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And Evaluation Report

2018-2019 Program Year

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CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)
This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

Pinellas County is designated an Urban County for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program funds. The Urban County consists of all unincorporated areas of the County and 19 municipalities participating in the County’s program. Pinellas County is the lead entity of the Pinellas County Consortium for the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funds. The Consortium consists of the jurisdictions of Pinellas County, acting in its capacity as an Urban County, and the City of Largo.

Pinellas County successfully completed the fourth year of the County’s Five-Year Consolidated Plan period for the CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs. This Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) covers the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. Federal resources were utilized throughout the community for a variety of housing and community development activities to address the following objectives of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan: sustainability and availability/accessibility of a suitable living environment and increased accessibility and affordability to decent housing. Below are the objectives and outcomes addressed during the 2018-2019 fiscal year:

**Objective: Performance Measure One (SL-3: Sustainability of Suitable Living Environment):** 41,009 people and 1,502 households will have a sustainable (more livable) environment through infrastructure construction and improvements and facility rehabilitation for the purpose of creating a suitable living environment. **Outcome:** 63,171 people and 1 household served. Multiple projects are underway and will be reported next fiscal year.

**Objective: Performance Measure Two (SL-1: Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment):** 30,118 people and 3,600 households will have access to recreational and social services and a sustainable (more livable) environment through facility rehabilitation for the purpose of creating a suitable living environment. (Please note this is a duplicated count as these people reside in areas served through Performance Measure One.) **Outcome:** 14,279 people; 2 households served. Multiple projects are underway and will be reported next fiscal year.

**Objective: Performance Measure Three (DH-2: Affordability of Decent Housing):** 105 households will have access to affordable housing through down payment, housing, and mortgage assistance or through financial assistance for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing. **Outcome:** 64 households served. Additional housing activities remain underway and will be reported upon project completion.
Objective: Performance Measure Four (DH-1: Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing): 34 households will have new or improved access to housing through the preservation of existing or creation or acquisition of additional units for the purpose of preserving and/or creating decent affordable housing. Outcome: 15 households served. Additional housing activities remain underway and will be reported upon project completion.

Objective: Performance Measure Four (DH-1: Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing): 1,500 persons will have available improved access to housing services for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing. Outcome: 384 people served.

Funding provided to activities that addressed the identified objectives have improved neighborhoods and public facilities and have made a significant difference to residents of Pinellas County.
Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)

*Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee’s program year goals.*

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<th>Goal</th>
<th>Category</th>
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<td><strong>Administration</strong></td>
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| Homeownership Opportunities      | Affordable Housing          | HOME: $130,000.00  
SHIP Program: $695,000.00 | Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers                                | Households Assisted            | 20                     | 273                   | 1,365%            | 55                  | 43                  | 78.18%            |
| Homeownership Opportunities      | Affordable Housing          | HOME: $0  
SHIP Program: $0 | Other – See housing services                                           | Other                  | N/A                    | N/A                   | N/A               | N/A                | N/A                | N/A               |
| Housing Services                 | Affordable Housing          | SHIP Program: $175,000.00 | Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit      | Households Assisted          | 500                    | 4,429                 | 177.16%           | 1,500               | 384                 | 25.60%            |
| Neighborhood Improvements        | Non-Housing Community Development | CDBG: $597,216  
(duplicated in public services below) | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit | Persons Assisted            | 10,000                 | 100,614                | 1,006.14%         | 41,009              | 38,740              | 94.47%            |
| Neighborhood Improvements        | Non-Housing Community Development | CDBG: $200,000.00  
(duplicated in public services below) | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit | Persons Assisted            | 10,000                 | 15,934                | 159.34%           | 4,935               | 4,935               | 100.00%           |
| Preservation of Owner Housing    | Affordable Housing          | CDBG: $61,773.95  
HOME: $106,809  
SHIP Program: $150,000 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated                                       | Household Housing Unit       | 20                     | 69                    | 345.00%           | 8                  | 9                  | 112.50%           |
| Preservation of Rental Housing   | Affordable Housing  
Non-Homeless Special Needs | CDBG: $61,773.95  
HOME: $938,799  
SHIP Program: $100,000 | Rental units rehabilitated                                        | Household Housing Unit       | 50                     | 197                   | 394.00%           | 10                 | 0                  | 0.00%             |
| Production of Owner Housing      | Affordable Housing          | CDBG: $61,773.95  
HOME: $0  
SHIP Program: $270,000.00  
Local HTF: $0 | Homeowner Housing Added                                        | Household Housing Unit       | 15                     | 48                    | 360.00%           | 3                  | 6                  | 200%              |
| Goal                                      | Category                           | Source / Amount                                                                 | Indicator                                           | Unit of Measure                  | Expected Strategic Plan | Actual Strategic Plan | Percent Complete | Expected Program Year | Actual Program Year | Percent Complete |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Production of Rental Housing              | Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs | CDBG: $61,773.95 HOME: $938,798 SHIP Program: $142,500 Local HTF: $270,000 | Rental units constructed                          | Household Housing Unit          | 50                        | 25                     | 50.00%               | 13                   | 0                    | 0.00%                |
| Public Facility Improvements              | Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | CDBG: $707,283.00                                                               | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit | Persons Assisted                | 2,500                      | 80,955                 | 3,238.20%            | 24,460               | 8,935                | 36.53%               |
| Public Services                           | Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development          | CDBG: $355,282 ESG: $16,800                                                     | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit | Persons Assisted                | 2,500                      | 43,197                 | 1727.88%             | 6,643                | 5,105                | 76.85%               |
| Public Services                           | Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development          | CDBG: $0 ESG: $0                                                                | Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit | Households Assisted            | 0                         | 0                      | 0.00%                | 100                  | 0                    | 0.00%                |
| Rental Assistance                         | Affordable Housing Homeless       | ESG: $0                                                                        | Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing  | Households Assisted            | 125                        | 45                     | 36.00%               | 0                    | 0                    | 0.00%                |
| Rental Assistance                         | Affordable Housing Homeless       | ESG: $190,533.20                                                              | Homelessness Prevention                          | Persons Assisted               | 125                        | 151                    | 120.80%              | 50                   | 21                   | 42.00%               |

Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date
Assess how the jurisdiction’s use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

Projects funded during the reporting period supported objectives identified in the 2015-19 Consolidated Plan. CDBG, ESG and HOME funds were used to address the high priority needs of providing affordable housing, supporting facilities/housing and addressing holistic physical revitalization/redevelopment in the urban county.

Projects completed during the 2018-19 fiscal year helped meet the following specific goals identified in the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan:

**Goal:** Public Facility Improvements - Acquisition, design/engineering and/or construction/rehabilitation of facilities providing services to extremely low- to moderate-income residents, including homeless and special needs populations. This goal was addressed through completion of the following projects:

- City of Gulfport Street Improvements
- Directions for Living Facility Rehabilitation
- Lighthouse of Pinellas Facility Rehabilitation
- The Arc Tampa Bay Safety Harbor Facility Rehabilitation
- WestCare Facility Rehabilitation

**Goal:** Public Services - Operating expenses at public facilities that serve low- and moderate-income residents, including homeless and special needs populations. Supporting operations of public facilities that serve low- to moderate-income households. This goal was addressed through completion of the following projects:

- Greater Ridgecrest Branch YMCA - Omni Center Operations
- Religious Community Services Grace House Operations

**Goal:** Elimination of Slum and Blight - Eliminate or prevent slum and blight to assist in restoring economic vitality in blighted special districts or on a spot basis. Includes façade improvements and physical improvements in special districts, and demolition of residential, commercial, or publicly owned substandard structures. This goal was addressed through completion of the following projects:

- City of Pinellas Park Streetscape Improvements
- Demolition and Clearance Program - Removal of substandard structures

**Goal:** Code Enforcement - Payment of salaries and overhead costs directly related to the enforcement of local codes in deteriorating or deteriorated areas where such enforcement, together with public and private
improvements, rehabilitation, or services to be provided, may be expected to arrest the decline of the slum or blighted area. This goal was addressed through completion of the following projects:

