



# CITY OF LAREDO

Community  
Development  
Department

## 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan



# Executive Summary

## AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

### 1. Introduction

The 2022 One-Year Action Plan serves as an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for 48th Action Year funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), 2022 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and 2022 Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG). This plan also serves as a strategic outline, which describes the proposed projects for the City during FY 2022-2023. The City of Laredo's Consolidated One-Year Action Plan for FY 2022-2023 represents the implementation of housing and non-housing strategies identified in the City's Consolidated Five-Year Action Plan. The City will receive \$3,403,999 in CDBG funds, \$1,239,355 in HOME funds, and \$315,100 in ESG funds from HUD. Upon award of these funds, the City proposes to undertake numerous activities to address the housing and non-housing needs of the community. Federal resources are as follows:

- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) – CDBG is a flexible grant that can be used for housing, neighborhood revitalization, workforce and economic development, community and nonprofit facilities, infrastructure, and public services in low-moderate income communities.
- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) – HOME is used for building, acquiring, and rehabilitating affordable housing for rent and homeownership. It may also be used for direct rental assistance to low-income residents.
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) – ESG funds programs and services supporting homeless individuals and families. Activities include operating shelters, providing essential services to shelter residents, offering Rapid Rehousing, and preventing homelessness.

### 2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

Through the use of CDBG funds, the City anticipates funding the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program, Code Enforcement Program, Graffiti Removal Program, Homeless Services, CDBG Rental Rehabilitation Program, park improvements in Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 as well as construction of sidewalks in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 8.

Affordable housing continues to be a high priority for the City of Laredo. In order to address this need, the City plans to use HOME funds to provide the Down Payment Assistance Program, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO), a Homeowner Reconstruction Program and HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program. These activities are targeted to address the lack of available affordable housing units. This was identified as one of the impediments in the Analysis of Impediments (AI) for the City of Laredo and in the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Through the use of Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) funds, the City will fund Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-housing, Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, and Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS) in order to reduce homelessness in the city.

In an effort to provide the above mentioned services for CDBG, HOME, and ESG initiatives, funds will be allocated for the payment of reasonable administrative costs and project delivery charges related to the planning and execution of community development activities. The City proposes to undertake all of the above-outlined initiatives in order to address the housing and non-housing needs of the community. These activities are proposed for the period beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023, contingent upon the award of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. Refer to the Project section for a full description of each of these proposed projects.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The City is confident that efforts carried out in the past have met the overall strategy to address the housing and non-housing needs in the community. As a result of opportunities provided and situations specific to each proposed activity, the degree of success in meeting the desired goals and objectives has varied. The City is proposing to continue to fund successful and still much needed programs such as the Housing Rehabilitation Program, Code Enforcement, Graffiti Removal, Down Payment Assistance Program, and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance. As the City continues to grow, the need for public facilities and improvements continues to be of great importance as identified by the responses obtained from citizens throughout the community, and as such, the City is proposing to fund those as well.

Also, the City of Laredo has, and will continue to utilize available federal, state, local, and private funds in a manner consistent with the priorities previously identified in its 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

As evidenced by the submission of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD, the City of Laredo has been able to demonstrate that activities undertaken during the previous reporting period were consistent with the strategies identified in the City's 5 Year Consolidated Plan and 2021 Annual Plan. The City utilized CDBG Program funds for a variety of activities, including, housing, code enforcement, public facilities and improvements, and public services.

On February 28th, 2022, the City received correspondence from HUD regarding the 2020-2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The City was congratulated for its performance and dedication to serving low and moderate-income persons and for its continuous timely delivery of services to the citizens of Laredo.

Regarding the HOME grant, HUD mentioned that the activities undertaken during this reporting period were consistent with the affordable housing strategy identified in the City's 5-Year Consolidated Plan and its 2020 Annual Action Plan.

Regarding the ESG program, HUD noted that activities undertaken by the City during this reporting period were found to be consistent with the homeless assistance strategy identified in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and its FY2020 Action Plan (AP). HUD also thanked the City of Laredo and its dedicated staff for the continued effort of providing shelter and other services to its homeless clients and those at risk of becoming homeless.

As a conclusion, HUD also determined, as a result of their analysis, that the City of Laredo's overall progress is satisfactory.

#### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The citizen participation process included public notices, public hearings, an online survey, multiple locations to complete survey and a comment period. Public is now allowed to attend City Council meeting in person for comments.

City staff collected surveys regarding the need for programs and services. All comments, questions, and concerns were welcomed when projects were being considered for funding. The City's Citizen Participation Plan includes language stating that the Citizen Participation Plan will be made available in a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon timely request, to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to the Plan on an equal basis with others. All advertisements and surveys are published in the local newspaper in both English and Spanish, include the Fair Housing Logo, and state that special services will be made available upon timely request for the physically impaired. In addition, program posters and the HUD Fair Housing Logo are displayed throughout the Community Development (CD) Department offices.

On March 27th, 2022 a notice was published in the Laredo Morning Times, the newspaper with the greatest circulation notifying citizens that CD would be receiving surveys and public comments through the following methods: during a public hearing in person, by phone, via e-mail at [cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us), orally or in writing at the CD Admin office, and via an online survey.



The City is conducting City Council meetings in person, and citizens comments are now held in person in the City Council Chambers room.

The City collected a total of 447 online surveys which were available through the Survey Monkey site in English and Spanish in an effort to collect additional public input. The availability of the online survey was advertised in the newspaper, in the City's website, City's newsletter, and via posters posted at different City and Non-profit agencies' offices and during the City Council meeting. The survey helped in identifying the community needs and projects they would like to see funded in FY 2022-2023.

A public hearing was held on April 19, 2022 during the regular scheduled City Council meeting, in order to give citizens another opportunity to express their housing and community development needs. During this meeting, no comments were received. A second public hearing was held on June 6th, 2022 during the regular scheduled City Council meeting as part of the City's Citizen Participation Plan to allow the public to comment on the proposed use of funds. No comments were received. Additionally, the thirty day comment period began on 5/31/22 and ended on 6/29/22 in order for the public to review the plan and provide comments. No comments were received.

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

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The results of the survey which denotes the percentage of respondents that indicated that there was either a great need, some need, or no need for a particular activity or service can be found in Appendix D of this Plan. In addition, a list of comments received from citizens is also included.

All comments listed were obtained from citizens who filled out a survey online via Survey Monkey. As a result of the comments received, we identified that the community would like to see projects related to construction of new housing for purchase by low-income households, rental assistance for low income elderly individuals, counseling, referral/support services, homebuyer down payment assistance, job training, recreation centers, homelessness prevention (rent and utility assistance), improve existing waterlines/fire hydrants, outreach services for homeless living in the street, community/senior centers.

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

All comments were heard and read. However, due that there is limited funding, not all comments received will result in the creation of a goal. The amount of funding to be received dictates the number of projects that can be carried out.

## **7. Summary**

In an effort to broaden public participation in the development of this Action Plan and heighten community awareness, the City advertised through various means in English and Spanish including public notices in the Laredo Morning Times (local newspaper with the greatest circulation). As previously explained, this year, the City also took an added approach to encouraging public participation by scheduling the dissemination of program information and collecting a needs survey online and in person.

Posters announcing the survey information, survey locations and other ways to comment were posted at the Laredo Housing Authority, Bethany House (homeless shelter), COVID-19 Response Programs Center, CD Admin office, Municipal Housing office, Health Department of the City of Laredo, City Hall, City Hall Annex. CD staff also visited multiple City and non-City offices for community members to fill out survey in person.

These places were selected to ensure that appropriate actions were taken to encourage the participation of all residents, including the elderly, minorities, persons with limited English proficiency, as well as persons with disabilities. The poster is attached on Appendix J of this plan.

The community needs survey was available online through Survey Monkey and posted on our City website (main page) for easy accessibility. The link to the survey was also emailed internally to city staff members. Paper surveys were also available at the multiple locations in different days for those who couldn't access the survey via a computer. To accommodate employed individuals, the City also met on evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. which would allow citizens the time to attend the meeting or event and still give them time to attend to their family needs before or after the meeting. Additionally, meetings were held at convenient locations such as at recreational and community centers, City Hall downtown and its annex in south Laredo, and at the City's Health Department. The majority of location sites were located in residential neighborhoods, thereby providing access to the meetings to persons with limited means of transportation.

**PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)**

**1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan**

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

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency		LAREDO	
CDBG Administrator	LAREDO	City of Laredo - Community Development Department	
HOPWA Administrator			
HOME Administrator	LAREDO	City of Laredo - Community Development Department	
ESG Administrator	LAREDO	City of Laredo - Community Development Department	
HOPWA-C Administrator		City of Laredo - Community Development Department	

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

**Narrative (optional)**

The City of Laredo’s Community Development Department serves as the lead agency responsible for administering the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs covered in the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan. It manages the City’s HUD grant portfolio and develops the Annual Action Plan. The office works to ensure that the City of Laredo, an entitlement community, maximizes the use of its HUD funding to provide decent, safe, and affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities for its citizens. The Laredo City Council awards funding to qualified subrecipient agencies and city departments to conduct the activities outlined in this plan.

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## **AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)**

### **1. Introduction**

The City of Laredo has made a collaborative effort to consult with public and private community partners in order to enhance coordination of services delivered by all. The City recognizes that these partnerships are important in providing effective services to those in need in our community.

For the creation of the 2022-2023 Action Plan, the City also looked at the City's Comprehensive Plan "Viva Laredo", which was adopted by City Council on September of 2017. This is the City's first strategic development plan since 1991 and was created with the input from thousands of Laredo residents. The city's comprehensive plan provides the basis for public policy in Laredo regarding community wide concerns such as housing, homelessness, mobility, community/economic development and quality of life. The Viva Laredo comprehensive plan establishes priorities for public-sector action while at the same time providing direction for complementary private-sector decisions.

During the public input process, the City promoted the survey in places where low to moderate income persons could be reached such as the Laredo Housing Authority, Bethany House (homeless shelter), City Hall, the Health Department of the City of Laredo as well as some non-profit organizations. These areas are also areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used.

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

In order to enhance coordination between public and private housing, health, and social service agencies, the City will continue to meet with agencies throughout the funding period. The City of Laredo will also make referrals and receive referrals from the various agencies. Additionally, the City will provide a copy of the Annual Plan (upon request) for participating entities. Lastly, if the City cannot provide funding for a particular agency, it will direct entities towards other sources of funds, when available.

These are some of the agencies the City could partner up with to administer programs related to the City's Annual Plan projects: Border Region MHMR Behavioral Center, Bethany House, Inc., Casa de Misericordia, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Laredo, City of Laredo Health Department, Habitat for Humanity of Laredo, Inc., Laredo College, Laredo Housing Authority, MileOne, NeighborWorks-Laredo, Inc., LULAC Haven, Inc., Sacred Heart Childrens Home, Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc., Villa San Luis Housing Projects, Texas A & M International University, The Salvation Army, Webb County Community Action Agency, Webb County Youth Village and Workforce Solutions for South Texas.

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

On May 27th, 2022, the City of Laredo consulted with the Texas Homeless Network (THN), the Continuum of Care (CoC) Lead Agency for the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care (TX BoS CoC) in an effort to address the needs of the homeless, and those on the verge of becoming homeless, within the City of Laredo. After responding to THN's questions and comments, a letter of support from the TX BoS CoC was received and is attached as Appendix I. This letter states that THN and the CoC will continue to support the City's efforts to address homelessness, including administering ESG, and activities to increase the supply of and access to affordable housing in Laredo.

The City of Laredo has submitted annual CAPERs to report on the performance and accomplishments of the ESG subrecipients. Subrecipients use the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) of the TX BoS CoC and the Osnium software to collect data, analyze it, and report it to the City. With the City's engaged network of local agencies, there is a growing effort to address the needs of homeless persons and those at risk of becoming homeless.

On April 26, 2022, The Texas Homeless Network (THN) shared with us data from the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count. Which included the number of sheltered and unsheltered individuals within the City. On May 13, 2022, Texas Homeless Network (THN) shared the 2022 Housing Inventory Count (HIC). Regarding the City's HIC data THN shared the City's 2022 report that shows what shelter and housing is available to serve people experiencing homelessness Both reports can be found on Appendix K.

The City reviews the PIT Count and HIC data and uses it to assess the needs and identify gaps within the community in order to better service the homeless population. This information will continue to be used in planning efforts future planning for funding, housing, and services. The City, the CoC, and other local non-profit agencies that serve the homeless are working together to achieve the goal to provide the necessary services needed to help homeless individuals/families quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. This goal is achieved by abiding by the Coordinated Entry process, which the City has worked closely with the CoC and other participating agencies.

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

The City of Laredo submitted to the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care (TX BoS CoC), as part of its consultation process, an overview of how ESG funds will be allocated per component and its written standards. THN serves as the HMIS Lead Agency for the TX BoS CoC.

Within these documents the City of Laredo outlined how ESG funds will be allocated, activity descriptions, and provides a copy of the written standards for the operation and administration of the ESG program. The written standards serve as a guide in administering the City's ESG Funds. They were developed using information obtained from the various service providers in the community who presented their views on how the program could best serve the homeless population within the community and through consultation with the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care.

THN reviewed the ESG allocation amounts per category and agreed with these. The City looks forward to continue collaborating with THN.

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

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

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Border Region MHMR Behavioral Center
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless Services-Health Other government - State
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. Border Region Behavioral Health Center is funded by the The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and has continued to be dedicated to providing comprehensive and compassionate recovery oriented services to individuals with behavioral health needs. BRBHC serves approximately 14,000 clients (adults and children) per year. Programs include: Intellectual Development Disabilities, Mental Health Services, Primary Health Care, Substance Abuse Services, Crisis Stabilization inpatient services, Care Coordination services, Crisis services, outreach services to individuals with behavioral health needs, individuals experiencing homelessness, adults, children, and adolescents who are residents of Webb, Starr, Jim Hogg, and Zapata Counties regardless of their ability to pay. Additional services include Veterans Services and Telemedicine. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to individuals through the Coordinated Entry process.



2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bethany House of Laredo
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. Bethany House provides services for shelter and temporary housing (Transitional) for individuals or families experiencing homelessness. During the course of these services, agency/staff provides intensive case management, referrals, job coaching, and housing intervention. Chronic homeless are provided with essential services in the area of agency referrals, clothing referrals, meal and shelter program, transportation, medical and mental health-substance abuse (co-occurring disorder) services as needed. In addition, our Outreach program targets the street homeless, and information is disseminated to engage them in services. The following are offered to homeless individuals, families and those at risk of becoming homeless: Food Pantry Program, Homebound Delivery Program, and another Emergency Assistance. Collaborative efforts are ongoing with community agencies to address homeless issues in our Community by networking and generating an Individual Action Plan for individual and/or families that are experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. Under the Bethany House umbrella direct assistance is offered through the Rapid Re-housing and Homelessness Prevention program to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. In addition, the agency participates in the local Laredo Homeless Coalition and networks with other agencies, city, state, and the federal government to provide updates on current programs and information regarding the issues of homelessness. Texas Homeless Network provides a data system called HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) which monitors ongoing homeless services within the State of Texas. It is a vital to measure client outcomes. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was to seek information regarding the various programs and services offered, the identification of the needs of the community and gaps, and better coordination of the services offered to the homeless population.</p>
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Casa de Misericordia

	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. Casa de Misericordia (Casa) provides shelter and support services to adults and children who are homeless due to domestic violence. Casas services includes twenty four hour full service emergency shelter and crisis hotline, information and referral, safety planning, advocacy and intervention services, support groups, counseling intervention services, case management, tutoring, educational arrangements, music classes, summer camps for children, educational, life skills classes, primary prevention services and community education. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Laredo
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Families with children Anti-poverty Strategy

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. The programs provided by this agency are: Emergency Assistance to help individuals/families with utilities and rent, Immigration Services which help families to stay united and allow for lawful employment as permanent legal residents or becoming a US Citizen. Senior Services will provide interactive activity on a daily basis to ensure they have a safe and secure environment through education and food distribution. nutritional meals and daily interactions for seniors 60 years and older (temporary halted due to COVID may resume next year), Disaster or Humanitarian Relief assists families who have suffered a disaster and seek emergency shelter to assist families who find themselves in desperate or emergency situations, such as flee their countries to request asylum, Mission work provides medical and home repair missions for low income communities. They also provide Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, food drives and toy drives. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.</p>
5	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD)</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Other government - Local</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>HOPWA Strategy</p>

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>Consulted through email. The goal of the state funded HOPWA Program is to provide housing assistance and supportive services for income-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS and their families to establish or better maintain a stable living environment in housing that is affordable and livable, safe, and sanitary, to reduce the risk of homelessness, and to improve access to health care and supportive services. Also provided are HIV/STD/Hepatitis B and C screening, testing and treatment, Mental Health and Substance Abuse screening, counseling, and treatment, HIV Community Mobilization, condom distribution, prevention and education. HIV care services provides needed case management for people living with HIV along with assistance to see a HIV medical provider and get needed lab work, TB, and immunizations. The program provides assistance with medical and social services through its network of internal and external referrals to ensure that clients are maintaining a healthy lifestyle while living with HIV. In addition, the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) continues to monitor all communicable and reportable diseases including lead levels. Through an active medical surveillance on the number of elevated lead levels in our community from housing, medical providers and environmental assessments they fully investigate, asses, confirm and remediate for health prevention. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to our community.</p>
6	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF LAREDO, INC.</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment</p>

