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**Citizen Participation Plan** 

For

## HUD Federal Entitlement Grants, Federal Supplemental Funding, Substantial and Regular Amendments and Performance Reports

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### FY 2021-2026 Citizen Participation Plan

### For

## The District of Columbia's Consolidated Plan Required for HUD Federal Entitlement Grants, Federal Supplemental Funding, Substantial and Regular Amendments and Performance Reports

#### **Background**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, supports local activities that revitalize neighborhoods, promote economic development, and improve community facilities and services. Since the program's inception, the District of Columbia has been a recipient of these funds, using CDBG toward affordable housing and community development goals. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) manages the CDBG program and requires that participating jurisdictions develop a five-year vision for local programming and spending of CDBG funding.

In 1994, federal regulations were revised to require the consolidated submission of plans and applications for three other programs, in addition to the CDBG plan and application. The four HUD entitlement grant programs were consolidated into a single planning and application process, better known as the "Consolidated Plan" or "Con Plan." These programs include:

- Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG): funds local activities that revitalize neighborhoods, promote economic development, and improve community facilities and services in low-moderate income communities.
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): funds the buying, building, and/or rehabilitating of affordable housing for rent or homeownership or providing direct rental assistance to low-income people.
- Emergency Solution Grant Program (ESG): funds street outreach, emergency shelters, homelessness prevention, and rapid-re-housing assistance for homeless individuals or persons living in temporary shelters.
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA): funds projects that benefit low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

In 2016, the Housing Trust Fund Program (HTF) was created, and in 2018, HUD published CPD Notice 2018-01, requiring the HTF Program's inclusion in the Con Plan process. HTF funds the buying, building, and/or rehabilitating of affordable housing for rent or homeownership and may provide direct rental assistance to very low-income and low-income

people.

In 2020 and 2021, HUD announced three supplemental programs which must comply with the Consolidated Plan, but the required regulatory comment period is truncated to quickly respond to emergencies and high priority community needs. The supplemental programs include:

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136, signed into law on March 27, 2020: funds activities in which plan, prepare, and responds to the impact of the Coronavirus on people, businesses, organizations, and communities.
- Recovery Housing Program (RHP), authorized under Section 8071 of the Support for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act: funds housing and supportive services for persons recovering from substance use disorder.
- The American Rescue Plan of 2021, HOME funds (HOME-ARP): funds housing and supportive services for persons and special populations at risk of losing their home or are currently living without a home.

#### The Citizen Participation Plan Requirement (CPP) 91.105 (2) (i)

Pursuant to 24 CFR 91, jurisdictions that receive CDBG, HOME, HTF, ESG, and HOPWA funding must develop and implement Citizen Participation Plans (CPP) that specify how the public can provide input into the planning and implementation process for:

- The Consolidated Plan,
- Annual Action Plans,
- Substantial Plan Amendments to the Consolidated Plan, and
- Performance Reports.

The District of Columbia's CPP is prepared by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), the District's grantee agency charged with developing and administering the District's Consolidated Plan. Jurisdictions participating in HUD's funding programs are required to adhere to HUD's citizen participation guidelines and follow their respective CPPs after adoption.<sup>1</sup>

The CPP promotes participation by low- and moderate-income persons, minority and non-English-speaking persons, residents of public and assisted housing developments, and, in particular, persons living in areas where the federal grant funds will be used. In addition, the plan promotes participation by Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), non-profit organizations, community and faith-based organizations, homeless providers, the Continuum of Care, housing and community developers, philanthropic organizations, public and private sector employers and employees, and District residents, collectively known as "stakeholders."

## **CPP** Development Process 91.105 (4) (b)

The District's annual Con Plan process will begin with DHCD's preparation of this document, the CPP. The CPP describes how stakeholders may provide input to guide the planning process for the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Amendments to the Consolidated Plan, and performance evaluation reports, and it provides a tentative timeframe within which the Agency will complete the plan.

As part of the plan development process, DHCD will notify the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA), the Department of Health (DC Health), and the Department of Human Services (DHS), collectively known as the "sister agencies," government entities and non-profit agencies to serve as a resource for citizen participation in the Con Plan/AAP process.