- Target Area Code Enforcement

Goal: Neighborhood Improvements - Activities in NRSAs, Target Areas, and HUD designated Low-Mod Areas to improve the communities and neighborhoods making them more livable or viable. Includes public facility improvements (acquisition, design/engineering and/or construction/rehabilitation of public facilities), public services (operating expenses for programs at public facilities), physical improvements (design/construction of infrastructure, streetscape improvements; acquisition/maintenance of land for publicly owned improvements; beautification campaigns including cleanups, incentive programs, costs associated with street lighting districts, litter control, neighborhood signage and landscaping), and comprehensive neighborhood planning for identification of future target areas if adequate financial resources, including staff resources, are available. This goal was addressed through completion of the following projects:

- Friends of Ridgecrest Facility Rehabilitation - FY 17/18 project
- NRSA/Target Area Pre-Development Activities
- Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority Shelter Installations - FY 17/18 project
- Police Athletic League Facility Rehabilitation - FY 17/18 project
- The Arc Tampa Bay Tarpon Springs Facility Rehabilitation
- YMCA Community Service Center Design

Goals: Preservation of Owner and/or Rental Housing; Production of Owner and/or Rental Housing; Homeownership Opportunities; Rental Assistance; and Housing Services - Preservation or production of affordable housing. These goals were addressed through completion of the following projects:

- Community Housing Assistance Program (Homelessness Prevention/Re-Housing Program)
- Owner/Rental Housing Preservation Programs
- Owner/Rental Housing Production Programs
- Housing Opportunities Programs
- Housing Services

Several projects identified in the FY 17-18 Action Plan are still underway and will be completed in the next fiscal year. These projects include:

- CASA Operations
- Dansville Neighborhood Improvements
- Dansville Pine Street Infrastructure Improvements
- Family Resources Facility Rehabilitation
- Homeless Empowerment Program Operations
- Homeless Empowerment Program Rehabilitation
- Joe’s Creek Park Improvements
- Lealman Community Center Improvements
- Lealman Infrastructure Improvements
- Pinellas Opportunity Council Chore Services Operations
- Police Athletic League Facility Rehabilitation
- Safety Harbor/Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center Rehabilitation
- Starting Right Now Facility Rehabilitation
- Housing Programs, including housing opportunities, housing preservation and housing production activities, remain open to allow for the expenditure of remaining project funds and program income.

The NRSA - Target Area Community Improvement Program, identified as an alternate activity, received funding for two separate projects. These projects included:

- Greater Ridgecrest Area Clean-Up
- High Point Neighborhood Family Center Rehabilitation - project underway

Two projects identified in the FY 18-19 Action Plan were cancelled. These projects include:

- Sunrise Community Facility Rehabilitation - agency withdrew award acceptance.
- WestCare Facility Assessment - funding provided by City of St. Petersburg.

Actual expenditures for each priority need during FY 18-19 were consistent with the Annual Action Plan and with identified objectives. Affordable housing projects often span multiple reporting periods; thus, activities are carried over into subsequent fiscal years. Additionally, neighborhood revitalization activities funded with CDBG can span multiple fiscal years with additional funds added each year. These multiple year activities will be reported in future CAPERs when completed.

**CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted**

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted). 91.520(a)

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<th>ESG</th>
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<td>Black or African American</td>
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<td>11</td>
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<td>Asian</td>
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<td>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>7,801</td>
<td>44</td>
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### Narrative

In FY 18-19, CDBG funded public service and public facility activities served a total of 8,571 persons with the following racial and ethnic status: White - 6,148 (71.73%); Black/African American - 1,526 (17.80%); Asian - 60 (0.70%); American Indian/Alaskan Native - 40 (0.47%); Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander - 25 (0.29%); Black/African American and White - 22 (0.26%); and Other Multi-Racial - 750 (8.75%). Of the total 8,571 program participants, 877 or 10.23% were Hispanic. CDBG funded housing activities served a total of 2 households: 1 White (50%) and 1 Black/African American (50%); neither were Hispanic. The income demographics for the all CDBG program participants are as follows: Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI) - 6,828 (79.65%); Very Low Income (31-50% AMI) - 867 (10.11%); Low Income (51-80% AMI) - 453 (5.28%); and Moderate Income (80%+ AMI) - 425 (4.96%). CDBG also funded projects that serve residents within designated Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy and Local Target Areas that are reported on an area basis. These projects benefitted 68,882 residents in those areas.

In FY 18-19, HOME funded housing activities served a total of 44 households with the following racial and ethnic status: White - 37 (84.09%); Black/African American - 6 (13.64%); and Asian - 1 (2.27%). Of the total housing program participants, 5 or 11.36% were Hispanic. The income demographics for the HOME families assisted are as follows: Very Low Income (31-50% AMI) - 2 (4.55%) and Low Income (51-80% AMI) - 42 (95.45%). Additional HOME funded housing activities are underway, and those program participants will be reported when the activities are completed.

In FY 18-19, the ESG funded Community Housing Assistance Program (CHAP) completed serving a total of 21 individuals and/or households consisting of a total of 53 persons with the following racial and ethnic status: White - 8 (38.10%); Black/African American - 11 (52.38%); Asian and White - 1 (4.76%); and Other Multi-Racial - 1 (4.76%). Of the total program participants, 2 or 9.52% were Hispanic. All 21, or 100%, ESG individuals and/or households assisted were Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI). Additional participants are in the process of being served and will be reported when their service is completed.

In FY 18-19, State SHIP funded housing activities served a total of 12 households with the following racial and ethnic status: White - 10 (83.33%) and Black/African American - 2 (16.67%). Of the total SHIP housing program participants, 1 or 8.33% was Hispanic. The income demographics for the State SHIP families assisted are as
follows: Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI) - 3 (25%); Very Low Income (31-50% AMI) - 2 (16.67%); Low Income (51-80% AMI) - 6 (50%); and Moderate Income (81-120% AMI) - 1 (8.33%). Additional households are in the process of being served and will be reported when their activity is completed.

**CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)**

**Identify the resources made available**

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<td>Other</td>
<td>Other-SHIP/HTF</td>
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<td>2,772,276.62</td>
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Table 3 - Resources Made Available

**Narrative**

During the fiscal year, Pinellas County had a total of $5,166,930.12 in Federal CDBG, HOME and ESG program funding available to fund eligible housing and community development activities in low- and moderate-income and slum and blighted areas, and to fund local agencies that provide services that assist low- and moderate-income residents throughout the County. The funding consisted of $4,004,580.00 in new entitlement funding through the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs and $1,162,350.12 in program income received during the program year generated from previously funded CDBG and HOME program activities. Pinellas County had a total of $2,662,553.97 in Florida State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program and local Housing Trust Funds (HTF) available to assist in addressing the housing needs in the County. Additionally, the County also had a total of $235,924.68 in Neighborhood Stabilization Program (Rounds 1, 2 and 3) program income available for eligible housing related activities.
Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

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<th>Actual Percentage of Allocation</th>
<th>Narrative Description</th>
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<td>Greater Ridgecrest Area</td>
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<td>High Point Target Area</td>
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<td>Tarpon Springs Target Area</td>
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<td>Urban County</td>
<td>11.2%</td>
<td>14.8%</td>
<td>Infrastructure, public service, homeless/homelessness prevention and housing preservation/production activities</td>
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Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

During the fiscal year, of the total expenditure of all funds available, less administrative funding, 7.4% was expended on activities in the Dansville Neighborhood Revitalization Area; 5.0% was expended on activities in the Greater Ridgecrest Neighborhood Revitalization Area; 3.6% was expended on activities in the Central and East Lealman Target Areas; 0.1% was expended on activities in the High Point Target Area; and 1.4% was expended on activities in the Tarpon Springs Target Area. Additionally, 14.8% was expended on activities that provide services to residents within the Urban County and 67.7% was expended on activities that provided services to residents countywide.