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. Habitat for Humanity of Laredo, Inc. builds simple, decent and affordable single family homes. The organization also rehabilitates and does critical home repairs. Partnerships with the City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs, foundations, local donors and vendors plus donated volunteer labor keep the cost of the homes affordable to the families who receive a zero interest mortgage upon completion of 500 hours of sweat equity. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Laredo College
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. LC offers students a variety of certificate and degree programs and continually adds programs and student support services to accomplish its mission of making education accessible to all. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to our community. NOTE: The college name has changed to Laredo College.
8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Laredo Housing Authority
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Public Housing Needs

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. The Laredo Housing Authority administers three housing programs: Public Housing, Farm Labor, and Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8). The Public Housing Program provides decent and safe rental housing for 764 eligible low-income families with 732 units in Laredo and 32 in Asherton. The Farm Labor Housing Program provides decent and safe rental housing for eligible migrant families in 48 USDA designated farm labor units. The HCV Program provides assistance to 1,779 low-income families with various types of vouchers such as the Housing Choice, Project Based, Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing, Mainstream, Emergency Housing, Rental Assistance Demonstration, and Moderate Rehabilitation. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.</p>
9	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>NeighborWorks Laredo</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Housing Services-Education Service-Fair Housing</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Veterans</p>

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. NeighborWorks Laredo (NWL) Services include: Homebuyer Classes and Counseling, Foreclosure Prevention Counseling, Financial Management, has 67 affordable rental units and is now offering small consumer lending. NWL is in the process of becoming a CDFI (Community Development Financial Institution). NWL empowers individuals and families to fulfill the American dream through education, counseling, and available resources. NW Laredo will continue to offer foreclosure counseling services to save families from becoming homeless. NW Laredo also offers Financial Management and counseling that includes guiding clients with their credit goals. NWL has acquired vacant lots and is in the process of constructing three affordable single family houses. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.</p>
10	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>LULAC Haven, Inc.</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs</p>



	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email and telephone. LULAC Haven is a housing project for the elderly and handicapped. The 48 unit apartment project is funded by HUD under Section 8-202 subsidies and the residents pay rent based on 30% of their income. Quality of life services that are provided include: hot meals and social information sessions. The facilities are designated to be comfortable, safe, and peaceful environment for the elderly population. On site management and maintenance services assure compliance with housing quality standards. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.
11	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Sacred Heart Children's Home
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services-Children Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consulted through e-mail. Sacred Heart Children's Home in the Diocese of Laredo provides care for nearly 60 children (boys ages 5 thru 10 and girls 5 thru 17.) The home provides shelter, food, clothing, a humane environment, welfare, safety, care, supervision, medical and dental care, counseling and psychological aid (as needed), educational opportunities, and moral guidance. This agency plans to continue to serve children who need to be placed away from their family home for some justified reason. Due to the pandemic, the number of children went down in 2021 to 27 children. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and identification of programs or projects to address these needs.

12	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Serving Children and Adults in Need (SCAN)
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Children Services - Victims
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. SCAN provides prevention, intervention, residential and outpatient substance use treatment services, services for at-risk children and youth, trauma mental health treatment for children and youth, early intervention services for families experiencing family conflict, transitional living services for transitioning age homeless youth, street outreach, services for runaway youth. Additionally, SCAN provides primary care, crisis intervention, and mental health counseling for individuals with severe mental health and or substance use disorders, and mental health counseling for homeless individuals. The agency provides the following programs in Laredo: Adult Outpatient Treatment, Arco Iris Transitional Living Program, Border Reentry and Community Integration Substance Abuse Treatment Program, Border Traumatic Stress Response Center, Co-Occurring Psychiatric and Substance Use Disorders services, DWI Outpatient Substance Use Program, Emergency Youth Shelter, Esperanza Youth Recovery Home, Family and Youth Success, Healthy Border Initiative Substance Abuse Treatment Project, Mental Health Awareness Training, Healthy Outcomes through Prevention and Early Support, Runaway and Homeless Youth Program, Youth Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment Program, among other programs in order to foster the healthy development of individuals through trauma informed empowerment opportunities that are rooted in the community. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to individuals through the Coordinated Entry process.</p>
13	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>Villa San Luis</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Housing Services-Elderly Persons</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment</p>

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. Provides section 8, 202, and 221 housing for low income individuals. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.
14	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Texas A&M International University
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), a proud member of the Texas A&M University System, prepares students for leadership roles in an increasingly complex, culturally diverse state, national, and global society. TAMIU provides a learning environment built on a solid academic foundation in the arts and sciences with a commitment to community engagement through its service learning programs. The University offers a range of baccalaureate and masters programs and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in International Business Administration and Criminal Justice. Now a regional University of choice serving over 8,000 students, TAMIU is home to five colleges: The College of Arts and Sciences, the A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business, the College of Education and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences with its Dr. F. M. Canseco School of Nursing, and University College. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to our community.

15	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The Salvation Army
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. The agency works with United Way and other non-profit agencies. Services provided include Christmas Assistance, Food Pantry, Clothing and Household Goods Vouchers, Summer Day Camp, and as well as the School of Music Program, Youth Program and Womens and Mens Ministries. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was to seek information regarding the various programs and services offered, the identification of the needs of the community and gaps, and better coordination of the services offered to the homeless population.
16	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	LAREDO-WEBB COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education Services-Employment Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy

	<p><b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b></p>	<p>The agency was consulted through email. Services include: Utility Assistance; Emergency Food distribution; skills training; Case Management; Rural Mass Transit; Meals-on-Wheels; Elderly Nutrition; Financial Literacy; Computer Literacy; Construction classes; Tool Library; Colonia clean-up of illegal dump sites; housing rehab; new house construction; major reconstruction and small home improvements. This agency also provides emergency rental assistance and mortgage assistance. Funding comes from grants provided by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs; Texas Dept. of Transportation; Texas Department of Health and Human Commission; County of Webb; FEMA, Texas Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of the Treasury. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to the families in our community.</p>
17	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization</b></p>	<p>MileOne</p>
	<p><b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b></p>	<p>Services-Education Services-Employment Business Leaders</p>
	<p><b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b></p>	<p>Economic Development</p>

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. MileOne is an economic resource center focused on the growth and economic prosperity of Laredo and Webb county region. Their mission is to build capacity for entrepreneurial expansion in our region by establishing an eco-system that promotes business opportunities, investment and job growth. MileOne is utilizing three main initiatives to develop a robust entrepreneurial climate: (1) Assist small-mid size businesses create sustainability and growth; (2) Incubate start up and existing business ventures through dedicated mentorship, office space, and workshops; (3) Attract foreign & domestic direct investment. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered to our community.
18	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Webb County Youth Village
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education Other government - County Corrections Programs and Institutions
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through phone. Some of the services that this agency provides include: 24/7 detention services, transportation to services needed by the youth, educational services for individuals who are unable to attend school as well as probation services. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered in our community.
19	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Workforce Solutions for South Texas
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Employment

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The agency was consulted through email. This is a local organization that implements a system of services focused to increase our community's economic development - as a resource for employers to access workforce they are seeking, and training individuals to be successfully employed. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was the identification of the needs of the community and better coordination of the services offered in our community.
20	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Laredo
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Civic Leaders
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The Department of Community Development consults with the Mayor and City Council members during public City Council meetings to discuss the proposed projects for the next fiscal year. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was to ensure that citizen's needs from the different low/mod areas of the districts are met to the greatest extent feasible.
21	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Laredo Fire Department
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Emergency Management
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Hazard Mitigation



	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The Laredo Fire Department is part of the City Council meetings in which the ideas as well as the proposed projects for the next fiscal year are discussed. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to identify the needs of the community and identify programs or projects to address these including being better prepared in case of a flood and other emergencies in our community.
22	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Laredo Information Services and Telecommunications (IST) Department
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Broadband Connectivity
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The IST Department and the Utility Coordination Committee worked closely in consulting with multiple local service providers via phone and email in order to continue identifying future broadband needs in our community. The anticipated outcome of the consultation was to ensure the identification of the internet connectivity with in our community. The City is also assisting with providing additional connectivity through a CDBG project which is underway and will provide the improvements to the extension of the fiber optic network (I-Net) of the City to the El Eden Recreation Center and other amenities as deemed necessary located within different low mod areas.

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

The City of Laredo contacted and consulted with all required agencies through emails and phone-calls in order to seek information regarding the various programs and services offered. This was done in order to better identify the needs and gaps in the services provided. The City believes that agencies consulted were those vital and did not purposely fail to consult with an agency.

It is important to note that the City's ability to conduct robust public engagement was severely impacted by a widespread pandemic known as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-COV-2) or COVID-19. During this time, all public interactions, meetings, and large

gatherings were halted due to the highly contagious nature of this virus. Nonetheless, the City did not exclude any agency during the process of the preparation of this plan.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Texas Balance of State	Every year, the City consults with the Texas Homeless Network (THN) on homeless related topics. The City believes that our goals overlap with the goals and strategies stated in the CoC Action draft plan.

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

**Narrative (optional)**

The City recognizes that collaboration with both private and public entities is important in providing effective services to the citizens of Laredo. A high priority of the City of Laredo efforts to meeting its objectives and goals is the coordination of efforts between the City and the agencies that service our community. By continuing to work with the agencies, as well as other city departments we will strive to find new approaches to addressing the community issues.

The City of Laredo will continue to partner with local government agencies and groups to ensure complete implementation of the plan. The City will strive to address community needs collaboratively.

## **AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

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

The Citizen Participation Plan sets the City of Laredo policies and procedures for citizen involvement and establishes a way for citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties to take part in the development of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and any substantial amendments to projects and/or funding. The citizen participation process included public notices, public hearings, an online survey and a comment period. In an effort to broaden citizen participation, the Plan includes specific language that states that it will be made available in a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon timely request, to ensure that persons with disabilities have access on an equal basis with others. In addition, all advertisements and surveys are published in English and Spanish, include the Fair Housing Logo, and state that special services will be made available upon timely request for the physically impaired.

On March 27th, 2022 a notice was published in the Laredo Morning Times, the newspaper with the greatest circulation notifying citizens that CD would be receiving surveys and public comments through the following methods: during a WebEx public meeting for organizations, during a public hearing, in person at two city office locations, by phone, via e-mail at [cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us), orally or in writing at the CD Admin office, and via an online survey. The City collected a total of 447 online surveys which were available through the Survey Monkey site in English and Spanish in an effort to collect additional public input. The availability of the online survey was promoted in the newspaper, in the City's website, in the City's Facebook page, via posters posted at different City and Non-profit agencies' offices, during the City Council meeting, and CD staff visited 11 different locations to promote the survey. The survey helped in identifying the community needs and projects they would like to see funded in FY 2022-2023.

As a result of the comments received, we identified that the community would like to see projects related to construction of new housing for purchase by low-income households, rental assistance for low income elderly individuals, counseling, referral/support services, homebuyer down payment assistance, job training, recreation centers, homelessness prevention (rent and utility assistance), improve existing waterlines/fire hydrants, outreach services for homeless living in the street, community/senior centers. Comments received at the public meetings and public hearings are reviewed while planning for proposed projects. Copies of the advertisements for the public hearings can be found in the Appendix C of this plan.

A public hearing was held on April 19, 2022 during the regular scheduled City Council virtual meeting, in order to give citizens another opportunity to express their housing and community development needs. During this meeting, no comments were received.

A second public hearing was held on June 6th, 2022 during the regular scheduled City Council meeting as part of the City’s Citizen Participation Plan to allow the public to comment on the proposed use of funds. The City is conducting City Council meetings in person and public comments are now accepted in person. No comments were received. Additionally, the thirty day comment period began on 5/31/22 and ended on 6/29/22 in order for the public to review the plan and provide comments. No comments were received.

**Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	The City of Laredo published a public notice in the Laredo Morning Times on 3/27/22 announcing the Community Needs survey, other ways of submitting public comments and the first public hearing held on 4/19/22.	No comments received.	No comments received.	N/A

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Online Public Meeting	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/broad community	The City of Laredo held an online live public meeting on 4/8/22 via WebEx in order to receive comments regarding the use of funds.	Comments received included if someone can qualify for more than one program or is it a one time qualification, eligibility for the COVID assistance programs, and if with CD projects if we could reconstruct non-profit playgrounds.	All comments were heard and read.	N/A

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
3	Public Hearing	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/broad community	The City of Laredo held a public hearing on 4/19/22 during the City Council meeting in order to receive comments regarding the use of funds.	No comments received.	No comments received.	M2022-R-06.pdf (cityoflaredo.com)

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Newspaper Ad	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Non-targeted/broad community	The City of Laredo published a public notice in the Laredo Morning Times on 5/22/22 and a second notice on 6/5/22 announcing the list of proposed projects, 30 day public comment period, and availability of the draft plan for review.	No comments received.	No comments received.	N/A

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
5	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	The City of Laredo posted a draft of the AAP on the City website. A public notice that appeared in the Laredo Morning Times on 5/22/22 and 6/5/22 announced the list of proposed projects, 30 day public comment period, and availability of the draft plan for review on the website.	No comments received.	No comments received.	www.cityoflaredo.com
6	E-mail	Non-targeted/broad community	The City made public a Community Development Department e-mail address for the public to send comments via e-mail.	No comments received.	No comments received.	ercampos@ci.laredo.tx.us



Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
7	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p>	The City of Laredo had a public hearing on 6/6/22 during the City Council Meeting in order to receive comments regarding the proposed use of funds.	No comments received.	No comments received.	M2022-R-09.pdf (cityoflaredo.com)

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
8	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	The City made its 2022-2023 Community Needs Survey available online in English and Spanish through Survey Monkey.	A total of 447 surveys were collected online and the results of the survey which denotes the percentage of respondents that indicated that there was either a great need, some need, or no need for a particular activity or service can be found in the Appendix Section D.	All comments were heard and read. However, due that there is limited funding, not all comments received will result in the creation of a goal. The amount of funding to be received dictates the number of projects that can be carried out.	N/A

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
9	Posters	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p>	<p>Posters announcing the survey information, survey locations and other ways to comment were posted at the Laredo Housing Authority, Bethany House (homeless shelter), COVID-19 Response Programs Center, CD Admin office, Municipal Housing office, Health Department of the City of Laredo, City Hall, City Hall Annex. CD staff also visited multiple City and non-City offices for community members to fill out survey in person.</p>	<p>Comments received through Survey Monkey (Appendix D)</p>	<p>All comments were heard and read. However, due that there is limited funding, not all comments received will result in the creation of a goal. The amount of funding to be received dictates the number of projects that can be carried out.</p>	N/A

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

The anticipated budget for FY 2022-2023 is as follows: CDBG \$3,403,999, HOME \$1,239,355 and, ESG \$315,100. The City of Laredo anticipates the receipt of \$200,000 in HOME program income. The City also anticipates receiving \$20,000 in CDBG Program Income, \$80,000 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds to be used for the administration of the Housing Rehabilitation Program (\$7,000) and projects under this

program (\$73,000), totaling \$3,503,999 of CDBG funds expected to be available on year 2.

**Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	3,403,999	100,000	0	3,503,999	7,007,998	CDBG funds will be used for the housing rehabilitation loan program, code enforcement, graffiti removal, downtown elderly recreational program, homeless services, CDBG rental rehabilitation program, park improvements in Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, as well as construction of sidewalks in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 8. A minimum of 70% of funds will be used to address the low and moderate national objective. CDBG Funds used throughout the City will leverage other federal, local, and private funds. The City also anticipates receiving \$20,000 in CDBG PI, and \$80,000 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds to be used for the administration of the Housing Rehabilitation Program (\$7,000) and projects under this program (\$73,000), to be used for the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program totaling \$3,503,999 expected to be available on year 1.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	1,239,355	200,000	0	1,439,355	2,878,710	HOME funds will be used to provide the Down Payment Assistance, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, fund Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), for a Homeowner Reconstruction Program and HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program. HOME funds will leverage other federal, local, and private funds.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	315,100	0	0	315,100	630,200	Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) funds will be used to fund Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-housing, Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, and Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS) in order to reduce homelessness in the city. ESG match requirements will be met by requiring organizations to achieve a 100% match of all funds received.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

The City of Laredo will use a combination of public and private funding to conduct activities identified in this plan. During this Consolidated Plan period, the City will research opportunities to apply for additional funding streams that are consistent with the goals of the Consolidated Plan. Currently, the City uses other funds to offset HUD funding reductions, when this occurs. The City of Laredo will continue to look for other sources of funding that are consistent with the goals of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan by working with community partners and non-profit



organizations to encourage leveraging of available funding sources and strengthen the capacity building.

The City of Laredo has been determined by HUD to be an area of severe fiscal distress, for this reason, the HOME matching requirement is waved 100% for FY 2022-2023. However, in support of the City's HOME funded Down Payment Assistance Program, the program is estimated to leverage approximately \$1,200,000 in private sector mortgage loan financing for FY 2022-2023.

The ESG program requires a 100% match for the total amount of funds drawn down during the federal fiscal year. The City requires all ESG subrecipients to provide a dollar-for-dollar match by calculating the value of volunteer hours, private donations, and the salary not covered by ESG, other grant funding, in-kind donations, or by other eligible methods as provided in the ESG regulations. The City's anticipated match obligation for 2022 is at least \$315,100.00. The City's ESG subrecipients submit the match documentation to city staff; the information is verified for compliance before payment is processed for reimbursement. In addition, 100% match on all expenditures must be provided after the date that HUD signs the grant agreement.