DHCD will publish the CPP along with the Con Plan/AAP at least two weeks before the first public hearing on DHCD's website: <u>www.dhcd.dc.gov</u>. The link and a hard copy of the plan will be made available to public libraries, all Advisory Neighborhood Commission offices, selected community-based organization offices, and a hard copy will be placed at DHCD's Housing Resource Center. Stakeholders may also request a copy of the CPP by emailing <u>opm.questions@dc.gov</u>. The CPP will be made available during the entire public review period of the draft Con Plan, the draft AAP, or the draft CAPER.

# **Citizen Participation in the Con Plan Development Process 91.105** (2)

DHCD will facilitate *a minimum of* two public hearings and provide at least the minimum regulatory open comment period before the document is finalized and submitted to HUD. DHCD will hold up to two "town hall" style meetings, as feasible, and use survey tools to reach a wider audience.

The Consolidated Plan development process consists of the following steps:

- Development of the CPP.
- A minimum of one "Needs Assessment" Public Hearing to develop public priorities and receive feedback on the year before the performances.
- Preparation of a draft proposed Five-Year Con Plan (if a new Five-Year Plan must be developed), or a draft proposed AAP.
- Finalization of the Con Plan and or AAP.
- Submission of the Con Plan and or AAP to HUD by the annual deadline of August 15.
- Public hearing before the submission of the CAPER to HUD.
- Submission of the CAPER to HUD by the annual deadline of December 30.

#### Con Plan/AAP/CAPER Development Schedule\*

EVENT	DATE (2021)
Issuance of Citizen Participation Plan, Along with Public	January/February
Hearing and Survey Schedule.	

APPENDIX I Citizen Participation Plan

Hold Small Focus Group "Town Halls" on "Housing and Community Development Needs in the District of Columbia"	February - June
DHCD Needs Assessment Public Hearing(s) on "Housing and Community Development Needs in the District of Columbia"	March
Distribute Community Surveys	March
Publication of Proposed Con Plan/Action Plan Before Submission	July
DHCD Proposed Con Plan/AAP Document Public Hearing	July
DHCD Electronic Submission of Con Plan/Action Plan	August 15
HUD Reviews Con Plan/AAP for 45 Days	August-September
Grant funds become available for the start of the <i>new</i> Fiscal Year.	October 1
Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER) Public Hearing	December
Electronic Submission of the CAPER to HUD Field Office	December 31

\* All dates are approximate and subject to change. Specifically, in the event the District is granted a formal extension for plan submission, this plan development schedule may be altered. Specific dates and locations are provided in published Notices, through direct mailings in publicly accessible locations, on the DHCD, DHS, and DC Health websites, and through various social media platforms.

#### Public Access and Accommodation 91.105 (3)

DHCD facilitates broad-based participation in its planning process by providing:

- Direct paper and electronic mailings of Public Notices to a wide range of interested groups.
- No less than a two-week advance publication of a Notice of Public Hearings.
- Holding hearings at convenient times and in barrier-free facilities that are easily accessible by public transportation.
- Hearings may be held in a virtual platform through a video conference format (i.e., WebEx, Zoom, and/or Microsoft Teams).
- Accommodation for Language Access (LA) through sign-language interpreters, spoken-language interpreters for anyone who requests such services, and written translation of plan documents into the language of any eligible linguistic group that requests such services.
- Easy access to draft documents (hard copies and online) and hearing transcripts.
- A period of no less than ten (10) calendar days following the completion of public hearings for the submission of additional comments.
- Comments received after the ten (10) calendar days will be kept on file and available to HUD monitors and staff and used in future needs assessment engagements.
- No less than the minimum regulatory requirement for citizen review of plans, amendments, and reports. See chart for the citizen review period by funding source.

Citizen Review Calendar Days by Funding Source	Calendar Days	Minimum Number of Public Hearings
Annual Entitlements Con Plan/AAP (CDBG, HOME, HTF, HOPWA, ESG) FY 22-FY 2026	30	2
Recovery Housing Program	15	N/A
CDBG - Section 108 Program Projects FY 22 – FY 26	30	1
Any Substantial Amendments FY 2022 – FY 2026 for Annual Entitlement Funds	30	1
FY 2020 and FY 2021 Annual Entitlement Funds to Plan, Prepare and Respond to the Coronavirus Pandemic or create affordable housing during the pandemic.*	5	1
CARES Act Funding tied to FY 2020 AAP (CDBG-CV, HOPWA-CV, ESG-CV)*	5	N/A
CDBG - Section 108 Projects Identified in FY 21 AAP*	5	N/A
HOME ARP Amendments	N/A as of 6.4.21	N/A as of 6.4.21
Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER)	15	1

\* Waivers Issued on March 31, April 6, 9, 10, 2020; all expiring on September 30, 2021.

