan to remove the ‘troubled’ designation**

HUD’s PIC PHA Profiles website database provides designations for the housing authorities operating in Hudson County. While none of the PHAs are designated as troubled (a housing authority with a total PHAS score below 60), the West New York and Hoboken are designated as “substandard physical” which means one of the scoring criteria which make up the total PHAS scored below 60. The PHAS score is an assessment tool HUD uses to determine the management of the housing authority in four categories: physical assessment, financial assessment, management assessment and capital fund program. A PHAS score of 90 or better is designated as “high performer.” Scores below 90 but above 60 are designated as “standard performer.” A PHAS score below 60 is designated as “troubled.”

The profiles were last updated on April 6, 2020 and can be found at: <https://pic.hud.gov/pic/haprofiles/haprofilelist.asp>

Guttenberg Housing Authority: High Performer

Harrison Housing Authority: N/A

Secaucus Housing Authority: Standard Performer

Weehawken Housing Authority: Standard Performer

West New York Housing Authority: Substandard Physical

Bayonne Housing Authority: High Performer

Hoboken Housing Authority: Substandard Physical

Union City Housing Authority: High Performer

North Bergen Housing Authority: High Performer

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

### **Barriers to Affordable Housing**

Though public policies are meant to address the overall needs of citizens in the region, there are times where they may have a negative effect on certain aspects of the community, which in this case, are affordable housing and residential investment. Affordable housing and public and private residential investments are key components in furthering fair housing in any community. In part, to identify these negative effects and further the purposes of the Fair Housing Act, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made it a legal requirement that entitlement grantees, such as Hudson County, to affirmatively further fair housing. The primary tool communities have for identifying contributing factors for these barriers to fair housing is HUD Assessment of Fair Housing Tool (AFH), which replaces the prior Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI).

It is no longer sufficient for the government to respond after housing problems arise. In order to affirmatively further fair housing, it is incumbent upon Hudson County to anticipate potential problem areas and proactively seek solutions.

In 2020, Hudson County completed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, which outlined contributing factors to fair housing issues in the County. Among some of the barriers to affordable housing are high costs of living, scarcity of available land for housing development, unequal access to conventional loans for LMI persons, and lack of supportive services and operating funds for special needs housing developments.

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

In the last decade the Division of Housing and Community Development and our partners have taken significant steps to continue to combat discrimination in the housing market.

A lot of this work has been done through the lead housing counseling and legal services entity for Hudson County, The Waterfront Project (WFP). In the last five years, through assistance from the Division of Housing and Community Development, WFP has expanded their services, staffing and counseling certifications. WFP has led many training sessions focused on fair housing and tenant's rights for residents, nonprofit social service providers, religious leaders and county staff and hold trainings annually.



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

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

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

The HCAEH has had a fully operational Coordinated Entry Program (CEP), as required by HUD, for four years. The countywide CEP is operated by Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation (GSECDC) with 2 locations across the County where homeless persons, or those at imminent risk, can seek streamlined access to services & housing. These 2 sites provide a safe, welcoming environment to all and make the program more accessible to the entire geographic area. Additionally, the CEP has mobile case managers who are able to travel across the entire County allowing those homeless persons who cannot travel to still access services. The CEP is the gateway to all CoC and ESG funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Housing (PH) projects, as well as other non HUD funded programs. The program is designed to provide all who are literally homeless, or at imminent risk, with streamlined access to individualized services designed to help them achieve and maintain housing stability. GSECDC provides individualized case management and housing assistance with the goal of providing households with the most appropriate intervention based on individual needs. The CEP is advertised through NJ 211 and by all providers. Implementation of CEP created a systematic approach to addressing homelessness which simplified the process and removed barriers/steps, thus speeding up the housing process.

The Division will also continue to fund the Homeless Street Outreach Team which also operates under GSECDC and refers unsheltered individuals encountered to the CEP. The team was created in November 2014 and works year-round. The Homeless Street Outreach Team engages and connects service resistant persons with the CEP. The Outreach team adjusts their outreach hours to best accommodate the needs of the community. The main focus of the team is engaging the unsheltered homeless population with the goal of linking them with shelter, mainstream resources and ultimately permanent housing through CEP. The team offers every street homeless person they encounter emergency shelter services. The team coordinates with existing service providers to ensure individuals have access to all resources available to them and to prevent the duplication of service. The Street Outreach Team also works with CEP staff to engage CEP clients who may have disengaged or are reluctant to accept services offered. This two team approach helps the hardest to serve remain engaged throughout the housing process.

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

While no ESG funds are being allocated to emergency shelter for FY2020, the County utilizes other funding for an individual emergency shelter, small family shelter as well as a warming center that is available during the winter months (November through March of each year). The Warming Center provides additional capacity for our shelters and ensures that no one has to sleep on the streets during

the winter months. The homeless outreach team coordinates and links unsheltered individuals with transportation to the center where they receive two meals and a warm place to spend the night.

In the last few years, the County has moved away from providing transitional housing to homeless households, instead favoring the rapid rehousing model. ESG funds will again be used to fund a rapid rehousing program. Additionally, through the Continuum of Care program, numerous rapid rehousing programs provide resources for households. The CoC currently funds 81 units of rapid rehousing including a joint transitional housing/rapid rehousing component that focuses on families with higher barriers that delay them from obtaining permanent housing immediately.

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

Providing permanent housing for homeless households remains the number one goal of the HCAEH. The HCAEH continuously tracks its progress in connecting clients with permanent housing, and the successfulness of these programs. Households are discharged from emergency shelter or transitional housing into a permanent housing placement, including households that are admitted into CoC or ESG funded permanent housing.

The HCAEH's CEP assesses the needs of each client, including their length of homelessness and prioritizes those with the longest histories for permanent housing opportunities as quickly as possible. The HCAEH also tracks recidivism and programs focus on the wrap around services that are provided with their housing assistance, which is one of the most important factors for clients maintaining their housing once they have moved in.

To assist providers in connecting their clients to permanent housing, the Division is consistently seeking additional resources and evaluating the effectiveness of current funding to create new permanent housing opportunities. The Division also allocates Homeless Trust Funding and supplemental County funding for service and support programs that enhance the overall homeless service system and enable clients to more quickly and successfully access permanent housing.

**Help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families who are likely to become homeless after being discharged from a publicly funded institution or system of care, or who are receiving assistance from public and private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education or youth needs**

Due to limited funding, the Division does not utilize CDBG or ESG for rental assistance programs geared at homeless prevention. The Division instead uses the Hudson County Homelessness Trust Fund (HCHTF) to fund these types of programs. Families are assisted by the County's homeless prevention program funded by the HCHTF. Additionally, the Department of Health and Human Services provides grants to local nonprofits for prevention assistance. The HCAEH is working to implement a comprehensive and streamlined approach to prevention and diversion to keep households out of homelessness. A large focus of this approach would involve earlier connection and access to legal services. The Division is currently working with The Waterfront Project, who receives funding through CDBG to develop this system.

Through coordination with general and prevention providers, prisoner re-entry programs and HMIS data, HCAEH has identified specific causes and risk factors for homelessness, which include a lack of or strained relationships with friends and family, criminal history and unexpected expenses or loss of employment. Some strategies the HCAEH has implemented to reduce the number of first time homeless include the use of a diversion tool at the CEP, regular coordination to avoid duplication of services, and the circulation of a resource guide to inform agencies and clients about the resources available to avoid homelessness. Lastly, the HCAEH is exploring funding opportunities to expand diversion techniques that can provide low level services to households who have some resources to prevent them from entering the shelter system.

Through the efforts of the HCAEH, the Division works with hospitals and the jail on improving discharge policies and increasing the availability of housing options for those leaving institutions. The HCAEH has partnered with the jail and hospitals in a FUSE initiative to connect high utilizing clients with permanent housing vouchers that were provided through the State. The HCAEH connects frequent users to permanent housing with this initiative. The Familiar Faces program was created specifically for clients with a high number of interactions with the local hospitals and through this initiative clients were connected to permanent housing.

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

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

Programs include a partnership with the non-profit organization PACO, the City of Jersey City's County-wide Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and the Hudson Regional Health Commission. Recently in 2019, the County received a Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant to address lead-based paint hazards from approximately 70 homes throughout Hudson County. The County administers the program in conjunction with existing local efforts to identify and educate households where lead-based paint may be present.

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

As reported in the MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing, any housing unit built prior to 1980 may contain lead-based paint in portions of the home. The most common locations are window and door frames, walls, and ceilings, and in some cases throughout the entire home. Due to this, it is generally accepted that these homes at least have a risk of lead-based paint hazards and should be tested in accordance with HUD standards. The greatest potential for lead-based paint and other environmental and safety hazards is in homes built before 1978. Within the County there are over 180,000 housing units built before 1980 and over 10,300 with children present in those homes.

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

All housing programs administered by the County will adhere closely to HUD guidelines on how to test and remove/abatement of lead-based paint hazards in accordance with HUD standards.

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

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

The County and Consortium are aware of and support a number of agencies and programs that provide services and assistance aimed directly at reducing poverty.

The Hudson County Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) Committee, which serves as a forum for organizations such as, local government, welfare, shelters, and housing providers, addressing the needs of the homeless throughout Hudson County. The CEAS meetings have become great venues to inform non-profit organizations about the HCAEH homeless and anti-poverty strategies and goals.

A subcommittee of the CEAS, the Food and Shelter Coalition, meets regularly plays an integral part of the Consortium as well as the HCAEH, providing pertinent information and assisting with the implementation of support services to Hudson County's and Jersey City's homeless and at-risk population.

To further improve the coordination of both CEAS and the Food and Shelter Coalition with the HCAEH, beginning in 2020, the CEAS and CoC merged, with the HCAEH expanding its membership to include all of the agencies working towards these goals.

These efforts and others that emerge in the course of receiving applications for programs and services will be implemented throughout the five-year planning period. Hudson County continues to look for new ways to assist this in-need population, as well as improving the use of funding to allow for the assistance of as many individuals and families as possible.

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

Outlined in this Strategic Plan are the goals the County will implement in the next five years to work towards reducing poverty in the area. These goals were identified by members in the community, shareholder organizations and program partners of the County and actively work towards reducing poverty in the County. A detailed summary of these goals can be found in SP-45 Goals and specific projects aimed towards implementing the goals are located in AP-35 Projects.

## **SP-80 Monitoring - 91.230**

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

Hudson County is responsible for developing standards and procedures for ensuring that recipients will meet the goals and purpose of the Consolidated Plan, that available funds will be disbursed in a timely manner and that projects meet National Objectives and Project Eligibility. The Division has developed a monitoring system which utilizes the project application, a CDBG Formula Risk Analysis Worksheet for each project awarded Fiscal Year Public Service Funding with subsequent on-site monitoring, a standard Subrecipient Agreement, semi-annual reports, and voucher back-up documentation to ensure compliance. Additionally, for construction projects, a Construction Project Package and checklist has been developed and is distributed to applicable recipients.

Information collected in the project application is used to determine project eligibility and compliance with national objectives, as well as to provide a benchmark by which the County can assess the timely implementation and expenditure of funds. Information collected in the application also provides the County with the projected benefits from the project, allowing for IDIS set-up. In previous program years, the Division worked to perfect the CDBG application by modifying the design. The application is linked to a score analysis sheet which Division staff complete for each application to assess the quality and eligibility of each proposal.

Once the Fiscal Year Action Plan is approved, the County conducts a CDBG Formula Risk Analysis on all projected projects receiving Public Service Funding. Using the four standard factors selected by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to determine the level of risk a subrecipient may pose to the County's CDBG Program.

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

Hudson County, like many jurisdictions, is faced with the challenging task of meeting increasing needs with fluctuating and/or decreasing federal and state resources.

The figures shown in the table below reflect HUD's current allocations. The figure for "Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan" anticipates level funding using the 2020 allocation amounts and projecting those amounts over the remaining years covered by the Consolidated Plan along with the funding that is in Reserves.

There is a total of \$155,213 CDBG reprogrammed funds. Reprogrammed funds are public services funds for \$10,000 and reprogrammed funds for construction activities for \$145,213.

If there are further funding cuts to CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs over the coming years, the County will adjust accordingly and craft Annual Action Plans reflective of funding

#### Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                       |                             |              | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan<br>\$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--|-----------------------|
|         |                 |               | Annual Allocation:<br>\$         | Program Income:<br>\$ | Prior Year Resources:<br>\$ | Total:<br>\$ |  |                       |
|         |                 |               |                                  |                       |                             |              |  |                       |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds   | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description  |
|---------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
|         |                  |   | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |  |
| CDBG    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Public Improvements<br>Public Services  | 2,163,090                        | 0                  | 155,213                  | 2,318,303 | 9,274,760   | CDBG funds are used to benefit low-and moderate-income persons/ households by services, improvements to public facilities and infrastructure improvements in qualified low/mod areas. There are reprogrammed Public Service funds of \$10,000 and reprogrammed funds for construction activities of \$145,213. |
| HOME    | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Homebuyer assistance<br>Homeowner rehab<br>Multifamily rental new construction<br>Multifamily rental rehab<br>New construction for ownership<br>TBRA | 2,748,244                        | 0                  | 0                        | 2,748,244 | 10,995,052  | HOME funds are used primarily to increase the production of and maintain the existing stock of affordable housing within the Hudson Urban County. Additionally, funds are used for the creation of low-income home-buyer opportunities.  |



| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description  |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|--|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |  |
| ESG     | public - federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing<br>Financial Assistance<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing | 174,817                          | 0                  | 0                        | 174,817   | 699,268   | ESG funds are used for emergency shelter operation, outreach and rapid-rehousing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. |

| Program | Source of Funds  | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description             |
|---------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|-----------------------------------|
|         |                  |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |                                   |
| Other   | public - federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and Planning<br>Economic Development<br>Housing<br>Overnight shelter<br>Public Services<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services | 3,076,187                        | 0                  | 0                        | 3,076,187 | 0   | CDBG CARES Act Funding            |
| Other   | public - federal | Admin and Planning<br>Overnight shelter<br>Rapid re-housing (rental assistance)<br>Rental Assistance Services<br>Transitional housing  | 2,089,371                        | 0                  | 0                        | 2,089,371 | 0   | ESG-CV funding from the CARES Act |

**Table 54 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

**Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied**

Although other public and private resources to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan are extremely limited, CDBG, HOME and ESG projects in Hudson County have been successful in securing funding from other sources.

**CDBG:**

All applicants for CDBG funding are required to submit budgets inclusive of match and leveraged funds. While match is not a requirement, the provision of CDBG funding has allowed the various nonprofit public service entities and municipalities the ability to leverage additional funding for 2020 for their operations.

**HOME:**

The HOME program requires a twenty-five percent (25%) program wide matching contribution. Given the limited HOME funding available, the majority of projects seeking funding have secured significant additional funding including LIHTC, AHTF, SNHTF, and other various state, local, and private sources.

**ESG:**

All ESG subrecipients are required to submit a budget that demonstrates their match and leveraging for the project. All projects are required to have at least 100% match for the program. Many programs match their funding with State and local funding. In addition, the County of Hudson provides supplemental funding for activities that could be covered under ESG.

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

Not applicable. The County does not have any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan.

**Discussion**

N/A

## Annual Goals and Objectives

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

#### Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name                                       | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                                   | Funding              | Goal Outcome Indicator  |
|------------|---|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---|----------------------|---|
| 1          | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure                 | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$415,546   | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10000 Persons Assisted |
| 2          | 1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity       | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$415,546   | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10000 Persons Assisted |
| 3          | 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities          | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities | CDBG:<br>\$600,990   | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8000 Persons Assisted  |
| 4          | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities         | 2020       | 2024     | Affordable Housing                |                 | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing             | HOME:<br>\$247,342   | Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit   |
| 5          | 2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities | 2020       | 2024     | Affordable Housing                |                 | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing             | HOME:<br>\$2,226,078 | Rental units constructed: 30 Household Housing Unit<br>Rental units rehabilitated: 2 Household Housing Unit         |

| Sort Order | Goal Name  | Start Year | End Year | Category                          | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed                                | Funding         | Goal Outcome Indicator  |
|------------|--|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|---|
| 6          | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Homeless Special Needs        |                 | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements | CDBG: \$50,000  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4000 Persons Assisted |
| 7          | 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households     | 2020       | 2024     | Non-Housing Community Development |                 | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements | CDBG: \$248,700 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4000 Persons Assisted |
| 8          | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance  | 2020       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness Housing and Support Services      | ESG: \$106,962  | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 40 Households Assisted                        |
| 10         | 4C Provide for Street Outreach                   | 2020       | 2024     | Homeless                          |                 | Homelessness Housing and Support Services      | ESG: \$67,855   | Homelessness Prevention: 750 Persons Assisted   |

Table 55 – Goals Summary

## Goal Descriptions

|   |                         |   |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Expand public infrastructure through development activities for LMI persons and households. Activities can include adding ADA compliance for curb ramps and sidewalks and roadway expansion projects.   |
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Improve access to public infrastructure through development activities for LMI persons and households. Public infrastructure activities include improvements to infrastructure in the jurisdiction such as roadway resurfacing and improvements to curbs and ramps on sidewalks for ADA compliance. |

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|----|-------------------------|---|
| 3  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Expand and improve access to public facilities through development activities for LMI persons and households and for special needs population (elderly, persons with a disability, victims of domestic abuse, etc.). Public facilities may include neighborhood facilities, community centers and parks and recreation facilities.  |
| 4  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities   |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Increase homeownership opportunities for LMI households through the construction of new affordable housing.   |
| 5  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities   |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Increase affordable rental housing opportunities for LMI households through rental units constructed and rental units rehabilitated.  |
| 6  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide supportive services for low income and special needs populations in the jurisdiction. Public services will target LMI citizens and may include services to address homelessness, persons with physical and mental health disabilities, the elderly, and the youth. Services may also include recreational programs for special needs populations, and education and health programs for special needs households. |
| 7  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide supportive services for low- to moderate-income households in the jurisdiction. Public services will include: fair housing awareness, crime prevention programs, case management for emergency assistance, employment programs, and health programs.  |
| 8  | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance   |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide for rapid re-housing (RRH) assistance for the homeless population in the jurisdiction.  |
| 10 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | 4C Provide for Street Outreach  |
|    | <b>Goal Description</b> | Provide for street outreach services that help to assist the homeless and homeless prevention services for the homeless population in the jurisdiction.   |





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

### Introduction

Given the limited nature of resources, the County prioritizes the needs identified through the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan process to direct the allocation of funds in a manner that maximizes community impact. The development of the Annual Action Plan involved consultation with those agencies involved in delivering housing and housing services within Hudson County, as noted in section PR-10. In addition there were meetings conducted with appropriate housing, social service agencies and municipalities regarding the housing needs of children, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, homeless persons.

The 2020 Annual Plan sets forth a description of activities for the use of funds that will become available during the coming Federal fiscal year, determines goals for individuals and households to be served, and describes the implementation plan and geographic location of the activities to be undertaken.

| #  | Project Name                                   |
|----|--|
| 1  | CDBG: Administration (20%)                     |
| 2  | CDBG: Public Facilities & Infrastructure (65%) |
| 3  | CDBG: Public Services (15%)                    |
| 4  | HOME: Administration (10%)                     |
| 5  | HOME: CHDO Reserves (15%)                      |
| 6  | HOME: CHDO Operating Funds                     |
| 7  | HOME: Non-CHDO Development Activities          |
| 8  | ESG: Homeless Housing and Services             |
| 9  | CDBG-CV Public Service                         |
| 10 | CDBG-CV Public Facility                        |
| 11 | CDBG-CV Administration                         |

Table 56 – Project Information

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

These projects are deemed to be of the highest priority and meet the greatest needs established. The chief obstacle to meeting these needs is a lack of resources to provide a greater level of assistance.