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

As mentioned before, the City of Laredo will continue to look at several City owned properties to be used to address the needs identified in the plan. These lots can be used for the potential construction of affordable housing for qualifying low and moderate income families. As well as for the development of public facilities and the provision of public services. In addition, the City is currently working on the application for a HUD Section 108 loan which will help with the conversion of the Southern Hotel, a city-owned building located in downtown Laredo, into mixed income rental housing. The City has submitted the Section 108 Loan Application.

**Discussion**

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Housing Rehabilitation	CDBG: \$885,401 HOME: \$271,756	Rental units rehabilitated: 4 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 28 Household Housing Unit
2	Acquisition/Acquisition Relocation	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		New Construction of Housing	HOME: \$644,599	Rental units constructed: 3 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit
3	Homebuyer Assistance	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		New Construction of Housing Homebuyer Assistance	HOME: \$200,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 8 Households Assisted
4	Rental Assistance	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Rental Assistance	HOME: \$200,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 100 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Homeless Assistance	2020	2024	Homeless		Homelessness Assistance	ESG: \$292,100	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 10 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 7518 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 10 Persons Assisted
6	Public Facilities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facilities	CDBG: \$342,820	Other: 7 Other
7	Public Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Improvements	CDBG: \$137,128	Other: 4 Other
8	Code Enforcement	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Code Enforcement	CDBG: \$600,000	Other: 102155 Other
9	Public Service	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Service	CDBG: \$510,599	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 102155 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
12	Planning and Administration	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development			CDBG: \$1,028,051 HOME: \$123,000 ESG: \$23,000	

Table 6 – Goals Summary

**Goal Descriptions**

<b>1</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>The Housing Rehabilitation program will provide persons of low-moderate income (at or below 80% of AMI) an opportunity to rehabilitate their homes and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Qualifying owner occupants may receive Housing Rehabilitation loans of up to \$50,000; Reconstruction loans in amounts determined on a case by case basis; and livability grants up to \$15,000. The City estimates to assist 21 households with the Housing Rehabilitation Program and 5 households with the Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program.</p> <p>The Homeowner Reconstruction Program project will provide a low-moderate income (at or below 80% of AMI) household an opportunity to reconstruct its home and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Reconstruction loan amount will be determined on a case by case basis with an affordability period of 20 years. The City estimates to assist 2 household with this program.</p> <p>The CDBG Rental Rehabilitation project will consist of the rehabilitation of an existing building located within City limits for the purpose of providing affordable rental housing units to be available to low income households. The City estimates to assist 4 households after the project is completed.</p>
<b>2</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Acquisition/Acquisition Relocation
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>The City will reserve HOME allocation for investment in housing to be developed, sponsored, or owned by Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for the provision of decent housing that is affordable to low and moderate income persons. The City estimates to assist 2 households under this program.</p> <p>The HOME Affordable Rental Housing program entails the acquisition, rehabilitation, design and/or construction of rental housing units for the purpose of providing affordable rental housing units to be available to low income households. The City estimates to assist 3 households under this program.</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homebuyer Assistance
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Provide down payment assistance to qualifying low-income first-time homebuyers citywide at or below 80% AMI. City estimates to assist 8 households under this program.

<b>4</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Rental Assistance
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Provide tenant-based rental assistance to elderly persons, who wish to live in the downtown area, at or below 60% of HAMFI. The City estimates to assist 100 households under this program.
<b>5</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) funds will be used to fund Homeless Prevention, Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS), and Rapid Re-housing in order to reduce homelessness in the city. The City estimates to assist 10 households with the Rapid Rehousing Program, 10 households with the Homelessness Prevention Program and 7,518 persons at the homeless shelters.
<b>6</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Goal Description</b>	These projects will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements at various public facilities located in low and moderate income areas throughout the city. The seven proposed projects will be located in Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8. The City plans on undertaking 7 park improvement projects under this goal.
<b>7</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	These projects will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of public improvements to be located in low and moderate income areas throughout the city. The four proposed public improvements projects include sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities as deemed necessary in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 8. The City plans on undertaking 4 sidewalks projects under this goal.
<b>8</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Goal Description</b>	The Code Enforcement program promotes enforcement of city codes and education related to weeded lots, junked vehicles, and nuisances is essential to improving and maintaining low income neighborhoods and areas clean and safe, and promote a healthy environment. The City estimates to assist 102,155 persons residing in low/moderate income census tracts with this program.

<b>9</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Service
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<p>The Graffiti removal program will provide services with manpower and materials in the removal of graffiti from public facilities such as parks, sidewalks, bridges, underpasses, and creeks that are located within CDBG target areas. The City estimates to assist 102,155 persons residing in low/moderate income census tracts with this program.</p> <p>The City of Laredo will allocate funding for Homeless Services these funds will be used to pay for labor, supplies, and material as well to operate and/or maintain the portion of a homeless facility in which the public service is located. This includes the lease of a facility, equipment, and other property needed for the public service.</p>
<b>12</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Planning and Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	This consists of the payment of reasonable administrative costs associated with the planning and implementation of program activities.



# Projects

## AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

### Introduction

The City will receive \$3,403,999 in CDBG funds, \$1,239,355 in HOME funds, and \$315,100 in ESG funds from HUD.

Through the use of CDBG funds, the City anticipates funding the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program, Code Enforcement Program, Graffiti Removal Program, Homeless Services, CDBG Rental Rehabilitation program, park improvements in Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, as well as construction of sidewalks in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 8.

The City also anticipates receiving \$20,000 in CDBG Program Income, \$80,000 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds to be used for the administration of the Housing Rehabilitation Program (\$7,000) and projects under this program (\$73,000).

Through the use of HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the City anticipates to fund a Down Payment Assistance Program, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, to fund Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO), Homeowner Reconstruction Program and an HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program.

### Projects

#	Project Name
1	2022 Community Development Administration
2	Housing Rehabilitation Administration
3	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program
4	Code Enforcement
5	Graffiti Removal Program
6	Homeless Services
7	CDBG Rental Rehabilitation Program
8	Park Improvements in District 1
9	Sidewalks in District 1
10	Park Improvements in District 2
11	Sidewalks in District 2
12	Park Improvements in District 3
13	Sidewalks in District 3

#	Project Name
14	Park Improvements in District 4
15	Park Improvements in District 5
16	Park Improvements in District 7
17	Park Improvements in District 8
18	Sidewalks in District 8
19	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration
20	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program
21	HOME Program Administration
22	Down Payment Assistance Program
23	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
24	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
25	Homeowner Reconstruction Program
26	HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program
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**Table 7 - Project Information**

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

One rationale for assigning priorities to projects is feedback from the public regarding community needs. Comments were received through a Community Needs Survey collected by the City, and through a public hearing where citizens could voice how the City could assist them in providing for those needs.

Obstacles to addressing the underserved needs are numerous and include factors such as unemployment, poverty, and lack of resources.

Unemployment: Due to Laredo being a border city with Mexico, a majority of the workforce capacity is dependent on the status of the Mexican economy. Due to its tie with Mexico, a number of jobs in Laredo are dependent on the U.S. and Mexico trade factor. Employment is usually based on an hourly pay with minimum or just above minimum wage with no benefits.

The U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019, 5 year Estimates indicated that 26.7% of people lived in poverty in Laredo, 36.8% of children under 18 lived below the poverty level, compared with 21.2% of people 18-64 years of age and 24.3% for those 65 years of age and over. For this reason, the collaboration with local agencies, institutions of higher education, and service providers remain critical in addressing the needs of the underserved.

Resources: The City utilizes its resources to its maximum ability, allocating funds for various projects to help establish and create decent, safe, and affordable housing and improves the quality of life for very-low to moderate income persons. Actions that will take place to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs include submitting applications for funding, as may become available, in support of

the housing and non-housing priorities identified in this plan.

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

1	<b>Project Name</b>	2022 Community Development Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing Acquisition/Acquisition Relocation Homeless Assistance Public Facilities Public Improvements Code Enforcement Public Service
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Homelessness Assistance Code Enforcement Public Facilities Public Improvements Public Service Acquisition
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$679,000
	<b>Description</b>	This is for payment of reasonable administrative costs and carrying charges related to the planning and execution of community development activities assisted in whole or in part with Community Development Block Grant funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	To be reported in the various CDBG projects.
	<b>Location Description</b>	1301 Farragut St., Laredo, TX 78040
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Administration
2	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$342,051

	<b>Description</b>	This consists of the payment of reasonable administrative project delivery costs associated with the planning and implementation of rehabilitation services such as rehabilitation counseling, loan processing, inspections, and other services related to assisting owners, tenants, contractors, and other entities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	To be reported under Project # 3.
	<b>Location Description</b>	1301 Farragut St., Laredo, TX 78040
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Administration
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$700,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Housing Rehabilitation Program will provide persons of low-moderate income an opportunity to rehabilitate their homes and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Qualifying owner occupants may receive Housing Rehabilitation loans of up to \$50,000; Reconstruction loans in amounts determined on a case by case basis; or livability grants of up to \$15,000. It is estimated that the program will fund 8 housing rehabilitation loans, 12 livability grants and 1 reconstruction loan.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 21 low and moderate income families will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing rehabilitation loans, livability grants, and reconstruction loans.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Code Enforcement

4	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Code Enforcement
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$600,000
	<b>Description</b>	This program will provide project delivery costs of salaries for 6 Code Enforcement officers and partially 1 clerk and 1 supervisor. Additionally, the operation services to ensure the goal of the program which is to eliminate slums and blighting influences and conditions which are detrimental to health, safety, and public welfare. The program responds to citizen complaints and performs inspections concerning the numerous violations detrimental to health, safety, and general welfare.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 102,155 low and moderate income persons will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	CDBG eligible areas in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Code Enforcement
5	<b>Project Name</b>	Graffiti Removal Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$31,550
	<b>Description</b>	This program will provide services where manpower and materials will be used to remove graffiti from public facilities such as parks, sidewalks, bridges, underpasses, and creeks that are located in CDBG areas.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 102,155 low and moderate income persons will benefit from this activity.

	<b>Location Description</b>	CDBG eligible areas in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Graffiti removal program.
<b>6</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Homeless Services
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness Assistance Public Service
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$479,049
	<b>Description</b>	This project entails funds to be used to pay labor, supplies, and material as well to operate and/or maintain the portion of the new Bethany House Homeless facility expansion of a homeless shelter in which the public service is located. This may includes the lease of a facility, equipment, and/or other items needed for the homeless public service program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Based on the Point in Time count which reflects the total combination of sheltered and unsheltered homeless population to be 348 per year, we estimate to assist approximately 300 unsheltered people in a year.
	<b>Location Description</b>	901-911 Hidalgo St.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This activity will provide funds for the operational expenses in continued support of the Bethany House Homeless expansion shelter to ensure essential homeless services are provided.
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG Rental Rehabilitation Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$112,401
	<b>Description</b>	This project will consist of the rehabilitation of an existing building located within City limits for the purpose of providing affordable rental housing units to be available to low income households. Proposed is the Southern Hotel Rehabilitation Project.



	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Estimated 1 unit under the 80% AMI.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Downtown area in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing Rehabilitation.
8	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 1
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements and amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 1.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 42,390 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 1.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
9	<b>Project Name</b>	Sidewalks in District 1
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	This project entails the design, testing, and/or construction of public improvements to be located in low and moderate income areas of District 1. The proposed public improvements include sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities as deemed necessary.

	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 42,390 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a sidewalk location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Low and moderate income areas of District 1.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public improvements such as sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities.
<b>10</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 2
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements and amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 2.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 15,590 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 2.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Sidewalks in District 2
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	This project entails the design, testing, and/or construction of public improvements to be located in low and moderate income areas of District 2. The proposed public improvements include sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities as deemed necessary.

	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 15,590 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a sidewalk location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Low and moderate income areas of District 2.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public improvements such as sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities.
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 3
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements amenities as necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 3.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 12,380 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 3
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
<b>13</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Sidewalks in District 3
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	This entails the design, testing, and/or construction of public improvements to be located in low and moderate income areas of District 3. The proposed public improvements include sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities as deemed necessary.

	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 12,380 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a sidewalk location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Low and moderate income areas of District 3.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public improvements such as sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities.
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 4
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$68,564
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 4.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 23,925 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 4.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
<b>15</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 5
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$68,564
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 5.

	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 6,035 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 5.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
16	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 7
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$68,564
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 7.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 24,205 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 7.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements.
17	<b>Project Name</b>	Park Improvements in District 8
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	The project will entail the design, testing, and/or construction of park improvements amenities as deemed necessary at a public facility located in a low/moderate income area in District 8.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 24,920 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a park location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Public Facility in District 8.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Park Improvements
<b>18</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Sidewalks in District 8
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$34,282
	<b>Description</b>	This project entails the design, testing, and/or construction of public improvements to be located in low and moderate income areas of District 8. The proposed public improvements include sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities as deemed necessary.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 24,920 people under the 80% AMI will benefit from this activity. Upon the selection of a sidewalk location site an area benefit assessment will be done to determine the project site eligibility.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Low and moderate income areas of District 8.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Public improvements such as sidewalks, street improvements and/or other amenities.
<b>19</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$7,000

	<b>Description</b>	This consists of the payment of reasonable administrative project delivery costs associated with the planning and implementation of rehabilitation services such as rehabilitation counseling, loan processing, inspections, and other services related to assisting owners, tenants, contractors, and other entities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	To be reported in Project # 20.
	<b>Location Description</b>	1301 Farragut St., Laredo, TX 78040.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Administration
<b>20</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$73,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Housing Rehab Program will provide persons of low-moderate income an opportunity to rehabilitate their homes and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Qualifying owner occupants may receive Housing Rehabilitation loans of up to \$50,000; Reconstruction loans in amounts determined on a case by case basis; or livability grants of up to \$15,000.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 5 low and moderate income families will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing rehabilitation.
<b>21</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Program Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homebuyer Assistance Rental Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	New Construction of Housing Homebuyer Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$123,000
	<b>Description</b>	Consists of payment of reasonable administrative costs related to the planning and execution of housing programs funded through the HOME Investment Partnership Program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	To be reported in Projects # 22-26.
	<b>Location Description</b>	1301 Farragut St. , Laredo, TX 78040.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Administration.
22	<b>Project Name</b>	Down Payment Assistance Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homebuyer Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homebuyer Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$200,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide down payment assistance to qualifying low-income first-time homebuyers citywide at or below 80% of HAMFI. This years DPA loan program is currently self-funded 100% from program income generated from DPA loan payments. Please note, the program was updated and restructured to become a forgivable loan over 5 years from the previous deferred loan structure. These new loans are not expected to generate additional program income.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 8 qualifying low income homebuyers.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide in Laredo, TX.



	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Down Payment Assistance.
<b>23</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rental Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Rental Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$200,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide tenant-based rental assistance to elderly households at or below 60% of HAMFI.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	100 elderly households at or below 60% of HAMFI.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Downtown area.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Tenant based rental assistance.
<b>24</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Acquisition/Acquisition Relocation
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	New Construction of Housing Acquisition
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$200,000
	<b>Description</b>	The City will reserve not less than 15 percent of its HOME allocation for investment in housing to be developed, sponsored, or owned by Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for the provision of decent housing that is affordable to low-income and moderate-income persons.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 2 households at or below 80% of HAMFI will benefit from the proposed project.
	<b>Location Description</b>	To be determined.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	New construction of owner occupied housing.
25	<b>Project Name</b>	Homeowner Reconstruction Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Rehabilitation
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$271,756
	<b>Description</b>	The Homeowner Reconstruction Program will provide 2 low-moderate income household an opportunity to rehabilitate its homes and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Qualifying owner occupant may receive a reconstruction loans in an amount determined on a case by case basis with an affordability period of 15 years.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that 2 low and moderate income household will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Citywide in Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing reconstruction loan.
26	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Acquisition/Acquisition Relocation
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	New Construction of Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$444,599
	<b>Description</b>	This project entails the acquisition, rehabilitation, design and/or construction of rental housing units for the purpose of providing affordable rental housing units to be available to low income households.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	It is estimated that approximately 3 units will be constructed.

	<b>Location Description</b>	To be determined.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	New construction of housing units.
27	<b>Project Name</b>	ESG 22 Laredo
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$315,100
	<b>Description</b>	This consists of the payment of reasonable administrative costs and programs for homeless assistance activities funded through the Emergency Solutions Grant.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	During the next fiscal year, ESG funding will provide assistance to approximately: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rapid Rehousing: 10 households</li> <li>• Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 7,518</li> </ul> Homelessness Prevention: 10 Households
	<b>Location Description</b>	Laredo, TX.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	With the Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG), the City will fund the following activities in order to reduce homelessness in the city: ESG Program Administration: \$23,000 Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations: \$96,318 Emergency Shelter – Essential Services: \$41,745 Street Outreach: \$45,000 Rapid Re-housing: \$50,000 Homeless Prevention: \$51,037 Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS): \$8,000 The budgeted amount for the administration of this program is within the mandatory cap of below 7.5% as required by HUD. Additionally, the categories of Emergency Shelter - Shelter Operations, Emergency Shelter - Essential Services and Street Outreach (combined) are also within the mandatory cap of below 60% as required by HUD.

## AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

According to the FY 2021 ACS 5-Year 2011-2015 low and moderate-income summary data, certain areas of the City have high concentrations of low-income residents. Census Tracts and block groups with populations of 51% or more of low and moderate income persons but less 70% include:

1.01 1, 3, & 4, 1.05 1 & 2, 1.06 2, 1.07 1, 1.08 1, 1.09 1, 2 1, 2, 3, & 4, 6.01 3, 6.02 1 & 2, 8 1, 9.01 1 & 3, 9.03 2, 9.04 1 & 3, 10.01 1 & 2, 10.04 2, 11.01 1 & 2, 11.03 1 & 2, 11.04 1 & 2, 12.01 2, 12.02 1, 13 1 & 2, 14.01 1 & 2, 15.01 1, 15.02 2, 16.01 2, 17.06 1, 2 & 4, 17.09 3, 17.10 1, 17.16 1, 17.17 1 & 2, 18.06 2, 18.07 1, 2 & 3, 18.08 3, 18.09 1, 18.11 1, 18.12 2, 18.13 1, 18.14 1, 18.17 1 & 3, 19 1 & 2

The following census tracts and block groups represent areas in which 70% or more of the residents are of low and moderate incomes:

1.01 2, 1.06 1, 1.07 2, 1.08 2, 1.09 2, 3 1 & 2, 6.01 1 & 2, 7 1 & 2, 8 2 & 3, 9.01 4, 9.03 1, 9.04 2, 10.03 1, 10.04 1, 11.05 2, 12.01 1 & 3, 12.02 2, 13 3, 14.01 3, 14.02 1, 15.01 2, 15.02 1, 17.06 3, 18.06 1, 18.08 2, 18.14 2, 18.15 2, 18.17 2, 18.18 1, 19 3.

According to the 2019 American Community Survey 5-year estimates, in terms of race, Laredo's population is 95.8% White, 0.5% Black or African American, 0.2% American Indian and Alaska Native, 0.5% Asian, and, and 0.5% two or more races. Of the total population, 95.4% are Hispanic or Latino and 3.6% are White alone. Because Laredo's ethnic population is 95.4% Hispanic or Latino, every area of the city is considered an area of minority concentration.

A map provided in the Appendix, Section E of the plan shows the low and moderate income areas, and City Council Districts. Some projects take place in only low and moderate income areas, and other take place city wide for the benefit of low and moderate income individuals. Locations of the remaining projects will be determined after proposals have been submitted and accepted.

### Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

One rationale for assigning priorities to projects is feedback from the public regarding community needs.

Comments were received through an online Community Needs Survey collected by the City and through

an online live WebEx meeting hosted by the City where local organizations could voice their comments and/or questions.

Through surveys, the community provided information such as what their needs are and how the City could assist in accomplishing these. With the information provided, the City was able to identify what the public feels is most in need in order to make the community more livable. The investment of CDBG funds target the older sections of the City which are 51% or more low moderate income areas. It is in these same older neighborhoods where substandard housing exists and low income families reside. Distribution of funds was such that all CDBG target areas receive some benefit and/or improvement.

### **Discussion**

The City plans to use its 2022-2023 CDBG allocation in CDBG eligible areas within the City of Laredo, no specific target area was identified for any of the proposed projects.

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

Affordable housing is a critical priority for the City of Laredo. The need for affordable housing for low income populations, special needs renters and homebuyers was reflected in the input received from the community through the survey process and agency consultations.

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported</b>	
Homeless	10
Non-Homeless	43
Special-Needs	100
Total	153

**Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

<b>One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through</b>	
Rental Assistance	120
The Production of New Units	7
Rehab of Existing Units	26
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	153

**Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type**

#### Discussion

The City of Laredo will take a several approaches to meeting the affordable housing need for low and moderate income households. First, the provision ESG funds for homeless households. The Homelessness Prevention program will pay back owed rent, rent, utilities, deposits, and/or housing placement for approximately 10 households this year. The Rapid Re-housing program will assist approximately 10 households with rent, utilities, deposits, and housing placement. Second, the City will provide Rental Assistance to qualifying households. Through the Tenant-based Rental Assistance Program, rent is provided to 100 elderly households at or below 60% of HAMFI. Third, the City will assist in the preservation of existing housing stock through the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Programs; 26 low and moderate income homeowners will be given the opportunity to rehabilitate their homes and live in a safe, decent, sanitary, and suitable environment. Fourth, HOME funds will be awarded to a Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for investment in approximately 2 housing units to be developed for low and moderate income persons.

New construction activities will go through a Request for proposals (RFP) process. This process will include a market study involving a site and neighborhood review, at which time the specific new

construction activity will be specified and all applicable federal requirements will be included as part of the selected subrecipients contract. For example, if the selected subrecipients propose an activity involving construction of a multi-family dwelling project, then the design and construction requirements as per 24 CFR 100.205 and Section 504 will be applicable.

The 1st table above is comprised of the following estimated beneficiaries:

- Homeless: 10 households under the Rapid Rehousing Program
- Non-Homeless: 10 households under the Homelessness Prevention Program, 21 households under the Housing Rehabilitation Program, 5 households under the Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program, 2 households under the Homeowner Reconstruction Program, 2 households by CHDOs, and 3 households under the HOME Affordable Rental Housing Project for a total of 53 beneficiaries.
- Special Needs: 100 households under the Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program

The 2nd table above is comprised of the following estimated beneficiaries:

- Rental Assistance: 10 households under the Rapid Rehousing Program, 10 households under the Homelessness Prevention Program and 100 households under the Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program for a total of 120 beneficiaries.
- The Production of New Units: 2 households by CHDOs and 3 households under the HOME Affordable Rental Housing Project for a total of 5 beneficiaries.
- Rehab of Existing Units: 21 households under the Housing Rehabilitation Program, 5 households under the Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program and 2 household under the Homeowner Reconstruction Program for a total of 28 beneficiaries.

The City also consulted with the Texas Homeless Network regarding the use of ESG funds and other related items.

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

The City of Laredo's population is served by the Laredo Housing Authority (LHA). The LHA PHA Five Year and Annual Plan provides comprehensive information on the planned actions for the next five years to address the public housing needs of low-income residents. These actions are detailed below and in other sections of this Plan.

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

Throughout the year, the City of Laredo will continue working in collaboration with the Laredo Housing Authority to address our community needs. The City and LHA are both part of the Coordinated Entry process through which individuals and families are assisted with different services offered in the community. Also, the City, as the Responsible Entity for HUD funds, assists in the review and approves environmental reviews for LHA public housing projects.

In addition, the City entered into a contract with Laredo Housing Development Corporation (LHDC) for a Transitional Housing project with an estimated cost of \$449,736 derived from the City's CDBG HUD funds. This project entailed the acquisition and rehabilitation of an apartment complex which has recently been completed. The City anticipates the success of this project and the continued collaboration on future projects.

Laredo Housing Authority's mission is to serve the diverse housing needs of families, to increase the availability of safe, decent, and sanitary housing in its communities, ensure equal opportunity in housing, promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals, improve quality of life and economic viability, and provide high-quality services. LHA is also committed to ultimately providing the necessary assistance which will allow residents to live independently. LHA will continue to assist families and individuals of very-low income to secure safe, decent, and sanitary housing. During the next fiscal year, LHA anticipates providing assistance through the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV), Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH), Mainstream Vouchers, Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD), Project Based Vouchers (PBV), Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV), and Moderate Rehabilitation Program. Assisted families are responsible for making rent co-payments, as applicable, and as per the requirements of HUD, depending on each assisted family's anticipated income. LHA will continue to work with the private sector in identifying available and suitable rental properties.

LHA will, through funding from different capital grants, continue to improve the physical condition of its units in the various housing developments, develop and collaborate with community partners, and improve its operations. In the Five-Year Plan, LHA has outlined their plans for the restoration and revitalization of the developments over the next five years. Planned improvements include: bathroom renovations, kitchen cabinets, door replacement, roof replacement, floor replacement, sidewalks,



landscaping, grading and filling, shower renovation, electrical service upgrades, replacement of entry doors, sewer lines, exterior paint, boiler domestic water system, and fire sprinkler system.

In addition, the City of Laredo continues to support the Laredo Housing Authority's efforts in creating more affordable housing opportunities for the citizens through initiatives such as tiny homes, transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, redevelopment of the Russell Terrace Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) property, Meadow Elderly RAD property, and Low-Income Tax Credit properties such as the Casa Verde Apartments and the River Bank Village Apartments.

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

LHA will continue to maintain activities and services that promote self-sufficiency, resident organizations, resident training, community development, and other services. These will be accomplished by providing resident training related to housekeeping, and regulatory and policy requirements; conducting needs assessments, providing for future resource development, social services referrals, providing home maintenance; and promoting resident organization activities in the areas of resource development, adult basic education, technical and vocational training, and crime prevention.

LHA provides services to its residents, known as Resident Initiatives. These initiatives include: Community Services, Elderly and Disabled Supportive Service Program, After School Program, Kids Café Program, BiblioTech Digital Library, and Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS). Seven of LHA's developments have Resident Councils (RC), who coordinate and sponsor Community Services for their housing residents. The RCs meet on a monthly basis and participate in presentations covering an array of topics such as health care, job opportunities, education, nutrition, parenting classes, AIDS awareness, drug and alcohol abuse and awareness, and domestic violence. Job searching opportunities are provided through a partnership with Workforce Solutions for South Texas. In partnership with Laredo College, English as a Second Language classes are offered to residents. These classes are designed for adults of limited English proficiency. ESL consists of integrated listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

In addition, as part of the Action Plan process, the city consults with the LHA and its residents regarding their needs. Also, the City publishes its HOME programs in the newspaper including the Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program to encourage home ownership, with the intention of reaching low/moderate income populations including LHA tenants. The city has also delivered DPA program flyers to be distributed among LHA tenants.

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

The Laredo Housing Authority is not designated as "troubled" by HUD. In fact, the Housing Authority has

been designated by HUD as a High Performer. With this designation, HUD provides more funding opportunities that help LHA address our community housing needs. In the past, LHA completed the development and construction of the Casa Verde Apartments, a 152-unit apartment complex, located on Casa Verde Rd. Additionally, LHA has completed the conversion of the Russell Terrace Development from Public Housing to Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD). The reconstruction and rehabilitation were completed in June 2020 and the leasing of the 162 units is complete. Recently, LHA completed the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Los Balcones Apartments, a 10-unit Transitional Housing Property, located at 1505 O’Kane.

## **Discussion**

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

### **Introduction**

The City anticipates receiving \$315,100 in ESG funds from HUD. Upon award of these funds, the City proposes to undertake eligible activities to address the needs of the homeless in our community. A match which equals 100% of the amount allocated by HUD will be generated through in-kind, volunteer, and/or donated contributions by the City and its sub recipients, as deemed acceptable. Through the use of Emergency Solutions Grants Programs funds, the City proposes to fund the following activities:

- ESG Program Administration - City \$23,000
- Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations \$96,318
- Emergency Shelter - Essential Services \$41,745
- Street Outreach \$45,000
- Rapid Re-Housing \$50,000
- Homelessness Prevention \$51,037
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) \$8,000

Regulatory spending caps limit the amounts that may be spent on Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, and for Administration. The City will stay within the required limits when utilizing these funds and when contracting with local service providers for the provision of services.

The special needs population includes individuals having mobility impairments, disabilities, or that require supportive services. Typically, this population has a severe or persistent mental illness, development, and physical disabilities. Several organizations provide facilities and services for special needs populations in Laredo.

- Casa de Misericordia (CASA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides secure, temporary residential services to victims of domestic violence.
- The Children's Advocacy Center of Laredo-Webb County (CAC) is a non-profit organization established in 1995 to service child victims of domestic violence and abuse.
- Laredo Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic - HUD-VASH implements case management efforts for Veterans to attain various services including eligibility screening services, referrals to VA primary care, mental health and substance abuse treatment, disability benefits, income assistance, employment support, money management skills and permanent housing subsidies (for Veteran participants and their immediate families) through its Housing Choice Voucher Program.
- Laredo Housing Authority (LHA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides housing assistance to include public housing, Section-8, and farm labor. LHA also provides family self-sufficiency instruction, senior/disabled services, and residential council opportunities.

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

**including**

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

In order to address the homeless needs of the community, the City of Laredo will continue to support organizations that reach out to homeless individuals in order to create a better service system to address these needs. Through the funding of the following ESG components: Homelessness Prevention, Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, Street Outreach, and HMIS, the City continues to ensure those in most need will receive this type of assistance. The City advertised a Request for Proposals in June 2022, to make known what activities are eligible to be funded from the ESG program. Through the submissions, we will strive to allocate funds to those agencies most capable of carrying out these goals. By collaborating with partner agencies, it is anticipated that approximately 10 households will be assisted with homelessness prevention and approximately 10 households with rapid re-housing for a period of up to 6 months.

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

The City of Laredo will continue to fund agencies providing emergency shelter for homeless individuals and families. 2022 Emergency Shelter funds will be utilized for the operating costs of local homeless shelters such as for maintenance, insurance, furnishings, food, and staff payroll. The City will also provide essential services including those related to employment, health, drug abuse, or educational services to those staying at the homeless shelter. By collaborating with agencies, the City will strive to serve approximately 7,518 or more people (possibly duplicate clients) at the shelters with the various programs available. The City continues to assess the growing need for shelter expansion with the assistance of a homeless consultant which will provide a needs assessment study that will include recommended action steps needed to address this issue.

**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**

The City has established a network of local agencies that work together to address the needs of homeless persons and those at risk of becoming homeless. Currently, the City conducts a monthly “Laredo Homeless Veterans By-name Master list” meeting to address individual housing barriers and needs of identified homeless veterans in the community. In addition, the City is addressing the lack of available rental units by prioritizing a “Homeless Veterans Preference” at its municipally owned rental housing to reduce wait time for available units for homeless veterans receiving housing assistance. The

City continues to work with other agencies to end veterans homelessness in the community.

In addition, ESG subrecipients require their participants that receive assistance to create and follow a stabilization plan. This plan sets in place achievable goals, such as job searches and assistance applications, to prevent these participants from becoming homeless again.

The City will increase the availability of affordable permanent housing for homebuyers through the following programs:

- Assist in the preservation of existing housing stock through the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program.
- HOME funds will be awarded to a Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for investment in approximately two (2) housing units to be developed for low and moderate income persons.

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

Through the collaborations with the different community agencies, the City of Laredo will strive to assist low income individuals and families. In order to receive assistance through the ESG program, the individual/family must meet the requirements established by HUD.

In addition, the City, through its partner ESG agencies and local homeless agencies will inform those publicly funded institutions of the available housing options in their service area. This information would then be made available to those persons being discharged.

## **Discussion**

The following agencies provide homeless services and facilities to meet the needs of homeless persons:

- Bethany House provides emergency shelter, onsite meals / street bound meals, counseling Services, free clothing and personal hygiene items, education classes and job training
- Casa de Misericordia (CASA) provides shelter and assistance for those experiencing domestic violence. CASA provides year-round multi-service programs of safety planning, support, advocacy, 24 hour crisis hotline, referrals to appropriate agencies when necessary, counseling, support groups, court accompaniment, assistance with Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) applications, assistance with first month's rent and/or utility bills and transportation (bus

tickets).

- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Laredo provides rental and utilities assistance to families and individuals to prevent homelessness or regain housing stability. They also provide prescription medication assistance and low cost immigration services.
- Serving Children and Adults in Need (SCAN) provides services to children, adolescents, adults and their families. They provide prevention, intervention, substance abuse treatment outpatient and residential treatment, emergency shelter services, victim assistance, and outreach services.
- The Salvation Army helps others in times of need/disaster and the less fortunate; the organization distributes clothing vouchers, food baskets, and provides shelter.

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

### **Introduction:**

The City of Laredo does not maintain restrictive city policies and fees. Laredo is a community in which according to the 2019 American Community Survey, 5-year estimates, show that 26.7% of individuals live below the poverty level.

The City contracted with Blulynx Solutions to develop the “2018 Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice”. The new AI was a joint effort prepared for the City of Laredo and the Laredo Housing Authority. The AI revealed several impediments to fair housing choice. The suggested actions to address the key issues identified were designed to offer greater housing choice to the protected classes frequently experiencing discrimination in the housing market throughout the City of Laredo.

The impediments identified included: Lack of available housing units, lack of fair housing education, economic issues that affect housing choice, and racially/ethnically concentrated areas and impact on opportunity. In order to address these impediments, as suggested in the AI, the City has been working on increasing availability of affordable and habitable housing through the use of CDBG and HOME funds, setting aside funds for housing development, rehab of housing units, working with community partners to provide education, increasing the livable wage, among other.

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

During FY 2022-2023, the City and/or other organizations will continue to undertake efforts to promote affordable housing which include, but are not limited to:

- Through funding of the housing rehabilitation program, affordable housing supply will continue to increase.
- Reduce lead-based paint hazards by providing testing and remediation for households eligible to participate in the rehabilitation program.
- Making available down payment assistance to facilitate homeownership by individuals and families of low income.
- Working with the private sector to promote the construction of affordable housing by not implementing any restrictive building fees.
- Continue to partner with CHDO’s and other non-profits in the development of affordable housing to better leverage available funds.
- Implementation of Neighborhood Empowerment Zones in various City wide CDBG eligible areas which allow for tax abatement opportunities and other incentives, including waiver of building

fees.