DHCD's Director or designee, Office of Communications and Community Outreach (OCCO) staff, and Office of Program Monitoring (OPM) staff will be present at each hearing to take direct testimony, answer questions on the District's housing and community development needs, receive comments regarding DHCD's program performance past and present, and receive recommendations on DHCD policies going forward. DHCD will encourage the submission of written testimony for the record, and Public Hearing records will be kept open for at least ten (10) calendar days after each hearing for the receipt of post-hearing written testimony. Any comments received after the public comment period closes will be kept in the respective Con Plan File and made available for review, upon request.

A court reporter will provide a record of the Public Hearing, including written transcripts, within two (2) weeks of the date of the Public Hearing. All Public Hearing documents will be submitted with the Con Plan/AAP and will be made available for public viewing on DHCD's website and in hard copy at DHCD's headquarters. DHCD will include a summary of the comments and views received from citizens orally and in writing at the Public Hearing as well as responses to any comments not incorporated into the Consolidated Plan and explanations of their exclusion from the plan.

Moreover, DHCD will provide citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties with reasonable and timely access to information and records relating to the District's Consolidated Plan and its use of assistance under the programs covered under the Consolidated Plan during the preceding five years. Requests may be made to the DHCD Public Information Officer at

#### (202) 442-7200 or by email at <u>opm.questions@dc.gov</u>.

#### Hearing Notification 91.105 (e) (1) (i) and 91.105 (2) (iv) (Use of Internet Groups)

Public Hearings are announced through the publication of a Public Hearing Notice, containing the date, time, location, and subject matter of the Public Hearing. Advertisement of the Public Notice is placed at least two weeks before the hearings in a daily newspaper of general circulation and the D.C. Register. The hearing will be advised on the DHCD agency website. Additional advertisements may occur in various media outlets that reach different populations and interest groups. These media outlets include a daily newspaper in general circulation (such as The Washington Times or Washington Post) and other publications that reach different language groups, neighborhoods, minority populations, and other special interest populations. As mentioned above, DHCD will use print media as well as online and social media websites and applications to provide hearing notifications. Examples are social media websites and applications include Facebook and Twitter. Public Hearing Notices are distributed to various constituent groups and individuals, including all Advisory Neighborhood Commissions, public housing resident councils, civic associations, nonprofit developers, organizations supporting special needs populations, church groups, and community-based organizations (CBOs). Additionally, DHCD has contractual relationships with specific Community-Based Organizations (CBO's) that have a responsibility to distribute information regarding DHCD's entitlement grant programs and to review the information with citizens.

Through these efforts, DHCD promotes as much attendance as possible at the hearings, particularly for low- and moderate-income residents and community groups located in low-income areas of the city in which DHCD entitlement grant program funds are directed.

#### "Needs Assessment" Public Hearing

In March of each fiscal year, DHCD, in coordination with DHS and DC Health, will conduct a minimum of one Public Hearing on "Housing and Community Development Needs" in the District of Columbia." Testimony will be solicited from the public on the issues related to community development, affordable housing, people at risk of experiencing homelessness, and housing and supportive service opportunities for people living with HIV/AIDs.

#### Draft Five-Year Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan

After conducting the "Needs Assessment" hearing, DHCD will prepare a draft Five-Year Con Plan/AAP. The draft Con Plan/AAP will include estimated federal entitlement grant amounts, community development objectives, projected budgets and performance measures for implementing District housing and/or community development activities. DHCD also includes estimates of appropriated, local funds, and the Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF) in its draft document to provide the public with a complete picture of its potential sources and uses of funds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Language Access Act of 2004 (D.C. Law 15-167 § 4(a), D.C. Official Code § 2-1931(C) et seq., Title IV DCMR 12 §1205.9) "A covered entity shall provide translations of vital documents into any non-English language spoken

by a limited or no-English proficient population that constitutes 3% or 500 individuals, whichever is less, of the population, served or encountered, or likely to be served or encountered, by the covered entity in the District of Columbia."