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

|   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG: Administration (20%)  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure<br>1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity<br>1C Improve Access to Public Facilities<br>2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities<br>2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities<br>3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs<br>3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households<br>4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance<br>4C Provide for Street Outreach |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities<br>Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing<br>Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements  |
|   | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$432,308   |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | Citywide administration of the CDBG program in PY 2020.   |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A   |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | Planned activities are staff salaries, planning, fair housing activities and general admin. Matrix codes are 21A and 21D.<br><br>Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development- Program Administration, 21A-General Program Administration: \$407,308<br><br>Fair Housing, The Waterfront Project, Advocacy Administration, 21D-Fair Housing Activities (subject to Admin Cap): \$25,000        |
| 2 | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG: Public Facilities & Infrastructure (65%)  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 1A Expand Public Infrastructure<br>1B Improve Public Infrastructure Capacity<br>1C Improve Access to Public Facilities  |

|          |  |  |
|----------|--|--|
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities  |
|          | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$1,432,082  |
|          | <b>Description</b>   | The County will work to expand and improve public infrastructure through development project activities for LMI persons throughout the County. The County will also work to improve access to public facilities that will benefit LMI persons and households.  |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021  |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Public Infrastructure Activities: 20,000 LMI Persons Assisted<br>Public Facility Activities: 8,000 LMI Persons Assisted  |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide   |
|          | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | Planned activities are improvements to neighborhood facilities, public facilities, and infrastructure throughout the jurisdiction. Planned activities including matrix codes are listed below:<br><br>Town of Guttenberg, Sewer Improvements-February 2021<br>Reprogramming: \$91,820.05<br><br>Town of Harrison, Harrison Public Library Renovations, 03E-Neighborhood Facilities: \$115,180<br><br>Town of Kearny, Highland Avenue Roadway Improvements Highland Avenue from Rutland Avenue to Oakwood Avenue, Service Area: CT 0125.00 BG 3, 03K-Street Improvements: \$421,200<br><br>Town of Secaucus, Dorigo Lane Parking Lot Improvements, Service Area: CT 0199.00 BG 3, 03G Parking Facilities: \$93,525<br><br>Township of Weehawken, 50th Street Improvement Project, 50th Street (Park Avenue to John F. Kennedy Boulevard East), Service Area: CT 0180.00 BG 1, 03K-Street Improvements: \$198,725<br><br>Town of West New York, West New York Public Library project, 03E-Neighborhood Facilities: \$485,810 |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG: Public Services (15%)  |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>   |  |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 3A Provide Supportive Services for Special Needs<br>3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households  |
| <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements  |
| <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$298,700   |
| <b>Description</b>   | The County will provide supportive services for LMI households and also the special needs populations in the jurisdiction. Public services that target the special needs population may include services to address persons with physical and mental health disabilities, seniors, youth, victims of domestic violence and persons who are at-risk of homelessness. |
| <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
| <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Public service activities: 4,000 Special Needs Persons Assisted<br>Public service activities: 4,000 LMI Persons Assisted  |
| <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |

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|  | <p><b>Planned Activities</b></p> | <p>Public service programs including matrix codes are listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The House of Faith, Inc., Transitional Housing-Operations, 03T-Operating Costs of Homeless Programs: \$10,000</li> <li>- Act Now Alzheimers Care Project, 05A-Senior Services: \$15,000</li> <li>- The Waterfront Project, Wills for Low-Income Seniors, 05C-Legal Services: \$15,000</li> <li>- Grace Theatre Workshop, Inc., Youth Arts Initiative, 05D-Youth Services: \$8,500</li> <li>- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Essex, Hudson &amp; Bergen Counties-Youth Mentoring Program, 05D-Youth Services: \$30,000</li> <li>- Jersey City/Hudson Pride Connections Center, Youth Connect, 05D-Youth Services: \$11,000</li> <li>- Hudson County Cancer Coalition-Underinsured Cancer Screenings, 05M-Health Services: \$4,500</li> <li>- The Kennedy Dancers, Youth Dance Program, 05D-Youth Services: \$10,000</li> <li>- Literacy New Jersey, Adult Literacy Program, 05H-Employment Training: \$15,000</li> <li>- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)-Program, 05N-Services for Abused and Neglected Children: \$13,500</li> <li>- The Waterfront Project, Housing and Legal Advocacy, 05U-Housing Counseling: \$25,000</li> <li>- The Waterfront Project, Housing and Legal Advocacy, 05U-Housing Counseling: \$25,000</li> <li>- Salvation Army, Food Pantry, 05W-Food Banks: \$13,050</li> <li>- Garden State Episcopal CDC-Hudson CASA Program Homeless Coordinated Entry, 05-Other Public Services: \$50,000</li> <li>- Collaborative Support Programs of NJ-Peer Homeless Services/ID Program, 05-Other Public Services: \$37,500</li> <li>- Save Latin America, Inc.-Community Resource Center, 05-Other Public Services: \$20,650</li> <li>- Borough of East Newark-Senior Services, 05A-Senior Services: \$20,000</li> </ul> |
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| 4                         | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOME: Administration (10%)  |
|                           | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|                           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities<br>2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities                |
|                           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing   |
|                           | <b>Funding</b>   | HOME: \$274,824   |
|                           | <b>Description</b>   | Citywide administration of the HOME program in PY 2020.   |
|                           | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|                           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A   |
|                           | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
| <b>Planned Activities</b> | staff salaries, planning and general admin   |   |
| 5                         | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOME: CHDO Reserves (15%)   |
|                           | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|                           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities<br>2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities                |
|                           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing   |
|                           | <b>Funding</b>   | HOME: \$41,236  |
|                           | <b>Description</b>   | The County will set aside 15% of HOME funds towards CHDO housing development activities.                  |
|                           | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|                           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Rental units rehabilitated: 2 Household Housing Unit<br>Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit |
|                           | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
| <b>Planned Activities</b> | Homeowner and rental development w/ eligible CHDOs   |   |

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| 6 | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOME: CHDO Operating Funds  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 2A Increase Homeownership Opportunities<br>2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities                      |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing   |
|   | <b>Funding</b>   | HOME: \$50,000  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | CHDO operating funds for eligible CHDO  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A   |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | CHDO Operating funds = \$50,000   |
| 7 | <b>Project Name</b>  | HOME: Non-CHDO Development Activities   |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 2B Increase Affordable Rental Hsg Opportunities   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing   |
|   | <b>Funding</b>   | HOME: \$2,011,183   |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | Non-CHDO Development Activities will focus on developing affordable housing through rental housing development. |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Rental units constructed: 30 Household Housing Unit<br>Homeowner units constructed: 8 Household Housing Unit    |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | Rental development activities.  |



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| 8 | <b>Project Name</b>  | ESG: Homeless Housing and Services  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 4A Provide Homeless Rapid Re-Housing Assistance<br>4C Provide for Street Outreach   |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Homelessness Housing and Support Services   |
|   | <b>Funding</b>   | ESG: \$174,817<br>ESG-CV: \$2,089,371   |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | ESG programs will provide for homeless activities and services, street outreach, and rapid re-housing assistance.   |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2021   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 40 Households Assisted<br>Homelessness Prevention: 750 Persons Assisted   |
|   | <b>Location Description</b>  | Countywide  |
|   | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | The County has allocated funds towards:<br>Garden State Episcopal CDCD - Street Outreach \$67,855<br>Garden State Episcopal CDCD – Hudson Rapid Rehousing \$106,962 |
| 9 | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG-CV Public Service  |
|   | <b>Target Area</b>   |   |
|   | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 3B Provide Vital Services for LMI Households  |
|   | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements  |
|   | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG-CV: \$1,736,629  |
|   | <b>Description</b>   | Funding provided for Public Service activities to prepare for, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus.  |
|   | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023   |
|   | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | An estimated 5,000 seniors, those with disabilities and low-and moderate-income individuals.  |

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|           | <b>Location Description</b>  | County-wide  |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | Food distribution, senior transportation, health services, rental eviction prevention services and mortgage assistance services. |
| <b>10</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG-CV Public Facility  |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>   |  |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | 1C Improve Access to Public Facilities   |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Expand/Improve Public Infrastructure & Facilities  |
|           | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG-CV: \$724,321   |
|           | <b>Description</b>   | Funding provided for public facility activities to prevent, respond to and prepare for the Coronavirus                           |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |
|           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | 690 low-and moderate-income persons  |
|           | <b>Location Description</b>  | 50 Belgrove Drive<br>CT 0132.00 BG 3   |
|           | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | To increase access to a public facility serving a low-and moderate-income tract and block group                                  |
| <b>11</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | CDBG-CV Administration   |
|           | <b>Target Area</b>   |  |
|           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   |  |
|           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   |  |
|           | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG-CV: \$615,237   |
|           | <b>Description</b>   | Funding for the administration costs for administering the CDBG-CV Program   |
|           | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2023  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <p><b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b></p> |  |
| <p><b>Location Description</b></p>  |  |
| <p><b>Planned Activities</b></p>  |  |

## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)**

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

The County targets CDBG resources to low and moderate income areas within the municipalities in the Hudson Urban County (the Borough of East Newark, the Town of Guttenberg, the Town of Harrison, the Town of Kearny, the Town of Secaucus, the Township of Weehawken and the Town of West New York) as defined by HUD on the basis of census data. The County is not targeting specific neighborhoods within the eligible municipalities, rather relying upon the participating municipalities to identify needs and potential projects in each jurisdiction.

In FY 2020, for public infrastructure and facility projects utilizing CDBG funds, an estimated 28,000 LMI persons will benefit in the municipalities of Guttenberg, Harrison, Kearny, Secaucus, Weehawken and West New York. In the CDBG Public Services Program, the projects will be countywide benefitting an estimated 8,000 low-and moderate-income individuals. As well, for ESG, an estimated 750 persons countywide will receive homeless services, and 40 will be assisted with rapid re-housing.

The County targets HOME resources to address housing priorities on a per project basis across the county geographic area. The Hudson County Consortium's HOME jurisdiction is each of the county's municipalities with the exception of Jersey City, which receives its own HOME funding.

### **Geographic Distribution**

| <b>Target Area</b> | <b>Percentage of Funds</b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
|                    |                            |

**Table 57 - Geographic Distribution**

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

The County targets CDBG resources to low and moderate income areas as defined by HUD on the basis of census data. The County is not targeting specific neighborhoods, rather relying upon the participating municipalities to identify needs and potential projects in each jurisdiction.

The scope and availability of affordable housing development necessitates flexibility in the geographic distribution of HOME funding. The County aims to provide affordable housing opportunities for residents across the geographic area to the greatest extent possible.

### **Discussion**

N/A

## Affordable Housing

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

#### Introduction

During Fiscal Year 2020 the Division projects that given the resources available approximately 32 new units created and 2 units rehabilitated will be (funded) for low and very low-income households. Two of the units will be for low-income homebuyers and the remaining units will be for low and very low income renters throughout Hudson County. ESG will fund Rapid Re-housing providing rental assistance for 40 literally homeless individuals and families.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported |    |
|---|----|
| Homeless  | 40 |
| Non-Homeless  | 34 |
| Special-Needs   | 0  |
| Total   | 74 |

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

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through |    |
|---|----|
| Rental Assistance   | 40 |
| The Production of New Units                                   | 32 |
| Rehab of Existing Units                                       | 2  |
| Acquisition of Existing Units                                 | 0  |
| Total   | 74 |

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

#### Discussion

#### Affordable housing provided for low- and moderate-income households:

Rental units constructed: 30 Household Housing Unit

Rental units rehabilitated: 2 Household Housing Unit

Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit

#### Affordable housing provided for homeless individuals and households:

Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 40 Households Assisted



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

### **Introduction**

Public housing was established to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low- and moderate-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. Public housing includes federally subsidized, affordable housing that is owned and operated by the public housing authorities. In Hudson County, nine of the eleven municipalities operate public housing programs. This does not include the Jersey City Housing Authority as Jersey City is an entitlement community not included with Hudson County.

1. Guttenberg
2. Harrison
3. Secaucus
4. Weehawken
5. West New York
6. Bayonne
7. Hoboken
8. Union City
9. North Bergen

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

The County consults with the several Housing Authorities from time to time on issues and programs.

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

The County will continue to provide information about homeownership activities to the Housing Authorities for posting and/or dissemination to public housing residents to encourage them to participate in homeownership opportunities.

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

HUD's PIC PHA Profiles website database provides designations for the housing authorities operating in Hudson County. While none of the PHAs are designated as troubled (a housing authority with a total PHAS score below 60), the West New York and Hoboken are designated as "substandard physical" which means one of the scoring criteria which make up the total PHAS scored below 60. The PHAS score is an assessment tool HUD uses to determine the management of the housing authority in four categories: physical assessment, financial assessment, management assessment and capital fund program. A PHAS



score of 90 or better is designated as “high performer.” Scores below 90 but above 60 are designated as “standard performer.” A PHAS score below 60 is designated as “troubled.”

The profiles were last updated on April 6, 2020 and can be found at: <https://pic.hud.gov/pic/haprofiles/haprofilelist.asp>

Guttenberg Housing Authority: High Performer

Harrison Housing Authority: N/A

Secaucus Housing Authority: Standard Performer

Weehawken Housing Authority: Standard Performer

West New York Housing Authority: Substandard Physical

Bayonne Housing Authority: High Performer

Hoboken Housing Authority: Substandard Physical

Union City Housing Authority: High Performer

North Bergen Housing Authority: High Performer

### **Discussion**

N/A

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

### **Introduction**

The Division leads the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness and serves as the lead applicant to HUD for Continuum of Care (CoC) homeless assistance funding. In this role, the Division is the lead on homeless planning activities and coordination of services in Hudson County.

### **Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including**

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

The HCAEH has had a fully operational Coordinated Entry Program (CEP), as required by HUD, for four years. The countywide CEP is operated by Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation (GSECDC) with 2 locations across the County where homeless persons, or those at imminent risk, can seek streamlined access to services & housing. These 2 sites provide a safe, welcoming environment to all and make the program more accessible to the entire geographic area. Additionally, the CEP has mobile case managers who are able to travel across the entire County allowing those homeless persons who cannot travel to still access services. The CEP is the gateway to all CoC and ESG funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Housing (PH) projects, as well as other non HUD funded programs. The program is designed to provide all who are literally homeless, or at imminent risk, with streamlined access to individualized services designed to help them achieve and maintain housing stability. GSECDC provides individualized case management and housing assistance with the goal of providing households with the most appropriate intervention based on individual needs. The CEP is advertised through NJ 211 and by all providers. Implementation of CEP created a systematic approach to addressing homelessness which simplified the process and removed barriers/steps, thus speeding up the housing process.

The Division will also continue to fund the Homeless Street Outreach Team which also operates under GSECDC and refers unsheltered individuals encountered to the CEP. The team was created in November 2014 and works year-round. The Homeless Street Outreach Team engages and connects service resistant persons with the CEP. The Outreach team adjusts their outreach hours to best accommodate the needs of the community. The main focus of the team is engaging the unsheltered homeless population with the goal of linking them with shelter, mainstream resources and ultimately permanent housing through CEP. The team offers every street homeless person they encounter emergency shelter services. The team coordinates with existing service providers to ensure individuals have access to all resources available to them and to prevent the duplication of service. The Street Outreach Team also works with CEP staff to engage CEP clients who may have disengaged or are reluctant to accept services

offered. This two team approach helps the hardest to serve remain engaged throughout the housing process.

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

While no emergency shelter programs are funded through ESG for FY2020, the County utilizes other funding for an individual emergency shelter, small family shelter as well as a warming center that is available during the winter months (November through March of each year). The Warming Center provides additional capacity for our shelters and ensures that no one has to sleep on the streets during the winter months. The homeless outreach team coordinates and links unsheltered individuals with transportation to the center where they receive two meals and a warm place to spend the night.

In the last several years, the County has moved away from providing transitional housing to homeless households, instead favoring the rapid rehousing model. ESG funds will again be used to fund a rapid rehousing program. Additionally, through the Continuum of Care program, numerous rapid rehousing programs provide resources for households. The CoC currently funds 81 units of rapid rehousing including a joint transitional housing/rapid rehousing component that focuses on families with higher barriers that delay them from obtaining permanent housing immediately.

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

Providing permanent housing for homeless households remains the number one goal of the HCAEH. The HCAEH continuously tracks its progress in connecting clients with permanent housing, and the successfulness of these programs. Households are discharged from emergency shelter or transitional housing into a permanent housing placement, including households that are admitted into CoC or ESG funded permanent housing.

The HCAEH's CEP assesses the needs of each client, including their length of homelessness and prioritizes those with the longest histories for permanent housing opportunities as quickly as possible. The HCAEH also tracks recidivism and programs focus on the wrap around services that are provided with their housing assistance, which is one of the most important factors for clients maintaining their housing once they have moved in.

To assist providers in connecting their clients to permanent housing, the Division is consistently seeking

additional resources and evaluating the effectiveness of current funding to create new permanent housing opportunities. The Division also allocates Homeless Trust Funding and supplemental County funding for service and support programs that enhance the overall homeless service system and enable clients to more quickly and successfully access permanent housing.

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

Due to limited funding, the Division does not utilize CDBG or ESG for rental assistance programs geared at homeless prevention. The Division instead uses the Hudson County Homelessness Trust Fund (HCHTF) to fund these types of programs. Families are assisted by the County's homeless prevention program funded by the HCHTF. Additionally, the Department of Health and Human Services provides grants to local nonprofits for prevention assistance. The HCAEH is working to implement a comprehensive and streamlined approach to prevention and diversion to keep households out of homelessness. A large focus of this approach would involve earlier connection and access to legal services. The Division is currently working with The Waterfront Project, who receives funding through CDBG to develop this system.

Through coordination with general and prevention providers, prisoner re-entry programs and HMIS data, HCAEH has identified specific causes and risk factors for homelessness, which include a lack of or strained relationships with friends and family, criminal history and unexpected expenses or loss of employment. Some strategies the HCAEH has implemented to reduce the number of first time homeless include the use of a diversion tool at the CEP, regular coordination to avoid duplication of services, and the circulation of a resource guide to inform agencies and clients about the resources available to avoid homelessness. Lastly, the HCAEH is exploring funding opportunities to expand diversion techniques that can provide low level services to households who have some resources to prevent them from entering the shelter system.

Through the efforts of the HCAEH, the Division works with hospitals and the jail on improving discharge policies and increasing the availability of housing options for those leaving institutions. The HCAEH has partnered with the jail and hospitals in a FUSE initiative to connect high utilizing clients with permanent housing vouchers that were provided through the State. The HCAEH connects frequent users to permanent housing with this initiative. The Familiar Faces program was created specifically for clients with a high number of interactions with the local hospitals and through this initiative clients were connected to permanent housing.

**Discussion**

N/A

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

### **Introduction**

There is a great need to replace affordable housing that has been lost in Hudson County. However, replacement of rental housing units specially developed for the low- and moderate-income families have proven to be cost prohibitive in Hudson County due to the amount of financing required for new construction. Conversion of rental units into condominiums and rapidly increasing rents have further eroded the rental housing market and caused dislocation, homelessness and overcrowding. The present housing market condition has most seriously impacted the extremely low- and low-income households who are unable to afford the average requested rents for vacant rental units.

Among some of the barriers to affordable housing are high costs of living, scarcity of available land for housing development, unequal access to conventional loans for LMI persons, and lack of supportive services and operating funds for special needs housing developments. The primary impediment to the creation and maintenance of affordable housing in the County is the lack of sufficient funding from federal and state resources. The lack of programs and resources to develop affordable housing units and to provide rental assistance to very low- and low-income tenants are important factors.

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

As a County Consortium, the Participating Jurisdiction does not have control over zoning or building codes etc. The County partners with the local municipalities to promote programs and partnerships that positively impact affordable housing availability.

In the last decade the Division of Housing and Community Development and our partners have taken significant steps to continue to combat discrimination in the housing market. A lot of this work has been done through the lead housing counseling and legal services entity for Hudson County, The Waterfront Project (WFP). In the last five years, through assistance from the Division of Housing and Community Development, WFP has expanded their services, staffing and counseling certifications. WFP has led many training sessions focused on fair housing and tenant's rights for residents, nonprofit social service providers, religious leaders and county staff and hold trainings annually.

### **Discussion**

N/A

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

### **Introduction**

The County will undertake other actions as resources permit.

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

The obstacles to fully implementing these programs are several.

The greatest challenge to meeting underserved needs in the coming year will be meeting the increased need for program activities with a limited amount of funding. To overcome this significant challenge the County will work more efficiently, seek a greater level of collaboration with other agencies and organizations, and aggressively seek opportunities to leverage funds.