- The City update to its Comprehensive Master includes an update on local land development code, smart code, allowing for better use of urban areas and walkability, as well as making buildings more street friendly, among other.
- Making available tenant-based rental assistance for the elderly.
- Keeping informed of innovative methods of construction, which help keep the cost of construction low.
- Providing homebuyer-counseling services.
- Continue to provide technical assistance to housing organizations and developers regarding reading federal, state, and local regulatory requirements and funding opportunities.
- The property tax rate for the City of Laredo is expected to continue at the current level of \$0.615370 per \$100 value.

**Discussion:**

The City is making every effort to maintain the availability of affordable housing through the implementation of Neighborhood Empowerment Zones (NEZ) within areas of decline in downtown and central Laredo. This program promotes inner city redevelopment has shown to be a key part of the reinvestment in the areas targeted.

The City of Laredo is committed to collaborating with housing organizations and developers to explore strategies to address housing barriers as they may be identified. The City will continue to pursue partnerships, locate additional funding sources, and strategize on new ways to promote the development of affordable housing through private and public partnerships.

Additionally, the Laredo Housing Authority conducted a vacant residential lots study citywide which the City could use for the purpose of infill housing activities through various programs/activities by non-profits and the private sector.



## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

The City of Laredo plans the actions and strategies described below in order to address underserved needs, foster and maintain affordable housing, evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of poverty-level families, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between housing and social service agencies.

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

The U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019, 5 year Estimates indicated that 26.7% of people lived in poverty in Laredo, 36.8% of children under 18 lived below the poverty level, compared with 21.2% of people 18-64 years of age and 24.3% for those 65 years of age and over.

Actions taking place to address these obstacles include working with local colleges and universities and other job training and educational institutions to better prepare residents. The City is also taking steps to assure prospective visitors to Laredo that Laredo is indeed safe to visit. It has created a website with valid statistics regarding Laredo's safety (crime and auto theft) to offset media hype. This is being done with the intent of attracting more tourism, and to encourage business and industry to establish themselves in the area.

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

- The City's HOME Program currently provides down payment assistance of up to \$30,000 to households at 80% HAMFI. The City will continue to study the feasibility of raising the levels of assistance given the current housing market and the need to maintain a unit's affordability. The amount of assistance is based on the amount needed to make the home affordable to the prospective homebuyer. The City coordinates closely with the mortgage company and the prospective homebuyer to facilitate this assistance. It is the intent of this program to assist low-income, first-time homebuyers with down payment assistance for the purchase of a new or existing home. Through the down payment program, the City proposes to expend \$200,000 derived from program income, to assist approximately 8 low-income, first-time homebuyers.
- Promote Housing Rehabilitation efforts to improve and safeguard existing housing stock
- Support low income housing tax credit projects that increase the availability of affordable rental housing
- The City will implement various outreach efforts including the distribution of fliers detailing program guidelines to the residents and tenants of public housing to ensure that assistance is provided to such residents, tenants, and families. In addition, the City will work with private lending institutions, advising them of the availability of these funds.
- Funds will be used to target low-income families. In order to ensure the suitability of the families receiving DPA assistance, the City will require that homeowner(s) take homebuyer counseling

courses and provide the City with a certificate of completion.

- The City of Laredo will continue to collaborate with housing organizations and developers to create affordable housing opportunities.
- The City of Laredo will continue to use Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreements in order to create programs that offer a range of incentives designed to promote local economic development and stimulate business and commercial activity.

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

The City of Laredo has integrated Federal lead-based paint requirements into the Housing Rehabilitation (HR) program. Currently, lead-based paint testing is being conducted on all units built prior to 1978 that may be in need of rehabilitation. The evaluation process involves a visual inspection of all painted surfaces in the subject home by a state licensed and certified Lead-Based Paint Risk Assessor.

The City currently has two (2) Lead Risk Assessors with the Department of Community Development. The Department owns its own thermal scientific NitonXLt portable XRF analyzer. In order to reduce lead-based paint hazards, the City informs residents, through its HR Program and also through the Health Department, of the sources of lead-based paint, the symptoms associated with lead poisoning, and precautions to take to prevent lead-based paint poisoning. The Lead Risk Assessor evaluates the condition of the paint in the unit and forms an opinion as to the level of lead-based paint hazard using guidelines established by HUD and the EPA. If the Lead Risk Assessor determines there is a lead based risk hazard in the subject property, the Lead Risk Assessor, following established federal guidelines, determines what lead hazard control/abatement must be done.

Under the EPA rules, workers must follow lead-safe work practice standards to reduce potential exposure to occupants from dangerous levels of lead resulting from renovation and repair activities. As of April 2010, federal law requires contractors to be certified, and homeowners have also been required to sign a pre-renovation disclosure form. The City also provides home owners with a lead hazard information pamphlet before work is begun on their home.

The City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) continues to monitor all communicable and reportable diseases including lead levels. Through an active medical surveillance on the number of elevated lead levels in our community from housing, medical providers and environmental assessments they fully investigate, asses, confirm and remediate for health prevention. CLHD monitors all abnormal Reports of any elevated lead level in children received from doctors offices, clinics, hospitals, and directly from the TDSHS as well as from environmental assessments.

As a health department team, environmental health specialists, epidemiologists, and lead risk assessors we evaluate every elevated lead level case being referred. A meeting is established with the owner or manager of the dwelling and/or the family to fully investigate and review health data, exposure routes, eating utensils, construction historical data on the building, and conduct a lead screening. Afterwards,

sample from paint chips, soils, dust, food, pottery are analyzed by our lead assessor and sometimes sent to a lead certified lab for analysis. The child or adult is referred with a nutritionist or dietitian as well to their physician to share results and to establish a course of action. The goal is to bring the lead levels below the recommended threshold pre-established by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (5 micrograms per deciliter). If a dwelling needs remediation they work closely with the family and housing authorities to assure this gets done.

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

In an effort to reduce the incidence of poverty in Laredo, the City will implement the following efforts during FY 2022-2023:

1. Promote economic development opportunities for persons living in poverty by providing economic incentives for businesses wishing to locate or/expand services in the community through non-federal sources.
2. Continue to support, contingent on the availability of funding, the efforts of the third party agencies, to promote the City of Laredo and encourage commercial and industrial development.
3. Implement infrastructure projects and other public improvements that serve to attract and maintain industry.
4. Make application to state and federal agencies in support of projects which help promote commercial and residential development in presently underdeveloped areas of the City.
5. Support initiatives that help further local educational objectives.
6. Support a program and utilize minority small business contractors as deemed possible in the award of all infrastructure and housing construction and rehabilitation contracts.
7. The City is supporting the Mile 1 Center which provides a collaborative co-working space where Entrepreneurs, Freelancers, Developers, Makers & Creators can help each other build businesses & explore ideas together. It counts with a dedicated office space for early-stage businesses with access to a full range of resources along with dedicated mentors and professional business network for support.
8. Adhere with the Section 3 requirements of the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs.
9. Continue to administer ESG funds, through partner agencies, to assist homeless individuals and families or those on the verge of being homeless become stabilized.
10. Continue conducting the monthly “Laredo Homeless Veterans By-name Master list” meeting to address individual housing barriers and needs of identified homeless veterans in the community. In

addition, the City is addressing the lack of available rental units by prioritizing a “Homeless Veterans Preference” at its municipally owned rental housing to reduce wait time for available units for homeless veterans receiving housing assistance. The City is working on ending veterans homelessness in the community through a coordinated entry process established through the local Homeless Coalition.

Ensuring that local and national objectives are being met involves not only effective monitoring practices, but also collaboration with community partners. The City collaborates with a complex and diverse network of partners for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. These partners, a majority of whom carry out the activities proposed in this Action Plan, include CHDO’s, non-profit organizations, housing developers, social service providers, and private financial institutions.

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

The City will work to keep lines of communication open with institutions and nonprofit organizations for the purpose of entering into partnerships in promoting common objectives. The City will continue to provide “Third Party Funding” to local organizations to support health, education, and quality of life efforts. This year the City budgeted \$996,443 to assist third party organizations, many of which are identified in this Annual Plan. The City also manages a Non-Profit and Volunteer Center. As notices of funding opportunities and/or trainings are identified, the City will advise local organizations as may be appropriate.

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

In order to enhance coordination between public and private housing, health, and social service agencies, the City will meet with agencies throughout the funding period. The City of Laredo will also make referrals and receive referrals from the various agencies. Additionally, the City will provide a copy of the Annual Plan (upon request) for participating entities. Lastly, if the City cannot provide funding for a particular agency, it will direct entities towards other sources of funds, when available.

Through United Way of Laredo, local agencies have been made part of 2-1-1 Texas, a program of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. The 2-1-1 Texas is a way community members in need and agencies can connect with the local services and agencies. This program provides a well-organized and easy to find directory of information from over 50,000 state and local health and human services programs. Agencies may search by service types including: housing and shelter, food assistance, financial and legal, employment help, health services, mental health services, crisis and emergency, child care and education, aging and disability, and veteran’s assistance.

### **Discussion:**

The City of Laredo strives to enhance and refine its strategies to address underserved needs, foster and maintain affordable housing, evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of

poverty-level families, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between housing and social service agencies. By developing greater collaboration, the City of Laredo will create increased opportunities for those in need.

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction:

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The City is not expecting to receive program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed, proceeds from Section 108 loan guarantees, surplus funds from urban renewal settlements, funds returned to the line of credit nor income from float-funded activities.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>0</b>

#### Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is	
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as follows:

Only those forms of investments stipulated in 92.205(b) including equity investments, interest and non-interest bearing loans or advances, interest subsidies, deferred payment loans, guarantee loans made by lenders, and grants, will be utilized by the City in administering its HOME allocation. The activities to be undertaken with HOME Investment Partnership Program funds include:

- HOME Program Administration - \$123,000
- Down Payment Assistance - \$200,000 (Program Income)
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance - \$200,000
- Community Housing Development Organizations - \$200,000
- Homeowner Reconstruction Program - \$271,756
- HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program - \$444,599

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The City has adopted the recapture provisions for the Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program which assists first-time homebuyers with 0% down payment assistance forgivable loans of up to \$30,000 for households with incomes equal to or below the 80% Housing Area Median Family Income guidelines. Applicant(s) must not exceed the allowable housing ratio of 28%-38% (Front-end) and the maximum debt-to-income ratio of 48% (Back-end). The affordability period on DPA loans is up to ten (10) years. The eligible borrower(s) must have a valid earnest money contract and show a receipt for the earnest money deposit (if applicable). The applicant(s) must have a valid, pre-approved conditional mortgage commitment & attend a HUD approved first time homebuyer education class. The recapture provisions ensure that the participating jurisdiction recoups all or a portion of the HOME assistance to the homebuyers, if the housing does not continue to be the principal residence of the family for the duration of the period of affordability.

The City of Laredo's Recapture guidelines states that: Owner must continuously use the residence located on the Property as Owner's principal residence for the period of affordability. City will forgive Owner's outstanding DPA Funds on the Repayment Date in an amount equal to the DPA Funds. If the Owner sells the Property within the period of affordability through a voluntary or involuntary transfer, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer. The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the home buyer. As an example for a 5 year forgivable loan, upon completion of the 1st year of the Loan Documents -20% of the original

principal amount will be forgiven; upon completion of the 2nd year of the Loan Documents -40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; upon completion of the 3rd year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; Upon completion of the 4th year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; and Upon completion of the 5th year of the Loan Documents -100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven. If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the prorated amount of the HOME subsidy, the City shall recapture the entire amount of net proceeds from the sale. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

In the event that the City determines that the assisted homebuyer(s) is non-compliant with the residency requirements and the other requirements stated in the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) contract then the entire face value of the DPA loan is immediately due and payable to the City. Homebuyer will be given 30 days to return to compliance. If homebuyer(s) does not return to compliance, the entire face value of the DPA will be due and payable and will incur a four percent (4%) interest per annum.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

The recapture guidelines are stated in the loan and program documents which include the Real estate lien note, the deed of trust lien and the Homebuyer contract. All three of these documents are signed by the homebuyer to ensure compliance during the affordability period.

Annually, staff monitors and confirms homeowner compliance by requiring each homeowner to confirm their primary residency requirement and ensure the affordability of the home assisted units.

Recapture is triggered when a default occurs. Each of the following constitutes a default as defined by the loan document:

- Homeowner fails to owner-occupy the property as their principal residence.
  - Homeowner transfers any interest in the property through a voluntary or involuntary sale.
  - Homeowner fails to follow terms of loan agreements.
4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that



will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

Not applicable.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)  
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

Written standards for providing ESG assistance are included in the Appendix under Section F.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

The City of Laredo has worked closely with the CoC and other participating agencies to create and follow the Laredo/Webb County Coordinated Entry policy and procedures, in order to identify shelter and unsheltered homeless persons and provide the services necessary to help those persons to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. Participating agencies include: Bethany House, Border Region, Casa de Misericordia, Endeavors, Laredo Housing Authority, and The Salvation Army.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

The City anticipates receiving \$315,100 in ESG funds from HUD. Upon award of these funds, the City proposes to undertake eligible activities to address the needs of the homeless in our community. A match which equals 100% of the amount allocated by HUD will be generated through in-kind, volunteer, and/or donated contributions by the City and its subrecipients, as deemed acceptable. Through the use of Emergency Solutions Grants Programs funds, the City proposes to fund the following activities:

- ESG Program Administration - City \$23,000
- Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations \$96,318
- Emergency Shelter - Essential Services \$41,745
- Street Outreach \$45,000
- Rapid Re-Housing \$50,000
- Homelessness Prevention \$51,037

- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) \$8,000

The City advertised a Request for Proposals in June 2022, to make known what activities are eligible to be funded from the ESG program. Funds will be awarded once proposals are received.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City of Laredo will meet this requirement by reaching out and consulting with homeless individuals at the local homeless shelter by asking them to fill out the Community Needs Survey

The City also requires its subrecipients to meet the homeless participation requirement by having not less than one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors or other equivalent policy-making entity of the subrecipient, to the extent that the entity considers and makes policies and decisions regarding any facilities, services, or other assistance that receive funding under ESG.

All ESG funded agencies, have satisfactory met this requirement by having a former shelter resident as a member of their board of Director's, Advisory Board, and/or Transitional Housing Committee.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The collecting and reporting timely data are an essential component of the ESG program. The City will require its sub recipients to input the client's information and the services provided in HMIS or a compatible software system in order to obtain an accurate count of homeless or at risk of becoming homeless individuals/families and which services have been provided.

The City of Laredo works in partnership with various local homeless service providers to offer services to those that are homeless and at risk of becoming homeless. The number of street homeless individuals and families is visible in the City's downtown area, under bridges, near the highway and at convenience stores and restaurants. The City and various homeless service provider agencies receive calls from individuals/families seeking assistance due to eviction or foreclosure, from those that are now living in their cars, in overcrowded conditions with other family members, or in locations with no basic services such as electricity or water. While significant progress has been done to reduce the number of individuals experiencing homelessness, there is still a significant need within the community.