Redevelopment and revitalization funds are directed to County targeted areas; including two HUD-approved Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSA) and the locally designated East and Central Lealman Target Areas, Tarpon Springs Target Area and High Point Target Area. Funds are also used to support redevelopment activities in cooperating cities. All areas are either principally low- and moderate-moderate income as determined through HUD generated Low- and Moderate-Income Summary Data or slum/blight areas as designated by the local government.
Public facility improvement and operations activities can be funded throughout the County if the activities being carried out at the facilities serve residents of the Urban County and are serving a low- and moderate-income clientele.

Housing programs are available throughout the Urban County, with a focus on areas with a concentration of older housing, as well as on special targeted areas. The County encourages mixed-income developments. For activities involving homeless or special needs, the emphasis continues to be cooperation with other entitlement communities in the County to ensure that those in need within all areas of the County are served (while ensuring that the project sponsor or sub-grantee is serving Urban County residents).

**Leveraging**

Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.

The County expended $3,354,746.70 of Federal CDBG, HOME and ESG funds during the fiscal year on completed housing, public service, public facility and public infrastructure related activities. Additionally, the County expended $814,554.28 of local HTF and State SHIP funds on completed housing program activities. The $4,169,300.98 in funds expended on projects completed with Federal, State, and local funds leveraged $6,122,323.64 in community funding.

Pinellas County continues to leverage Federal funds through the use of other public and private resources. The County's annual application cycle emphasizes the need to leverage Federal funds with local funds in order to meet more of the needs within the community. Annual allocations and program income generated through the State of Florida’s SHIP program and program income generated through the County’s locally funded HTF program provide public leveraging. Private lenders also provide leveraging through primary loans on homeownership activities and rental development.

Matching requirements of the HOME program are satisfied primarily with State of Florida SHIP funds and with Pinellas County’s Housing Trust Fund. Although no new HOME Match was contributed during FY 17-18, the County began the fiscal year with $355,817.22 in excess HOME Match carried over from prior fiscal years.

Matching requirements of the ESG program were satisfied with County General Funds on activities benefitting homeless individuals and families.

Pinellas County dedicated $18 Million of Penny for Pinellas revenue from a one-cent sales tax for providing affordable housing within the County. The funds are provided to acquire land to be held in a Land Trust and utilized for affordable housing. Approximately $13.45 Million in funding has been expended on the purchase
of 35.2 acres of land. The Land Assembly Fund has leveraged approximately $76.87 Million in other private funding for the construction or preservation of 575 units of affordable housing.

Pinellas County acquired a total of 60 parcels in the Dansville NRSA to facilitate comprehensive neighborhood revitalization work. To date, nineteen new homes have been constructed by Habitat for Humanity and sold to households at or below 80% AMI. During FY 18-19, the County issued a Request for Negotiation (RFN) for the sale of the remaining 41 parcels in Dansville. The County negotiated the sale of eleven parcels of property to two housing nonprofits, CDC of Tampa and Habitat for Humanity. It is anticipated the County will close on the sale of the eleven parcels in early 2020. The County plans to sell additional parcels for housing development in 2020.

In the Greater Ridgecrest NRSA, Habitat for Humanity constructed seven new homes and sold the homes to households at or below 80% AMI. The County conveyed these parcels to Habitat for Humanity in FY 17-18.

Additionally, the County owns property in the Greater Ridgecrest Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA), which houses the Greater Ridgecrest Branch YMCA. The YMCA administers a comprehensive recreation program for the residents of the surrounding Greater Ridgecrest Area, low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. The YMCA serves three crucial areas of focus to help residents with youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The YMCA also serves other YMCA school age programs, Ridgecrest Elementary School, and Indian Rocks Christian School, by providing access to the pool and gym. For community residents, the YMCA serves as an affordable rental venue for private community events. The Greater Ridgecrest Branch of the YMCA of the Suncoast is guided by an advisory board with 100% of its membership being residents of the community or persons whose principal place of business is in the community.

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Table 5 – Fiscal Year Summary - HOME Match Report
### Table 6 – Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year

**HOME MBE/WBE Report**

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**CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)**

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

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**Table 7 – Number of Households**

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**Table 12 – Number of Households Supported**
Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.

Pinellas County continues to work on meeting the goals identified in the 2015-19 Consolidated Plan. Although the actual annual number of households assisted were under the annual goals identified, the County remains on track with the five-year goals. Although the annual goal in the category of the number of homeless households to be provided affordable housing units was not met, the County is on track to meet the goal identified in the Five-Year Plan. The County addressed this goal through the rapid rehousing portion of the CHAP Program. An overall lack of affordable housing units and specifically a lack of landlords willing to provide units to renters with histories of credit issues and evictions remains an issue.

Sufficient funding for affordable housing programs continues to be a barrier. Although HOME funding increased just under 25%, to $1,349,340, the HOME allocation remains well below the funding levels needed to address the lack of affordable housing in the County. Additionally, the HOME increase is not enough to offset the reduction of State SHIP Program funds, which decreased almost 70%, from $2.14M in FY 17-18 to just over $690,000 in FY 18-19 and are anticipated to increase just slightly to just over $718,000 in FY 19-20. Insufficient federal, state and local resources that support the development and financing of affordable housing continues to create a gap in the financing of projects and programs administered by the County.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

In the current 5-year Consolidated Plan, covering fiscal years 2015-16 through 2019-20, the County re-evaluated and reduced the expected goals for the five-year cycle due to the continued reduction in resources for affordable housing. Affordable housing continues to be one of the high priority goals identified in the 5-Year Plan and will continue to be addressed in the Annual Action Plans and Pinellas County will continue to utilize federal CDBG, HOME and ESG funds, as well as State SHIP funds and local HTF funds, to meet the needs identified.
Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.

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<th>Number of Households Served</th>
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Table 8 – Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

Pinellas County housing programs are available to extremely low, low, and moderate-income households that meet the eligibility requirements for each program. In FY 18-19 Pinellas County housing programs assisted 79 total units using Federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding (67 total units), as well as State SHIP funds and local HTF funds (12 total units). Owner housing opportunity programs, owner preservation programs, and owner housing production programs served a total of 58 households: 3 extremely low-income, 4 low-income, 50 low to moderate-income and 1 low-mod-middle income. Homelessness prevention programs served a total of 21 households: 21 extremely low-income. There are several rental housing preservation and production projects underway that will be reported in the next CAPER.

Pinellas County continues to experience a significant housing affordability issue with both the cost of both ownership and rental housing steadily increasing. According to the Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, in the Tampa Bay area, 2017 median sales prices are 4 times higher than incomes. The Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies 2017 report on America’s Rental Housing indicates that renting is the primary housing options for lower income households. “A majority (53%) of households earning less than $35,000 rent their housing, including over 60% of households earning less than $15,000.” According to the National Low-Income Housing Coalition’s Out of Reach 2019, affordable rents for a minimum wage worker in Pinellas County is $440 a month. Rents affordable to a worker with the mean renter wage is $901 a month. In Pinellas County, fair market rent for a 1-bedroom unit is $916 and a 2-bedroom unit is $1,133, well above the affordable rents to not only a minimum wage worker, but also workers making an average worker wage. In order to be able to afford a 1-bedroom unit, a household’s income must be $36,640 and to afford a 2-bedroom unit, a household’s income must be $45,320. The estimated renter median household income in Pinellas County is $37,317. According to the Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, more than half the renters in the Tampa Bay Area are cost-burdened, paying more than 30% of their income on housing, while approximately 26% of renters are severely cost-burdened, paying more than 50% of their income one housing. For owners, approximately 25% of owners are cost-burdened, paying more than 30% of their income on housing, while approximately 12% of owners are severely cost-burdened paying more than 30% of their income on housing.
The supply of affordable rental housing in the Consortium for extremely low-, low-, moderate-, and middle-income families, has not kept pace with the increased demand for rental housing. Average rents are not affordable, and households are barely able to afford rent. Pinellas County is built out and lacks adequate developable land for construction of new affordable rental housing. These barriers continue to have a negative impact on projects and programs utilized to implement the County’s stated strategies.

**CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)**

Evaluate the jurisdiction’s progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:

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

In FY 118-19 Pinellas County provided $688,709.85 in CDBG funds and $8,490.75 in ESG funds supporting homeless operations and homeless and special needs facility rehabilitation. Funding was provided to six completed projects: Arc Tampa Bay Safety Harbor and Arc Tampa Bay Tarpon Springs for two facility rehabilitations providing services to persons with intellectual/developmental challenges; Directions for Living for facility rehabilitation providing services to homeless and abused children; Lighthouse of Pinellas for facility rehabilitation providing services to the blind and visually impaired; Religious Community Services for operations at Grace House providing emergency shelter to homeless families with children; and WestCare Gulfcoast-FL for the rehabilitation of Davis Bradley transitional housing and residential treatment facility. Six additional projects received funding and are underway. Funding the projects addresses the following priority needs: supporting improvements of public facilities serving low- and moderate-income persons, including the homeless and special needs populations and supporting operations of programs serving low- and moderate-income persons, including the homeless and special needs populations. The projects support the following goals: public facility improvements and public services. Additionally, Pinellas County works closely with the Pinellas County Homeless Leadership Board, Inc., attending general meetings of the Board, participating on multiple committees and providing staff support for the Point-in-Time Count.

In addition to CDBG and ESG funding for homeless activities, the Human Services Department provided approximately $237,300 to Directions for Living and Operation PAR for four outreach teams to help place homeless persons into emergency shelters and provide referrals to social services. Additionally, through the Human Services Department, the County expended over $901,200 through the County’s Rapid Rehousing Program providing client assistance, case management and rapid rehousing navigation teams; just over $109,500 on the SOAR Program providing assistance to homeless individuals to obtain financial and medical benefits through Social Security; as well as additional general funds on other homeless services including aftercare case management, healthcare (including dental, laboratory, specialty care and prescription services), and behavioral health services.
The Homeless Leadership Board (HLB) partners with the Juvenile Welfare Board’s Children’s Services Council & 2-1-1 Tampa Bay Cares on the Family Services Initiative (FSI) that works with families with needs to prevent homelessness while working on longer-term issues and to have one place for families to make initial contact for help. FSI is publicized widely as the place to go for help for the homeless and at-risk families. Homeless/at risk families call 2-1-1 & are directed to specific triage staff for short assessment. Outreach is done by three full-time/two half-time Street Outreach Teams who cover major parts of the county five days a week. The Street Outreach Teams are the center of the Continuum of Care’s efforts to find & engage street homeless, in place since late 2006. Each Street Outreach Team is composed of one law enforcement officer and one case manager. Additionally, Street Outreach Individuals focus on finding unaccompanied youth. The Veterans Administration funds Veterans Outreach persons.

All the outreach personnel meet bi-monthly to discuss problems, identify increases/decreases in specific populations, problem-solve, and meet with providers of emergency mats and beds. Police departments train their law enforcement staff members on working with street homeless persons. Once a street homeless individual or couple seeks assistance, they are encouraged to go to Safe Harbor, the County’s major intake/emergency shelter and are assigned to a case manager for assessment & referral to services, etc. Unaccompanied youth are ‘friended’ and referred to Family Resources and other youth programs to get them off the street. Street Outreach Teams also process individuals for entrance to Pinellas Hope, another major emergency shelter.

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

As a result of limited funding for operations, Pinellas County supports emergency and transitional housing needs by providing CDBG funding to assist with brick and mortar type projects and some operational support. In FY 17-18, the County provided $174,650.00 in CDBG funds to WestCare Gulfcoast-FL for the rehabilitation of a transitional housing and residential treatment facility. The project was completed in FY 18-19 serving 1,360 people. In FY 18-19, the County provided $125,945.79 in CDBG funds to The Arc Tampa Bay for rehabilitation of the Tarpon Springs and Safety Harbor day program facilities for persons with intellectual/developmental disabilities, serving a total of 67 people. The County provided $106,850.38 in CDBG funds to Directions for Living for rehabilitation of their facility for child welfare, behavioral health and homeless services, serving 6,432 people. The County provided $108,981.91 in CDBG funds to Lighthouse of Pinellas for rehabilitation of their facility for the blind and visually impaired, serving 301 people. The County provided $25,282.00 in CDBG funds for operation support to Religious Community Services Grace House providing emergency shelter to homeless families with children, serving 409 people.

CDBG funds are also being provided to Community Action Stops Abuse for shelter operations, Family Resources for the SafePlace2Be Shelter rehabilitation, Homeless Empowerment Program for shelter operations and for shelter rehabilitation, Pinellas Opportunity Council for operations of Chore Services and Starting Right Now for a transitional housing facility rehabilitation. These projects are currently underway.
In FY 18-19, the Human Services Department provided just under $1.4 Million in support of programs that address the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons. The County provided $607,327 to support Pinellas Hope transitional housing for homeless individuals as they begin to transition back to regular housing. The County provided $40,000 to CASA to support emergency shelter for survivors of domestic violence. The County provided $28,600 to ALPHA House, $38,296 to Brookwood, $163,279 to Homeless Empowerment Program, $77,824 to Religious Community Services, $80,000 to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul and $402,134 to WestCare Gulfcoast in support of emergency shelters. Funding the projects addresses the following priority need: supporting operations of programs serving low- and moderate-income persons, including the homeless and special needs populations. Additionally, the projects supporting the following goal: public services.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after 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); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

Pinellas County has a coordinated discharge structure for persons being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care. Participating institutions and systems of care make every effort to ensure that persons are not discharged into homelessness.

Although ESG funds are not directly identified to be used for discharge coordination, in FY 18-19, Pinellas County expended $88,608.11 in ESG funds through the Community Housing Assistance Program providing homelessness prevention activities. These activities can assist to ensure that persons discharged are not discharged into homelessness but can be rapidly re-housed if necessary. In FY 18-19, Pinellas County served a total of 21 individuals and/or households at risk of becoming homeless. Funding the CHAP program addresses the following priority needs: Preserve existing and/or produce new affordable housing for low- to moderate-income owner and renter households, including special needs populations. Additionally, the projects supporting the following goal: rental assistance.

Pinellas County Human Services provides Homeless Prevention and Self-Sufficiency programs targeted to the homeless population. The programs target high poverty zone areas throughout the County and focus on individuals who are disabled and need assistance applying for Federal benefits, employed homeless families with children seeking affordable, permanent housing, and veterans who need assistance with obtaining Federal benefits, with a special focus on homeless veterans. Human Services provided $414,376 to the Family Housing Assistance Program, which provides case management to highly motivated working families with a desire to transition from homelessness into economic self-sufficiency through customized family plans that include assistance with locating housing, paying rent and/or security deposits, utilities, food, transportation,
work assistance or retraining. Financial coaching services are provided to assist families with budgeting and establishing or restoring credit. Additionally, Human Services provided over $917,023 to the Adult Emergency Financial Assistance Program, which assists with past due rents to avoid eviction, emergency mortgage assistance to reduce the risk of foreclosure, utility assistance, transportation assistance and work-related expenses. Human Services also provided $17,700 to the Community Law Program for legal services for foreclosure or tenant eviction cases and educational forums and over additional general funds for services including behavioral health services (mental health, substance abuse, adult detox, transitional programs, medication assisted treatments, outpatient and peer recovery support services) and services for abused children, victims of domestic violence, persons living with HIV/AIDS, the elderly, and the disabled (including those with mental disabilities).

The Veterans Services Program focus on homeless veterans. Traditional and homeless veterans may receive services under any of the Homeless Prevention and Self-Sufficiency Programs they qualify for and may receive medical assistance through the Pinellas County Health Program until their Federal medical benefits are determined and received.

The County continues to monitor the availability of additional Federal funds that may become available to address homeless and homeless prevention activities. Pinellas County coordinates these activities with other jurisdictions within the County to ensure that eligible recipients are not moving needlessly in order to access the funding.

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.