However, the lack of land for new construction, the poor financial credit of many potential homebuyers, the cost of construction and materials, the reluctance of financial institutions to participate in programs, and misconceptions and misunderstanding about public housing programs and tenants also impede progress. All of these problems can be addressed, but they require patience and persistence.

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

The County places great emphasis upon seeing that decent, safe affordable housing is available for low-income residents to the extent possible. The County also believes that rehabilitation of both rental and owner housing units is a High priority, as these efforts keep people in affordable housing and, especially for extremely low-income and elderly homeowners, may serve to prevent homelessness. To address this need the County is partnering with community organizations and local municipalities to prevent foreclosure. Homeless activities, ranging from providing emergency shelter to preventing homelessness receive a High priority. Thus, the County will focus on multiple efforts including rental assistance, rental rehabilitation, new rental construction, as well as homeowner repair to provide affordable housing and in many instances prevent homelessness.

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

The County has received a Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant to address lead-based paint hazards from approximately 70 homes throughout Hudson County. The County administers the program in conjunction with existing local efforts to identify and educate households where lead-based paint may be present. Existing programs include a partnership with the non-profit organization PACO, the City of Jersey City's County-wide Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and the Hudson Regional Health Commission.

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

The County and the Consortium are aware of and support a number of agencies and programs that provide services and assistance aimed directly at reducing poverty.

The Hudson County Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) Committee, which serves as a forum for organizations such as, local government, welfare, shelters, and housing providers, addressing the needs of the homeless throughout Hudson County. The CEAS meetings have become great venues to inform non-profit organizations about the HCAEH homeless and anti-poverty strategies and goals.

A subcommittee of the CEAS, the Food and Shelter Coalition, meets regularly plays an integral part of the Consortium as well as the HCAEH, providing pertinent information and assisting with the implementation of support services to Hudson County's and Jersey City's homeless and at-risk population.

To further improve the coordination of both CEAS and the Food and Shelter Coalition with the HCAEH, beginning in 2020, the CEAS and CoC merged, with the HCAEH expanding its membership to include all of the agencies working towards these goals.

These efforts and others that emerge in the course of receiving applications for programs and services will be implemented throughout the coming year. Hudson County continues to look for new ways to assist this in-need population, as well as improving the use of funding to allow for the assistance of as many individuals and families as possible.

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

The County's strategy to improve and develop the institutional structure includes: Training and capacity building for non-profit partners; Monitoring and technical assistance to improve outcomes and ensure compliance with program regulations; Encouraging collaboration among agencies and encouraging agencies to participate in county-wide collaborations.

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

As mentioned above, the County's strategy to improve and develop the institutional structure includes: Training and capacity building for non-profit partners; Monitoring and technical assistance to improve outcomes and ensure compliance with program regulations; Encouraging collaboration among agencies and encouraging agencies to participate in county-wide collaborations.

In addition, through performance reports such as the CAPER, the County will be able to identify where



improvements need to be made and where there are gaps in services.

**Discussion**

N/A

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction

The section describes the program specific requirements for the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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

#### Other CDBG Requirements

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities   | 0       |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 100.00% |

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

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

as follows:

The County does not receive any atypical loans, grant instruments, nonconforming loan guarantees, and other forms of investments.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

If a home purchased with HOME assistance is sold during the period of affordability resale provisions apply to ensure the continued provision of affordable housing over the entire period of affordability. Resale provisions are used because the Hudson County HOME program does not provide direct assistance to the homebuyer.

All designated HOME-assisted property sales or transfers under the resale provision during the period of affordability shall meet the following criteria:

1. The new purchaser must meet the criteria of low income defined as having an income below 80% of AMI adjusted for household size and occupy the property as the family's principal residence.
2. Net proceeds from the sale must provide the original homebuyer a "fair return" on his/her investment (including any down payment and capital improvement investment made by the seller since purchase). The sales price may encompass the following in its formula:
  - a. The cost of any capital improvements, documented with receipts including but not limited to the following:
    - i. Any additions to the home that increases the square footage of the home or creation of a new bathroom;
    - ii. Replacement of major systems such as HVAC, plumbing, electric, or roof;
    - iii. Accessibility improvements and modifications for disabled or elderly which were not installed through a federal, state, or locally funded grant program.
  - b. The maximum allowable resale price shall be defined as the original purchase price of the home adjusted by the accumulated Annual 12-Month Percent Change of the Consumer Price Index-All Urban Consumers Not Seasonally Adjusted measure as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in the United States Department of Labor (<https://data.bls.gov>) plus documented capital improvement expenditures. If the Annual 12-Month percent change of the Consumer Price Index is negative, the

Maximum Resale Price from the prior year will be used to avoid a reduction in the Maximum Resale Price. For a resale occurring midyear, the prorated average of the preceding months Consumer Price Index will be used to calculate the year to date increase, if any. Expenditures and payments for capital improvements must be fully documented in order to be included in the resale price calculation.

The resale policy is enforced through the use of restrictive covenants.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

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4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

N/A

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

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

The Division has written standards for providing ESG assistance which are contained within the attached ESG Policy and Procedures Manual. A copy of the policies and procedures are mailed to all subrecipients along with their contracts.

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

The HCAEH has had a fully operational Coordinated Entry Program (CEP), as required by HUD, for four years. The countywide CEP is operated by Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation (GSECDC) with 2 locations across the County where homeless persons, or those at imminent risk, can seek streamlined access to services & housing. These 2 sites provide a safe,

welcoming environment to all and make the program more accessible to the entire geographic area. Additionally, the CEP has mobile case managers who are able to travel across the entire County allowing those homeless persons who cannot travel to still access services. The CEP is the gateway to all CoC and ESG funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Housing (PH) projects, as well as other non HUD funded programs. The program is designed to provide all who are literally homeless, or at imminent risk, with streamlined access to individualized services designed to help them achieve and maintain housing stability. GSECDC provides individualized case management and housing assistance with the goal of providing households with the most appropriate intervention based on individual needs. The CEP is advertised through 211 and by all providers. Implementation of CEP created a systematic approach to addressing homelessness which simplified the process and removed barriers/steps, thus speeding up the housing process.

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

Each year the Division releases an application for ESG funding. The application is advertised in local papers, shared with the Continuum of Care and other nonprofit mailing lists. These groups are inclusive of organizations that work with the homeless throughout the County. All applications are reviewed and ranked by the performance and evaluation committee of the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness/CoC and funding recommendations are made to the Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

Not applicable. There are homeless/formerly homeless individuals included in the membership and Executive Board of the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness/CoC.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the Continuum of Care, developed performance standards that provide measures to evaluate the effectiveness of 1) Reducing the number of people living on the streets and emergency shelters; 2) shortening the time people spend homeless; and 3) reducing each program participant's housing barriers or housing stability risks.

The Division will continue to consult with the CoC regarding the project and system wide performance standards. This will also include how well the performance measures are met through

the use of HMIS, including tracking the length of time persons are homeless, returns to homelessness, reducing numbers of homeless households and increasing the percent of exits to permanent housing, income, and prevention of homelessness.

The Division will utilize its HMIS system to monitor performance through the following indicators:

- Number of individuals/households served by rapid re-housing activities
- Exit destinations (temporary and permanent) of individuals/households served
- Length of time served by ESG program
- Amount of clients that return to homelessness within 6 months to 2 years of discharge
- Increase of all income sources at discharge
- Increase of earned income sources at discharge
- Engagement with the Coordinated Entry Program

The standards are largely based on the requirements set forth in the HEARTH Act, but have been adopted to reflect the specific conditions and priorities in Hudson County. The exact Performance Standards are included below.

**Successful connection of homeless individuals and families to income and employment.**

- At least 20% of households will increase overall income by program exit
- At least 20% of households will be employed at program exit

**Successful housing placement to or retention in a permanent housing destination.**

- 30% of households being discharged from emergency shelters move on to a permanent destination
- 85% of households will remain in permanent housing projects or be discharged to a permanent housing destination (Prevention and RRH programs included)

**Decrease in households being discharged from programs due to program related barriers.**

- Less than 20% of households are will be discharged from projects in the community due to noncompliance or a disagreement with the project rules or persons

**The extent to which individuals and families who leave homelessness experience additional spells of homelessness.**

- Less than 20% of households discharged from emergency shelter projects are discharged to another emergency shelter or to a place not meant for habitation

**Successful connection to shelter and services.**

- Emergency shelter programs will operate with an average of at least 90% capacity
- At least 75% of clients in emergency shelter will be engaged with GSECDC coordinated entry

## Attachments



**JERSEY CITY**

# 2 teens nabbed after chase in shooting on Wilkinson Ave.

BY RON ZEITLINGER  
MANAGING EDITOR

Two teens were charged in the shooting of a man in an area of Jersey City that has seen four fatal shootings and other violent incidents recently, authorities said.

Nashawn J. Morrison, 18, and a 16-year-old were arrested after trying to flee from police, first in a stolen vehicle, and then on foot Thursday. Jersey City spokeswoman Kimberly Wallace-Scalcione said. The 16-year-old was behind the wheel, police said.

The 23-year-old victim was shot in front of 123 Wilkinson Ave., between Ocean Avenue and Martin Luther King Drive, at 5:25 p.m. Thursday. He was treated for injuries that were not considered life-threatening at a local hospital, Wallace-Scalcione said.

After the shooting, police located the vehicle allegedly used in the incident. The 16-year-old driver, with Morrison also in the vehicle, led police on a short chase after officers attempted to pull over the vehicle, Wallace-Scalcione said.

The two were quickly apprehended after a short foot pursuit. Morrison was charged with attempted murder, multiple weapons offenses, resisting arrest, hindering/obstruction and bail jumping.

## Pedestrian is killed on I-280

A person was struck and killed by a truck on a Hudson County highway early Saturday morning, authorities said.

At 1:23 a.m., New Jersey State Police responded to a report of an accident on I-280 eastbound, in Harrison, said Trooper Charles Marchan. A truck was traveling on the highway when it hit the pedestrian who was in the middle of the road, he said.

The pedestrian, whose name was not released, died from the injuries.

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The 16-year-old was charged with aggravated assault with serious bodily injury, multiple weapons offenses, resisting arrest, eluding police officers and receiving stolen property knowing the property was stolen. The shooting occurred along a 1.3-mile stretch of the southern section of the city that has seen a spike in violence since March 31. Four people, including a 17-year-old girl, have been fatally shot and multiple other shooting incidents have occurred since the end of March.

**HUDSON COUNTY - THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given to the public that the West New York Board of Education, in the County of Hudson of the State of New Jersey, that a regular Board of Education meeting will be held on April 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT** due to the current State of Emergency, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(b), and guidance from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, this Public Meeting will be held by remote means. Details for how to access and participate in the Public Meeting through remote means are listed herein and will be posted on the District Website at: <http://www.wnyschools.net/district/BOEmeetingsnotices.asp>.

Instructions for observing the Public Meeting remotely are as follows:

Topic: Regular Working Session Meeting  
Time: April 15, 2020 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

1. Join Zoom Meeting online: click on the link below or enter the link below into your internet browser, hit "ENTER" and follow the prompts

<https://bit.ly/2XlxoHq>  
Meeting ID: 812 220 839  
Password: 07093  
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**Agenda items:**

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| <b>BUSINESS AND FINANCE</b>                  | <b>SPECIAL SERVICES</b>                        |
| 1.1 Treasurer of School Monies Report        | 4.1 Transportation and Placements 2019-2020 SY |
| 1.2 Approval of Minutes                      | 4.2 Bedside Instruction                        |
| 1.3 Paid Bill List                           | 4.3 Starlight Homecare Agency, Inc.            |
| 1.4 Transfers                                | <b>LEGAL</b>                                   |
| 1.5 (ERESC) Contracts - 2020-2021            | 5.1 Next Board Meeting                         |
| 1.6 Donation - Bright View Engineering, LLC. | 5.2 HIB Report                                 |
| 1.7 Landtek Group - Payment Authorization    | <b>PERSONNEL</b>                               |
| 1.8 Textbook Series - Science Program        | 6.1 Resignations/Retirement                    |
|  | 6.2 FMLA and NJFLA                             |

A portion of the meetings may be closed to the public for attorney client privilege, negotiations and matters of personnel. Board action will be taken.

Dean Austin  
School Business Administrator | Board Secretary



**HUDSON COUNTY**

AND  
HUDSON COUNTY CONSORTIUM  
2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
PROGRAM YEAR (PY) 2020 ACTION PLAN  
ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE

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Due to COVID-19 crisis, and in efforts to minimize a large gathering, the Public Meeting will be held virtually:

**DATE:** April 22, 2020  
**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.

To register for this public meeting, please email [HC.Drafting@hudsonnj.gov](mailto:HC.Drafting@hudsonnj.gov) or call 201-369-4526.

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Randi A. Moore  
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**KNIGHTS from Page 1**  
the efforts of the Fatima Society for some time."

The Knights also donated \$17,000 to build a new kitchen at the Holy Cross rectory.

And believe it or not, it doesn't end here.

Council No. 402 has also agreed to pay off a \$42,000 loan taken out by Holy Cross/St. Anthony's (East Newark.) The loan enabled St. Anthony's to install three new marble altars in the East Newark church. The Knights originally pledged \$25,000 to have the main altar dedicated to the memory of the church's former pastor, the Rev. Anthony Granato.

The altars all came from a convent in Kentucky.

And we're still not finished.

The council also paid off a \$27,000 loan for St. Anthony's that was taken out to install a new gas heating system in the church when the old system gave out.

Still not done.

The Knights also presented a check for \$100,000 so that Our Lady of Czestochowa Church may repair the church's roof. The donation will honor the Rev. Henry Kaminski, former chaplain of the council and the Rev. Rudy Zubik, current chaplain.

"Much of the credit goes to K of C Treasurer Stan Dunaj and Attorney Advocate Al Cifelli, without whom these transactions could not have been completed," Dolaghan said. "Both men put in many pro-bono hours of their time on these investments and transactions."

Not bad for a few months' work.

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3

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4

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5

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6

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7

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carse con ellos, pero también con médicos y profesores. Para blindarles un espacio "seguro" y asegurar la privacidad de esas conversaciones, todos los mensajes de esta red están cifrados "de extremo a extremo".





### PLAN CONSOLIDADO 2020-2024 PLAN DE ACCIÓN PROGRAMA AÑO (PA) 2020 ANÁLISIS 2020 DE IMPEDIMENTOS PARA FAIR HOUSING CHOICE DEL URBAN HUDSON COUNTY AND HUDSON COUNTY CONSORTIUM

#### AVISO DE PROPUESTA PLAN CONSOLIDADO 2020-2024, ANTEPROYECTO DE PLAN DE ACCIÓN PA 2020 Y ANÁLISIS 2020 DE IMPEDIMENTOS DE FAIR HOUSING CHOICE AVISO DE PERÍODO DE COMENTARIO DEL PÚBLICO Y REUNIÓN PÚBLICA

**CANTIDAD DE FONDOS ANTICIPADOS DISPONIBLES**

El Condado del Condado Urbano de Hudson (Condado) está anunciando el lanzamiento del anteproyecto del Plan Consolidado a 5 años 2020-2024 y su Plan de Acción PA 2020 que lo acompaña, así como el Análisis del reporte de Impedimentos del Fair Housing Choice. Estos Planes identifican proyectos y programas específicos que el Condado tiene la intención de implementar con fondos de los subsidios Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) y fondos de HOME Investment Partnership (HOME). Estos fondos se reciben anualmente del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD) para proyectos locales que benefician principalmente a personas de bajos ingresos. La cantidad de fondos para el Programa del Año 2020 (1 de julio de 2020 al 30 de junio de 2021) de HUD para los programas contenidos en el Plan de Acción PA 2020 es la siguiente:

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**ANUNCIO DE REUNIÓN PÚBLICA**

El condado de Hudson llevará a cabo una reunión pública virtual abierta a todos los residentes del condado de Hudson, especialmente a los residentes y hogares de bajos y moderados ingresos de los municipios del condado urbano de East Newark, Guttenberg, Harrison, Kearny, Secaucus, Weehawken y West New York sobre Programas CDBG y ESG. Además, el Condado de Hudson es la agencia principal para el Consorcio HOME del Condado de Hudson, que consiste en los municipios del Condado Urbano y las comunidades de Derechos de Bayonne, Hoboken, North Bergen y Union City con respecto al Programa HOME. Por último, el Análisis de impedimentos para Fair Housing Choice del Condado también estará disponible para comentarios públicos y retroalimentación. La reunión pública brindará una oportunidad para que todos los residentes y proveedores sin fines de lucro aborden y comenten las recomendaciones propuestas sobre actividades específicas que el Condado llevará a cabo en su presentación al HUD.

Debido a la crisis de COVID-19, y en un esfuerzo por minimizar una gran reunión, la Reunión Pública se llevará a cabo virtualmente:

**FECHA: 22 de abril de 2020**  
**HORA: 4:00 p.m.**

Para registrarse en esta reunión pública, envíe un correo electrónico a [HCDmeeting@hcnj.us](mailto:HCDmeeting@hcnj.us) o llame al 201-369-4520.

El propósito de esta reunión pública es proporcionar a los ciudadanos, organismos públicos y otras partes interesadas información sobre la cantidad de fondos disponibles para el desarrollo comunitario propuesto y las actividades de vivienda y el rango de actividades elegibles que se llevarán a cabo bajo el Plan Consolidado a 5 años y el Plan de Acción PA 2020. También se pondrá a disposición un resumen del Análisis de impedimentos del Fair Housing Choice. Esto incluirá una presentación al público, un anteproyecto del Plan de Acción PA 2020 del Condado de Hudson, que incluye actividades y proyectos que el Condado recomendará para su financiación en el Plan de Acción PA 2020 al HUD.

Se incentiva a todas las personas interesadas a asistir y hacer valiosos comentarios sobre proyectos y programas para considerar su financiamiento. Además, se incentiva a todas las personas interesadas a revisar el Anteproyecto del Plan de Acción PA 2020 del Condado disponible en forma impresa en la dirección anterior o contactando a Heather Hanks, Gerente del Programa CDBG en [hhanks@hcnj.us](mailto:hhanks@hcnj.us) o llamando al 201-369-4520.

Asistencia de Traducción: El Condado de Hudson se esforzará por proporcionar asistencia de traducción para reuniones públicas e información del programa. Comuníquese con la oficina de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario con al menos 48 horas de anticipación si necesita asistencia de traducción para la reunión pública. Los subtítulos cerrados estarán disponibles durante la reunión pública virtual. Para solicitar asistencia, comuníquese con: [HCDmeeting@hcnj.us](mailto:HCDmeeting@hcnj.us) o llame al 201-369-4520.

**PERÍODO DE COMENTARIO PÚBLICO**

De conformidad con las regulaciones federales, el Condado de Hudson mantendrá un período de comentarios públicos de 30 días abierto a todos los residentes, especialmente a los residentes de ingresos bajos y moderados sobre el anteproyecto del Plan de Acción PA 2020.

El propósito del período de comentarios de 30 días será obtener del público sus puntos de vista y comentarios sobre las actividades de proyectos propuestas por el Condado de Hudson a los Planes de Acción del Condado de Hudson para PA 2020. Las regulaciones federales requieren que el Condado de Hudson proporcione 30 días de período de comentarios públicos para el Anteproyecto del Plan de Acción PA 2020. Los ciudadanos tienen 30 días a partir de la fecha de este aviso público para revisar el documento y enviar comentarios. El período de comentarios públicos comenzará el 13 de abril de 2020.

Se anticipa que alrededor del 15 de mayo de 2020 a las 6:00 p.m., la Junta de Concejales Elegidos del Condado de Hudson en su reunión programada regular adoptará una resolución que autoriza al Ejecutivo del Condado a presentar el Plan de Acción PA 2020 al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano.

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| <b>Condado de Hudson</b><br>Consejo de Legisladores Escogidos                         | <b>Thomas A. DeGise</b><br>Ejecutivo del Condado | <b>Abraham Antun</b><br>Administrador del Condado                                      |
| <b>Thomas A. DeLeo</b><br>Directora, Departamento de Parques y Servicios Comunitarios |  | <b>Randy A. Moore</b><br>Jefe de División, División Desarrollo de Vivienda y Comunidad |

# SWAT team removes man from home after 3-hour standoff in Teaneck

BY ANTHONY G. ATTRINO  
NJ ADVANCE MEDIA

Members of the Bergen County Regional SWAT team removed a man from his home Sunday night following a three-hour standoff in Teaneck.