In preparing the draft Con Plan/AAP, DHCD will consider all comments, statements, testimony, and proposals regarding expenditures of federal entitlement grant funds that have been provided up to that point in the development process. A summary of the comments from the public at the Needs Assessment Public Hearing is included in the draft Con Plan/AAP along with a discussion of any comments not incorporated into the Plan. The public will be given no less than 30 days to provide written comments on the Plan to DHCD.

#### Submitting the Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan to HUD

After the public hearing and the close of the citizen review period, DHCD will electronically submit the Plan, via the Independent Disbursement and Information System ("IDIS"), to the HUD Washington Field Office by August 15, or the designated deadline when August 15 is on a weekend. However, if this deadline cannot be achieved, DHCD may request an extension from HUD and alter the submission schedule. Copies of the HUD-approved plan are placed on the DHCD website and are available by FORIA requests to <u>opm.questions@dc.gov</u>.

## Amendments to the Plan 91.105 (3) (1)

#### Substantial Amendments to the Consolidated Plan

The federal Consolidated Plan regulations, 24 CFR 91.105 (c) (2), require the inclusion of specific criteria in the CPP for determining what constitutes a change in programmatic activity significant enough to be classified as a "Substantial Amendment" to the Consolidated Plan. A change in federal rules or regulations that mandates an alteration in current programmatic operations would not be considered a substantive amendment, but rather a conforming regulatory requirement. Changes deemed "Substantial Amendments" must be subjected to citizen review and comment before implementation.

The following criteria are used to determine whether a programmatic change constitutes a Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan:

- A change in the respective allocation of the distribution of program funds greater than 30% percent of the federal entitlement grants included in DHCD's fiscal year budget for CDBG, CDBG-CV, HOME, HOME-ARP, RHP and HTF, DC Health's fiscal year budget for HOPWA and HOPWA-CV, or DHS' fiscal year budget for ESG and ESG-CV.
- A new program or project not previously identified in the Con Plan/AAP.
- An amendment to the CPP.

Notice of a Proposed Substantial Amendment, including a description of nature and the actual language of the amendment, will be published in the *D.C Register* and in various citywide media sources, including, but not limited to, a daily newspaper in general circulation and other publications that reach different language groups, neighborhoods, minority populations, and

other special interest populations. A solicitation of public comment, including information on a public hearing that will be held, will be included in the notice. A period of not less than 30 days will be allowed to receive responses from the public on a proposed Substantial Amendment. A period of at least two weeks' notice will be given for the public hearing.

The proposed final Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment (incorporating any revisions or discussions resulting from the public comment process), will be transmitted to HUD for approval.

#### Minor Amendments

A minor amendment is an amendment that is of less magnitude than a "substantial amendment," but of greater significance than a "technical amendment," which can be undertaken at the discretion of the agency and will be posted on the agency's website.

#### A minor amendment would NOT result in:

- A major alteration of the purpose, location, or beneficiaries of a DHCD operational program; or
- A change in the allocation of the distribution of program funds greater than 30 percent of the federal entitlement grants included in DHCD's fiscal year budget for CDBG, HOME, and HTF, DC Health's fiscal year budget for HOPWA, and DHS' fiscal year budget for ESG; or
- A citizen review period.

#### Annual Performance Report 91.105 (3) (d)

Residents may also express their views on DHCD's administration of the Consolidated Plan entitlement grant programs and the Department's performance in achieving the Consolidated Plan's goals and objectives as stated in the *Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)*.

Within 90 days after the close of DHCD's Fiscal Year (September 30), HUD regulations require the Department submits a performance report, *the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)*. The CAPER will provide HUD with the necessary information to assess whether DHCD carried out its programs in compliance with applicable regulations and requirements, and as stated in that year's Consolidated Plan. The CAPER will also provide a vehicle for DHCD to describe its program achievements to District citizens.