In FY 18-19, Pinellas County expended $88,176.49 in ESG funds providing homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing assistance to 21 individuals and/or households at risk of becoming homeless through the Community Housing Assistance Program. Additionally, the County expended provided over $1.3 Million through the Adult Emergency Financial Assistance Program and Family Housing Assistance Program to assistance individuals and families become stably housed in safe housing, become financially self-sufficient through improved financial management skills. The programs provide security deposits, rent assistance and case management and referrals to outside service agencies.

Pinellas Safe Harbor, a 470-bed homeless shelter and jail diversion program that opened in January 2011 helps divert homeless individuals from the criminal justice system and alleviates jail overcrowding. Pinellas Safe Harbor serves as a transitional facility to prevent former County residents coming out of State prisons from ending up on the street. As a jail diversion program, Pinellas Safe Harbor is a cost-effective alternative.
to jail incarceration. Clientele includes military veterans, chronically homeless, physically disabled, persons with mental illness, alcohol/drug abusers, individuals living on the street, individuals released from jail, and individuals from emergency shelters where they are no longer welcome. The goal of Pinellas Safe Harbor is to enable individuals to re-enter mainstream society and receive assistance towards acquiring more permanent housing. Pinellas Safe Harbor operations budget is provided by the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office, which is offset by municipal and community contributions.

Pinellas County coordinates with the Juvenile Welfare Board (JWB) Family Service Initiative, which provides a range of prevention assistance to families/children (may include very-short term shelter and case management to remain in/get new housing). The County funds 2-1-1 Tampa Bay Cares to connect at-risk families/persons with prevention resources including Emergency Food and Shelter projects.

The Continuum of Care is exploring strategies and potential initiatives to shorten the period of time families are experiencing homelessness. The Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool has been developed and initial training has been provided. The Continuum of Care began using HMIS to formally monitor returns to homelessness from permanent housing programs (Rapid Re-Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, PH). This process is the monitoring base of the System Quality Improvement Committee performance outcome monitoring/evaluation system used to set goals and measure performance for the Continuum. HLB and HMIS staff meet monthly to review performance and identify a baseline for returns to homelessness from permanent housing. Continual monitoring/tracking of families/individuals who return to homelessness will evaluate the measures taken to reduce the chance of return. The most critical steps now for the Continuum to assist families/individuals are enrollment in cash/non-cash mainstream resources prior to exit and ongoing case management/contact with the person/family; this is in place for many PH/PSH programs but not for family rapid re-housing. Another step being explored is improved employment/job readiness skills training for all exiters.

CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(jj)

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

There are five public housing authorities within Pinellas County. The Pinellas County Housing Authority, Clearwater Housing Authority and the St. Petersburg Housing Authority, all have public housing units and administer vouchers. These three agencies continue to redevelop many of their public housing sites into mixed-income developments. The Dunedin Housing Authority currently has no public housing units and does not administer vouchers. Additionally, the Housing Authority of Tarpon Springs owns and operates public housing units but does not administer vouchers. Public Housing Authorities in Florida are created as independent organizations under Florida Statutes. Thus, the County interfaces with the local housing authorities on activities as requested by them, and the County has contributed toward safe and sound public housing, as well as the provision of recreational and other social services.
The County and the housing authorities work together to identify opportunities that will provide affordable units to households at 50% AMI, 60% AMI and up to 120% AMI. The County committed $567,500 to Norstar Development, partnering with the Tarpon Springs Housing Authority, for the development of Eagle Ridge, a 71-unit rental housing development in Tarpon Springs.

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

The Pinellas County Housing Authority (PCHA) encourages residents to become more involved in management and to participate in self-sufficiency programs. PCHA offers a Family Self-Sufficiency Program for all Housing Choice Voucher holders who wish to improve their financial situation, eliminate their dependence on public assistance and are motivated to changing their lives.

PCHA partners with agencies and businesses throughout the community to coordinate services for participants including child care, educational/vocational training, transportation, development or employability and business skills, job placement, financial counseling, personal money management, and homeownership.

Each FSS participant signs a Contract of Participation (COP) and creates a maximum five (5) year Individual Training and Service Plan (ITSP) that includes employment goals and identifies training or education needs. During the term of the COP, PCHA establishes an interest-bearing escrow account. The FSS escrow account offers the family the opportunity to save for the future. The amount of the escrow account reflects what would normally be an increase in the rent due to an increase in the family’s earned income. As the participant earns more income and pays higher rent amounts, the escrow account increases. If the family meets its goals within five years and remains free of cash assistance for a period of one year, they will receive the funds in their escrow account.

**Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs**

Housing authority performance for all housing authorities in Pinellas County was checked through HUD's Public and Indian Housing Information Center (PIC). The Pinellas County Housing Authority, the Clearwater Housing Authority and the St. Petersburg Housing Authority, identified as Combined Program Types, are a designated as High Performers. The Tarpon Springs Housing Authority and Dunedin Housing Authority, identified as Low-Rent Program Types, are not assessed a designation. However, both housing authorities are active and identified in HUD's Public and Indian Housing Information Center.
CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)

Actions taken 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. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)

County and other local jurisdiction processes and policies can affect the amount and type of housing that can be developed. Zoning, land use and site development requirements and regulations meant to direct the development of property for the best use and alleviate negative effects of land use can, unintentionally, result in increased per unit housing development costs.

The most significant barrier continues to be the lack of financial resources to address the lack of affordable housing. Although the County received $2.1 Million in SHIP funding in FY 17-18, funding decreased to $692,931 in FY 18-19 and is expected to be just over $700,000 in FY 18-19. With HOME funding levels remaining low, there continues to be an impact to the number of households that can be served.

Barrier: Construction costs. The County continues to support the established Affordable Housing Incentive Strategies to provide private sector builders and developers with regulatory and financial incentives to produce affordable housing. Incentives include an expedited permitting process, allowance of increased density levels, reduction of parking and setback requirements, and use of an established process to consider, before adoption, proposed land development code changes that may have a significant impact on the cost of housing. These incentives are periodically reviewed in conjunction with the State of Florida statutory requirements of the State’s SHIP Affordable Housing funds. An Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, involved with the planning and implementation of affordable housing, reviews established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations and triennially submits a report to the State.

Barrier: Cost of land. The Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County created a community land trust to enable land costs to be diminished in the development equation, making the end product more affordable. Pinellas County dedicated $18 Million of Penny for Pinellas revenue from a one-cent sales tax for acquisition of land for affordable housing within the County. Since funding for the Land Assembly fund became available in 2015, approximately $13.45 Million in funding has been expended on the purchase of 35.2 acres of land. The Land Assembly Fund has leveraged approximately $76.87 Million in other private funding for the construction or preservation of 575 units of affordable housing. This includes one FY 18-19 project where approximately $740,000 in funding was provided for one acquisition of approximately 1.5 acres that will produce 34 units of affordable housing.

Barrier: Tenant/Purchaser Issues. The County continues its efforts to educate citizens about barriers that can be eliminated, such as poor credit, through staff educational efforts, as well as through agencies that provide
credit counseling. Required credit histories remain tight and according to The Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies’ *The State of the Nation’s Housing 2019*, “there has been a significant increase in loans with debt-to-income (DTI) ratios above 43 percent.”

In FY 18-19 Pinellas County continued to use federal CDBG, HOME and NSP funds and State SHIP and local funding to administer various programs focused on preserving or producing affordable housing units including homeownership opportunity programs, home owner and rental housing preservation programs, and rental housing production programs. Pinellas County expended approximately $2.3 Million preserving or producing 79 units of affordable owner and rental housing. Additional units and expenditures for projects that were underway in FY18-19 will be reported next year.

**Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The 2015-2019 Five-Year Plan identifies the following obstacles that prevent meeting underserved needs:

- the overall economic climate and local government reductions in spending due to loss of property tax revenues and additional reductions of Federal funding continue to constrain local government finances.
- These reductions also impact the ability of non-profit agencies to meet underserved needs of the population; local governmental policies such as building codes, subdivision standards and impact fees enacted to protect the general welfare of the public but which have an unintended effect creating barriers to housing affordability by increasing per unit development costs; the supply of housing in the Consortium, affordable to extremely low-, low-, moderate- and middle-income families. Pinellas County continues to have a significant housing affordability issue with both ownership and rental housing. Countywide approximately 50% of renter households and 30% of owner households pay more than 30% of their household income for rent or mortgage. According to the National Low-Income Housing Coalition’s Out of Reach 2019, affordable rents for a minimum wage worker in Pinellas County is $440 a month. Rents affordable to a worker with an average renter wage is $867 a month. In Pinellas County, fair market rent for a 1-bedroom unit is $957 and a 2-bedroom unit is $1,189, an increase of just over 13% since 2018 and well above the affordable rents to not only a minimum wage worker, but also workers making an average worker wage. The supply of affordable rental housing in the Consortium for extremely low-, low-, moderate-, and middle-income families, has not kept pace with the increased demand for rental housing. Average rents are not affordable, and households are barely able to afford rent. Pinellas County is built out and lacks adequate developable land for construction of new affordable rental housing.

In FY 18-19, challenges associated with providing affordable households to families earning less than 30% of area median income remains an obstacle. Extremely low-income households are best assisted by subsidy payments such as the Housing Choice Voucher Program administered by the public housing authorities. The County works with local housing authorities when possible on projects to preserve units with project based rental assistance so that the affordable units and subsidies remain available. The County strongly supports mixed-income housing development projects whenever possible. Mixed-income housing developments
minimize NIMBYism by strengthening the socio-economic foundation of the community with the inclusion of market-rate units. Additionally, it helps eliminate the concept of low-income neighborhoods. During FY 2018-19, the County utilized CDBG, HOME and other State funding sources to acquire, rehabilitate, or redevelop several mixed-income, multifamily or owner housing developments with set-aside units for lower-income households. Several projects are close to completion and will be reported next year.

Nonprofit developers that own and operate housing for extremely low-income families struggle to maintain costs without the option of rent increases available to private developments. To sustain or undertake new HOME projects requires greater subsidies in order to keep units affordable and well maintained. With increasing rent and home prices, the availability of affordable rental units becomes even more important. The development of affordable owner and rental housing units assist with housing affordability issues. Development of new owner and rental housing continues; however, most units being constructed are market rate, luxury units that are not affordable to low- and moderate-income households.

**Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The Florida Department of Health (Doha) is the primary agency for addressing lead poisoning in Pinellas County. Current budgetary constraints have limited lead screening and case management activities; however, DoH still responds to reported cases of lead poisoning determined by local pediatricians and health care providers and laboratories throughout the County.

The DoH performs epidemiological investigations to assure appropriate follow-up care is initiated, to prevent occurrence of new cases, and to gather data on lead poisoning cases to target future interventions. For children identified with high blood lead levels, lead assessments of their home are recommended. A specialist performs inspections and risk assessments at no charge to families with children having elevated Blood Lead Levels (BLL), family day care homes, and day care centers. DoH also works to identify lead-based paint hazards in the environment.

The DoH in Pinellas County provides updates, advisories, guidance, resources and alters on emerging health threats of public importance to health care providers in the County. The Pinellas DoH tracks the number of children and adults who are lead poisoned.

Pinellas County follows procedures as specified in applicable regulations and, specifically, those detailed in Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. Staff provides all required notifications to owners and occupants and inspect for defective paint surfaces of pre-1978 properties. Any defective paint conditions found are included in the scope of work and treatment provided to the defective areas. All policies and procedures meet the concepts and requirements of Title X. A staff member with lead-based paint training orders and reviews paint inspections, risk assessments and clearance testing of suspect properties done by
licensed testing professionals. Utilization of trained and certified lead professionals assure that lead hazard control work is done safely and effectively.

For all programs expending Federal funds on a housing unit, Consortium members incorporate current procedures for hazard reduction or LBP abatement guidelines defined in 24 CFR Part 35. The purpose of the regulation is to protect young children from lead-based paint hazards in housing receiving assistance from the Federal government or being acquired or disposed of by the government. All houses built prior to 1978 and purchased by the County for housing rehabilitation and stabilization, are subject to the Lead-Safe Housing Rule Checklist and associated guidance to assure compliance with Lead-Safe Housing Rules.

**Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The County, to the extent allowed by the level of funding and economic conditions (housing market, job opportunity rate, health care systems, the willingness of the target populations to utilize the preferred assistance, etc.) acts to reduce the housing costs and fund services that could assist individuals to stabilize their lives and increase their job skills and marketability. By funding the maximum number of programs possible with the available resources, the County assists many agency programs that contribute to the reduction of the number of persons living below the poverty level.

The Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners’ strategic vision is to improve the quality of life for Pinellas County residents and aims to have local municipalities, engaged citizens, and the County working together to better align resources, to revitalize and redevelop communities, and protect natural resources.

The Economic Impact of Poverty Report highlighted seven factors that contribute to the cycle of poverty and drive the costs for combating poverty. The data identified five at-risk communities within the County. Three of the five communities include areas that are County targeted areas: Tarpon Springs, Highpoint, and the Lealman Corridor. All five communities suffer from the same seven factors: insufficient transportation, access to food, access to health care, poorer health, lower educational attainment, increased crime rates, higher unemployment, and inadequate and insufficient housing.

The County prioritizes funding to Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas and local target areas. CDBG program funds allow for activities to be funded that will address the unique needs of each individual community. HOME program funds help to preserve and/or increase the supply of affordable housing for low to moderate-income households. Pinellas County funds several programs that help to reduce the cost of housing in the community including homeowner rehabilitation, down payment assistance, homebuyer and home budgeting classes and foreclosure prevention programs, and development subsidies. Lowering housing costs for low-income households helps to reduce the overall poverty levels in the community.
**Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The Community Development Division is charged with executing the County’s housing and community development programs using Federal CDBG, ESG, HOME, and NSP funds. The County continues to work with local lending institutions and nonprofit organizations to form partnerships for financing the acquisition, construction and rehabilitation of housing units.

The County contracts with several nonprofit agencies to provide housing rehabilitation, down payment and closing cost assistance, homebuyer classes, foreclosure prevention, budgeting classes, and a community housing assistance program on a fee for service basis. In addition, the County works with residents of targeted areas to gain community input and increase resident’s involvement.

The County partners with local non-profit agencies providing funds to carry out the activities established in the Consolidated Plan. A host of other public and private organizations contribute to this effort through the provision of financial and organizational resources that are coordinated with the CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding for projects.

Pinellas County works closely with the Homeless Leadership Board to identify gaps in the continuum of care and to align funding with those gaps. Pinellas County continues to work closely with the Homeless Leadership Board to determine the best use of ESG funds through the Community Housing Assistance Program to administer homeless prevention and re-housing activities through the new Emergency Solutions Grant.

The Pinellas County Housing Authority (PCHA) and the Tarpon Springs Housing Authority develop and maintain public housing within the Consortium with a five-member board of commissioners governing each Authority. The County has no direct ability to exercise any oversight responsibility. Pinellas County and the Housing Authorities work closely together to address the housing needs of the community, such as providing financing for preservation of existing affordable housing units.

**Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

Pinellas County coordinated with key agencies during the 18-19 fiscal year:

**Public Sector**

The Community Development and Planning Division administers community development and affordable housing programs, including programs that assist target income residents and serves as lead agency for CDBG and ESG funds for Pinellas County and for HOME funds for Pinellas County and the Urban County.
Pinellas County Human Services helps residents to obtain behavioral and health care services, receive financial services, family housing assistance and a host of other services.

Pinellas County Health Department offers a variety of services and programs to residents such as childcare licensing, childhood lead poisoning, family planning, Florida KidCare, Healthy Start, HIV/AIDS programs, WIC and women’s health, among others.

Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County assists families and individuals with homeownership opportunities and increasing the number of affordable rental units available to residents.

Forward Pinellas 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Countywide Plan plans build on more than a decade of outreach to citizens and the business community of the vision for the future, envisioning compact development, mixed uses, and interconnected streets to allow for convenient walking, bicycling, and transit use, creating places of special value to the community and providing new mobility options.