Police were called about 4 p.m. to a report of a shooting and a man with a gun at the home on Churchill Road, according to police Chief Glenn M. O'Reilly.

"Within minutes, responding officers arrived on scene and began a dialogue with the male resident who was apparently experiencing some type of medical condition (and) an altered mental state," O'Reilly said in an email. "The responding officers attempted to get the man to exit his residence but he refused to do so ..."

Members of the county SWAT team surrounding the home as neighboring homes were evacuated

and police closed nearby roads, O'Reilly said. After attempts to coax the resident from his home, members of the SWAT team forced their way inside and took the man into custody, O'Reilly said.

"A sweep of the residence didn't reveal any victims of a shooting, any evidence of a firearm being discharged, or any firearms."

The man, whose name was not released, was taken to a local hospital for evaluation, police said.



URBAN HUDSON COUNTY  
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FY 2020 ACTION PLAN APPLICATION  
AVAILABILITY NOTICE

**AMOUNT OF ANTICIPATED FUNDS AVAILABLE**

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|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)   | \$2,400,000 |
| Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)            | \$ 165,000  |
| HOME Investment Partnership CHDO Operating | \$ 50,000   |
| Total                                      | \$2,215,000 |

**APPLICATIONS WILL BE RELEASED ON FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

**Who Should Apply?**

- Private non-profit organizations that have received 501(c)(3) federal tax exempt status from the U. S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and are registered as a non-profit corporation in the State of New Jersey.
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Applications will only be accepted through the ZoomGrants system. Applicants who are unable to utilize the system must submit a written request for a waiver documenting why they are unable to meet this requirement. Waiver requests must be submitted to Randi Moore at [rmoores@hudsonnj.us](mailto:rmoores@hudsonnj.us) no later than February 24, 2020 at 4:00pm. All applications are due by 4:00pm on March 9, 2020.

Interested parties may access the applications on the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development's website located here: <http://www.hudsoncounty.nj.gov/housing-and-community-development/hud>. Or by contacting Heather Hanks at [hhanks@hudsonnj.us](mailto:hhanks@hudsonnj.us) for CDBG or Katelyn Ravensbergen at [kravensbergs@hudsonnj.us](mailto:kravensbergs@hudsonnj.us) for ESG or Kim El-Sadek, [keladek@hudsonnj.us](mailto:keladek@hudsonnj.us) for HOME.

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# Prepare to party at Kearny PBA's Street Feast

## This year's event will span much of Kearny Ave., feature rides, more

By Kevin Caron  
krc@theobserver.com

If you've ever been to a PBA Local No. 21 event that Kearny Det. John Fabula has thrown, you know it's always a great time (think food trucks.) And now, his most ambitious ever event is on the calendar — and it's one for which you'll definitely want to save the date — May 16 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

That's the day when a good portion of Kearny Avenue will be shut down for the PBA's Street Feast that will stretch from Quincey Avenue to Bergen

Avenue. The food trucks will be back, but Fabula says there will be a lot more for everyone, of all ages, to enjoy.

"There will be full rides, games, concessions, live music, a beer garden and much more," Fabula says. "The beer garden will be in the parking lot across the street from Mandes and there will be music there and for smaller acts, on the steps of Town Hall. (at 402 Kearny Ave.) The food trucks will be there (as they have before) and we're hoping to involve local restaurants. There will also be

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This year's Street Feast, as in years past, will include a plethora of food trucks like this one that was on hand for the 2017 event. There will, however, be a lot more than just food trucks. Below photo: Deputy Police Chief Scott Masie, left, chats it up with, from left, Lyla DeCastro, Mayor Alberto S. Santos and Councilman Allice Carbone at the 2017 event.

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**CONDADO DE HUDSON URBANO  
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**AVISO DE DISPONIBILIDAD DE APLICACIÓN  
DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN AF 2020**

**CANTIDAD DE FONDOS ANTICIPADOS DISPONIBLES**

El Condado de Hudson está anunciando el lanzamiento de las solicitudes de subvención para el año del Programa 2020 de Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) y Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), y HOME Investment Partnership CHDO Operating. Los fondos se reciben anualmente del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD por su siglas en inglés) para proyectos locales que benefician principalmente a personas de bajos ingresos. Ejemplos de tipos de proyectos elegibles son: servicios públicos, desarrollo económico, proyectos de infraestructura/instalaciones públicas, proyectos para reducir la falta de vivienda en el condado de Hudson. La cantidad estimada de fondos anticipados para el Año del Programa 2020 (1 de julio de 2020 al 30 de junio de 2021) de HUD para los programas contenidos en el Plan de Acción 2020 es la siguiente:

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)   | \$2,000,000        |
| Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)            | \$ 185,000         |
| HOME Investment Partnership CHDO Operating | \$ 50,000          |
| <b>Total</b>                               | <b>\$2,215,000</b> |

**LAS APLICACIONES ESTARÁN DISPONIBLES  
EL 18 DE FEBRERO DE 2020**

**Quiénes debe aplicar?**

- Organizaciones privadas sin fines de lucro que han recibido el estado de exención de impuestos federales 501(c)(3) del Servicio de Impuestos Internos (IRS) de los EE. UU. y están registradas como corporaciones sin fines de lucro en el Estado de Nueva Jersey;
- Desarrolladores sin fines de lucro que calificarán como Organizaciones de Desarrollo de Viviendas Comunitarias bajo el Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME
- Agencias públicas
- Municipios dentro del Consorcio Hudson Urban County (East Newark, Guttenberg, Harrison, Kearny, Secaucus, Weehawken y West New York).
- Los solicitantes de subvenciones CDBG deben demostrar que atenderán principalmente a residentes y hogares de ingresos bajos y moderados de los municipios del condado urbano de Hudson County en East Newark, Guttenberg, Harrison, Kearny, Secaucus, Weehawken y West New York.

Las solicitudes solo se aceptarán a través del sistema ZoomGrants. Los solicitantes que no puedan utilizar el sistema deben presentar una solicitud por escrito de una exención que documente el por qué no pueden cumplir con este requisito. Las solicitudes de exención deben enviarse a Randi Moore a moore@hcnj.us a más tardar el 24 de febrero de 2020 a las 4:00 p.m. Todas las solicitudes deben presentarse antes de las 4:00 pm del 9 de marzo de 2020.

Las partes interesadas pueden acceder a las solicitudes en el sitio web de la División de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Hudson ubicado aquí: <http://www.hudsoncountynj.org/about-housing-and-community-development-hcd/>. O comunicándose con Heather Hanks en [hhanks@hcnj.us](mailto:hhanks@hcnj.us) para CDBG o Katelyn Ravensbergen en [kravensbergen@hcnj.us](mailto:kravensbergen@hcnj.us) para ESG o Kim El-Sadek, [kelsadek@hcnj.us](mailto:kelsadek@hcnj.us) para HOME.

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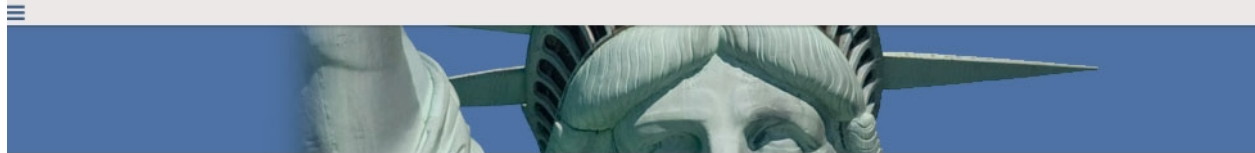
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Public Meeting 4/22/2020

| Did Person Attend? | First Name | Last Name  | Email | Registration Time | Approval Status | last_name  | City         | Organization   | Questions & Comments  |
|--------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|--|---|
| Yes                | Ara        | Vilela     |       | 4/20/20 15:48     | approved        | Vilela     | Jersey City  | Hudson County Housing Resource Center                              | Will funds from the CARES Act be made available to the constituents who have lost income/employment and cannot afford to pay rent? Since there is no "rent forgiveness" in place, where may families apply for rental arrears assistance? Thank you.      |
| Yes                | Beverly    | Savage     |       | 4/22/20 16:17     | approved        | Savage     | Jersey City  | Hudson County CASA   | Thank you for holding this meeting.   |
| Yes                | Brian      | Benjamin   |       | 4/20/20 15:28     | approved        | Benjamin   | Secaucus, NJ | Self   | I'd like to learn all I can. Thank you. Stay safe.  |
|                    | carmel     | Galasso    |       | 4/14/20 13:54     | approved        | Galasso    | Jersey City  | United Way   | Not at this time.   |
| Yes                | Carmen     | Gandulla   |       | 4/20/20 14:51     | approved        | Gandulla   | Jersey City  | JC Division of Community Development                               | none at this time   |
| Yes                | Daniel     | Abilio     |       | 4/14/20 13:04     | approved        | Abilio     | Jersey City  | United Way Of Hudson County  | Register  |
| Yes                | Danielle   | Mineo      |       | 4/14/20 13:15     | approved        | Mineo      | Jersey City  | Soldier On   | None  |
|                    | Elizabeth  | Scheidt    |       | 4/15/20 12:23     | approved        | Scheidt    | Jersey City  | Hudson Pride Center  | LGBTQ+ Community Center   |
| Yes                | Emily      | Burde      |       | 4/21/20 11:01     | approved        | Burde      | Jersey City  | Boys and Girls Clubs of Hudson County                              | No questions at this time.  |
|                    | Ether      | Wintner    |       | 4/20/20 14:20     | approved        | Wintner    | Jersey City  | Myself   | I would like to address public transport and sanitation as it relates to Covid19  |
|                    | Gary       | Jeffes     |       | 4/16/20 16:15     | approved        | Jeffes     | Secaucus     | Town of Secaucus   | None at this time.  |
| Yes                | Jaclyn     | Cherubini  |       | 4/22/20 15:43     | approved        | Cherubini  | Hoboken      | Hoboken Shelter  | Homeless Shelters need funding, thank!  |
| Yes                | Jennifer   | Rodriguez  |       | 4/22/20 12:17     | approved        | Rodriguez  | Union City   | Save Lat in America  | I am an intern. I just want to learn about what these meetings entail.  |
|                    | Josel      | Ortiz      |       | 4/20/20 14:04     | approved        | Ortiz      | Jersey City  | JC-D-CD  | N/A   |
| Yes                | Joseph     | Calacoto   |       | 4/15/20 11:02     | approved        | Calacoto   | Jersey City  | MMALS  | n/a   |
|                    | Joyce      | Adams      |       | 4/20/20 17:52     | approved        | Adams      | JERSEY CITY  | Hudson County Cancer Coalition                                     | We have been a recipient of a Hud. Cty. CDBG grant for many years. We hope to continue this partnership because it is more important than ever to provide our citizens with education, and access to good health care. A healthier community is our goal. |
| Yes                | Kelly      | McGuinness |       | 4/22/20 15:29     | approved        | McGuinness | Hamilton     | Soldier On   | How will the current barriers to housing (such as price of apartments, low credit scores etc) be addressed during COVID-19, particularly with landlords being reluctant to let clients view apartments etc?   |
| Yes                | Kevin      | catrambone |       | 4/22/20 15:59     | approved        | catrambone | East Newark  | East Newark  | N/A   |
| Yes                | Kristine   | Allen      |       | 4/16/20 17:42     | approved        | Allen      | North Bergen | Act Now Foundation   | Ensuring that supportive services for seniors living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias continues to be a priority for the Community Development Block Grant.   |
| Yes                | Mark       | Shel       |       | 4/22/20 13:30     | approved        | Shel       | Jersey City  | MIMC   | n/a   |
| Yes                | Moyor Dina | Griko      |       | 4/22/20 16:03     | approved        | Griko      | East Newark  | Borough of East Newark   | none  |
| Yes                | Megan      | Wilkie     |       | 4/20/20 15:00     | approved        | Wilkie     | Jersey City  | Northeast New Jersey Legal Services                                | None  |
|                    | Meghan     | Leigh      |       | 4/14/20 15:13     | approved        | Leigh      | Newark       | Governant House New Jersey   | None.   |
| Yes                | Michele    | Willers    |       | 4/14/20 14:47     | approved        | Willers    | Jersey City  | Big Brothers Big Sisters of Essex, Hudson and Union Counties, NJ   | n/a   |
| Yes                | Natalia    | Sardo      |       | 4/22/20 15:01     | approved        | Sardo      | Newark       | Big Brothers Big Sisters of Essex, Hudson and Union Counties, Inc. | Is there any planned or anticipated reduction in funding amid the current pandemic? Has there been a shift or change in priorities?   |
|                    | Pam        | McCrory    |       | 4/14/20 13:37     | approved        | McCrory    | Loveland     | Collaborative Support Program of NJ                                | Looking forward to the meeting  |
| Yes                | Paula      | Mirk       |       | 4/20/20 14:28     | approved        | Mirk       | Newark       | NJ Citizen Action Education Fund                                   | No questions or comments. Thanks.   |
| Yes                | Shamma     | Ducasse    |       | 4/22/20 13:46     | approved        | Ducasse    | Keamy        | Liberty Family Success Center                                      | I look forward to the meeting.  |
| Yes                | Stacy      | Hutwell    |       | 4/22/20 14:43     | approved        | Hutwell    | Jersey City  | Act Now Foundation   | The need for public services for our community's elderly are  |
| Yes                | Stephanie  | Lee        |       | 4/14/20 13:09     | approved        | Lee        | Jersey City  | Hudson County Division of Planning                                 | N/A   |
|                    | Stephanie  | Mills      |       | 4/14/20 14:09     | approved        | Mills      | Jersey City  | Hudson Pride Center  | None  |
|                    | Visian     | Patino     |       | 4/20/20 14:13     | approved        | Patino     | Union City   | Palladian Family Success Center                                    | 1. Are undocumented families going to be protected against evictions?<br>2. Once the economy re-opens will there be a grace period for families to pay rent?  |

# HUDSON COUNTY

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Thomas A. DeGise  
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*The FCC approved the County's temporary request to broadcast on the AM station at 100 watts for the duration of the pandemic declared emergency. You can listen to the Hudson County Emergency Radio Station that will continue to broadcast COVID-19 related updates on 1710-AM or by streaming it by clicking on the icon below.*



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**County Government & Covid-19:**



| DAY         | DATE       | TIME      | DAY           | DATE       | TIME             |
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| Tuesday     | 01/07/2020 | 4:00p.m.  | Thursday      | 01/09/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 01/21/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 01/23/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 02/11/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 02/13/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 02/25/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 02/27/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 03/10/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 03/12/2020 | 6:00p.m.         |
| Tuesday     | 03/24/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 03/26/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 04/07/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Wednesday*    | 04/08/2020 | <u>4:00 p.m.</u> |
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| Tuesday     | 06/23/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 06/25/2020 | 6:00 p.m.        |
| Tuesday     | 07/07/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Thursday      | 07/09/2020 | <u>1:00 p.m.</u> |
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| Tuesday     | 10/06/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Wednesday**** | 10/07/2020 | 6:00p.m.         |
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| Monday***** | 12/21/2020 | 4:00 p.m. | Tuesday*****  | 12/22/2020 | <u>1:00 p.m.</u> |

LEGEND:

\* Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 4 p.m. because Passover begins at sundown and the following day is Holy Thursday

\*\*Caucus Meeting held on Monday, April 20, 2020

\*\*\*Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, May 27, 2020

\*\*\*\*Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, October 7, 2020

\*\*\*\*\*Caucus Meeting held on Monday, November 23, 2020 and Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 because of Thanksgiving.

\*\*\*\*\*Caucus Meeting held on Monday, December 21, 2020 and Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. because of the Christmas Holidays.

**RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE TIME OF THE SCHEDULED  
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020  
OF THE HUDSON COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson in the State of New Jersey, that:

1. The time of its scheduled Regular Meeting of Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. shall be changed to **Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.** The meeting will be conducted via the Zoom virtual meeting service. The Freeholders' Chamber located at 567 Pavonia Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Jersey City, will not be open to the public for the meeting.
2. The Clerk of this Board shall disseminate notice of this resolution pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CAUCUS MEETING OF THE HUDSON COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS  
SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020, 4 PM, TO BE HELD VIA  
THE ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING SERVICE**

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**RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE TIME OF THE SCHEDULED  
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020  
OF THE HUDSON COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson in the State of New Jersey, that:

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2. The Clerk of this Board shall disseminate notice of this resolution pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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## Introduction

The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, revising the Emergency Shelter Grants Program in significant ways and renaming it the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program. The ESG Interim Rule took effect on January 4, 2012.

Hudson County ESG funds are available to private nonprofit organizations and are designed to provide certain essential social services and housing to homeless individuals and families or those at risk of homelessness. The program also provides funds to rapidly re-house individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

This policy and procedures manual reflects both the Federal regulations of the HEARTH Act that governs the ESG program, and the procedures used by the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in administration of this grant as directed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Changes may occur as statutory interpretations and clarifications become available from HUD or as Hudson County rules, procedures or guidelines are revised. No part of this policy guide shall override the rules set forth by Federal oversight of HUD. The effective date of this policy manual is July 1, 2020.

In addition to the policies and procedure sections, this manual includes Hudson County Grant Forms in order to assist subrecipients with the proper implementation of ESG funds.

Questions and comments regarding the material contained in this manual may be referred to Katelyn Ravensbergen, Program Director at (201) 369-4520 or [kravensbergen@hcnj.us](mailto:kravensbergen@hcnj.us).

## Distribution of Funding

### Overview of Process

The county of Hudson program year begins July 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through June 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year. The County typically begins the ESG Application process in February for the upcoming program year. When announced, applications are made available through the County website and via e-mail to a master list of homeless assistance providers. A Public Notice is also published in local papers. The notice will include dates and deadlines for the application process. Available funding amounts may be estimated based on the anticipated federal budget. The actual amount available will be provided when it is made available by HUD.

### Online Application System

Beginning in 2016, an online application system will be used to collect applications for ESG funding. Applications will only be accepted through this system unless a waiver is granted. Applicants who are unable to utilize the system must submit a written request for a waiver, documenting why they are unable to meet this requirement.

### Applicant Scoring and Review

Each application is reviewed by the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness Performance and

Evaluation Committee and staff of the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development. A score sheet is used to calculate the objective scores and recommendations are presented to the County Executive and ultimately the Board of Chosen Freeholders for approval.

Eligible Applicants

Private nonprofit organizations providing services within the County are eligible to apply for funding. Assistance may be provided to a religious organization if the organization agrees to provide all eligible activities under this program in a manner that is free from religious influences and in accordance with ESG requirements. Applicants that are primarily religious organizations are encouraged to contact Hudson County for specifics or refer to 24 CFR Part 576.23.

**Eligible Program Activities**

Target Population

This program is targeted to individuals and families who meet HUD's definition of Homeless or At-Risk of Homelessness as required by the ESG regulations. See **Appendix A** for the Homeless Definition for the ESG Component.

Use of Funds

Hudson County ESG funding is available for the following three components:

1. Street Outreach
2. Emergency Shelter
3. Rapid Rehousing

These components are intentionally focused on housing – either targeted outreach to connect unsheltered individuals with shelter, assistance to operate shelters and/or rental assistance and services designed to rapidly assist households to obtain housing. This assistance is not intended to provide long-term support for program participants, nor will it be able to address all of the financial and supportive service needs of households that affect housing stability. Rather, assistance should be focused on housing stabilization, linking program participants to community resources and mainstream benefits, and working with participants to develop a plan for preventing future housing instability. Note that while prevention activities are eligible under the ESG regulations, Hudson County utilizes other funding sources to provide for this need and targets ESG funds to the three components above.

Each ESG-funded program must use the screening and eligibility checklist and tools developed by the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development.

**Street Outreach**

ESG funds are provided to homeless outreach programs with the goal of engaging unsheltered homeless people. Street outreach teams should be mobile and utilize evidence-based engagement strategies in order to link homeless individuals and families with shelter, housing and essential services.

The term "unsheltered homeless people" is defined as – (1) an individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning: (i) an individual or family with a

primary nighttime residence that is a public car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground.