## Attachments

**Citizen Participation Comments**

**APPENDIX D**  
**SURVEY RESULTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

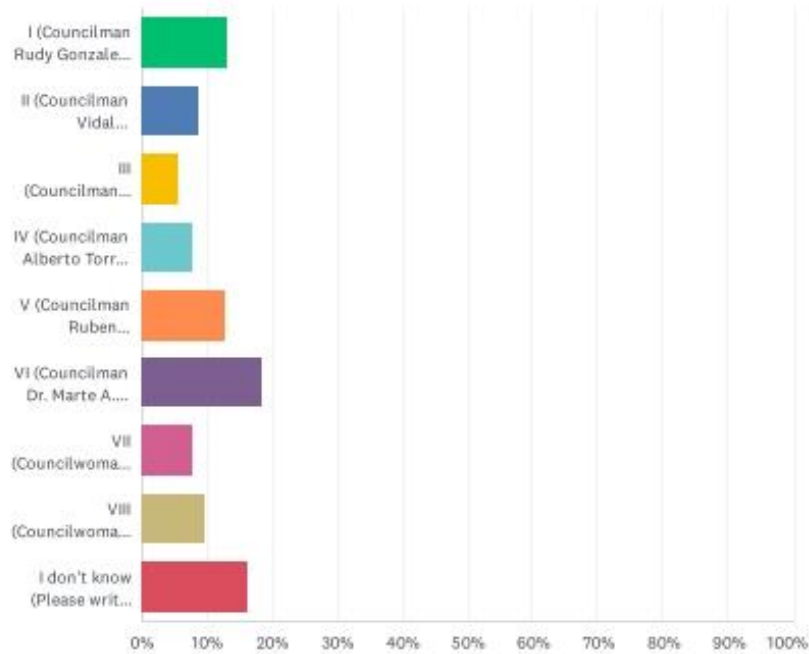
**2022-2023 Community Needs Survey Summary**  
**ALL DISTRICTS**  
**(447 SURVEYS)**

Community Need	ENGLISH + SPANISH			TOTAL	%			TOP NEEDS		
	Great Need	Some Need	No Need							
1 Counseling, Referral/Support Services	266	122	51	439	59.51%	27.29%	11.41%	TOP 5 NEEDS	TOP 10 NEEDS	
2 Rental Assistance for low income elderly individuals	250	112	70	432	55.93%	25.06%	15.66%			
3 New housing construction for purchase by low-income households	241	101	94	436	53.91%	22.60%	21.03%			
4 Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance	232	121	75	428	51.90%	27.07%	16.78%			
5 Recreation centers	228	121	88	437	51.01%	27.07%	19.69%			
6 Job Training	227	140	67	434	50.78%	31.32%	14.99%			
7 Improve existing waterlines/fire hydrants	221	133	80	434	49.44%	29.75%	17.90%			
8 Homelessness Prevention (rent and utility assistance)	219	146	66	431	48.99%	32.66%	14.77%			
9 Outreach services for homeless living in the street	213	125	97	435	47.65%	27.96%	21.70%			
10 Community/Senior Centers	210	157	68	435	46.98%	35.12%	15.21%			
11 Additional Emergency Shelters	204	124	107	435	45.64%	27.74%	23.94%			
12 Parks and Playgrounds	204	128	105	437	45.64%	28.64%	23.49%			
13 Code Enforcement	204	129	108	441	45.64%	28.86%	24.16%			
14 Emergency Shelters	202	127	104	433	45.19%	28.41%	23.27%			
15 New or increased water storage capacity	200	146	85	431	44.74%	32.66%	19.02%			
16 New housing construction for homeless individuals or families	195	132	110	437	43.62%	29.53%	24.61%			
17 Street Lighting	193	171	75	439	43.18%	38.26%	16.78%			
18 Construct Sidewalks	190	134	116	440	42.51%	29.98%	25.95%			
19 Housing Rehabilitation (owners)	189	165	85	439	42.28%	36.91%	19.02%			
20 Small Business Development	189	147	102	438	42.28%	32.89%	22.82%			
21 Transitional (Temporary) Housing	188	142	108	438	42.06%	31.77%	24.16%			
22 Improve/Expand sewer treatment facilities	180	159	89	428	40.27%	35.57%	19.91%			
23 Pave streets/roads	179	139	119	437	40.04%	31.10%	26.62%			
24 Construct/Improve drainage conditions	176	148	109	433	39.37%	33.11%	24.38%			
25 Speed bumps	174	120	143	437	38.93%	26.85%	31.99%			
26 Neighborhood Police Substations	173	159	108	440	38.70%	35.57%	24.16%			
27 Bike Lanes	170	153	117	440	38.03%	34.23%	26.17%			
28 Non-Congregated Emergency Shelters	162	151	127	440	36.24%	33.78%	28.41%			
29 Traffic signals/street signs	153	157	130	440	34.23%	35.12%	29.08%			
30 Demolition of substandard buildings	113	115	207	435	25.28%	25.73%	46.31%			
31 Lead-based paint removal	80	136	193	409	17.90%	30.43%	43.18%			
32 Graffiti Removal	73	149	217	439	16.33%	33.33%	48.55%			

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Q1 What City District do you live in?

Answered: 365 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I (Councilman Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.)	13.15% 48
II (Councilman Vidal Rodriguez)	8.77% 32
III (Councilman Mercurio Martinez III)	5.48% 20
IV (Councilman Alberto Torres, Jr.)	7.67% 28
V (Councilman Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)	12.88% 47
VI (Councilman Dr. Marte A. Martinez)	18.36% 67
VII (Councilwoman Vanessa Perez)	7.95% 29
VIII (Councilwoman Alyssa Cigarroa)	9.59% 35
I don't know (Please write the name of your subdivision or neighborhood in the line below)	16.16% 59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>365</b>

#	SUBDIVISION OR NEIGHBORHOOD NAME:	DATE
1	Los Presidentes	4/20/2022 4:40 PM

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2	East woods	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
3	Cuatro Vientos South	4/20/2022 3:16 PM
4	EASTWOODS	4/20/2022 3:04 PM
5	HILLSIDE SUBDIVISION _ Idaho Street, near Castañeda Park	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
6	Santa Rita	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
7	Winfield	4/13/2022 3:23 PM
8	Cuatro Vientos North	4/12/2022 2:05 PM
9	University park	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
10	Mines	4/11/2022 9:20 AM
11	I live in the heights area	4/8/2022 1:16 PM
12	Khaledi	4/8/2022 12:53 PM
13	Santo Niño	4/8/2022 4:51 AM
14	los president	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
15	Heights	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
16	Los Obispos Sub-Division	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
17	San Isidro	4/4/2022 3:39 PM
18	Ghost Town	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
19	Lomas del Sur	4/4/2022 2:02 PM
20	Alexander	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
21	Plantation	4/4/2022 1:38 PM
22	LOMAS HEIGHTS	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
23	Del Mar Blvd.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
24	Lakeside	4/4/2022 11:27 AM
25	Santo nino	4/4/2022 11:14 AM
26	3 Points	4/4/2022 11:10 AM
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29	La Bota Ranch	4/4/2022 10:36 AM
30	South Gate	4/4/2022 10:35 AM
31	SANTA RITA SUB	4/4/2022 10:30 AM
32	VALLE ALTO / VISTA HERMOSA	4/4/2022 10:27 AM
33	Santo Nino area along Meadow to Zapata Hwy. Cm. has forgotten this area is also part of District 3.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
34	Plantation	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
35	Altavista	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
36	La Bota Ranch	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
37	San Isidro - La Cuesta	4/4/2022 10:16 AM
38	East woods	4/4/2022 10:15 AM
39	SIERRA VISTA	4/4/2022 10:15 AM



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41	San Isidro - Sonterra	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
42	Wright ranch	4/2/2022 9:49 PM
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176	Cielito Lindo	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
177	Country Club	3/25/2022 3:18 PM
178	Shiloh	3/25/2022 12:37 PM
179	Highland Park	3/25/2022 11:24 AM
180	Santo Niño Neighborhood	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
181	Alta Vista	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
182	Plantation	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
183	Lomas del Sur	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
184	San Isidro	3/25/2022 10:02 AM
185	Las Brisas	3/25/2022 9:46 AM
186	Santo Nino	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
187	The Woodlands	3/25/2022 8:19 AM
188	San Isidro - Los Ebanos	3/24/2022 11:35 PM
189	Los Amores	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
190	LOS AGAVES ESTATES	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
191	Hillside	3/24/2022 6:28 PM

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192	Heights	3/24/2022 4:49 PM
193	Las Misiones	3/24/2022 4:43 PM
194	la Joya	3/24/2022 4:41 PM
195	Tiara de San Isidro	3/24/2022 4:29 PM
196	Riverhill Subdivision	3/24/2022 4:25 PM
197	Los Amores	3/24/2022 4:19 PM
198	Las Lomas/Heights	3/24/2022 4:12 PM
199	East Wood	3/24/2022 2:37 PM
200	WESTERN DIVISION	3/24/2022 2:29 PM
201	Independence Hills	3/24/2022 2:29 PM
202	Lomas Del Sur	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
203	Los Encinos	3/24/2022 2:22 PM
204	410 beringer ct 78041	3/24/2022 2:04 PM
205	Santo niño	3/24/2022 2:00 PM
206	College Heights	3/24/2022 1:54 PM
207	SAN ISIDRO	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
208	DeerField	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
209	Quail Creek	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
210	las lomas	3/24/2022 1:08 PM
211	green ranch	3/24/2022 1:06 PM
212	Casa Blanca Rd	3/24/2022 12:49 PM
213	Las Americas	3/24/2022 12:44 PM
214	deerfield	3/24/2022 12:44 PM
215	el siete viejo	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
216	Hillside	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
217	Santa Rita	3/24/2022 12:28 PM
218	Lomas Del Sur	3/24/2022 11:50 AM
219	San Isidro	3/24/2022 11:48 AM
220	?	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
221	Freedom Park Phase 3	3/24/2022 11:39 AM
222	Quail Creek	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
223	Santo Niño	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
224	7 Viejo	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
225	Dominion Del Mar	3/24/2022 11:22 AM
226	Los Presidentes	3/24/2022 11:21 AM
227	Chacon neighborhood	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
228	Plantation	3/24/2022 11:10 AM
229	George Washington Subdivison	3/24/2022 11:09 AM

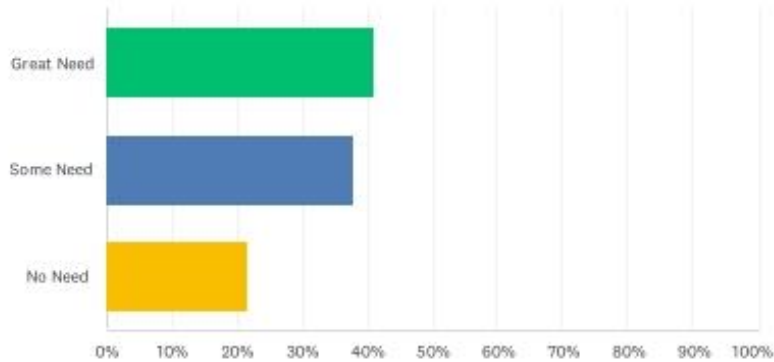
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230	Alexander Estates	3/24/2022 11:09 AM
231	College Heights	3/24/2022 11:08 AM
232	Cuatro Vientos North	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
233	NuVision	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
234	Calton Gardens	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
235	La Cuesta San Isidro	3/24/2022 10:59 AM
236	Chacon	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
237	Las Brisas Del Mar	3/24/2022 10:54 AM
238	Las Lomas	3/24/2022 10:53 AM
239	Stanford Heights	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
240	Sunset Park	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
241	7 Lights	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
242	Plantation	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
243	Plantation	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
244	neighborhood	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
245	the Heights	3/24/2022 10:48 AM
246	LOMAS HEIGHTS	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
247	Vista Nueva	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
248	Santa Rita Subdivision	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
249	Cuatro Vientos Sur	3/24/2022 10:42 AM
250	Lomas Del Sur	3/24/2022 10:41 AM
251	The Heights	3/24/2022 10:40 AM
252	La Bota Ranch	3/24/2022 10:40 AM
253	Los Presidentes II	3/24/2022 10:39 AM
254	The Heights 78040	3/24/2022 10:38 AM
255	San isidro	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
256	TAOS	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
257	Highland Park	3/24/2022 10:33 AM
258	in Los Amores Neighborhood	3/24/2022 10:29 AM
259	Alta Mira	3/24/2022 10:24 AM
260	Santa Rita	3/24/2022 10:24 AM
261	La Bota Ranch	3/24/2022 10:21 AM
262	South Gate	3/24/2022 10:21 AM



## Q2 Is there a need for a Housing Rehabilitation Program to assist homeowners with roof repairs, plumbing/electrical issues, etc.?

Answered: 372 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	40.86%	152
Some Need	37.63%	140
No Need	21.51%	80
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>372</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Roofing and the cleaning of the street. Speed Humps	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Most houses here are over 20 or more years old and some do have wear and tear.	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
3	I would not know what condition other homes are in, only mine. I'd say my house has some need for plumbing and electrical issues.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	Street lights	4/8/2022 12:53 PM
5	In great needs because with the situation with Co-Vid and the inflation. People are struggling and living pay check by pay check.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
6	Yes, the homes are over 30 yrs old.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
7	N/A	4/4/2022 11:10 AM
8	I don't know	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
9	neighborhood is mainly elderly so they do need assistance.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
10	Older folks, homes and low income	3/31/2022 11:20 AM
11	Elderly Neighbors	3/30/2022 6:59 PM
12	Roof	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
13	Summer heat & cold winters have been very harmful.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM

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14	Windows are cracked, on my house, .	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
15	The neighborhood is generally in great disrepair	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
16	Most homes are 2007 and older and some homes are owned by veterans, ppl affected by COVID or are elderly.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
17	All of the above.	3/29/2022 7:42 PM
18	I am unsure about the interior of the homes. As you drive through the neighborhood, you see homes that are in need of roof repairs.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
19	Not for the people who abuse the system and keep Having kids for benefits. For an elderly, or a war veteran yes..	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
20	Homeowners insurance will cover two of these issues but for older economically disadvantaged residents there should be available help.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
21	Many old homes	3/29/2022 10:34 AM
22	None that I know of.	3/28/2022 3:53 PM
23	New roofing	3/28/2022 3:45 PM
24	This is upper and middle class neighborhood so help isn't needed	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
25	I'm sure that the area CD services there is a need for this.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
26	To many dogs out in the streets	3/28/2022 2:35 PM
27	Laredo's heat takes a heavy tole on our roofs.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
28	There are several homes in need of roof repairs and plumbing issues	3/28/2022 11:49 AM
29	This area gets frequent storms and strong winds. Many of us have received letters from companies who state our roofs do need repairs.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
30	We have established homes in need of repair	3/27/2022 1:39 PM
31	My house is an example I work full time but I do not have the means to fix my house	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
32	I've seen homes with shingles missing and not being repaired.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
33	Solar panels	3/26/2022 3:55 PM
34	These are all home no older 4 years.	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
35	Every year we have been having water issues for the past 4 years	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
36	Fairly new subdivision	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
37	I leave in a rental house. My landlady is aware that my roof leaks in all the rooms except the bathroom, I have to put pans on all the rooms the worst one is the living room cause the water falls thru the light bulb of the living room so I can't turn the light on druing the rain cause I'm afraid it can trigger an electric shock	3/26/2022 1:07 PM
38	Don't know	3/26/2022 12:56 PM
39	Had a plumbing issue where pipes far away from the condo were coroding and causing back ups	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
40	But there is low water pressure	3/26/2022 12:43 PM
41	I know someone that needs AC repairs	3/26/2022 11:41 AM
42	Housing Repair and Roofing Leaking	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
43	Loud noise from the airport, my windows shake, I've had to replace several ceiling fans and the noise inside the house from the planes landing and taking off is just too much.	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
44	Hay dos salidas de la colonia, pero siempre esta muy peligroso y necesitamos un semáforo o algo que nos ayude para poder salir, por la calle Broadcrest y Calle del mar, para poder salir de aquí de la colonia es muy difícil.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM



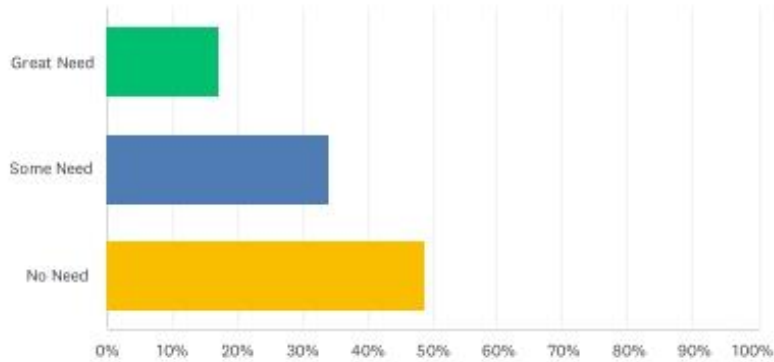
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45	Electrical issues around streets	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
46	There are many older homes that have lower income families.	3/25/2022 11:35 AM
47	There are some little houses (shacks) close to the intersection of Milmo and Monterrey St. that need to be replaced or major repair. They are unsafe, unhealthy and unsightly.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
48	Even before COVID, many people needed financial assistance to repair and/or upgrade their home. This program is a proven success and is needed throughout Laredo.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
49	not in our neighborhood but certainly in older neighborhoods with an aged population	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
50	Many homes and yards need cleaning up and trash, cars, large junk items cleared off the property.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
51	Most of houses are in badly repair of everything. Especially those houses that are over 30 years old.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
52	I work on the South side of Laredo and I see a great need for a program like this	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
53	to help repair housing or mobile homes.	3/24/2022 4:41 PM
54	Need big update. Old Mercy hospital very ugly.	3/24/2022 4:12 PM
55	FREE MONIES FOR OUR HOMES WOULD ALWAYS BE WELCOME	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
56	How things are going we too need assistance and pray we get help	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
57	specially parks there is no restroom available and needs much cleaning. our parks are the worst than in any other neighborhoods.	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
58	Most of the homes in the area were built in the 70s. A very quiet are due to many of the residents are elderly.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
59	While district VI may be seen as a more "wealthy" district please consider that we have more retirees in the district living on a fixed income and may need assistance in making pricey repairs.	3/24/2022 11:34 AM
60	neighborhood is made up of elderly people mainly and they need assistance in making much needed repairs to houses.	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
61	my mom's house is in needs	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
62	Yes, a lot of the houses in those neighborhoods are old and need a lot of repairing, especially the roofs.	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
63	A lot of homes in the area are old, wood-framed.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
64	We need more free services	3/24/2022 11:09 AM
65	GREAT NEED IN OLDER NEIGHBORHOODS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
66	Yes, many older homes.	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
67	In many districts, YES.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
68	my did deductible for my home insurance is to high and my roof top repair is only 700.00	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
69	This is true for the elderly or disabled/veterans.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
70	i dont know	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
71	with the current gas prices everything else has gone up. Some people are living day by day and can't afford to make repair for their homes.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

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Q3 Is there a need to remove lead-based paint in homes?

