

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP)

Citizen Summary

DECEMBER 2021

HOME-ARP Funding Allocation

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. (source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development)

The County of Lancaster and the City of Lancaster have been awarded, as a Consortium, Home Investment Partnership funding through the American Rescue Plan to be used in support of affordable housing and shelter needs. Qualifying uses for this funding source are:

- Production or Preservation of Affordable Housing supporting specific target populations
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- Supportive Services, Homeless Prevention Services, and Housing Counseling
- Purchase and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter

The federal government has given a timeline of 5 years to allocate these funds to address the ongoing needs arising from the COVID-19 Pandemic



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TARGET PRIORITY POPULATIONS

The purpose of HOME-ARP funds is to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services through several eligible activities. Eligible activities include acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, tenant based rental assistance, supportive services, HOME-ARP rental housing, administration and planning, and nonprofit operating and capacity building assistance. A certain portion of HOME-ARP funds must assist people in HOME-ARP "qualifying populations", which include:

- Sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations
- Those currently housed populations at risk of homelessness
- Those fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence or human trafficking
- Other families requiring services or housing assistance or to prevent homelessness
- Those at greatest risk of housing instability or in unstable housing situations

HOME-ARP Consortia Share

	Amount	Share
Lancaster City	\$2,035,420	30%
Lancaster County	\$4,749,312	70%
TOTAL	\$6,784,732	100%

View and Comment on the Plan

Visit our website: www.lchra.com ; www.cityoflanasterpa.com

— or —

Attend a virtual Public Meeting: County– December 21st following the conclusion of the 4:00 Board meeting
Contact mallwine@lchra.com for details to join the meeting.

Consultation Process

The Consortium partners with public and private entities who provide services and shelter facilities to the above qualifying populations. 16 of these partner organizations were consulted with during the development of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. These consulted stakeholders have relevant knowledge that can speak to the needs, service gaps, and potential activities that would best benefit qualified populations. Stakeholders consulted included those who work with families or individuals experiencing or at-risk of homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, and other vulnerable qualifying populations.

We appreciate public input! Please visit <https://www.lchra.com/home-arp-survey/> to complete a survey to let us know what eligible uses should receive priority.

Needs + Gaps

To assess the unmet needs of HOME-ARP qualifying populations, the Consortium evaluated the size and demographic composition of those populations. The Consortium has also identified gaps within its current shelter and housing inventory, as well as the service delivery system. In the needs assessment and gaps analysis, staff used current data, including 2020 PHFA Comprehensive Housing Study for PA Data, 2020 HUD Housing Market Analyses – Lancaster PA, 2021 National Low Income Housing Coalition – Out of Reach Report, 2020 Point in Time Count (PIT Count), 2021 CoC Housing Inventory Count (HIC), or other data available data sources.

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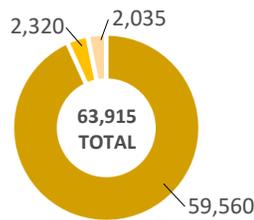
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Housing Data

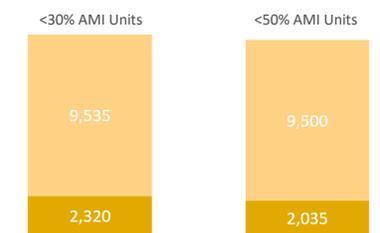
Rental Housing Inventory + Need

Existing Rental Unit Affordability



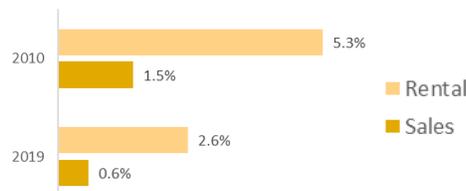
■ Market Rate ■ <30% AMI ■ <50% AMI

Affordable Rental Needs

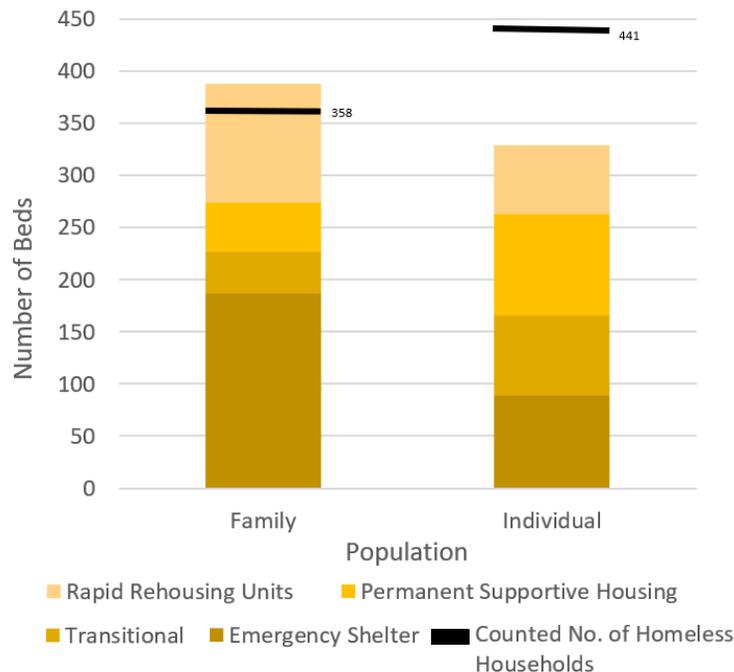


■ Current Inventory ■ Need

Unit Vacancies



Homeless Housing + Households



■ Rapid Rehousing Units ■ Permanent Supportive Housing
 ■ Transitional ■ Emergency Shelter ■ Counted No. of Homeless Households

Emergency Rental Assistance



In 2020, Lancaster County saw 290 new rental units under construction. The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Comprehensive Housing Market Analysis forecasted Lancaster County would need to get 1,150 per year or 18,500 total new affordable units online to keep up with demand.