Eligible Activities

Eligible services for street outreach are those related to reaching out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connecting them with emergency shelter, housing or critical services, and providing them with urgent non-facility based care. Eligible costs include:

- A. Engagement
- B. Case management
- C. Emergency health services\*
- D. Emergency mental health services\*; and
- E. Transportation

*\*ESG funds may only be used for emergency health and/or mental health services to the extent that other appropriate health and/or mental health services are inaccessible or unavailable within the community.*

Further definitions of each eligible cost are provided in 24 CFR 576.101.

Outreach Priorities

When homeless outreach teams engaged with unsheltered homeless individuals or families, the first priority in linking them with shelter and case management through the Hudson County Coordinated Entry Program (HCCEP). Typically, the assessment will be completed when the client visits HCCEP or a shelter. In the event that an individual does not accept either of these referrals, outreach staff should conduct the assessment tool on the individual.

**Emergency Shelter**

Emergency shelters are essential to meet the most immediate and basic needs of homeless individuals. Shelters are strongly encouraged to be low barrier and open 24 hours a day throughout the year. In general, emergency shelters address the basic health, food, clothing and personal hygiene needs of the households and refer them to supportive services. Each shelter is required to coordinate with the Coordinated Entry Program to ensure residents have access to potential permanent housing opportunities.

Eligible Activities

Eligible services under Emergency Shelter are those related to providing essential services to homeless families and individuals in emergency shelters, renovating buildings to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals and operating emergency shelters. Eligible costs include:

- A. Essential Services including case management, child care, education services, employment assistance and job training, outpatient health services\*, legal services\*, life skills training, mental health services\*, substance abuse treatment services\* and transportation
- B. Renovation costs which include labor, materials, tools and other costs for renovation
- C. Shelter Operations which include maintenance, rent, security, fuel, equipment, insurance, utilities, food, furnishings, and supplies necessary for the operation of the emergency shelter. Where no appropriate emergency shelter is available for a homeless family or individual, eligible costs may also include a hotel or motel voucher for that family or individual.

- D. Assistance required under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 which include relocation payments and other assistance to persons displaced by a project assisted with ESG funds

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Evaluating Eligibility for Emergency Shelter

It is the County's goal to ensure that all who are in immediate need of shelter receive it. Because shelter beds and resources are limited, it is important that an upfront assessment is done at each shelter to ensure no other safe housing options exist before someone enters the homeless system. Households seeking emergency shelter should be screened by shelter staff for program eligibility as well as diversion potential. A pre-screening framework has been developed and shelters are required to incorporate a diversion philosophy into their existing intake process. The ultimate goal is to divert households from entering the shelter system whenever possible if another decent, safe option exists. Diversion strategies could include family reunification and/or mediation if possible, as well as prevention assistance with landlords.

Additionally, shelters are encouraged to be low-barrier with a minimum number of expectations placed on people who wish to stay there. The aim is to have as few barriers as possible to allow more people access to services. In shelter this often means that clients should be accepted unless they are a threat to themselves or someone else or are disrespectful to other clients or staff. Low-barrier facilities follow a harm reduction philosophy.

All emergency shelters that receive ESG funding must comply with HUD's Equal Access Rule.

Duration and Amount of Assistance

The County has not set a maximum amount of time that clients can receive shelter. However, it is the County's goal to link individuals and families with permanent housing as quickly as possible. Shelters should work collaboratively with the County's Coordinated Entry Program to ensure clients are assessed and provided appropriate services.

Since Coordinated Entry cannot guarantee immediate housing to anyone, shelters are urged to provide sufficient supportive services related to housing placement prior to discharging a resident. Cooperation on this front is particularly crucial for programs assisting homeless families with children. Coordinated Entry cannot replace emergency housing; therefore shelters are urged to provide appropriate discharge planning for all residents by working in conjunction with Coordinated Entry.

Discharge Policies

All ESG funded projects must have a specific termination of service policy that is followed when assistance for a household with be ended. All households must be aware at project entry about this process and what factors could have an impact on their ability to remain in the project. Because the County is looking to ensure households are not being discharged due to restrictions put in place by the project, it is expected that all ESG projects will have a low number of terminations due to non-compliance or disagreements with rules or staff in the project. The termination aspect will be evaluated in the performance review and monitoring done by the Performance and Evaluation Committee of the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness.

**Rapid Rehousing**

Rapid Rehousing programs are designed to help those who are literally homeless by quickly placing them in permanent housing with the support necessary to maintain it. The primary goal is to stabilize a program participant in permanent housing as quickly as possible and to provide wrap-around services after the family or individual obtains housing. There is no initial income limit at intake. Enrollment in a rapid rehousing program should rely heavily on a case management plan to ensure long term stability for program participants. Providers are expected to implement a case management plan that will increase household income and/or increase access to mainstream benefits for program participants. Linkages should also be made to applicable mainstream programs such as food stamps, Medicaid, etc.

Eligible Activities

By ESG regulation at 24 CFR 576, ESG funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. Rapid rehousing assistance must be provided in accordance with the housing relocation and stabilization services requirements in § 576.105, the short- and medium-term rental assistance requirements in § 576.106 and these standards.

Evaluating Eligibility for RRH

All rapid rehousing programs funded with ESG must only take referrals through the Hudson County Coordinated Entry Program (HCCEP). All individuals and families entering the HCCEP are assessed using the standard assessment tool which determines level of need. The HCCEP is responsible for identifying and referring eligible clients to RRH programs. Additionally, the HCCEP will prioritize referrals according to the policies set forth by the Continuum of Care. Generally, in addition to meeting eligibility requirements, the HCCEP staff is responsible for referring clients who will be able to maintain the housing after assistance ends. The subrecipient is ultimately responsible for ensuring proper eligibility documentation is maintained for each client.

In order to be eligible for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) assistance for rapid rehousing, a household must meet the following criteria:

1. Meet the criteria under paragraph 1 of the "homeless" definition in 24 CFR 576.2 or who meet the criteria under paragraph 4 of the "homeless" definition and live in an emergency shelter or other place described in paragraph 1 of the homeless definition; and
2. Demonstrate the ability to maintain their housing after assistance ends.

If a client remains housed for a year or more, the client must be recertified at the 12 month point and their income must be below 30% of AMI. For 2020, the limits are:

| 2020 Income Limits |               |                |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Family Size        | Annual Income | Monthly Income |
| 1                  | \$20,750      | \$1,729        |
| 2                  | \$23,700      | \$1,975        |
| 3                  | \$26,650      | \$2,220        |
| 4                  | \$29,600      | \$2,466        |
| 5                  | \$32,000      | \$2,666        |
| 6                  | \$35,160      | \$2,930        |
| 7                  | \$39,640      | \$3,303        |
| 8                  | \$44,120      | \$3,676        |

Income limits for the following year are usually released in October.

If an individual or family is newly homeless in the last 45 days, and can provide supporting documentation, they will be considered for rapid rehousing assistance in the form of payment of a security deposit and first month rent.

#### Exclusionary Criteria

Clients that would not qualify for rapid rehousing include:

- Those who do not meet the HUD definition of homeless or at-risk of homeless
- Those who do not meet the income eligibility guidelines
- Those who have already accessed the maximum amount of assistance.

#### Duration and Amount of Assistance

Due to the limited amount of funding available, ESG funded RRH programs can only provide a maximum of four units of assistance. In general, clients will be responsible for providing 30% of their income as rent. Exceptions to the duration and amount of assistance can be made by the provider based on the individual assessment, housing plan, and availability of other community resources.

#### Eligible Units

Rental assistance may only be provided in units that do not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR part 888, and complies with HUD's standard of rent reasonableness, as established under 24 CFR 982.507. For purposes of calculating rent, the rent shall be equal to the sum of the total monthly rent for the unit, any fees required for occupancy under the lease (excluding late fees and pet fees) and, if the tenant pays separately for utilities, the monthly allowance for utilities (excluding telephone) established by the local public housing authority.

All units must meet certain Habitability Standards to ensure that facilities provide appropriate privacy, safety, sanitary and other health-related conditions for homeless persons. The written Habitability Standards are available at <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/ESG-Emergency-Shelter-and-Permanent-Housing-Standards.pdf>

#### Rental Assistance Agreement

The subrecipient may make rental assistance payments only to an owner with whom the subrecipient has entered into an agreement. The rental assistance agreement must set forth the terms under which rental assistance will be provided, including the requirements that apply under this section. The rental assistance agreement must provide that, during the terms of the agreement, the owner must provide the subrecipient a copy of any notice to the program participant to vacate the housing unit or any complaint to commence an eviction action against the program participant.

## **Funding Requirements**

#### Local Match Requirements

Subrecipients are required to provide matching funds equal to their approved ESG funding amounts for eligible program activities. Matching funds must be derived from sources other than the

program. In calculating the amount of matching funds, the following types may be included:

- Cash;
- The value or fair rental value of any donated material or building;
- The value of any lease on a building;
- Any salary paid to staff to carry out the program of the recipient; and
- The value of the time and services contributed by volunteers to carry out the program of the recipient at a current rate of \$5 per hour\*

*\*Note: Volunteers providing professional services such as medical or legal services are valued at the reasonable and customary rate in the community.*

Applicants will be required to document source of matching funds at time of application.

#### Client Files

All subrecipients must maintain detailed client files. Client files should not only document homelessness eligibility, but should include a detailed record of the services provided to each client and the program funds that supported each service. ESG funding is directly related to project performance. Program outcomes can only be measured if full and precise information about activities and services provided are gathered and maintained for reporting. Please refer to **Appendix B** for the Client File Check-list.

Note: Any demographic and service information requested on the semi-annual report should be a regular part of recordkeeping procedures for subrecipients. Client files should reflect dates, types, program costs, etc., of all services in order to document both efficient grant management and the success of the project.

#### Confidentiality

42 U.S.C. 11375 (c)(5) requires service providers assisting clients in domestic violence situations to ensure that their records are kept confidential. Hudson County will not disclose non-public, personal information to any non-affiliated third party except as required by law, or with the client's written permission. Client information should not be accessible to any persons other than authorized service provider personnel, or authorized personnel from Hudson County and HUD for compliance monitoring and/or audit purposes. The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) used for required homeless tracking statistics includes ample safety measures for confidentiality as well. Locations of domestic violence shelter facilities receiving ESG funds will not be publicly disclosed except with the written authorization of the person responsible for shelter operations.

#### Termination of Assistance

Service providers may terminate ESG assistance to participants who violate program requirements. The agency must have a process in place that governs the termination and grievance procedures and must make this policy available to participants either by written handouts or posting of the policy used by the program.

#### Participation in the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness

All ESG projects must demonstrate that they will work in coordination with the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH) which serves as Hudson County's Continuum of Care. In addition, ESG funds are required to participate in the Continuum of Care (CoC) and all relevant CoC

activities, including but not limited to the Point in Time (PIT) Count and the Housing Inventory Chart (HIC). Visit the HCAEH website at [www.hudsoncountynj.org/homeless-initiatives/hudson-county-alliance-to-end-homelessness-hcaeh/](http://www.hudsoncountynj.org/homeless-initiatives/hudson-county-alliance-to-end-homelessness-hcaeh/) for information about upcoming meeting dates or to be added to the HCAEH email list.

#### Participation in HMIS

Projects receiving ESG funding must participate in the Hudson County Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Only projects serving primarily victims of domestic violence can be exempted from this requirement. HMIS is an electronic database that collects data on homeless persons who receive housing and services in the community and persons who receive homeless prevention and intervention services. Participation includes technical set up, staff training, implementation and ongoing client data entry.

#### Coordinated Entry Participation

All project funded through ESG are required to utilize or work with the Coordinated Entry Program for the CoC. Specific requirements are dependent on project type:

##### *Rapid Rehousing*

All ESG funded rapid rehousing programs may only take referrals through the Hudson County Coordinated Entry Program (HCCEP). Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation operates the HCCEP for Hudson County. Prior to entering any ESG funded rapid rehousing program, each homeless household will be assessed using the CoC's vulnerability matrix and CEP will make referrals to programs as openings become available and eligible households are identified.

RRH programs can no longer accept clients that self-refer, walk-in, or come from pre-existing waiting lists or other community referral processes. HCCEP will work closely with all providers to ensure that appropriate and eligible referrals are made. Providers will also be given a certain amount of discretion in accepting clients should they feel that a certain household is not suitable for their program. Detailed policies and procedures for the HCCEP process can be found on the HCAEH website at [www.hudsoncountynj.org/homeless-initiatives/hudson-county-alliance-to-end-homelessness-hcaeh/](http://www.hudsoncountynj.org/homeless-initiatives/hudson-county-alliance-to-end-homelessness-hcaeh/)

##### *Emergency Shelters*

Households seeking emergency shelter at one of the County's homeless shelters will be screened by shelter staff for program eligibility as well as diversion potential and do not need to go through HCCEP for emergency placement. However, shelters must work collaboratively with the HCCEP to ensure clients are assessed and provided appropriate services and linkage to permanent housing.

##### *Street Outreach*

All funded outreach programs should attempt to link unsheltered clients with the HCCEP for assessment and connection to housing.

#### Records Maintenance

Subrecipients must retain all records pertaining to each fiscal year of ESG funds for the greater of 5 years or the period specified below. Copies made by photocopying or similar methods may be substituted for the original records.

- Documentation of each program participant's qualification as a family or individual at risk



of homelessness or as a homeless family or individual and other program participant records must be retained for 5 years after the expenditure of all funds from the grant under which the program participant was served;

- Where ESG funds are used for the renovation of an emergency shelter involves costs charged to the ESG grant that exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before renovation, records must be retained under 10 years after the date that ESG funds are first obligated for the renovation; and
- Where ESG funds are used to convert a building into an emergency shelter and costs charged to the ESG grant for the conversion exceed 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, records must be retained until 10 years after the date that ESG funds are first obligated for the conversion.

Subrecipients must follow the guidelines under § 576.500 to ensure proper recordkeeping and reporting for all activities funded through ESG. HUD requires Hudson County to report consistently on not only the proper and timely expenditure of grant funds, but also the types of program activities being funded and their evidence of measurable outcomes. HMIS will provide a wide variety of tracking capabilities to serve this purpose. Reliable agency data, client data, service data and outcomes data will be gathered through this system and used for annual HUD reporting.

#### Compliance with Equal Access Rule

The subrecipient agrees that it will be committed to creating LGBTQ inclusive facilities and programming in accordance with HUD's Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity ruling. This rule states HUD supported housing programs remain open to all eligible individuals regardless of marital status and actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity.

The commitment also requires ESG subrecipients to participate in any LGBTQ cultural competency and/or HUD Equal Access Rule training held by the local Continuum of Care.

## **Program Implementation**

### **Subrecipient Agreement**

All agencies selected for ESG funding must enter into a subrecipient agreement.

#### Approved Budget

Eligible activities for the ESG program are listed above and at 24 CFR 576.21. During the application process, a Budget Worksheet is required to show how the recipient plans to spend the requested funds. These budgets are reviewed and must be approved by Hudson County before the activity is set up for drawing down funds. The Final Approved Budget is included in the subrecipient agreement and is used throughout the grant period to monitor spending. Any adjustments to the approved budget made throughout the project year must follow the process outlined in the subrecipient agreement prior to implementing the adjustment.

#### Spending Deadlines and Recapture

A normal spending cycle for the ESG funding is 12 months. Subrecipients are expected to plan their budgets in a way that project goals are met by the end of the spending period with little or no budget adjustments. In the event that Hudson County determines a subrecipient to be unable to

spend all grant monies by the contractual deadline, funds may be recaptured and redistributed to another recipient that will be able to spend the funds in a timely manner on eligible activities.

Grant extensions may be provided at the discretion of the County. Subrecipients must request extensions through the County prior to the end of their grant term. All extensions must be requested through an online submission form which can be found here:

[https://hudsonnj.seamlessdocs.com/f/CDBG\\_ESG\\_Requests](https://hudsonnj.seamlessdocs.com/f/CDBG_ESG_Requests) All requests for extensions should be submitted 30 days before the end of the project year.

### Reimbursement Procedures

ESG grants are provided on a reimbursement basis. Requests for reimbursement of expenses must be submitted **at least quarterly** in the format outlined below. Any subrecipient who does not submit a drawdown at least quarterly must submit a written explanation for why funds are not being drawn.

Requests for reimbursement of expenses can be submitted on a monthly basis by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. Only listed items on the Approved Budget in the executed Subrecipient Agreement will be considered for reimbursement. In the event of a change in the original line items in the budget, a budget modification must be submitted to the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development as outlined in the subrecipient agreement.

Only expenses incurred on or after the effective date of the executed subrecipient agreement between the County of Hudson and the subrecipient are eligible for reimbursement. In each request for reimbursement submitted, the subrecipient must include an invoice detailing payment requests, an official County of Hudson voucher and appropriate back-up documentation. Appropriate back-up documentation includes the following:

- Personnel Expenses/Time Allocation Certification – requests for payment of personnel expenses must include either a copy of a payroll register or copies of pay checks. For any personnel that are not covered 100% by ESG funding, copies of timesheets showing the split of funding between ESG and other funding must be submitted and must match the amount of the reimbursement request. A copy of the Hudson County approved time allocation sheet is included in Appendix C for your reference. In the event that your organization already utilizes a time allocation sheet, please submit a copy for approval.
- Proof of Payment – requests for payment must include a copy of the invoice AND a copy of the check showing the invoice has been paid by the subrecipient. If an invoice was paid electronically, the subrecipient can submit a copy of a bank statement reflecting the electronic payment, clearly indicating the amount of ESG funds applied to that expense on the invoice.
  - For rental assistance payments, the agency/landlord contract that is signed by all parties can be submitted as the "invoice" with a copy of the check showing payment

All reimbursement requests will be reviewed by staff for accuracy, completeness and compliance with program guidelines. The subrecipient may be contacted with questions or for requests for additional documentation. Documentation that is insufficient or difficult to decipher will delay or halt the reimbursement process, and may be grounds for the entire request to be returned to the subrecipient for clarification and to be resubmitted properly at a later date.

Semi-annual reports must be current and on file with the Hudson County Division of Housing and

Community Development in order to receive reimbursement payments.

### **Hudson County Forms**

Hudson County provides most of the forms necessary for carrying out this grant. Hudson County forms are created to fit the needs of the administration process and, most importantly, to ensure subrecipients meet the reporting requirements from HUD. The use of these forms is required unless written approval is provided to use alternative versions. All forms are provided in **Appendix D**.

### **Financial Standards**

Internal controls reflect the overall financial management of an organization. Standards for financial management systems of nonprofit organizations may be found in 24 CFR 84. The following areas should be included:

#### Budget Controls

When budget controls are adequate, the subrecipient will have a regular, on-going basis of comparison between actual expenditures and ESG-budgeted amounts for the activities. The ESG budget will cover intended activity expenses with very little necessity for adjustments during the grant period. The subrecipient will also relate its financial information to recorded outcomes, since awards are more likely to be made when performance measures are in place and outcomes are tracked.

#### Accounting Controls

Expenditures must be supported by invoices, contracts, purchase orders, etc, even when Hudson County does not require full details to accompany draw requests. If minimal documentation is allowed with a draw, subrecipients must have detailed records onsite to provide a complete audit trail at any time.

#### Procurement Rules

24 CFR Part 84 provides regulations that govern the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction and services to ensure that they are obtained economically and competitively. In summary, subrecipients may use their own procurement procedures as long as they conform to the regulations. Important elements for subrecipients to consider are: a system to handle contract disputes, a code of conduct preventing conflicts of interest, some form of cost analysis to ensure economic purchases, positive efforts to use small, minority- and women-owned businesses to the maximum extent possible.

#### Property Controls

The Federal regulations regarding property controls in 24 CFR 84.34 (f) are for the purpose of tracking the assets purchased with grant funds to ensure that they are properly maintained, secure and being used for authorized purposes. Hudson County is required to do a periodic physical inventory on these items to verify their existence, current utilization and continued need. For this reason, agencies using ESG funds to purchase furnishings, vehicles or equipment for an activity should keep accurate records including the following: a complete description of the item purchased, a serial or other identification number, the source of funds and Grant Agreement number, the acquisition date and the cost.