At least two weeks, before submission to HUD, the CAPER will be made available to the public for review and comment, following the Notice and distribution procedures cited earlier. Notice of the availability of the CAPER for comment and review is published in the *D.C. Register* and a daily newspaper in general circulation and other community publications that reach different language groups, neighborhoods, minority and populations, and other special interest populations. No less than a 15-day review period will be provided for the draft CAPER. DHCD also will accept comments on the year's prior performance at the annual Consolidated Action

Plan "Needs Assessments" Hearings.

The final CAPER will be submitted to HUD by December 31 with an addendum that summarizes any public comments received and the agency's response to the public comments in adopting its final CAPER report. Copies of the report submitted to HUD are made available by DHCD for review by the public upon request.

#### Comments, Complaints, and Grievances, 24 CFR 91.105 (i)

DHCD will provide written responses to written comments, complaints, and grievances received regarding any aspect of the annual Consolidated Plan federal entitlement grant program within 15 working days, where practicable, of receiving the complaint or grievance.

Comments, Complaints, and grievances concerning any aspect of the Consolidated Plan should be addressed to the Director, Polly Donaldson, Department of Housing and Community Development, 1800 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20020. In addition, can also be sent electronically to the <u>opm.questions@dc.gov</u> email address.

#### FY 2022 - 2026

#### PR-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), and 91.215(I)

#### 1. Introduction

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)).

DHCD worked with local government divisions, community-based organizations, administered surveys and conducted internet research to gather data to complete the Con Plan. Throughout the writing of the Con Plan, the COVID-19 pandemic was in full swing and agencies

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

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

## 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 1 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Public Housing Agency (PHA)
	What section of the Plan was	Public Housing Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Coordination meeting to enhance overlapping
	Agency/Group/Organization	homeownership programs; Provided language on Public
	consulted and what are the	Housing-Specific sections
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	

	coordination?	
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Office of the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human
		Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
		Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Provided language for housing/service needs for older
	Agency/Group/Organization	adults and persons with a disability; identified existing
	consulted and what are the	facilities and services for older adults and the District's
	anticipated outcomes of the	unmet need; coordinated in the development of goals in
	consultation or areas for improved	SP-45 targeted to older adults; aligned consolidated plan
	coordination?	goals with Age Friendly Strategic Plan
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Department of Human Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
		Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was	Homelessness Strategy
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Developed language for ESG-specific strategies, furthered
	Agency/Group/Organization	coordination between homeless goals; coordination
	consulted and what are the	results in better connection between ESG resources and
	anticipated outcomes of the	overarching federal and local spending goals
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
4	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Department of Behavioral Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Provided needed resources for content development of
	Agency/Group/Organization	mental health needs and existing services/facilities
	consulted and what are the	
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
5	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Office of Planning
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
		Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was	Housing Need Assessment
	addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis
	How was the	Provided needed data and mapping analysis for housing
	Agency/Group/Organization	needs; helped align Consolidated Plan with existing
	consulted and what are the	citywide plans
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
6	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Market Analysis
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Provided needed data on vacant and blighted properties;
	Agency/Group/Organization	coordination informed "Address blighted property issues"
	consulted and what are the	goal in SP-45
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	

7	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Department of Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	HOPWA Strategy

	How was the	Developed language for housing/service needs for
	Agency/Group/Organization	persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA), existing
	consulted and what are the	services/housing/facilities for PLWHA and their unmet
	anticipated outcomes of the	need, and HOPWA-specific strategies in the Strategic
	consultation or areas for improved	Plan; coordination results in better connection between
	coordination?	HOPWA resources and overarching federal and local
		spending goals
8	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Office of Aging
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis
	How was the	In coordination with the Age Friendly Initiative, provided
	Agency/Group/Organization	needed data to develop content for older adults and
	consulted and what are the	persons with disabilities
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Provided language on housing/service needs of victims
	Agency/Group/Organization	of domestic violence
	consulted and what are the	
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Community-Based Organizations

Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	Services - Housing
	Services - small business
What section of the Plan was	Housing Need Assessment
addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	How was the	Community-Based Organizations joined DHCD in a
	Agency/Group/Organization	targeted focus group on housing and small business
	consulted and what are the	issues; CBOs provided input on how DHCD's programs
	anticipated outcomes of the	could be enhanced to better meet the needs of low- and
	consultation or areas for improved	moderate-income households and small businesses
	coordination?	
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Inter-Agency Council on Homelessness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
		Other government - Local
		Planning organization
		Continuum of Care
	What section of the Plan was	Housing Need Assessment
	addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy
		Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
		Homeless Needs - Families with children
		Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the	Developed language for the homeless needs,
	Agency/Group/Organization	Institutional Delivery, and Strategy Sessions; better
	consulted and what are the	alignment with city-wide homeless goals will help
	anticipated outcomes of the	federal resources further action items/strategies
	consultation or areas for improved	outlined in Homeward DC
	coordination?	
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Partnership for the Prevention of
		Homelessness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children
		Homelessness Needs - Veterans
		Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

