



HUDSON COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

2024 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) Public Hearing

October 15, 2025

WHO WE ARE:

The Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development:

- Administers Federal Entitlement Grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Is the lead entity for the Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC)
 - Organized as the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness
 - Over \$7 Million in 2024
- Oversees the Hudson County Homelessness Trust Fund, Foreclosure Registry and Lead-based Paint initiatives
- Administers HUD and State COVID-19 response programs

WHY ARE WE HERE?

- To provide an overview of Hudson County's federal funding
 - To help residents understand how funding has been utilized and eligible activities.
 - Inform the public about available resources
 - To hear from you about the housing and community development needs and priorities within the county
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WHAT IS THE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)?

- The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is a required annual report that all entitlement communities (cities, counties or states) submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- The report demonstrates how funding has been used over the past year to support housing, homelessness and community development programs.
- The report incorporates reporting requirements for the Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).
- The report serves three key purposes:
 - It allows HUD to evaluate whether communities are using funds efficiently
 - It provides essential data that is shared with Congress, and
 - It promotes transparency and accountability by outlining funds activities for Hudson County residents and stakeholders.

Note: Hudson County's PY2024 is from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. HUD requires all grantees to submit their annual performance reports within 90 days of the close of the grantee's program year.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a federally funded program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It provides annual grants to cities, counties, and states to develop viable communities by:

- Providing decent housing
- Creating suitable living environments
- Expanding economic opportunities

CDBG primarily benefits low- and moderate-income (LMI) individuals and families, households and neighborhoods (80% Area Median Income or below).



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

CDBG Funds can be used for a variety of activities, as long as they meet one of the three national objectives:

1. Benefit low- and moderate-income persons
2. Prevent or eliminate slums of blight
3. Address urgent community development needs (i.e., natural disasters)

Eligible uses of CDBG funding include:

- Public Facilities and Infrastructure (street improvements, neighborhood centers, etc.)
- Housing Activities (rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures)
- Public Services (i.e., youth services, senior citizens, foreclosure prevention, etc.)
- Economic Development
- Acquisition and Clearance
- Planning and Administration

Hudson Urban County CDBG Communities



FY2024 CDBG FUNDING

Category	Allocation
Planning and Administration	\$418,616.80
Public Services	\$313,962.60
Public Facilities and Infrastructure	\$1,360,504.60
Total CDBG Allocation	\$2,052,540.00

Note: HUD regulations limit Planning and Administration costs to 20% of the total grant and a 15% cap for Public Service activities

2024 CDBG ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Public Services

- Homeless Services – 527 individuals
- Senior Services – 152 senior citizens
- Youth Services – 264 low- and moderate-Income Youth
- Other Public Services Activities (General) – 3,473 low- and moderate-income individuals

Public Facilities and Infrastructure

- Projects targeted low- and moderate-income Census Tracts in Harrison, Kearny, Secaucus, Weehawken and West New York.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

The HOME Investment Partnerships program (HOME) provides funding to states and local governments to create affordable housing for low-income individuals and families (80% Area Median Income or below).

This program brings together all levels of government and the private sector for the development of affordable housing.

Grantees must contribute non-federal funds equal to at least 25% of the HOME funds they spend on eligible activities each federal fiscal year.

HOME funds can be used for the following activities:

- Homeowner Rehabilitation
- Homebuyer Assistance
- Rental Housing Development
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Administrative and Planning Costs (up to 10% of HOME allocation)

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

The County funds non-profit and private developers to create affordable homes for low- and moderate-income people (under 80% of Area Median Income).

Possible projects include:

- Multi-family rental projects (under 60% AMI)
- Special needs rental projects (under 60% AMI for homeless, veterans, developmental disabilities, etc.)
- Affordable for-sale homeowner projects (condos, co-ops, 1 & 2 family homes)

Possible activities include:

- First Time Homebuyer down payment and closing cost assistance
- Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation
- Rental Assistance (Vouchers)
- Capacity building for local Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs)

A CHDO is a qualified nonprofit housing developer that:

- Has a mission focused on developing affordable housing
- Meets specific HUD requirements for structure, capacity and accountability
- Is eligible to receive HOME CHDO Reserve funds (15% of HOME allocation) which are set aside for affordable housing development

Hudson County HOME Consortium



FY2024 HOME FUNDING

Category	Allocation
Planning and Administration	\$209,308.40
CHDO Reserve	\$350,784.07
Homeowner and Rental Housing Development	\$1,532,991.53
Total HOME Allocation	\$2,093,084.00

Note: HUD regulations limit Planning and Administration costs to 10% of the total HOME allocation and a 15% cap for CHDO Reserve.

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)

The ESG program provides funding to:

- Engage homeless individuals and families living on the street;
- Improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families;
- Help operate these shelters;
- Provide essential services to shelter residents;
- Rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families; and
- Prevent families and individuals from becoming homeless.



EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) ELIGIBLE USES

1. Street Outreach
2. Emergency Shelter
3. Homelessness Prevention
4. Rapid Re-Housing Assistance, and
5. HMIS;

(up to 7.5% of a recipient's allocation can be used for administrative activities).

Hudson County Prioritizes Street Outreach, Shelter and Rapid Re-housing



FY2024 ESG FUNDING AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Hudson County received \$177,195.00 in ESG funding for FY 2024.

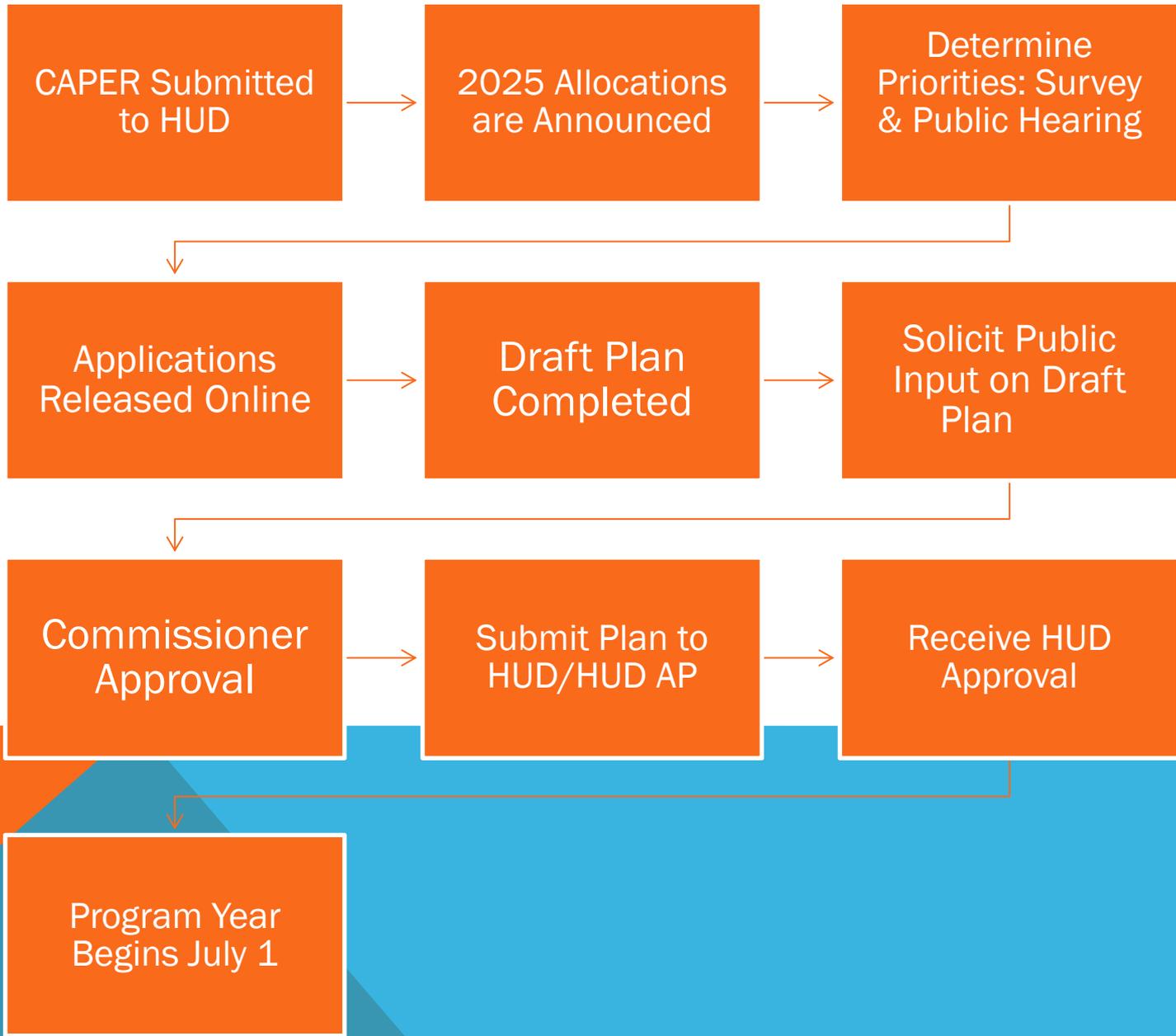
ESG funding provided services to 891 adults and 18 youth in Hudson County.



QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS?



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



**What are the highest
priority needs in
Hudson County?**



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Hudson County residents are encouraged to review and provide comments of the 2024 CAPER. Written comments may be submitted by mail to the above address or by email to Erin Ross Burgess, Division Chief, at ERoss@hcnj.us. All comments must be received by close of business **Wednesday, October 22, 2025**.