### **Audit Requirements**

The fiscal management system of a unit of local government, which receives ESG funds, must provide for audits in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 44. A private nonprofit organization, which receives ESG funds, must provide for audits in accordance with the

requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

## Performance Standards

The Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the Continuum of Care, developed performance standards that provide measures to evaluate the effectiveness of 1) reducing the number of people living on the streets and emergency shelters; 2) shortening the time people spend homeless; and 3) reducing each program participant's housing barriers or housing stability risks.

The County will continue to consult with the CoC regarding the performance measures of the HEARTH Act and how best to utilize HMIS. This will also include how well the HEARTH Act performance measures are met through the use of HMIS, including tracking the length of time persons are homeless, returns to homelessness, reducing numbers of homeless households and increasing the percent of exits to permanent housing, income and prevention of homelessness.

In addition to the outcomes outlined in Appendix E, the County will utilize HMIS to monitor performance through the following indicators:

- Number of individuals/households served by prevention and rapid rehousing activities
- Exit destinations (temporary and permanent) of individuals/households served
- Length of time served by ESG program
- Amount of clients that return to homelessness within 6 months to 2 years of discharge
- Increase of all income sources at discharge
- Increase of earned income sources at discharge

## Compliance Monitoring and Reporting

Hudson County, as the HUD grantee for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), is responsible for ensuring the performance and compliance of all subrecipients.

### Monitoring Objectives

Hudson County's monitoring efforts are guided by objectives that address both the agency's responsibilities and goals under the ESG. The objectives are as follows:

- Track Program/Project Performance - resources within the County for housing for homeless persons are limited. Hudson County will track subrecipient performance to ensure that both the level of service provided and the individuals served correspond to the activities outlined in the subrecipients grant agreement;
  - Ensure timely expenditure of ESG funds - funds must be spent within specific time periods or the County will lose these valuable housing resources. To ensure that funds are used in a timely manner, the agreements executed by subrecipients establish specific periods of performance.
  - Hudson County will monitor subrecipient progress in spending their ESG funds to

ensure that these funds will not be lost.

- **Document Compliance** – Hudson County is responsible for ensuring that ESG funds are used for eligible activities. If HUD determines that these funds were used for ineligible activities, Hudson County will be required to repay these funds out of its own resources. Hudson County will monitor the administration of ESG-funded programs and projects to assure that subrecipients are complying with Federal requirements and properly documenting their activities.
- **Prevent Fraud and Abuse** – fraud and misuse of Federal funds is a crime and Hudson County will monitor subrecipient systems for administering ESG funds to ensure that adequate protections against fraud and misuse of funds are in place.
- **Identify Technical Assistance Needs** – subrecipients encountering program or financial performance problems may need technical assistance to address weaknesses in program designs or to build their capacity to administer ESG funds. As part of Hudson County’s partnership with subrecipients, it will work with them to identify technical assistance needs and obtain the help they need to improve their performance.

Remote desk reviews are performed at Hudson County offices throughout the year and involve examining information and materials provided by subrecipients to track their performance and identify potential problem areas. In performing desk reviews, staff will examine invoices and subrecipient progress reports to assess subrecipient performance and look for indicators of performance or compliance problems. Hudson County staff may also find valuable information in the subrecipient’s audit.

### **Annual Monitoring Visits**

Hudson County will conduct an annual on-site review with each ESG subrecipient. At least two weeks prior to the on-site monitoring visit, County staff will provide the subrecipient with a monitoring checklist. During an on-site review, Hudson County staff identifies aspects of the program/project where the subrecipient is performing well and any areas of weak performance; assess subrecipient’s compliance with program requirements; and determine whether subrecipient’s records are adequate to document compliance. When performing an on-site review, staff will complete the appropriate monitoring checklist and prepare a written report summarizing the results of the review.

During an on-site review, Hudson County staff will gather information through a combination of interviews with program/project staff and reviews of program/project files.

### **Monitoring Letter**

After completing the on-site visit, Hudson County staff will prepare a monitoring letter describing the results of the review. Recommendations for technical assistance or corrective actions will be included with timeframes for completion.

### **Follow-Up Action**

- If the subrecipient fails to meet a target date for corrective action, Hudson County staff will first contact the subrecipient by telephone.
- If the subrecipient has not responded within 15 days after the date the subrecipient was required to take corrective action, Hudson County staff will send a letter requesting the subrecipient of the steps that have been taken to implement required corrective actions. The letter will also advise the subrecipient of possible consequences of failure to take corrective action.

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- Once a subrecipient's response has been received, Hudson County staff will review the response and determine if the subrecipient has successfully addressed the required corrective actions. These reviews will be completed within 15 days of receiving the subrecipient's response.
- If Hudson County staff determines that the subrecipient's response is not satisfactory, a follow-up letter will be sent to the subrecipient, which specifies the additional actions that are required and the date for completing these actions. Significant non-compliance or lack of response from the subrecipient may result in suspension of funding until such time as the problems are rectified or recapture of funds.

### Sanctions for Non-Compliance

Hudson County is responsible for implementing sanctions upon any subrecipient found to be out of compliance with program requirements. Sanctions may include, but are not limited to:

- A warning letter regarding further sanctions for continued non-compliance;
- Conditioning a future grant;
- Directives to stop incurring certain costs;
- Retraction of remaining grant funds;
- Requirement to repay certain grant amounts spent ineligibly;
- Reducing the level of funds a subrecipient may otherwise be entitled to; and
- Electing not to provide future funds until appropriate actions are taken to ensure compliance.

These sanctions are taken from HUD's Operating Instructions and Policy Guide for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program.

### **Areas of Monitoring**

The major areas of compliance are listed below. The various means of monitoring described above should yield information about whether subrecipients meet the program requirements.

### Eligible Activities Requirements

Subrecipients are to use the ESG funds as originally planned and for eligible activities as described in 24 CFR 576.21. Any changes from planning expenditures should be documented in the subrecipient's program files. If a subrecipient proposed to spend funds for an eligible activity and, subsequently, expends funds for another eligible activity, written permission is to be obtained from Hudson County. One step in reviewing the uses of ESG funds for eligible activities is to determine whether costs have been properly classified. While ESG regulations do not list all eligible activities, items, or costs, there is a statutory requirement that activities benefit the appropriate population and that they will be provided at a reasonable cost. If there are questions about the classification of items or activities, subrecipients should contact Hudson County for clarification.

### Habitability Standards

All housing (including emergency shelters) funded with ESG, must meet certain Habitability Standards to ensure that facilities provide appropriate privacy, safety, sanitary and other health-related conditions for homeless persons. The written Habitability Standards are available at <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/ESG-Emergency-Shelter-and-Permanent-Housing-Standards.pdf>

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- Participant Eligibility – subrecipients must document that participants meet all required eligibility requirements including income eligibility and the HUD definition of homeless.
- Assistance in Obtaining Supportive Services – ESG requires that recipients be given assistance in obtaining appropriate supportive services to promote self-sufficiency and to assist them in obtaining permanent housing (24 CFR 576.56 (a)).

### Equipment and Records

Regulation 24 CFR 84 defines equipment and the equipment records that must be maintained by nonprofit organizations.

### Financial Management Standards

ESG requires that nonprofit subrecipient's financial management systems must conform to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 84. Nonprofit subrecipients should review these standards with their CPAs to ensure that the financial administration of the program funds meet all OMB standards.

### Procurement

Purchases of services from contractors or vendors by nonprofit subrecipients with ESG funds are subject to 24 CFR Part 84. This includes standards that prohibit conflicts of interest, procedures for open competition with consistent technical solicitations, affirmative efforts to hire minority- and women- and veteran-owned businesses, maintenance of selection documentation, and a contract administration system that provides sufficient monitoring. Purchases of services from contractors or vendors by public agencies with ESG funds are subject to 24 CFR Part 85.

### Conflict of Interest

A conflict of interest may exist when a person affiliated with a subrecipient's organization has a direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of contractors, vendors and beneficiaries assisted with program funds. Subrecipients must follow the conflict of interest provisions contained in either 24 CFR 85 (for public agencies) or 24 CFR Part 84 (for nonprofit agencies). Parts 84 and 85 provide general guidelines with respect to the procurement of services and materials with Federal funds. In general, subrecipients must have a code of conduct that prohibits any employee, officer or agent of the subrecipient from participating in the decision-making process if that person or his/her immediate family, partner or any organization employing any of the above has direct financial interest or benefit in the entity selected. These persons also may not accept any form of gratuity, favors or anything of monetary value from any entities selected. Subrecipients should develop standards for avoiding such conflicts, be they real, apparent or potential.

### Audits

States, local government and nonprofit organizations are required to comply with 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

## **Reporting Requirements**

Subrecipients will be required to report fiscal, program and client data to Hudson County on a quarterly basis. Specifically:

1. Quarterly progress reports must be submitted on a quarterly basis through an online submission form, which can be found here:  
<https://hudsonnj.seamlessdocs.com/f/HudsonESGQuarterly>
2. Quarterly submissions must be submitted within 30 days of the end of the quarter and

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should be based on the program year outlined in the project's grant agreement, even if your project did not voucher for that time period. As example, the majority of grants will run from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, which means the first quarter report would cover July 1<sup>st</sup> - September 30<sup>th</sup>, and should be submitted by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

As part of the quarterly report, subrecipients will be required to upload an outcome report from HMIS. Instructions on how to pull this report are provided below:

1. Log in to HMIS at <https://njhmis.footholdtechnology.com/zf2/>
2. From the Home Page, click REPORTS at the top of the page
3. In the program drop down, click the program for which you are submitting the report for
4. Select HMIS ReportBuilder
5. Update the date range to match the range you are submitting the quarterly report for
6. Under the "Select a saved report format" drop down menu, select "Hudson County ESG Quarterly Report"
7. Hit Continue
8. Once the report is generated, click the HMFA logo in the top right corner to "print" the report. You should then save the report as a PDF. \*if you are unable to print to PDF, you may save the report as excel, but PDF is preferred
9. Save this file on your computer, it can then be used to complete the upload requirement in the electronic submission

As a note, the quarterly report must be completed in one sitting; it cannot be saved and completed at a later time, so all you should have all information prepared when you go to submit your form. A blank copy of the form can be found in the attachments (Appendix F) for your reference, but all quarterly reports must be submitted using the online submission form.



**Appendix A: Homeless Definition**




# Homeless Definition

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| <b>ELIGIBILITY BY COMPONENT</b><br>(Emergency Solutions Grants Program) | <b>Street Outreach</b>         | Individuals defined as Homeless under the following categories are eligible for assistance in SO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Category 1 – Literally Homeless</li> <li>• Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV (where the individual or family also meets the criteria for Category 1)</li> </ul> SO projects have the following additional limitations on eligibility within Category 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individuals and families must be living on the streets (or other places not meant for human habitation) and be unwilling or unable to access services in emergency shelter</li> </ul>  |
|   | <b>Emergency Shelter</b>       | Individuals and Families defined as Homeless under the following categories are eligible for assistance in ES projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Category 1 – Literally Homeless</li> <li>• Category 2 – Imminent Risk of Homeless</li> <li>• Category 3 – Homeless Under Other Federal Statutes</li> <li>• Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV</li> </ul>   |
|   | <b>Rapid Re-housing</b>        | Individuals defined as Homeless under the following categories are eligible for assistance in RRH projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Category 1 – Literally Homeless</li> <li>• Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV (where the individual or family also meets the criteria for Category 1)</li> </ul>   |
|   | <b>Homelessness Prevention</b> | Individuals and Families defined as Homeless under the following categories are eligible for assistance in HP projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Category 2 – Imminent Risk of Homeless</li> <li>• Category 3 – Homeless Under Other Federal Statutes</li> <li>• Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV</li> </ul> Individuals and Families who are defined as At Risk of Homelessness are eligible for assistance in HP projects.<br>HP projects have the following additional limitations on eligibility with homeless and at risk of homeless: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must only serve individuals and families that have an annual income <u>below</u> 30% of AMI</li> </ul> |



# Homeless Definition

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|---|------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS<br><br> | Category 1 | Literally Homeless                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written observation by the outreach worker; <u>or</u></li> <li>• Written referral by another housing or service provider; <u>or</u></li> <li>• Certification by the individual or head of household seeking assistance stating that (s)he was living on the streets or in shelter;</li> <li>• For individuals exiting an institution—one of the forms of evidence above <u>and</u>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ discharge paperwork <u>or</u> written/oral referral; <u>or</u></li> <li>○ written record of intake worker’s due diligence to obtain above evidence <u>and</u> certification by individual that they exited institution</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
|   | Category 2 | Imminent Risk of Homelessness         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A court order resulting from an eviction action notifying the individual or family that they must leave; <u>or</u></li> <li>• For individual and families leaving a hotel or motel—evidence that they lack the financial resources to stay; <u>or</u></li> <li>• A documented and verified oral statement; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Certification that no subsequent residence has been identified; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Self-certification or other written documentation that the individual lack the financial resources and support necessary to obtain permanent housing</li> </ul>  |
|   | Category 3 | Homeless under other Federal statutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification by the nonprofit or state or local government that the individual or head of household seeking assistance met the criteria of homelessness under another federal statute; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Certification of no PH in last 60 days; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Certification by the individual or head of household, and any available supporting documentation, that (s)he has moved two or more times in the past 60 days; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Documentation of special needs <u>or</u> 2 or more barriers</li> </ul>  |
|   | Category 4 | Fleeing/ Attempting to Flee DV        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For victim service providers:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ An oral statement by the individual or head of household seeking assistance which states: they are fleeing; they have no subsequent residence; and they lack resources. Statement must be documented by a self-certification or a certification by the intake worker.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• For non-victim service providers:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Oral statement by the individual or head of household seeking assistance that they are fleeing. This statement is documented by a self-certification or by the caseworker. Where the safety of the individual or family is not jeopardized, the oral statement must be verified; <u>and</u></li> <li>○ Certification by the individual or head of household that no subsequent residence has been identified; <u>and</u></li> <li>○ Self-certification, or other written documentation, that the individual or family lacks the financial resources and support networks to obtain other permanent housing.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

**Appendix B: Client File Check List**

**Hudson County Client File Check List**

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Hudson County Homeless Trust Fund (HCHTF)**

**ALL CLIENT FILES MUST HAVE:**

|  |   |
|--|---|
|  | Eligibility Screening Assessment                        |
|  | HMIS Intake (print screen)                              |
|  | HMIS Client Consent Form                                |
|  | Verification of Homelessness or At-Risk of Homelessness |

**CLIENTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:**

|  |   |
|--|---|
|  | Copy of lease agreement   |
|  | Housing plan  |
|  | Lead-based Paint Disclosure Form  |
|  | Housing Habitability Inspection Form  |
|  | Landlord Payment Agreement Form   |
|  | Verification client will be able to resume/continue payments after assistance is provided   |
|  | Income and Resource Certification Form  |
|  | Documentation of Financial Assistance Payment (documentation of payment must include the Payee Name, Client Name, Check Number and Amount paid using ESG funds) |
|  | Copy of Eviction Notice, Notice to Quit, Demand for Possession or Summons & Complaint (Prevention only)   |
|  | Copy of Shut-Off Notices (Utility arrearages only)  |



**Appendix D: Hudson County Grant Forms**

**D.1 Hudson County Rapid Rehousing and Homeless Prevention Eligibility Screening Tool**

|                              |  |                            |  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|
| Applicant/Head of Household: |  | Date of Initial Screening: |  |
| Current Address:             |  | Phone Number:              |  |
| Yearly Household Income:     |  | # of People in Household:  |  |

**WHERE IS THE APPLICANT CURRENTLY LIVING?**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Place not meant for human habitation  | <i>Applicant may be eligible for rapid rehousing assistance. Skip to SECTION A: RAPID REHOUSING QUESTIONS</i> |
| Shelter, transitional housing or hotel/motel paid for by a charitable organization or a government agency   |   |
| Exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in emergency shelter or a place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering the institution |   |
| Unstably housed in own home, someone else's home or is paying to stay in a hotel/motel  | <i>Applicant may be eligible for prevention assistance. Skip to SECTION B: PREVENTION QUESTIONS</i>           |
| Fleeing or attempting to flee a domestic violence situation   | <i>Applicant may be eligible for rapid rehousing or prevention assistance. Complete SECTIONS A and/or B</i>   |

**SECTION A- RAPID REHOUSING**

|   | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| Does the applicant lack the support network preventing them from becoming re-housed?              |     |    |
| Does the applicant lack the financial resources to relocate?                                      |     |    |
| Will the applicant be able to maintain housing after short term financial assistance is provided? |     |    |

*If the applicant answered yes to all of the above questions, they may be eligible for rapid rehousing assistance.*

**SECTION B- PREVENTION**

| PREVENTION QUESTIONS:   | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| Is the applicant being evicted or forced to move from where they are currently living |     |    |

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|---|--|--|
| in the next 21 days?  |  |  |
| Has the applicant moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for assistance?  |  |  |
| Is the applicant living in the home of another because of economic hardship?  |  |  |
| Does the applicant reside 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? |  |  |
| Does the applicant live in an SRO or efficiency apartment unit with more than 2 persons or in a larger housing unit with more than one and a half persons per room?                   |  |  |

***If the applicant has answered yes to at least one of the above, please continue to additional prevention questions below. If applicant answered no to all questions they are not eligible for homeless prevention funds***

| ADDITIONAL PREVENTION QUESTIONS:  | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| Does the applicant lack the support network to prevent them from becoming homeless? (i.e. friends/families whom they may live with) |     |    |
| Does the applicant lack the financial resources to maintain their housing or relocate to adequate housing?                          |     |    |
| Will the applicant be able to maintain housing after short term prevention assistance is provided?                                  |     |    |

***If the applicant answered yes to all of the above questions, they may be eligible for prevention assistance.***

Is applicant a veteran?  Yes  No      **If yes, refer to SSVF provider first.**

Applicant appears to be eligible for homeless prevention assistance and was referred to:

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant appears to be eligible for rapid rehousing assistance and was referred to:

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant is not eligible for homeless prevention assistance or rapid rehousing.

**Case Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**D2. Hudson County Rapid Rehousing and Prevention Self-Certification of Housing Status**

**Instructions:** This form is to be completed by applicants or program participants when they are unable to provide required verifications or documents and self-certification is the only way the agency is able to verify information related to program eligibility.

Applicant Name/Head of Household: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check only one:**

I [and my children] am/are currently homeless and living on the street (i.e. a car, park, abandoned building, bus station, airport, or camp ground).

I [and my children] am/are the victim(s) of domestic violence and am/are fleeing from abuse.

I [and my children] am/are currently unstably housed and meet risk factor # \_\_\_ on the At Risk of Homelessness Certification.

Please explain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information above is true, accurate and complete.**

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**INTAKE STAFF VERIFICATION FOR SELF CERTIFICATION (To be completed for each applicant)**

I understand that third-party verification is the preferred method of certifying housing status for homeless prevention and/or rapid rehousing assistance. I understand self-declaration is only permitted when I have attempted to but cannot obtain third party verification. Below is a description of the attempt made for third-party verification:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### D3. Hudson County Rapid Rehousing and Prevention Housing Standards Inspection

**Instructions:** Place a check mark in the correct column to indicate whether the property is approved or deficient with respect to each standard. The property must meet all standards in order to be approved. A copy of this checklist must be placed in the client file.

| Approved | Deficient | Element  |
|----------|-----------|--|
|          |           | 1. <i>Structure and materials:</i> The structures must be structurally sound to protect residents from the elements and not pose any threat to the health and safety of the residents.   |
|          |           | 2. <i>Space and security:</i> Each resident must be provided adequate space and security for themselves and their belongings. Each resident must be provided with an acceptable place to sleep.  |
|          |           | 3. <i>Interior air quality:</i> Each room or space must be provided with natural or mechanical ventilation.  |
|          |           | 4. <i>Water Supply:</i> The water supply appears to be free from contamination. United Water report indicates Hudson County water supply meets all quality standards.  |
|          |           | 5. <i>Sanitary Facilities:</i> Residents must have access to sufficient sanitary facilities that are in proper operating condition, are private, and are adequate for personal cleanliness and the disposal of human waste.  |
|          |           | 6. <i>Thermal environment:</i> The housing must have adequate heating facilities in proper operating condition.  |
|          |           | 7. <i>Illumination and electricity:</i> The housing must have adequate natural or artificial illumination to permit normal indoor activities and to support the health and safety. There must be sufficient electrical sources to permit the safe use of electrical appliances in the structure.   |
|          |           | 8. <i>Food preparation:</i> All food preparation areas must contain suitable space and equipment to store, prepare, and serve food in a safe and sanitary manner.  |
|          |           | 9. <i>Sanitary condition:</i> The housing must be maintained in sanitary condition.  |
|          |           | 10. <i>Fire safety:</i> All condition below must be met to meet this standard.<br>a) There must be a second means of exiting the building in the event of fire or other emergency.<br>b) Each unit must include at least one battery-operated or hard-wired smoke detector, in proper working condition, on each occupied level of the unit. Smoke detectors must be located, to the extent practicable, in a hallway adjacent to a bedroom.<br>c) If the unit is occupied by hearing-impaired persons, smoke detectors must have an alarm system designed for hearing-impaired persons in each bedroom occupied by a hearing-impaired person.<br>d) The public areas of all housing must be equipped with a sufficient number, but not less than one for each area, of battery-operated or hard-wired smoke detectors. Public areas include, but are not limited to, laundry rooms, day care centers, hallways, stairwells, and other common areas. |



**CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

I certify that I have evaluated the property located at the address below to the best of my ability and find the following:

- Property meets all of the above standards.
- Property does not meet all of the above standards.