How was the	Discussed point-in-time count and housing inventory
Agency/Group/Organization	count for inclusion into the plan
consulted and what are the	
anticipated outcomes of the	
consultation or areas for improved	
coordination?	

13	Agency/Group/Organization	Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic
		Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
		Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was	Housing Need Assessment
	addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
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	How was the	Discussed how affordable housing and community
	Agency/Group/Organization	development goals can be better aligned between the
	consulted and what are the	two agencies
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Department of Parks and Recreation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Public Facility Strategy/Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Conversations focused on how DHCD and DPR can
	Agency/Group/Organization	collaborate on targeted investments in underserved
	consulted and what are the	communities; consultation revealed that eligible census
	anticipated outcomes of the	tracts under the CDBG program closely align with DPR
	consultation or areas for improved	facility needs
	coordination?	
15	Agency/Group/Organization	District Department of Transportation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Public Facility Strategy
	addressed by Consultation?	

	How was the	Conversations revolved around how DHCD and DDOT can
	Agency/Group/Organization	collaborate on targeted investments in underserved
	consulted and what are the	communities
	anticipated outcomes of the	
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Department of Energy and the Environment
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
		Services-Health
		Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was	
		Housing Need Assessment
	addressed by Consultation?	Lead-based Paint Strategy
		Market Analysis
		Community Resilience
	How was the	Developed content for utility burden, condition of
	Agency/Group/Organization	housing, climate change resilience and sustainability
	consulted and what are the	requirements; coordinated with DHCD on "increase green
	anticipated outcomes of the	building/sustainability/community resilience goals
	consultation or areas for improved	outlined in SP-45 and the Lead-Based Paint Strategy in SP-
	coordination?	65; consultation will lead to better coordination,
		integration, and the identification and alignment of
		resources
17	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Water
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was	Public Facility Needs
	addressed by Consultation?	
	How was the	Provided lead pipe data, language, and program
	Agency/Group/Organization	suggestions on targeted investments in underserved
	consulted and what are the	communities or for low and moderate-income
	anticipated outcomes of the	households
	consultation or areas for improved	
	coordination?	
18	Agency/Group/Organization	HOPWA Service Providers
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health
		Other government - Local
		Non-Profit Organizations
	What section of the Plan was	Housing Need Assessment
	addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
		HOPWA Strategy

How was the	HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD, and TB Administration						
Agency/Group/Organization	(HAHSTA) HAHSTA and HOPWA providers and jurisdiction						
consulted and what are the	representatives discussed the planning process of the						
anticipated outcomes of the	Consolidated Plan; Provider and jurisdiction						
consultation or areas for improved	representatives identified strengths and weaknesses of						
coordination?	the HOPWA program and support services available to						
	clients; they identified barriers to providing services or						
	implementing the program activities. See Appendix K.						

19	Agency/Group/Organization	DC Department of Public Works				
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local				
	What section of the Plan was	Public Improvements				
	addressed by Consultation?					
	How was the	Conversations revolved around how DHCD and DPW can				
	Agency/Group/Organization	collaborate on targeted investments in underserved				
	consulted and what are the	communities.				
	anticipated outcomes of the					
	consultation or areas for improved					
	coordination?					