Pinellas County and Tarpon Springs Housing Authorities administer Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher Programs and Family Self-Sufficiency Programs.

Supportive services in Pinellas County are provided by the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, Agency for Persons with Disabilities, Department of Elder Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Juvenile Justice, and the Agency for Workforce Innovation. Funding for these agencies is inadequate for the needs they are expected to meet.

There are a host of non-profit agencies that service target income households within the Consortium as well as the County as a whole. A coordinated effort is necessary to facilitate service provisions to varying groups throughout the County especially in light of the current economic challenges. As members of the Consortium, Cooperating Cities will be instrumental in accomplishing identified goals and activities.

**Private Sector**

The private sector is an important collaborator in the services and programs associated with the Consolidated Plan bringing additional resources and expertise that can be used to supplement existing services or fill gaps in the system. Lenders, affordable housing developers, business and economic development organizations, and private service providers offer a variety of assistance to residents such as health care, small business assistance, home loan programs, and assisted housing, among others.

The County is committed to continuing its participation and coordination with Federal, State, municipal and local agencies, as well as with the private and non-profit sector, to serve the needs of target income individuals and families in the community. In particular, the County will continue to work in close coordination with County departments regarding infrastructure improvements and the provision of services.
Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)

Pinellas County’s Office of Human Rights and the Community Development Division of the Planning Department prepared a countywide Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (Analysis). Data from the Analysis suggests that the following types of impediments exist:

- Areas of Discrimination
- Areas of Limited Opportunity
- Condition of Housing Stock

See Attachment B for a complete listing of all impediments and recommended actions identified in the Analysis.

Activities to Address Previously Identified Impediments: Pinellas County continues to fund programs that offer free classes for persons interested in homeownership, as well as provide outreach and training in fair housing. Our efforts are furthered through partnerships with entities such as the Pinellas Realtor Organization (PRO), which subscribes to the Affirmative Marketing Agreement (VAMA), and the Bay Area Apartment Association (BAAA). Both entities work to educate its members on Fair Housing. The County also a member of the Tampa Bay Fair Housing Consortium.

Pinellas County has provided financial support to the following entities to educate potential homebuyers on homeownership, affordable lending products, credit, fair housing and foreclosure prevention. During Fiscal Year 2017-18, 1,098 households were served by these entities:

- Bright Community Trust
- Gulfcoast Legal Services
- Neighborhood Home Solutions (St. Pete Neighborhood Housing Services)
- Tampa Bay Community Development Corporation

The County's Office of Human Rights (OHR) continues to investigate fair housing complaints. During FY 2018-19, OHR received 75 new complaints and processed 64 cases to closure. The County participated in 16 outreach/training events for approximately 600. Events included presentations to area community associations and residents. See Attachment B for a complete listing of all outreach/training events in which the County participated. The County has an established Housing Committee that provides oversight and review of incentives that will encourage the development of affordable housing. The Committee provides recommendations to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (Board) when there are changes to be considered that will facilitate the removal of barriers.
County staff monitors over 1000+ rental units that have received Federal, State and/or Local resources to ensure the units are affordable for the term of the loan. The Affirmative Fair Housing Plans for each development are submitted every two years for review to ensure compliance with their outreach and marketing efforts.

Inquiries from low- and moderate-income tenants in the unincorporated area are often referred to the County's Code Enforcement staff. Tenants are often seeking a remedy to actual or perceived Housing Code violations in their rental unit that the landlord or property management company may have declined to address or repairs that are being addressed by the landlord at an unacceptable pace for the tenant. The Code Enforcement staff provides general information on code enforcement alternatives and remedies as well as the State's landlord tenant law. They often refer tenants to pro bono or low-cost legal assistance programs to serve tenants needs.

The Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court operates three Legal Self Help Centers to assist Pinellas County citizens represent themselves in court in regard to family law, small claims, or landlord/tenant matters. The Self Help Centers provide consultation with an attorney for a minimal fee, forms and packets for civil court actions, document notary and copying services. The Clerk’s Office collaborates with The Sixth Judicial Circuit, The Community Law Program and the Clearwater Bar Association to offer affordable legal services to the public.

**CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230**

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

Activity monitoring is a continuous process to ensure compliance with all applicable policies and regulations. Projects and programs are reviewed for eligibility and consistency with the 5-Year Plan. Activity sheets, descriptive checklists to document program compliance and codes, are completed for each project/program considered for approval. Contracts are executed for projects involving other agencies or cities, in accordance with the all Program Federal Regulations.

Monitoring of projects/programs is as follows:

- Housing case processing performed by contracted agencies or County staff. Contracted agencies are provided training upon participation in the program and technical assistance is provided when necessary and/or upon request. Designated staff monitors cases and reviews all documentation prior to approval. A second staff person reviews that assessment. Staff prepares closing documents to
ensure accuracy and requests funds for closing. If contracted agency staff is responsible for construction management, County staff conducts site visits to a random sampling of properties.

- City/County capital projects are inspected mainly by qualified Public Works staff, County staff work closely with cities from start to finish. PW staff submits invoices for County approval prior to issuing payments. Independent architect/engineers approve each pay request. An exception would be for small dollar amount projects.

- Nonprofit capital projects are monitored by providing all requirements to the agency and ensuring that each step of the process is followed. Preconstruction meetings are held to ensure agency and selected contractors are aware of applicable Federal Regulations. File documentation is required on an on-going basis (e.g. advertisements, bid documents, contracts, etc.) Payments are reimbursed to agency. Independent architect/engineers approve each pay request. Supporting documentation is required for all payments. All relevant documentation is maintained in the County office. An exception would be for small dollar amount projects.

- County staff conducts on-going monitoring of multi-family projects to ensure affordability compliance. Monitoring reports are prepared by staff and necessary actions are taken for compliance issues identified.

Monitoring of other project types is determined by a Risk Assessment tool. If on-site monitoring is indicated, specific plans are developed for each visit. Monitoring outcomes are provided, and corrective plans are developed, if required. Plans are monitored to ensure action has been taken.

Progress on goals and objectives is reviewed quarterly to ensure timeliness of spending, in conjunction with preparation of the CAPER and in preparation for each year's Action Plan.

The County encourages Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) owners to seek certification through the State of Florida's Office of Supplier Diversity so they can stay competitive and compete for County contracts. Contractors use the State's Certified Vendor Directory to locate Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises.

Section 3 Outreach: The County Section 3 Strategy is to take affirmative steps to assure that small, MBE/WBE businesses are utilized when possible. Responsibilities involved in this strategy are implemented as each Section 3 project goes to bid. Advertising for employment opportunities/vacancies run in general circulation and community-based newspapers. Contractors are made aware of the strategy through bid package documents and must execute an Assurance of Compliance - Training, Employment, and Contracting Opportunities for Business and Lower Income Persons. Further documentation and data regarding Section 3 compliance and Section 3 status of businesses and employees is requested at pre-construction conferences.

Pinellas Technical Education Centers offers programs pertinent to the construction industry like electrical, building construction repair, air conditioning/heating, landscaping, brick/block masonry, plumbing, etc.
Pinellas County Economic Development’s Small Business Development Center offers classes to minority business owners on specific resources/opportunities available for women, minority and service-disabled veteran owned businesses and also offers training for those interested in starting a small business.

**Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)**

Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.

As required, reasonable notice for review and comment of this CAPER was provided. Public notice of the comment period was published in the *Tampa Bay Times* on December 13, 2019 and *The Weekly Challenger* on December 12, 2019, advising of the availability of this performance report for viewing and public comment from December 13 to December 27, 2019. A notice was also placed on the County website. A copy of the CAPER was available for review during the 15-day comment period. Comments received will be addressed at the end of the comment period.

**CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)**

Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction’s program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.

**Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?**

[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.