**Comments:**

**Household Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Apartment Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Evaluator's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Review:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**D4. Hudson County Rapid Rehousing and Prevention Landlord Payment Agreement Form**

The purpose of this agreement is to assist the Tenant identified below to lease, or maintain a lease, in a decent, safe and sanitary dwelling unit from the Landlord. Prevention or Rehousing Provider will make TEMPORARY Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Rapid Re-Housing or Prevention tenant-based rental assistance payments to the Landlord on behalf of the Tenant in accordance with this agreement.

**Contract Unit, Tenant, Lease and Age of Contract Unit**

This Agreement applies only to the Tenant and dwelling unit (Contract Unit) designated in this section:

Contract Unit \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Property name and apartment #, or street address; city; state; zip code)  
 Landlord Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tenant Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of Tenant /Leaseholder)

Prevention or Rapid Rehousing Provider \_\_\_\_\_

**Term of the Agreement**

This agreement shall begin on \_\_\_\_\_, provided the Tenant has possession of the unit, and shall continue on a month to month basis until all promised payments are received or terminated by Hudson County.

**Lease Terms**

As stated in the Tenant's lease:

1. Total monthly rent amount \_\_\_\_\_
2. Rent payment due date is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The grace period for rent payment is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Late payment penalty requirements are \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Assistance**

\_\_\_\_\_ will assist with:  
 (prevention or rehousing provider)

| Item  | Owed to Landlord | To be paid by Provider | To be Paid by Tenant | Total |
|---|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Security Deposit                                  |                  |                        |                      |       |
| First Month Rent                                  |                  |                        |                      |       |
| Arrears (only for the following months:<br>_____) |                  |                        |                      |       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                      |                  |                        |                      |       |

**Obligations of the Landlord**

The Landlord agrees to accept Rental Assistance Payments from the Provider appropriately pro-rated, only for months in which the Tenant resides in the unit. The Landlord is required to give the Provider a copy of any notice to the Tenant to vacate the unit, or any complaint used under State or local law to commence an eviction action. The Landlord agrees to promptly notify (within 5 days) the Provider in writing when the Tenant vacates the unit.

**Monthly Payment to Landlord**

Hudson County ESG Policies and Procedures

The Landlord will furnish the Provider with a completed W-9 and other requested documentation (financial records, rent ledgers or cancelled checks and in order to receive payment from the Provider.

The Provider will endeavor to pay the Rental Assistance Payment to the Landlord on the first business day of the month in which the payment is due. Payment will be in the form of a check or by direct deposit, if the option is available and desirable to both parties. Payment due date, grace period for payment and late fees as outlined above from existing lease will continue. The Provider is responsible for paying any late fees using non-ESG funds that arise for payments that they were responsible for.

The Landlord agrees that the endorsement and deposit/cashing of the check constitutes certification by the Landlord that the unit remains decent, safe and sanitary, the Landlord is in compliance with the terms of the lease and the unit remains occupied by the Tenant and that the Owner has not received and will not receive any additional consideration for the unit for this period from any source other than outlined in this agreement.

**Adjustments and Termination**

The Provider may make adjustments to the Tenant Rent and Rental Assistance Payments not to exceed the Contract Rent. The Landlord and the Tenant shall be given written notice by the Provider of any adjustments or termination. Adjustments may include termination of assistance if the Tenant is determined to no longer be program eligible or if the Tenant's income is deemed to be adequate to pay the Contract Rent. Termination of this agreement shall not constitute a breach of the lease between the Landlord and the Tenant.

If the Tenant moves from the Contract Unit in violation of the lease, the Landlord is entitled to keep the Rental Assistance Payment only for the month in which the Tenant moves. Nothing in this agreement prevents the Landlord from enforcing the Lease with the Tenant.

If the Landlord evicts the Tenant, the Landlord is entitled to receive the Rental Assistance Payment only for the months that the unit is occupied by the Tenant and the Tenant remains program eligible. The Landlord is required to give the Provider a copy of any notice to the Tenant to vacate the unit, or any complaint used under State or local law to commence an eviction action.

The Provider can terminate this agreement if the Landlord fails to maintain the Contract Unit in a decent, safe and sanitary condition or materially violates the lease and fails to cure the breach within five (5) days of the written notice or for non-compliance with this agreement or for other good cause. The Provider assumes no obligation for the Tenant Rent or payment of any claim by the Landlord against the Tenant. The Landlord may only terminate the Tenant's lease in accordance with the lease terms and applicable law.

**Landlord Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tenant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Provider Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### D5. Hudson County Rapid Rehousing and Homeless Prevention Lead Based Paint Disclosure

#### Lead Warning Statement

*Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips, and dust, can pose health hazards if not taken care of properly. Lead exposure is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. Before renting pre-1978 housing, landlords must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling. Tenants must also receive a federally-approved pamphlet on lead poisoning prevention.*

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#### Owner/Landlord Disclosure (initial)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (a) Presence of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards **(check one below)**:
- Known lead-based paint or lead based paint hazards are present in the unit (explain):
- Owner/Landlord has no knowledge of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the unit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Records and reports available to the Owner/Landlord **(check one below)**:
- Owner/Landlord has provided the Tenant with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the unit (list documents below):
- Owner/Landlord has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the unit.

#### Tenant's Acknowledgment (initial)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (c) Tenant has received copies of all information listed above.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Tenant has received the pamphlet, *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home*.

#### Owner's Agent Acknowledgment (initial)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (e) Owner's/Landlord's Agent has informed the Owner/Landlord of the Owner/Landlord obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852(d) and is aware of his responsibility to ensure compliance.

#### Certification of Accuracy

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information provided by the signatory is true and accurate.

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| _____                | _____ |
| Owner/Landlord       | Date  |
| _____                | _____ |
| Owner/Landlord Agent | Date  |
| _____                | _____ |
| Tenant               | Date  |

**Appendix E: Performance Measures**

| Goals   | Required Performance Standard                             |             | Max Points | Points Awarded |
|---|---|-------------|------------|----------------|
| 1. Households exiting emergency shelter move directly to permanent housing  | >30% move to permanent housing                            | ≥30%= 15    | 15         |                |
|   |   | 25%-29%= 12 |            |                |
|   |   | 20-24%= 9   |            |                |
|   |   | 15%-19% = 6 |            |                |
|   |   | 10-14%= 3   |            |                |
| 2. Very few households exiting emergency shelters remain homeless.  | <20% remain homeless or exit to "unknown" location        | ≤9%= 0      | 5          |                |
|   |   | ≤20%= 5     |            |                |
|   |   | 21%-30%= 4  |            |                |
|   |   | 31%-40%= 3  |            |                |
|   |   | 41-51%= 1   |            |                |
| 3. Very few households will exit the program involuntarily (i.e. noncompliance with program, or disagreement with rules or persons) | <20% exit involuntarily                                   | ≥51%= 0     | 5          |                |
|   |   | ≤20%= 5     |            |                |
|   |   | 21%-30%= 4  |            |                |
|   |   | 31%-40%= 3  |            |                |
|   |   | 41-51%= 1   |            |                |
| 4. Households will increase earned and unearned income between entry and exit. (Includes wages or mainstream resources)             | 20% will increase income by program exit                  | ≥20%= 10    | 10         |                |
|   |   | 15%-19%= 7  |            |                |
|   |   | 9%-14%= 3   |            |                |
|   |   | ≤9%= 0      |            |                |
| 5. Adults will obtain or maintain employment while in the program and will exit the program employed                                | 20% will be employed at program exit                      | ≥20%= 10    | 10         |                |
|   |   | 10%-19%= 6  |            |                |
|   |   | 5%-9%= 3    |            |                |
|   |   | ≤5%= 0      |            |                |
| 6. Program operates at full capacity  | >90% occupancy  | ≥90%= 15    | 15         |                |
|   |   | 70%-89%= 10 |            |                |
|   |   | 51%-69%= 6  |            |                |
|   |   | ≤50%= 0     |            |                |
| 7. Clients are connected to GSEDC coordinated entry   | 75% will be engaged with the GSEDC coordinated assessment | ≥75%= 5     | 5          |                |
|   |   | 50%-74%= 3  |            |                |
|   |   | 25%-49%= 1  |            |                |
|   |   | ≤24%= 0     |            |                |
| <b>TOTAL POINTS</b>   |   |             |            |                |

## Appendix F: Quarterly Report Format



### Hudson County Emergency Solutions Grant and County Supplemental ESG Funding Quarterly Progress Report

## Contact Information

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Name of Recipient/Subrecipient\*

Name of Contact Person if there are Questions about this Submission\*

Email Address of Contact Person\*

## Project Information

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Title of Project\*

Select Funding Source

- Emergency Solutions Grant Funding
- County ESG Supplemental Funding

Full Funding Year This Submission is For\*

Quarter This Submission is For\* - If this report is covering an extension, please write  
Extension - and then the time period the report is covering

## Funding Report

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Please identify the amount of funding you have vouchered for this program\*

Amount Vouchered for Reporting Quarter \*

Amount Vouchered for Project in Total \*

If you have not vouchered for this quarter, please identify why:

Do you anticipate the project will utilize its full funding by the end of the program year?

Yes

No

If no, please explain why

## Project Outcomes - All Project Types

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Please use this file uploader to include the Hudson County ESG Quarterly Report from HMIS - directions for pulling this report can be found in the ESG Policies and Procedures.\*

Is this project on track to reach the service/performance levels indicated in the application for funding?

Yes  No

If no, please explain why

## Project Outcomes - Street Outreach Only

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Please identify the number of clients for each category for this quarter

|                                     |                      |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Clients engaged through outreach    | <input type="text"/> |
| Clients engaged in case management  | <input type="text"/> |
| Clients linked to emergency shelter | <input type="text"/> |

## Final Comments

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Please use this text box to provide us with any information about the program you think we should know. Please note this is NOT REQUIRED for submission.

Sign Here

|            |                      |
|------------|----------------------|
| First Name | <input type="text"/> |
| Last Name  | <input type="text"/> |

I agree to electronically sign and to create a legally binding contract between the other party and myself, or the entity I am authorized to represent.





**Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)**

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| * 1. Type of Submission:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication<br><input type="checkbox"/> Application<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | * 2. Type of Application:<br><input type="checkbox"/> New<br><input type="checkbox"/> Continuation<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revision | * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):<br>B: Decrease Award<br>* Other (Specify): |
| * 3. Date Received:<br>11/10/2020  | 4. Applicant Identifier:   |   |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier:<br>22-6002443   | 5b. Federal Award Identifier:<br>B-20-11C-14-01B2  |   |
| State Use Only:  |  |   |
| 6. Date Received by State:   | 7. State Application Identifier:   |   |
| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:  |  |   |
| * a. Legal Name: County of Hudson, New Jersey  |  |   |
| * b. Employer/Employer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):<br>22-6002443  | * c. Organizational DUNS:<br>1010458430000   |   |
| d. Address:  |  |   |
| * Street1: 211 Bergen Avenue   | Street2: Suite 5B  |   |
| * City: Jersey City  | County/Parish: Hudson  |   |
| * State: NJ: New Jersey  | Province:  |   |
| * Country: USA: UNITED STATES  | * Zip / Postal Code: 07310-4503  |   |
| e. Organizational Unit:  |  |   |
| Department Name: Housing & Community Rejuvenation  | Division Name: Housing and Community Dev.  |   |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:   |  |   |
| Prefix: Mr.  | * First Name: George   |   |
| Middle Name:   | * Last Name: Serio   |   |
| Suffix:  | Title: Division Chief  |   |
| Organizational Affiliation:  |  |   |
| * Telephone Number: 201-359-4523   | Fax Number:  |   |
| * Email: Gserio@hcnj.nj  |  |   |

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424                          |  |
|--|--|
| * 8. 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:               |  |
| 14.218   |  |
| CFDA Title:  |  |
| Community Development Block Grant Program                          |  |
| * 12. Funding Opportunity Number:                                  |  |
| 14.218   |  |
| * Title:   |  |
| Community Development Block Grant Program                          |  |
| * 13. Competition Identification Number:                           |  |
|  |  |
| Title:   |  |
|  |  |
| * 14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):  |  |
|  | <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/>   |
| * 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:                    |  |
| Entitlement Grant for Housing and Community Development Activities |  |
| Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.   |  |
|  | <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> |

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

\* a. Applicant:  \* b. Program/Project:

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

**17. Proposed Project:**

\* a. Start Date:  \* b. End Date:

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| * a. Federal        | <input type="text" value="2,163,090.00"/> |
| * b. Applicant      | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>         |
| * c. State          | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>         |
| * d. Local          | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>         |
| * e. Other          | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>         |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>         |
| * g. TOTAL          | <input type="text" value="2,163,090.00"/> |

\* 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

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, fraudulent, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, 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.

**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix:  \* First Name:

Middle Name:


\* Last Name:

Suffix:

\* Title:

\* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:

\* Email:

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

Community Development Block Grant Program

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4340-0008  
Expiration Date: 02/28/2022

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

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

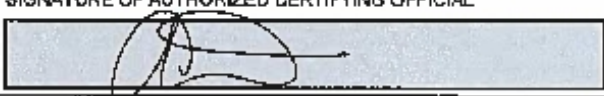
1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of 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).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of 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 Offense 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. 91-516), 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. §§801 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) 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.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1901-1908 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11614; (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. 93-623); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL<br> | TITLE<br>Alexander Anton, County Administrator |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION<br>County of Hudson, New Jersey   | DATE SUBMITTED<br>7-11-2021                    |

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| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424  |  |  |
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| * 1. Type of Submission:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication<br><input type="checkbox"/> Application<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | * 2. Type of Application:<br><input type="checkbox"/> New<br><input type="checkbox"/> Continuation<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revision | * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):<br><input type="text" value="B: Decrease Award"/><br>* Other (Specify):<br><input type="text"/> |
| * 3. Date Received:<br><input type="text" value="11/10/2020"/>   | 4. Applicant Identifier:<br><input type="text"/>   |  |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier:<br><input type="text" value="22-EU02443"/>  | 5b. Federal Award Identifier:<br><input type="text" value="M-20-DC-34-022F"/>  |  |
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| B. APPLICANT INFORMATION:  |  |  |
| * a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="County of Hudson, New Jersey"/>   |  |  |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):<br><input type="text" value="22-602443"/>  | * c. Organizational DUNS:<br><input type="text" value="1410458410000"/>  |  |
| d. Address:  |  |  |
| * Street1:<br><input type="text" value="830 Bergen Avenue"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * Street2:<br><input type="text" value="Suite 5B"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * City:<br><input type="text" value="Jersey City"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * County/Parish:<br><input type="text" value="Hudson"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * State:<br><input type="text" value="NJ; New Jersey"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
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| * Zip/Postal Code:<br><input type="text" value="07106-4537"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| e. Organizational Units:   |  |  |
| Department Name:<br><input type="text" value="Housing &amp; Community Reintegrat"/>  | Division Name:<br><input type="text" value="Housing and Community Dev."/>  |  |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:   |  |  |
| * Prefix:<br><input type="text" value="Mr."/>  | * First Name:<br><input type="text" value="Geocca"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |
| * Middle Name:<br><input type="text"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * Last Name:<br><input type="text" value="Seri"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * Suffix:<br><input type="text"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |  |
| * Title:<br><input type="text" value="Division Chief"/>  |  |  |
| Organizational Affiliation:<br><input type="text"/>  |  |  |
| * Telephone Number:<br><input type="text" value="201-369-4520"/>   | * Fax Number:<br><input type="text"/>  |  |
| * Email:<br><input type="text" value="Gserio@hcnj.us"/>  |  |  |



| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:</b><br><input type="text" value="D. County Government"/>  |  |
| <b>Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:</b><br><input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:</b><br><input type="text"/>  |  |
| <b>* Other (specify):</b><br><input type="text"/>   |  |
| <b>* 10. Name of Federal Agency:</b><br><input type="text" value="D.H. Department of Housing and Urban Development"/>   |  |
| <b>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</b><br><input type="text" value="14.239"/>  |  |
| <b>CFDA Title:</b><br><input type="text" value="EOCIE Investment Partnerships Program"/>  |  |
| <b>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</b><br><input type="text" value="14.239"/>   |  |
| <b>* Title:</b><br><input type="text" value="EOCIE Investment Partnerships Program"/>   |  |
| <b>13. Competition Identification Number:</b><br><input type="text"/>   |  |
| <b>Title:</b><br><input type="text"/>   |  |
| <b>14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</b><br><input type="text"/>  |  |
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| <b>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</b><br><input type="text" value="Entitlement Grant for Housing and Community Development Activities"/>   |  |
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| 16. Congressional Districts Of:  |                                |
| * a. Applicant: 8, 9, 10   | * b. Program/Project: 8, 9, 10 |
| Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.  |                                |
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| 17. Proposed Projects:   |                                |
| * a. Start Date: 07/01/2020  | * b. End Date: 06/30/2021      |
| 18. Estimated Funding (\$):  |                                |
| * a. Federal   | 2,748,244.00                   |
| * b. Applicant   | 0.00                           |
| * c. State   | 0.00                           |
| * d. Local   | 0.00                           |
| * e. Other   | 0.00                           |
| * f. Program Income  | 0.00                           |
| * g. TOTAL   | 2,748,244.00                   |
| * 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?   |                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/> .  |                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.  |                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.   |                                |
| * 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)  |                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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. 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 28, Section 1001) |                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** 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: Sr.  | * First Name: Abraham          |
| Middle Name:   |                                |
| * Last Name: Rantun  |                                |
| Suffix:  |                                |
| * Title: County Administrator  |                                |
| * Telephone Number: 201-795-6100   | Fax Number:                    |
| * Email: rantun@hcnj.us  |                                |
| * Signature of Authorized Representative:  | * Date Signed: 2/11/2021       |

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4040-0009  
Expiration Date: 02/28/2022

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


1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of 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).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§901 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 66-352) 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 1983, and 1885-1886), 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.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) 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.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1601-1608 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §278c 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 178(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL   | TITLE                               |
|  | Abraham Antun, County Administrator |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION  | DATE SUBMITTED                      |
| County of Hudson, New Jersey  | 2-11-2021                           |

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BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
COUNTY OF HUDSON

RESOLUTION

No. 275-5-2020

On Motion of Freeholder Torres

Seconded by Freeholder Vainieri

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF  
THE 2020-2024 FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND  
2020 ACTION PLAN  
PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
FEDERAL REGULATIONS 24 CFR PART 91  
JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021  
(\$5,087,057.00)

WHEREAS, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended provides a program of community development block grants; and

WHEREAS, Title II of the Cranston-Cunha National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, provides that HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds be made available to certain participating jurisdictions on a formula basis; and

WHEREAS, federal regulations at 24 CFR Part 91 require that the County of Hudson submit a 2020-2024 Consolidation Plan and FY 2020 Action Plan as a prerequisite to receipt of entitlement Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN DOLLAR AND 00/100 (\$2,163,477.00) formula Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in the approximate amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$174,817.00), and formula HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds in the approximate amount of TWO MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY THREE DOLLARS 00/100 (\$2,748,763.00), and