Agency/Group/Organization	Prince George's County
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other Government-County
What section of the Plan was	HOPWA Strategy
addressed by Consultation?	
How was the	Virtual meetings were held. Agreed upon meetings
Agency/Group/Organization consulted	more frequently to discuss ways to assist persons to
and what are the anticipated	transition to other housing resources so additional
outcomes of the consultation or areas	people may obtain housing assistance, particularly
for improved coordination?	those newly diagnosed as having HIV.
Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Counseling Services
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Housing
	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
What section of the Plan was	HOPWA Strategy
addressed by Consultation?	
How was the	Virtual meetings were held. Outcomes are the
Agency/Group/Organization consulted	identification of persons who have other physical,
and what are the anticipated	mental, or emotional impairments for appropriate
outcomes of the consultation or areas	services and develop programs to assist persons in
for improved coordination?	becoming more independent.
Agency/Group/Organization	Northern Virginia Regional Commission
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional Organization
	Services-Housing
	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
What section of the Plan was	HOPWA Strategy
addressed by Consultation?	
How was the	Virtual meetings were held. Outcomes are the
Agency/Group/Organization consulted	identification of persons who have other physical,
and what are the anticipated	mental, or emotional impairments for appropriate
outcomes of the consultation or areas	services and develop programs to assist persons in
for improved coordination?	becoming more independent.

Agency/Group/Organization	Community Family Life		
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Housing		
	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS		
What section of the Plan was	HOPWA Strategy		
addressed by Consultation?			
How was the	Virtual meetings were held. Outcomes are the		
Agency/Group/Organization consulted	identification of persons who have other physical,		
and what are the anticipated	mental, or emotional impairments for appropriate		
outcomes of the consultation or areas	services and develop programs to assist persons in		
for improved coordination?	becoming more independent.		

#### Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All agencies that need to be consulted were contacted.

#### 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?

Table 2 – 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))

HAHSTA monitors programs both fiscally and programmatically to ensure coordination within the overall housing continuum of care for efficiency in service delivery, and compliance with federal and local regulations. This is done through both remote and on-site monitoring

Narrative (optional):

## 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

In the months of June and July of 2020, DHCD launched a survey to begin to identify the needs of the community when using federal resources. The survey included the following topics:

- Funding for Capital to Small Businesses
- Funding for Small Business Technical Assistance Programs
- Funding for Capital to Small Business effected by COVID-19 Emergency Delclarations

DHCD continued to use surveys as a tool to gather information on the needs of the community, publishing surveys on July 1, 2021 on the following topics:

- Housing
- Community Development
- Econonmic Developmet
- COVID-19 Assistance
- Housing for Inviduals Experiencing Homelessness
- Public Services
- Broadband Adoption

On May 17 and 25, 2021, the HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administraction (HAHSTA) conducted two virtual public hearings specifically regarding the planned used of HOPWA funds over the period covered by this housing needs assessment and strategy. The meetings discussing only the use of HOPWA funds were held for the purpose of encouraging persons living with HIV to participate in establishing program priorities.

On May 26, 2021, the District held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing, for all HUD CPD funds, to solicit input from the public on the needs of the community. Overwhelmingly, the feedback went to the need for more affordable housing and this was ranked number one in our priority list.

On July 10 until August 10, the Con Plan and AAP are available for citizen comment and on July 27, a public hearing will be held to discuss the document.

Citizen Participation OutreachSort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Response/ Attendanc e	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted	URL (If applicable)
Needs Assessment Hearing	Newspaper DC Register Twitter Facebook	General Population	20	Affordable Housing #1 Comment.	& Reasons The District received two comments addressing : other agencies and so the citizens were referred to the respective agencies. All comments	https://dhc d.dc.gov/ev ent/assessi ng-needs- fy-2022- 2026- consolidate d-plan-and- fy-2022- annual- action-plan
Surveys	Social Media Email	General Population			accepted. Needs Assesment Survey (Summer 2020) <u>https://docs</u> .google.com /forms/d/1 evFLL- TBnEfDZ6PR mwwmUYd- 7dkHe3y69 gR1UxHo9G 0/viewanaly tics Community Developme nt and Broadband surveys were released to the public	

					on July, 1, 2021	
HAHSTA	Public Meeting	Other (Persons Living with HIV)	On Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. and on Monday May 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., virtual meetings were held over Zoom regarding the HOPWA program. A total of 14 citizens attended the two meetings. The most frequent needs mentioned by participant s was housing subsidies to provide rental housing and for computer training and financial literacy.	Comments were in regards to training for financial literacy as well as computer training. Participants also desired programs to facilitate homeowner ship.	No comments made were unaccepted.	

Document Public Hearing	Public Hearing	General Population	July 27, 2021		

Table 1 – Citizen Participation Outreach