Pinellas County created a series of Programs in order to carry out specific objectives identified in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and the one-year Annual Action Plan. The Programs administered during the 2018-19 Fiscal Year were the Target Area Improvement Program, Public Facilities Program, Public Infrastructure Program, Public Services Program, Homeless and Homelessness Prevention Services Program, Housing Preservation Program, Housing Production Program and Homeownership Promotion Program. Administering Programs allows the County flexibility in spending to accommodate projects that are delayed or cancelled. This allows the County to respond more quickly to changes in the real estate market and construction and financing industries; it also assists the County in meeting timeliness requirements.

Through administration of the Homeless and Homelessness Prevention Services Program, the County recognized the difficulty of identifying households with incomes under 30% of area median income that were able to sustain housing once the assistance provided using Emergency Solutions Grant funds had ended. The County has a lack of affordable housing units and specifically a lack of landlords willing to provide units to renters with histories of credit issues and evictions keeps remains an issue. The County,
along with the HLB, continues to work on establishing relationships with landlords willing to work clients in prevention and rapid rehousing programs.

**Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?** No

**[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.**

Not applicable. Pinellas County does not currently have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative Grants.
Include the results of on-site inspections of affordable rental housing assisted under the program to determine compliance with housing codes and other applicable regulations - Please list those projects that should have been inspected on-site this program year based upon the schedule in §92.504(d). Indicate which of these were inspected and a summary of issues that were detected during the inspection. For those that were not inspected, please indicate the reason and how you will remedy the situation.

Inspection of initial lease-up of rental housing units is conducted by County staff and ongoing inspections of rental housing funded with HOME funds are conducted by County staff or a contracted compliance monitoring agency approved by the County. All HOME funded projects are monitored annually. Monitoring includes compliance with income and rent eligibility requirements, financial reports, program records/files and on-site physical inspections. The following list identifies all projects monitored in FY 2018-19, including all HOME funded projects:

- Aluna Largo - Minor file issues (resolved)
- Ashley Place - Minor file/unit issues (resolved)
- Boley Laurel Trace - To be scheduled
- Boley Morningside - To be scheduled
- Cypress Pointe - No apparent issues
- Duval Park - No apparent issues
- Grove Park - To be scheduled
- HEP West - Minor file issues (resolved)
- Landings at Cross Bayou - To be scheduled
- Leo Lane - To be scheduled
- Lexington - To be scheduled
- Magnolia Court - Minor file discrepancies (resolved)
- Oak Ridge Estates - To be scheduled
- Palmetto Park - To be scheduled
- Palms of Pinellas - Initial lease-up monitoring completed, no apparent issues
- Parkside Commons - To be scheduled
- Pinellas Hope III - To be scheduled
- Preserves at Clam Bayou - Initial lease-up monitoring completed, no apparent issues
- Shady Pines - To be scheduled
- The Villages of Tarpon - Minor file discrepancies and unit inspections (resolved)
- Transfiguration - No apparent issues identified
- UPARC 1 - To be scheduled
- UPARC 3 - To be scheduled
- Whispering Palms - To be scheduled
Provide an assessment of the jurisdiction’s affirmative marketing actions for HOME units. 92.351(b)

As a part of the HOME application, applicants are required to submit an affirmative marketing plan to the County which must conform to the County’s affirmative marketing requirements. Monitoring of affirmative marketing for HOME funded units is incorporated into the County’s overall monitoring process. During each onsite monitoring visit, the County monitors subrecipients for compliance with affirmative marketing requirements. There were 23 HOME funded properties on the monitoring list for this fiscal year to be reviewed for compliance regarding affirmative marketing. Units monitored continued to follow the appropriate “Affirmative Marketing Plan” in place.

Refer to IDIS reports to describe the amount and use of program income for projects, including the number of projects and owner and tenant characteristics

HOME program income received during the program year totaled $822,224.51 and can be broken down into the following amounts for repayment of housing activity loans:

- $ 77,035.32 – Owner Occupied Rehab and Down Payment Assistance
- $187,990.80 – City of Largo - Owner Occupied Rehab and Down Payment Assistance
- $554,614.84 – Multi Financial/Covey Financial Portfolio Repayments
- $ 2,583.55 – Other Interest/Fees Received

During FY 18-19, HOME funds were expended on down payment assistance activities, homeowner rehabilitation/reconstruction activities, and rental activities and administration of HOME programs. Program income was expended on activities funded with FY18-19 HOME funds, as it became available on these projects. Ten (10) percent of HOME program income was expended on administration. Characteristics of households that benefitted from HOME expenditures on completed activities, including program income, were as follows:

- Homeownership Opportunities Programs: 43 total households benefitted.
- Homeowner Preservation Programs: 1 household benefitted.

Income demographics for all HOME completed activities include: 2 households earning between 31-50% AMI and 42 households earning between 51-80% AMI; Age demographics include: 5 head of households under 25 years old, 14 head of households between 26-40 years old, 19 head of households between 41-61 years old, and 6 head of households 62+; Family demographics include: 21 households consisting of single individuals, 19 small households consisting of between 2-4 household members, and 4 large households consisting of 5+ household members. Twenty-four of the households were female head of household. Two of the households had 1 or more disabled household members; Race/Ethnic demographics include: 37 White households with 5 of being Hispanic; 6 Black/African American households; and 1 Asian household.
Several multifamily rental projects with HOME funds expended during FY 2018-19 are currently underway and beneficiary data will be reported in a future CAPER.

Describe other actions taken to foster and maintain affordable housing. 91.220(k) (STATES ONLY: Including the coordination of LIHTC with the development of affordable housing). 91.320(j)

This past year, the County continued to proactively support, develop, and maintain affordable housing. Utilizing CDBG, HOME, NSP (Rounds 1, 2, and 3), ESG, State SHIP and local Housing Trust Fund dollars, the County assisted current renters to remain in their rental units or be housed in more affordable units, assisted households to become home owners through down payment assistance and mortgage financing, assisted existing homeowners to preserve their homes through rehabilitation, ensured the long term affordability of rental units through the Pinellas Community Land Trust, and acquired and constructed new affordable rental and owner units. The County continues to support local and national housing policies and continues to educate and inform citizens, as well as elected local officials, of the need for affordable housing.
CR-60 - ESG 91.520(g) (ESG Recipients only)

ESG Supplement to the CAPER in e-snaps
For Paperwork Reduction Act

1. Recipient Information—All Recipients Complete

Basic Grant Information
Recipient: Pinellas County
Organizational DUNS Number: 055200216
EIN/TIN Number: 596000800
Field Office: Jacksonville
CoC(s) in which the recipient or subrecipient(s) will provide ESG assistance:
St. Petersburg/Clearwater/Largo/Pinellas County CoC

ESG Contact Name /Address
Mr. Bruce Bussey
Community Development Manager
440 Court Street, 2nd Floor
Clearwater, Florida 33756
Phone Number: 727-464-8257
Fax Number: 727-464-8254
Email Address: bbussey@pinellascounty.org

2. Reporting Period—All Recipients Complete

Program Year Start Date: 10/1/2018
Program Year End Date: 9/30/2019

3a. Subrecipient Form – Complete one form for each subrecipient

Subrecipient Name: Homeless Empowerment Program
City/State: Clearwater, Florida
Zip Code: 33755-3303
DUNS Number: 623937356
Is subrecipient a victim services provider? No
Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization
ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: $185,533.00 (pool available to both subrecipients)
Subrecipient Name: Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg
City/State: St. Petersburg, Florida
Zip Code: 33705-1032
DUNS Number: 198227915
Is subrecipient a victim services provider? No
Subrecipient Organization Type: Other Non-Profit Organization
ESG Subgrant or Contract Award Amount: $185,533.00 (pool available to both subrecipients)

CR-75 – Expenditures

11. Expenditures
11a. ESG Expenditures for Homelessness Prevention - Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year

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11b. ESG Expenditures for Rapid Re-Housing - Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year

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### 11c. ESG Expenditures for Emergency Shelter - Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year

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### 11d. Other Grant Expenditures - Dollar Amount of Expenditures in Program Year

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### 11e. Total ESG Grant Funds

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### 11f. Match Source

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### 11g. Total

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