WHEREAS, the 2020 CDBG projects are specifically set out as follows:

| 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS \$1,363,477 |  |              |
|--|--|--------------|
| Municipality/Organization  | Program                                  | 2020 Funding |
| Cardinal State Episcopal CDC                                       | Hudson CASA, six-class Coordinated entry | \$ 50,000    |
| Col Administrative Support Programs of NJ                          | Peer Homeless Services/ID Program        | \$ 35,500    |
| House of Faith   | Transitional Housing Operations          | \$ 30,000    |
| Waterfront Project   | Wills for Seniors and Legal Counseling   | \$ 5,000     |
| ACT New  | Alzheimer's Care Project                 | \$ 15,000    |
| Linnsey NJ West Hudson   | ESL and Adult Literacy Program           | \$ 15,000    |
| Save Latin America   | Community Resource Center                | \$ 20,000    |
| Hudson County Cancer Coalition                                     | Cancer Screenings                        | \$ 4,500     |
| Salvation Army   | Food Pantry                              | \$ 15,000    |
| CASA   | CASA Program                             | \$ 15,000    |
| Ric Brothers Dig Sisters   | Youth Mentoring Program                  | \$ 30,000    |
| Green Theatre Workshop   | Youth Arts Initiative                    | \$ 8,500     |
| Hudson Pride   | Youth Connect                            | \$ 11,000    |
| Kennedy Dancers  | After School Dance Program               | \$ 10,000    |
| Waterfront Project   | Housing and Legal Advocacy               | \$ 30,000    |
| Borough of East Newark   | Senior Services                          | \$ 20,000    |
| Town of Guttenberg   | Traffic Signal Upgrades                  | \$ 81,420    |
| Town of Harrison   | Hamilton Library Renovations             | \$ 115,780   |
| Town of Kearny   | Highland Avenue Street Improvements      | \$ 421,200   |
| Town of Secaucus   | Deering Lane Parking Lot Improvements    | \$ 95,575    |
| Township of Weehawken  | 50th Street Improvements                 | \$ 128,725   |
| Town of West New York  | West New York Public Library             | \$ 485,810   |
| EC Division of Housing   | Administrative Funding                   | \$ 407,685   |

|                       |       |              |
|-----------------------|-------|--------------|
| Local Community Dev.  |       |              |
| 2020 Program Reserves |       | \$ 25,822    |
|                       | Total | \$ 3,163,477 |

WHEREAS, the 2020 ESG projects are specifically set out as follows:

| 2020 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROJECTS - \$174,817 |                 |           |
|---|-----------------|-----------|
| Organization  | Program         | Funding   |
| Garden State Episcopal CDC                                | Rapid Rehousing | \$106,962 |
| Garden State Episcopal CDC                                | Street Outreach | \$67,855  |
|   | Total           | \$174,817 |

WHEREAS, the 2020 HOME projects are specifically set out as follows:

| 2020 HOME Projects- \$2,748,763                       |             |
|---|-------------|
| Activity  | Funding     |
| Community Housing Development Organizations- Reserves | \$412,314   |
| CHDO Operating  | \$90,000    |
| Rental and Homeowner Housing Production               | \$2,011,573 |
| Program Administration                                | \$274,876   |
| Total   | \$2,748,763 |

WHEREAS, the program year shall run from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hudson, pursuant to requirements pursuant to the requirements of federal regulations 24 CFR Part 91, has given citizens an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the housing and non-housing needs and community development program priorities and projects of the County of Hudson; and

WHEREAS, said public meetings and hearings were held for the purpose of considering and obtaining the views of the citizens of Hudson County on community development and housing needs, and for the purpose of providing citizens with an opportunity to participate in the development of 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan FY 2020 Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hudson held a virtual public hearing on April 23, 2020 to obtain the views and comments of citizens with regard to the Hudson County 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson:

1. The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson adopts and approves the Hudson County 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Action Plan as to the activities of funds with regard to the Community Development Block Grant Program in the approximate amount of \$2,163,477, Emergency Solutions Grant Program in the approximate amount of \$ 174,817, and HOME Investment Partnerships Program in the approximate amount of \$2,748,763 of FY 2020 Program Year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021).
2. The County Executive, or other authorized, appropriate and responsible officials be and are hereby authorized to submit the Hudson County 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban as required by federal regulations 24 CFR Part 91, including all understandings and certifications contained therein and to provide such additional information or documentation as may be required to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this Resolution.
3. The County Executive, or other authorized, appropriate and responsible officials be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute grant agreements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program and HOMEs

**BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
COUNTY OF HUDSON**

**RESOLUTION**

No. \_\_\_\_\_

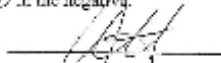
On Motion of Freeholder \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded by Freeholder \_\_\_\_\_

Investment Partnerships Program for the Hudson County 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Program Year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021).

4. The County Executive, or other authorized, appropriate and responsible officials be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute subgrantee and subrecipient agreements with designated and approved operating entities and appropriate eligible entities in accordance with the federal CDBG, ESG, and HOME Regulations to implement the project activities contained in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Action Plan for the Community Development Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program and HOME Investment Partnerships Program for the Hudson County FY 2020 Program Year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021).
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

| Freeholder | Age | Nov | Abst | K.P. | Freeholder           | Age | Nov | Abst | N.E. |
|------------|-----|-----|------|------|----------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Balala     | /   |     |      |      | Riva                 | /   |     |      |      |
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| Malcorado  | /   |     |      |      | Champion<br>Valletti | /   |     |      |      |
| C'Dea      | /   |     |      |      |                      |     |     |      |      |

It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Freeholders of the County of Hudson held on the 14th day of March, A.D. 2020, the foregoing resolution was adopted with 9 members voting in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

 Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

BY:   
**DONATO J. BATTISTA**  
 HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL  
 Source: Parks & Community Services/Division of  
 Housing & Community Development  
 RM/dmg



**CERTIFICATIONS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Section 3** – It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

  
Signature of Authorized Official

5/14/2020  
Date

County Administrator, County of Hudson New Jersey  
Title

Abraham Antun  
Name

### Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

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

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

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

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

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

2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2018, 2019, 2020 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

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

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

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

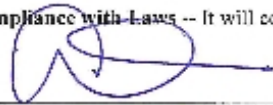
**Excessive Force** -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

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

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

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

  
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Signature of Authorized Official

5/14/2020  
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County Administrator, County of Hudson New Jersey  
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Title

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Name

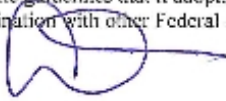
**Specific HOME Certifications**

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

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

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

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



Signature of Authorized Official

5/14/2020  
Date

County Administrator, County of Hudson, New Jersey  
Title

Mariamah Adams  
Name

## Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

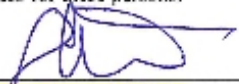
**Matching Funds** – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

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

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

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

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

  
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5/14/2020  
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County Administrator, County of Hudson, New Jersey  
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Name

**APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS**

**INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:**


**Lobbying Certification**

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

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| * 3. Date Received: 05/25/2020  |  |   |
| 4. Applicant Identifier:  |  |   |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier: 22-6002443   |  | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: B-20-DC-34-0102 |
| <b>State Use Only:</b>  |  |   |
| 6. Date Received by State:  |  | 7. State Application Identifier:              |
| <b>8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:</b>  |  |   |
| * a. Legal Name: Hudson County, New Jersey  |  |   |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 22-6002443  |  | * c. Organizational DUNS: 1410458460100       |
| <b>d. Address:</b>  |  |   |
| * Street: 830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 5B   |  |   |
| Street2:  |  |   |
| * City: Jersey City   |  |   |
| County/Parish: Hudson   |  |   |
| * State: NJ: New Jersey   |  |   |
| Province:   |  |   |
| * Country: USA: UNITED STATES   |  |   |
| * Zip / Postal Code: 07305-4507   |  |   |
| <b>e. Organizational Unit:</b>  |  |   |
| Department Name: Parks and Community Services   |  | Division Name: Housing and Community Dev.     |
| <b>f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:</b>   |  |   |
| Prefix: MR. * First Name: Randi   |  |   |
| Middle Name:  |  |   |
| * Last Name: Moore  |  |   |
| Suffix:   |  |   |
| Title: Division Chief   |  |   |
| Organizational Affiliation:   |  |   |
| * Telephone Number: 201-369-4520  |  | Fax Number:                                   |
| * Email: rmoore@hcnj.us   |  |   |




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| <p>* 10. Name of Federal Agency:</p> <p>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>  |  |
| <p>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</p> <p>14.218</p> <p>CFDA Title:</p> <p>Community Development Block Grant Program</p>   |  |
| <p>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</p> <p>14.218</p> <p>* Title:</p> <p>Community Development Block Grant Program</p>   |  |
| <p>13. Competition Identification Number:</p> <p>Title:</p>   |  |
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| <p>* 18. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</p> <p>Entitlement Grant for housing and Community Development Activities</p> <p>Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.</p> <p>Add Attachments    Delete Attachments    View Attachments</p> |  |

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| * a. Applicant   | 8, 9, 10   |
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| <b>17. Proposed Project:</b>   |  |
| * a. Start Date:   | 07/01/2020   |
| * b. End Date:   | 05/30/2021   |
| <b>18. Estimated Funding (\$):</b>   |  |
| * a. Federal   | 2,153,477.00   |
| * b. Applicant   | 0.00   |
| * c. State   | 0.00   |
| * d. Local   | 0.00   |
| * e. Other   | 0.00   |
| * f. Program Income  | 0.00   |
| * g. TOTAL   | 2,153,477.00   |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** 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.  |  |
| <b>Authorized Representative:</b>  |  |
| Prefix:  | Mr.  |
| * First Name:  | Abraham  |
| Middle Name:   |  |
| * Last Name:   | Antun  |
| Suffix:  |  |
| * Title:   | County Administrator   |
| * Telephone Number:  | 201-795-6100   |
| Fax Number:  |  |
| * Email:   | antun@bcdf.us  |
| * Signature of Authorized Representative:  |  |
| * Date Signed:   | 6-29-20  |


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| * 3. Date Received:<br>06/25/2020  | 4. Applicant Identifier:<br>_____  |  |
| 6a. Federal Entity Identifier:<br>22-6002443   | 5b. Federal Award Identifier:<br>E-20-UC-34-0102   |  |
| State Use Only:  |  |  |
| 6. Date Received by State: _____   | 7. State Application Identifier: _____   |  |
| B. APPLICANT INFORMATION:  |  |  |
| * a. Legal Name: Hudson County, New Jersey   |  |  |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):<br>22-6002443  | * c. Organizational DUNS:<br>1410458440000   |  |
| d. Address:  |  |  |
| * Street1:<br>830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 5B  | Street2: _____   |  |
| * City:<br>Jersey City   | County/Parish: Hudson  |  |
| * State:<br>NJ: New Jersey   | Prov/Noe: _____  |  |
| * Country:<br>USA: UNITED STATES   | * Zip / Postal Code:<br>07306-0507   |  |
| e. Organizational Unit:  |  |  |
| Department Name:<br>Parks and Community Services   | Division Name:<br>Housing and Community Dev.   |  |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:   |  |  |
| Prefix: Mr.  | * First Name: Rauli  |  |
| Middle Name: _____   | * Last Name: Moore   |  |
| Suffix: _____  | Title: Division Chief  |  |
| Organizational Affiliation:<br>_____   |  |  |
| * Telephone Number: 201-369-4520   | Fax Number: _____  |  |
| * Email: Rmoore@hccco.us   |  |  |

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| <p><b>* 10. Name of Federal Agency:</b></p> <p>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>  |  |
| <p><b>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</b></p> <p>14-231</p> <p>CFDA Title:</p> <p>Emergency Solutions Grant Program</p>   |  |
| <p><b>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p>14-231</p> <p>* Title:</p> <p>Emergency Solutions Grant Program</p>   |  |
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| * a. Start Date: <input type="text" value="05/01/2020"/>  | * b. End Date: <input type="text" value="05/30/2021"/>  |
| <b>18. Estimated Funding (\$):</b>  |   |
| * a. Federal  | <input type="text" value="174,817.00"/>   |
| * b. Applicant  | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>   |
| * c. State  | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>   |
| * d. Local  | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>   |
| * e. Other  | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>   |
| * f. Program Income   | <input type="text" value="0.00"/>   |
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| <b>Authorized Representative:</b>   |   |
| Prefix: <input type="text"/>  | * First Name: <input type="text" value="Abraham"/>  |
| Middle Name: <input type="text"/>   |   |
| * Last Name: <input type="text" value="Antuan"/>  |   |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/>  |   |
| * Title: <input type="text" value="County Administrator"/>  |   |
| * Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="201-995-6100"/>   | Fax Number: <input type="text"/>  |
| * Email: <input type="text" value="antuan@hcnj.us"/>  |   |
| * Signature of Authorized Representative:   | * Date Signed: <input type="text" value="6.29.20"/>   |

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| <b>8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:</b>   |  |   |
| * a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="Hudson County, New Jersey"/>  |  |   |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):<br><input type="text" value="23-6002443"/>   | * c. Organizational DUNS:<br><input type="text" value="1410158440000"/>  |   |
| <b>d. Address:</b>   |  |   |
| * Street1:<br><input type="text" value="830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 50"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| Street2:<br><input type="text"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| * City:<br><input type="text" value="Jersey City"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| County/Parish:<br><input type="text" value="Hudson"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |   |
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| * Zip/Postal Code:<br><input type="text" value="07306-4507"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| <b>e. Organizational Unit:</b>   |  |   |
| Department Name:<br><input type="text" value="Parks and Community Services"/>  | Division Name:<br><input type="text" value="Housing and Community Dev."/>  |   |
| <b>f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:</b>  |  |   |
| Prefix: <input type="text" value="Ms."/>   | * First Name: <input type="text" value="Randi"/>   | <input type="text"/>  |
| Middle Name: <input type="text"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| * Last Name: <input type="text" value="Moore"/>  | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/>   | <input type="text"/>   |   |
| Title: <input type="text" value="Division Chief"/>   |  |   |
| Organizational Affiliation:<br><input type="text"/>  |  |   |
| * Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="201-369-4520"/>  | Fax Number: <input type="text"/>   |   |
| * Email: <input type="text" value="randi@hccnj.usa"/>  |  |   |

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| <p><b>* 10. Name of Federal Agency:</b></p> <p>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>  |  |
| <p><b>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</b></p> <p>14-239</p> <p>CFDA Title:</p> <p>HOME Investment Partnerships Program</p>  |  |
| <p><b>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p>14-239</p> <p>* Title:</p> <p>HOME Investment Partnerships Program</p>  |  |
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| * a. Start Date  | 07/01/2020   |
| * b. End Date  | 06/30/2021   |
| <b>18. Estimated Funding (\$):</b>   |  |
| * a. Federal   | 2,748,753.00   |
| * b. Applicant   | 0.00   |
| * c. State   | 0.00   |
| * d. Local   | 0.00   |
| * e. Other   | 0.00   |
| * f. Program Income  | 0.00   |
| * g. TOTAL   | 2,748,753.00   |
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| * First Name:  | Abraham  |
| Middle Name:   | <input type="text"/>   |
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## Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources

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| 1   | <b>Data Source Name</b><br>American Community Survey   |
|   | <b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b><br>US CEensus Bureau   |
|   | <b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b><br>Complete data on Hosing, Economic, Demopgraphic and Social Characteristics of Population                                      |
|   | <b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b><br>Required by law   |
|   | <b>Provide the year (and optionally month, or month and day) for when the data was collected.</b><br>based upon 2008-2013 data sets  |
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|   | <b>Describe the demographics of the respondents or characteristics of the unit of measure, and the number of respondents or units surveyed.</b><br>Please see preceding response |
|   | <b>Data Source Name</b><br>2000 Census, 2013-2017 ACS  |
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|   | <p><b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b></p> <p>The US Census 2000 contains detailed tables presenting data for the United States, 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico focusing on age, sex, households, families, and housing units. These tables provide in-depth figures by race and ethnicity.</p> <p>The American Community Survey (ACS) is an ongoing survey that provides data every year -- giving communities the current information they need to plan investments and services. Information from the survey generates data that help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year. The ACS is accessed through the American FactFinder website, which provides data about the United States, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.</p> <p><b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b></p> <p>US Census 2000 information affects the numbers of seats a state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. An accurate count of residents can also benefit the community. The information the census collects helps to determine how more than \$400 billion dollars of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services. Among other things, Census data is used to advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, locate pools of skilled workers and more.</p> <p>ACS: Information from the ACS help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year to help communities, state governments, and federal programs.</p> <p><b>How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?</b></p> <p>Hudson County, NJ</p> <p><b>What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?</b></p> <p>2000 Census, 2013-2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates</p> <p><b>What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?</b></p> <p>Complete</p> |
| 3 | <p><b>Data Source Name</b></p> <p>2012-2016 CHAS</p> <p><b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b></p> <p>US Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS) and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)</p>  |

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|   | <p><b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b></p> <p>Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) receives custom tabulations of American Community Survey (ACS) data from the U.S. Census Bureau. These data, known as the "CHAS" data (Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy), demonstrate the extent of housing problems and housing needs, particularly for low income households.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b></p> <p>The CHAS data are used by local governments to plan how to spend HUD funds, and may also be used by HUD to distribute grant funds.</p>  |
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|   | <p><b>What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?</b></p> <p>2012-2016 CHAS</p>  |
|   | <p><b>What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?</b></p> <p>Complete</p>   |
| 4 | <p><b>Data Source Name</b></p> <p>2013-2017 ACS 5-Yr Estimates</p>  |
|   | <p><b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b></p> <p>US Census Bureau</p>  |
|   | <p><b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b></p> <p>The American Community Survey (ACS) is an ongoing survey that provides data every year -- giving communities the current information they need to plan investments and services. Information from the survey generates data that help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year. The ACS is accessed through the American FactFinder website, which provides data about the United States, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.</p> |
|   | <p><b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b></p> <p>Information from the ACS help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year to help communities, state governments, and federal programs.</p>  |
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| 5 | <p><b>Data Source Name</b></p> <p>2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 LEHD (Jobs)</p>  |
|   | <p><b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b></p> <p>2011-2015 ACS and 2015 Longitudinal Employee-Household Dynamics: United States Census Bureau</p>   |
|   | <p><b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b></p> <p>The American Community Survey (ACS) is an ongoing survey that provides data every year -- giving communities the current information they need to plan investments and services. Information from the survey generates data that help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year. The ACS is accessed through the American FactFinder website, which provides data about the United States, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.</p> <p>The Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) program is part of the Center for Economic Studies at the U.S. Census Bureau. The LEHD program produces new, cost effective, public-use information combining federal, state and Census Bureau data on employers and employees under the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Partnership.</p> |
|   | <p><b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b></p> <p>ACS: Information from the ACS help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal and state funds are distributed each year to help communities, state governments, and federal programs.</p> <p>LEHD: Information from the LEHD help state and local authorities who increasingly need detailed local information about their economies to make informed decisions. The LEHD Partnership works to fill critical data gaps and provide indicators needed by state and local authorities. LEHD's mission is to provide new dynamic information on workers, employers, and jobs with state-of-the-art confidentiality protections and no additional data collection burden.</p>  |
|   | <p><b>How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?</b></p> <p>Hudson County, NJ</p>  |
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| 6 | <p><b>Data Source Name</b></p> <p>HUD 2019 FMR and HOME Rents</p>  |
|   | <p><b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b></p> <p>US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)</p>   |
|   | <p><b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b></p> <p>Fair Market Rents (FMRs) are set by HUD and used to determine payment standard amounts for HUD Programs. HUD annually estimates FMRs for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) defined metropolitan areas, some HUD defined subdivisions of OMB metropolitan areas and each nonmetropolitan county.</p> <p>HOME Rents Limits are based on FMRs published by HUD. HOME Rent Limits are set to determine the rent in HOME-assisted rental units and are applicable to new HOME leases.</p> |
|   | <p><b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b></p> <p>Fair Market Rents (FMRs) are used to determine payment standard amounts for HUD Programs.</p> <p>HOME Rent Limits are the maximum amount that may be charged for rent in HOME-assisted rental units and are applicable to new HOME leases.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?</b></p> <p>Hudson County, NJ</p>  |
|   | <p><b>What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?</b></p> <p>2019</p>   |
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