Answered: 346 Skipped: 34



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	17.34%	60
Some Need	33.82%	117
No Need	48.84%	169
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>346</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	In my house, no, there is no need to do that since the house was built in the late 80's.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
2	Yes, because it is toxic for the human race.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
3	Yes, the homes are over 30 yrs old.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
4	Not in my home, I wouldn't know about other homes in the area	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
5	Don't know.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
6	UNKNOWN	4/4/2022 10:15 AM
7	I don't know. Many homes in our subdivision and in Laredo, TX were built prior to 1982. Therefore, there is a high probability one or multiple homes may contain lead-based paint.	4/2/2022 9:36 PM
8	not sure	3/31/2022 6:37 PM
9	I rent. I don't know.	3/31/2022 6:02 PM
10	don't know	3/31/2022 5:49 PM
11	Not really in contact w/ neighbors but again older homes	3/31/2022 11:20 AM
12	Not sure	3/30/2022 9:43 PM
13	Elderly neighbors	3/30/2022 6:59 PM
14	Don't know if the older homes have lead based paint.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
15	Don't know which houses might have lead base paint, .	3/30/2022 9:11 AM

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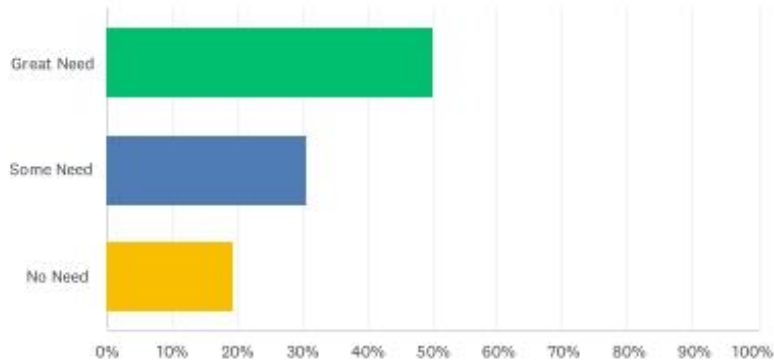
16	Im not certain, however many homes in the area are over 70 years old	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
17	Don't think so.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
18	Unknown	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
19	If it works, why fix it?	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
20	Very old paint in old homes	3/29/2022 10:34 AM
21	Don't know	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
22	I don't know	3/29/2022 5:55 AM
23	If it's still being used but I don't think so, these homes aren't that old	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
24	Most probably	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
25	Older homes need this.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
26	DonT Know	3/28/2022 2:07 PM
27	This neighborhood is old and many homes have lead-based paint.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
28	I have no information on this topic	3/28/2022 10:31 AM
29	My house probably has lead paint	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
30	Not sure	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
31	Some oepole are not aware of lead free paint?	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
32	Unknown	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
33	Not sure	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
34	Unsure	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
35	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
36	I don't know	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
37	Yes, there are still very old homes that are not aware of the danger.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
38	I do not know but would assume so,	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
39	Wouldn't know honestly	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
40	Yes. Many homes in South Laredo need to have this done before it creates any damage to a person and incurs medical expense paid by the Government.	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
41	probably, homes are old in the area	3/24/2022 4:12 PM
42	HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW IF THE PAINT HAS LEAD? I WOULD ASSUMED THAT MY 10 YEAR OLD PAINT DOESN T HAVE LEAD? MAYBE YOU COULD SEND A HOME TESTING KIT TO CONFIRM??	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
43	Don't know	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
44	Some Hillside Homes were built in the 70's so yes.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
45	Not sure	3/24/2022 11:50 AM
46	I know that some of these homes haven't been updated so I'm going to say yes.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
47	I would not know.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
48	Not sure about this.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
49	CITY NEEDS TO HAVE A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY HOMES THAT POSSESS RISK AND ACT UPON.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
50	no idea	3/24/2022 10:53 AM
51	my parents home it's 43 years old	3/24/2022 10:49 AM

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52	I imagine there is, but I don't know how great the need is.	3/24/2022 10:48 AM
53	there are many old homes in this district	3/24/2022 10:42 AM
54	There are a lot of old neighborhoods in Laredo which equal to old homes with lead that are toxic for humans.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
55	Not in my neighborhood but I know other neighborhoods do need it.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

### Q4 Is there a need for a Down Payment Assistance Program to assist first time low income home buyers?

Answered: 365 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	50.14%	183
Some Need	30.68%	112
No Need	19.18%	70
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>365</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Idk	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
2	What we need is an assistant program to help pay the high property taxes.	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
3	With the housing prices in Laredo and the surrounding communities, there sure is a need for a DPAP.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	not aware	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
5	Yes, It will help lower the house payment.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
6	Yes, there is a great need. I live in the Noise Abatement area and I see so many empty lots and homes that the city bought and now, they just sit there...empty. As a former San Antonio resident, I urge you to consider revitalizing the older neighborhoods. There are tons of new subdivisions springing up all over Laredo, yet, the older neighborhoods are forgotten and sadly, deteriorating. Invest in these neighborhoods, While I understand that people who chose to sold their properties in the Noise Abatement area, what does the city plan to do with all these empty lots and homes? I for one, am interested in purchasing one, if not two of the empty lots and perhaps, one of the homes. Why let great real estate property go to waste and just sit there alone, when there are many people interested in purchasing these empty lots and building new homes? I live in the 3000 block of E. Plum and there are numerous empty lots around here...that would be perfect for building a new home on. I've live in this area for 5+ yrs and the airplane noise does not bother me at all. Give us, the residents of this neighborhood, a chance to purchase the empty lots around here and revitalize this area. Don't let the "barrios" go down and further deteriorate. Help Us, Help You.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM



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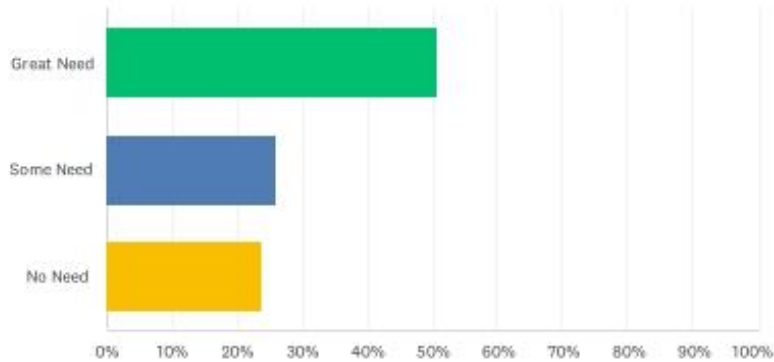
7	Why not help everyone. Were all tax payers.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
8	I would think so	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
9	there is always people in need	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
10	neighborhood is established not many houses for sale.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
11	Not sure	3/30/2022 9:43 PM
12	My daughter has been trying with no success.	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
13	Area is pretty much already built.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
14	Yes, I'm guessing. .	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
15	Considering the financial demographics of the city, yes.	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
16	Not sure	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
17	Not sure, but with the housing market now, I'm sure it would help.	3/29/2022 11:33 PM
18	Unknown	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
19	Case by case basis maybe, too many kids and one income alone tells me fraud	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
20	There's definitely a need for low income families to experience homeownership	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
21	Help needs t be given to 1st time home buyers.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
22	I don't think so	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
23	?????	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
24	No, because if they don't have a deposit, then how will they do the upkeep of the house?	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
25	Not sure	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
26	Personally my elder parents and family would benefit from this	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
27	Homes are too expensive	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
28	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
29	Yes! Giving this assistance would get many people out of having to pay rent. They're never given a chance to save for a home. With this program, they're given the chance.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
30	Home ownership is critical for building generational wealth, and homeownership greatly increases the desire to maintain properties.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
31	I think in times likes NOW there is a need to help everyone not only low income home buyers. I feel everyone has the right to receive assistance. Why should a hardworking person not qualify for assistance because they have worked hard to get a good job.	3/25/2022 9:46 AM
32	I would assume so.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
33	A lot of families would love to purchase home, but the majority in district can't afford the payments n	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
34	we need this to stimulate the economy	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
35	I think so	3/24/2022 4:12 PM
36	Neighborhood Works is that solution	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
37	MAYBE PROVIDING COMPARABLE WAGES TO CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WOULD GREATLY HELP. NOT INCREASING WAGES TO BRAND NEW EMPLOYEE WHO HAVE NOT INVESTED YEARS WORKING.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
38	hope so	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
39	DPA is one of the #1 need for people to buy homes. More money needs to be allocated.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
40	i don't know	3/24/2022 11:47 AM

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41	There is always a need for that.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
42	Wanting to buy a house and not having enough funds to give a down payment has always been a deterrent for people who make enough money to make a monthly payment but not enough to save for a down payment. So the answer is a big "yes."	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
43	many Laredoans are needed for this aide	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
44	Many people have a the need but not enough for down payment	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
45	yes am middle class what assistance do we get for working and not leaving off government program	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
46	It should be revised and made to where being single is one amount and the other is married not the amount of people living in the household.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
47	I have not purchased a home due to this...	3/24/2022 10:41 AM
48	Definitely yes.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

### Q5 Is there a need for new construction of affordable housing for sale to low-income individuals/families?

Answered: 372 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	50.54%	188
Some Need	25.81%	96
No Need	23.66%	88
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>372</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Don't see any near by	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
2	Most definitely.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	not aware	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
4	Yes it is a great need because people dont even have the chance to progress because of the ridiculous over house construction and material	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
5	Yes, there is a great need, I live in the Noise Abatement area and I see so many empty lots and homes that the city bought and now, they just sit there...empty. As a former San Antonio resident, I urge you to consider revitalizing the older neighborhoods. There are tons of new subdivisions springing up all over Laredo, yet, the older neighborhoods are forgotten and sadly, deteriorating. Invest in these neighborhoods. While I understand that people who chose to sold their properties in the Noise Abatement area, what does the city plan to do with all these empty lots and homes? I for one, am interested in purchasing one, if not two of the empty lots and perhaps, one of the homes. Why let great real estate property go to waste and just sit there alone, when there are many people interested in purchasing these empty lots and building new homes? I live in the 3000 block of E. Plum and there are numerous empty lots around here...that would be perfect for building a new home on. I've live in this area for 5+ yrs and the airplane noise does not bother me at all. Give us, the residents of this neighborhood, a chance to purchase the empty lots around here and revitalize this area. Don't let the "barrios" go down and further deteriorate. Help Us, Help You.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
6	Laredo as a whole has a need for affordable housing	4/4/2022 11:03 AM

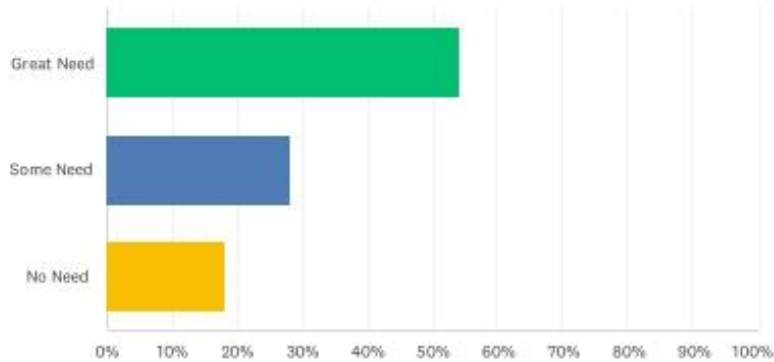


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7	Reconstruct the housing complex on Santa Maria and on Park	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
8	not sure	3/31/2022 6:37 PM
9	Too many apartments already locate making traffic impossible.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
10	Non known	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
11	No don't damage our neighborhood.	3/29/2022 9:23 PM
12	Not in the northside	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
13	Unfortunately some low income individuals lack the mindset to be financially responsible.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
14	No more construction	3/29/2022 7:40 AM
15	I believe so.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
16	The base are would be great place for this	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
17	Not in our area. It's pretty much an establish subdivision	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
18	Make it affordable how, home ownership is a big responsibility.	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
19	Houses are too expensive for this community where there is little to no family activities.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
20	Homes are to expensive in North Laredo.	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
21	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
22	For sure! This also gives people hope of the American Dream.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
23	We have many parts of town with older homes. I am not sold on new construction as that tends to move out into newer (UISD) areas and will continue to deplete the tax base for LISD. I would love to see an effort to rehab older neighborhoods with affordable homes.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
24	There is a need for affordable housing period.	3/25/2022 9:46 AM
25	Or assistance in fixing up the homes they have.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
26	By all means. The current housing we have is old. I wish the government would build a housing of small houses for the elderly. To be in a site where they would be one right after another. Elderly people would live in these small homes. Kind of like a retirement community.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
27	Laredo must be the only city in Texas with the highest land and home value. Not to mention property taxes	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
28	We need tiny homes with multi use furniture empower people more economical housing and still get some taxes.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
29	YES, BRING DOWN HOME PRICES. PRICES FOR A SMALL HOME ARE RIDICULOUS. HOMES ARE TOO SMALL WITH NEXT TO NOTHING BACKYARDS FOR 400K WITH MISERABLE WAGES IN THE CITY. HOW ARE PEOPLE EXPECTED TO PURCHASE A HOME WITH SUCH WAGES?	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
30	we all need a little boost	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
31	In the area .... I don't know	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
32	There is always a need for the construction of affordable housing for people with low income.	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
33	YES, BETTER HOMES AND AFFORDABILITY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
34	Specially now in these hard times	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
35	middle class family to high to apply for government assistant but not enough to afford a down payment	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
36	Definitely yes.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

### Q6 Is there a need to provide rental assistance to low income elderly individuals?

Answered: 370 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	54.05%	200
Some Need	27.84%	103
No Need	18.11%	67
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>370</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	I would say so. In order to receive any type of benefit, someone has to be literally homeless. Of course, there is a need to provide rental assistance for homes that are actually worth renting and not falling apart.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
2	Yes in great need,	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
3	I don't know	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
4	The majority homeowners in the del mar community are elderly. Assistance to improve their homes and living is a must.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
5	elderly are on a fixed income and are barely making ends meet.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
6	Especially the elderly	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
7	Some elderly still live in area.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
8	This is a great need citywide.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
9	Not sure	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
10	During Covid my family was affected	3/29/2022 11:33 PM
11	Unknown	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
12	Our elderly have lived their lives and earned our respects. Care for them instead especially if they were productive society members	3/29/2022 2:25 PM

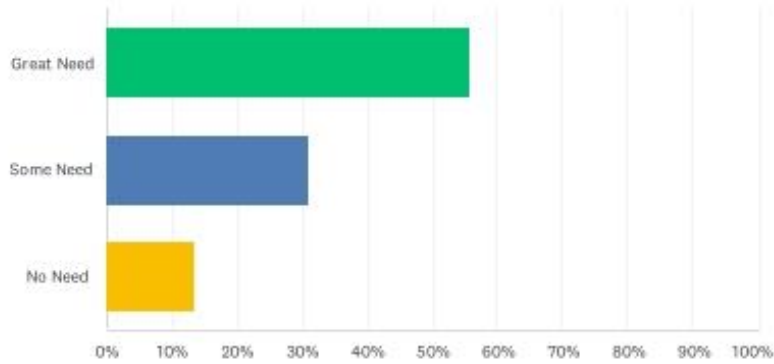
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13	The elderly already have living areas that cater to them and charge rent according to their financial status.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
14	There are not enough units available	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
15	Can't forget our elderly.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
16	The elderly live on fixed incomes. They need the extra help.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
17	Several of the residence have lived in the same house for many years .	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
18	Nopw	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
19	I guess	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
20	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
21	Without a doubt!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
22	There is a real need to have comfortable housing for elderly residents. More high density facilities like the Hamilton Hotel make sense if grocery access can be assured.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
23	It is obviously that social security benefits and medicare are not enough with with elderly individuals are having to pay for these days.	3/25/2022 9:46 AM
24	I have heard yes from several folks.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
25	A lot of the houses that elderly people live in are not on living conditions.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
26	especially to those who are elderly and those who are disabled and or going through a terrible disease such as cancer	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
27	Down Town so they can walk but also need food store downtown and move homeless further out of downtown.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
28	Absolutely, elderly individuals sometimes have to decide whether to pay their rent or buy their medicines or groceries.	3/24/2022 2:29 PM
29	Absolutely ... two weeks ago I assisted an elderly lady in obtaining her utilities contract. She has been without water for about a year. She has no income and makes plates to buy water gallons to bathe and cook. SO YES DEFINITELY	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
30	There is always a need for the elderly and veterans with rental assistance.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
31	Absolutely!	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
32	yes they are on a tide budget they have medications and doctors to see with high bills and still pay their monthly bills	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
33	Our elderly are those that are being affected a great more than those who are young.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
34	Elderly are the most affected	3/24/2022 10:41 AM
35	Definitely yes.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

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**Q7 Is there a need to provide counseling, referral/support services to inform individuals of resources available in the community?**

Answered: 375 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	55.73%	209
Some Need	30.93%	116
No Need	13.33%	50
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>375</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	We are in need of more outreach into the community in regards to all the programs that are in place and existing.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Unfortunately, many people feel that they would be stigmatized if they request help from or seek counseling. Unfortunately, our community doesn't rely on these type of services too often. At least not that I'm aware of.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	na	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
4	Yes!	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
5	Partner with work programs	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
6	I have always worked. yet no one has ever helped me.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
7	Yes! Pillar is the only source and Manny Sanchez fraudulently got his LPC license. He never completed his hours and some how he got licensed and established pillar that has mediocre people working there reporting false numbers in order to apply for and obtain grants. FBI was investigating for stealing from the city. MHMR is also a joke. purely numbers driven and could care less about the community	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
8	Elderly are not aware of resources available.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
9	Info on home buying for first.	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
10	People must be informed.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM

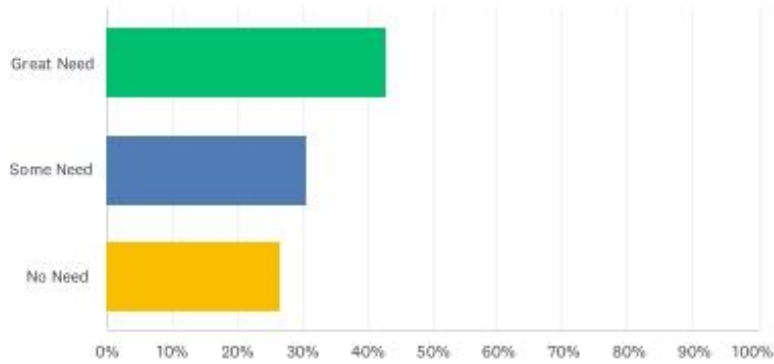
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11	Resources in our area are unknown	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
12	Absolutely people need to be informed of what resources are available.	3/29/2022 7:42 PM
13	Elderly yes, war veterans yes, potential fraudsters, move along please	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
14	I don't know	3/29/2022 5:55 AM
15	Is this not what neighborhood works does?	3/28/2022 3:53 PM
16	Yes off course.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
17	Keeps the community informed.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
18	By this neighborhood there are many homeless individuals who are in great need of counseling and rehabilitation programs.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
19	Many of the residence who have been in the same house, may not even know of resources available to them .	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
20	Yes	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
21	Nobody is available when there a problem.	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
22	Yes! The word needs to get out! Television, radio, social media, websites and group meetings are all extremely helpful.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
23	Economically and disenfranchised have great need for more information regarding their options.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
24	much needed	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
25	People die from lack of knowledge a great idea would be like a 311 system.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
26	THERE IS GREAT NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND PROVIDING DECENT WAGES FOR LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS WITHOUT USING PILLAR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AS MANUEL SACHEZ IS A THIEF.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
27	YES Some of these elderly individuals don't accept that they need help.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
28	Yes, everyone should know what kind of resources are available to them.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
29	some people do not have social media nor are they informed of all the assistance out there.	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
30	A lot of citizens of Laredo do not know how to research, investigate or talk to people who can guide them and teach them how to make use of available resources that can benefit them!	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
31	COMMUNITY SERVICES TO HELP THOSE IN NEED OF SEVICES WILL BENEFIT ALL OVERALL.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
32	Mental Health services that are covered by insurance or medicaid are of great need in our community. Licensd Professional Counselors are poorly paid.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
33	Our community especially our children are those who would greatly benefit from this.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
34	Yes, sometimes people do not know where to apply to get any assistance.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
35	This is one of the biggest disconnects I see is getting the information to the public on various programs available.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM



### Q8 Is there a need for emergency shelters to house homeless individuals or families?

Answered: 367 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	42.78%	157
Some Need	30.79%	113
No Need	26.43%	97
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>367</b>

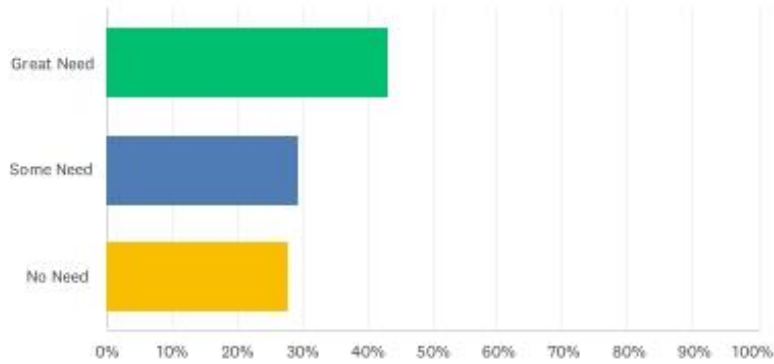
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1	We need to assist the homeless people that are gathered around the retail stores around the subdivision.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	IDK	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
3	Many of the bigger cities have provided tiny homes that will allow someone enough space for a bed, a small desk, a bathroom, shower, a fridge and a sink. Laredo has the skilled labor to provide something like that to our homeless individuals, along with the resources they need.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	na	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
5	Some need because some do not make an effort to be better.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
6	Partner up wity work programs, programs to get individuals on track without handouts	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
7	There are always homeless that walk across del mar to get to the intersections of McPherson and San Dario to panhandle.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
8	Only to families	4/4/2022 11:14 AM
9	theres only 2. have you gone to downtown??	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
10	Everyday surrounding plazitas (Jarvis, Bruni) are full of homeless, drug addicts (selling and buying drugs); smell of urine all the time	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
11	Don't know.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM

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12	Have not seen any homeless individuals roaming around.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
13	There are homeless men that hang around the underpass at the turn around of the loop before 359.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
14	No shelters that I'm aware of.	3/29/2022 7:42 PM
15	The above i wont argue with,	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
16	I don't know	3/29/2022 5:55 AM
17	Times are tough. The more we can help, the better.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
18	By this neighborhood there are many individuals living under the Lafayette bridge. When there is extreme cold or hot weather they are staying under the bridge.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
19	I think there's always a great need because accidents do happen like loss of habitat to fires or displacement due to loss of income.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
20	There is a lot of homeless around the area especially near schools where kids who walk to and from school have encounters with Not safe at all	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
21	Unknown	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
22	There are more and more homeless people. There should be an ordinance to fix this.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
23	Yes especially during severe weather, but not just shelter, we need to come up with a transportation plan for these people to get them off the street—something safe for everyone involved	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
24	Get rid of the panhandling on major intersections	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
25	Yes!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
26	Especially for families and for young adults who are no longer able to live with their families and/or guardians	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
27	Bethany is doing a great ministry . Ask them.In emergencies for sure or in case of a fire.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
28	By all means, What we need is a recovery program for alcoholics and drug users. Like the one close to Wimberly. They have nurses on site plus little cottages for them. They have a separate house where meals are prepared.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
29	yes, unfortunately yes	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
30	They need low income housing and a job.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
31	Not sure	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
32	Yes, there are limited spaces.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
33	Yes there is.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
34	Just take a trip downtown around Jarvis Plaza and where the Bruni Branch Library used to be, and this question would be self-explanatory. It is a shame that this downtown situation has persisted for so long and no organization, not one politician, or institution has ever done anything to combat this pitiful problem in Laredo!	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
35	you can see many homeless people in the streets of Laredo	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
36	ALWAYS A NEEDED SERVICE IN A GROWING CITY LIKE OURS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
37	I'm not sure if the question is pertaining to my neighborhood or the City in general. If asked in general, the answer is great need.	3/24/2022 10:48 AM
38	This is needed more of families	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
39	Definitely, in order to help downtown revive and also to provide shelters for all the homeless people.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

### Q9 Is there a need for additional emergency shelters for homeless individuals or families?

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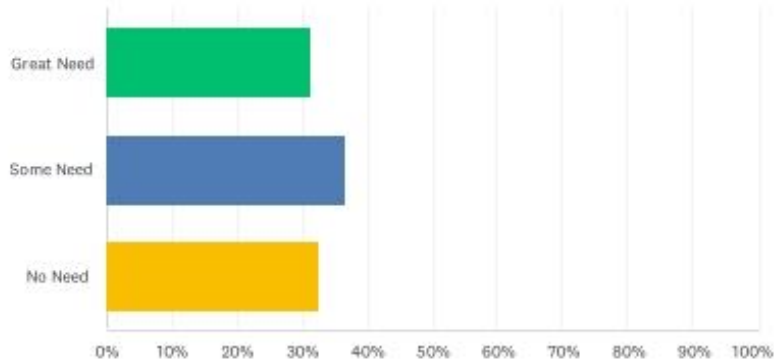


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	43.09%	159
Some Need	29.27%	108
No Need	27.64%	102
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>369</b>



**Q10 Is there a need for a non-congregated emergency shelter for homeless individuals or families?**

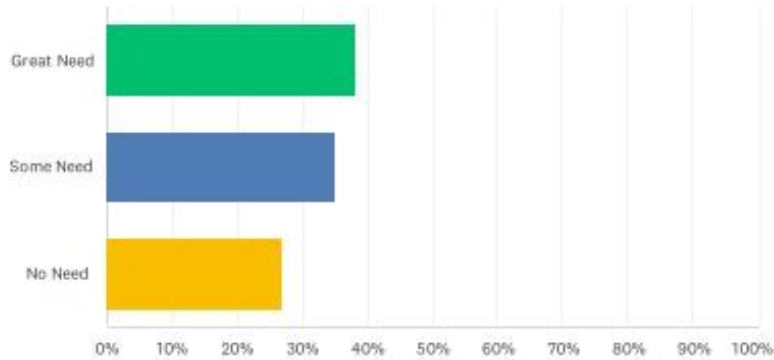
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	31.28%	117
Some Need	36.36%	136
No Need	32.35%	121
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>374</b>

### Q11 Is there a need for transitional (temporary) housing which provides homeless individuals or families a home while they transition into a permanent home?

Answered: 372 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	38.17%	142
Some Need	34.95%	130
No Need	26.88%	100
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>372</b>

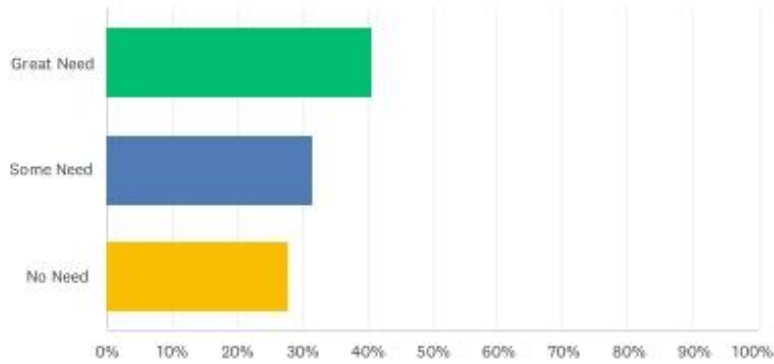
#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Idk	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
2	I haven't kept up with statistics regarding homelessness in our community, nor would I know where to find that information, but I'm sure there are families and individuals in need.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	None	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
4	I would think so however, it is hard to determine when we are unable to review statistics	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
5	Dont know	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
6	By helping transition it will help eliminate a lost of homeless people.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
7	Possibly unknown	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
8	Need more homeless assistance throughout Laredo where homelessness is more prominent (central/east, south)	3/28/2022 3:42 PM
9	Helps to keep people living in the streets.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
10	Unknown	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
11	I work with at risk youth and families, some families suffer greatly from being displaced due to Financial hardship. This places great stress and added barriers to people trying to overcome hardships.	3/26/2022 12:50 PM

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12	This beats living in the streets.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
13	It is sad to see our veterans as homeless. We should have this for them, plus medical care and feeding kitchens.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
14	yes and allow 6 months no rent in order to rehabilitate the families back on their own feet	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
15	THERE IS NO TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS ONLY HOMELESS SHELTERS WHICH ARE ANYTHING BUT SAFE FOR THOSE ACTUALLY SEEKING TO MAKE A TRANSITION	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
16	The more you help homeless, the less they'll feel the need to become productive individuals in our city	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
17	Absolutely ... everyone deserves to have a place to call home. It is very hard to find jobs that pay enough to provide food and shelter. So yes, I strongly agree if they were assisted in finding jobs.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
18	Yes, I believe this would be a great opportunity for them to have a new beginning.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM

**Q12 Is there a need for new construction of affordable housing for homeless individuals or families?**

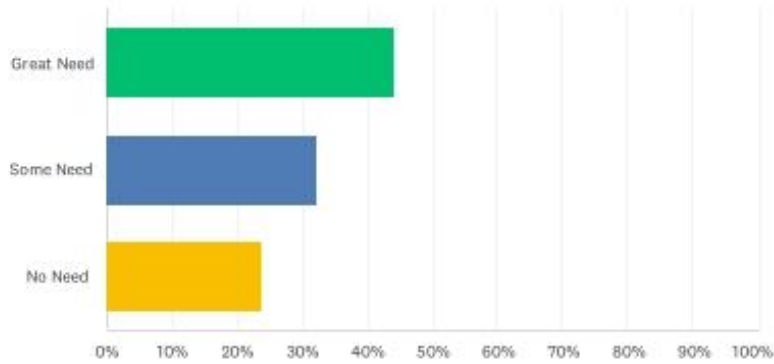
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	40.70%	151
Some Need	31.54%	117
No Need	27.76%	103
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>371</b>

**Q13 Is there a need to provide outreach services to homeless individuals living in the streets?**

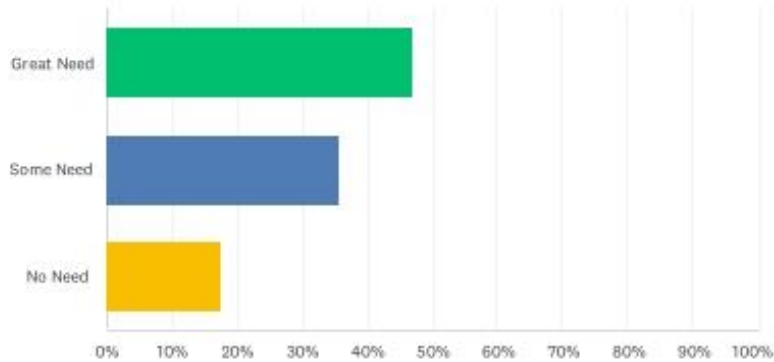
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	44.20%	164
Some Need	32.08%	119
No Need	23.72%	88
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>371</b>

### Q14 Is there a need to provide individuals/families with assistance to pay rent and utility bills to prevent homelessness?

Answered: 367 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	46.87%	172
Some Need	35.69%	131
No Need	17.44%	64
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>367</b>

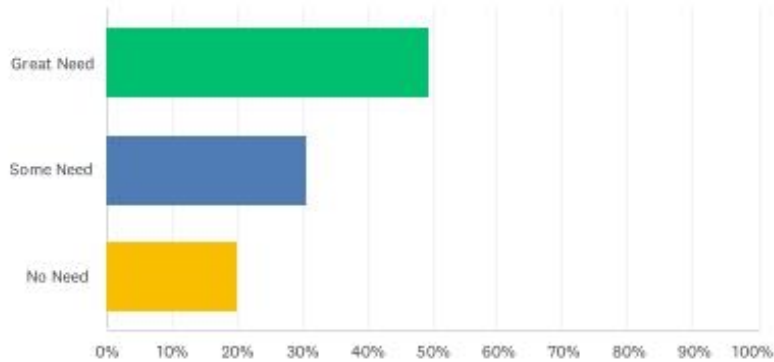
#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	We need to assist the families with rental programs.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Idk	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
3	Of course, there is a great need for this type of resource. Many of our homeless are not employable due to either mental health issues or health in general. They need help.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	NO jobs available and also they don't get the opportunity to progress because everything require experience. How can they get experience if we don't hire them.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
5	Yes. A large percentage of Laredoans live paycheck to paycheck. Rental & utility assistance is greatly needed.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
6	There is plenty of work, people need to work and stop relying on handouts. Partner with work and training programs to get individuals off of gov't assistance	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
7	Help everyone. Seems like were headed towards a Socialist political government.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
8	Also, assistance to pay property taxes.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
9	Yes but there should be a cap on those who are SOLEY living on government assistance. Those of us who make the effort to work deserve a break too	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
10	Especially during these pandemic times.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
11	for homeless.	3/30/2022 6:22 PM

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12	Don't know percentage that would be needed.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
13	Most struggles due. To covid or health reasons	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
14	Again, elderly, war veterans,	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
15	Not in our area	3/29/2022 7:40 AM
16	COVID has greatly affected our community and we are still recovering	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
17	If homelessness can be avoided, absolutely.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
18	Again, times are though. Let's help as much as possible.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
19	Retired people live in the area	3/27/2022 1:39 PM
20	I work full time and still struggle to pay my utilities	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
21	Not in this area THOUGH	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
22	Not sure	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
23	The problem is , people take advantage of these services. They don't want to work! They want to live for free with assistance of the government.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
24	But keep the slot machines open?	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
25	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
26	Very important!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
27	Some homeless people don't necessarily want the help because they are hooked on drugs. However if there is someone who genuinely wants the help and is willing to put in the work then why not.	3/25/2022 9:46 AM
28	For elderly citizens only ( people) over sixty	3/25/2022 7:47 AM
29	Depends if they are working to provide for their family or just not wanting to work	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
30	By all means but they may get comfortable receiving this aid all the time. These should be limited and rules, let's say 6 months for them to get back in their feet to find a job.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
31	specially elderly, disabled and sick	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
32	I am assuming these are questions for my district....	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
33	Especially water very expensive.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
34	Not sure	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
35	yes there is and what is available they ask fir so many requirements.	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
36	Laredo is growing, and with growing there is more need.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
37	I do agree to a certain extent. If they're getting assistance then the individual getting the assistance should meet the program half ways.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
38	Yes, with a certain time period only and it should be done along with counseling and other help to be able to get out of being dependent on the government for help.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
39	especially at this time due to pandemic a high percentage of people are barely getting back on their feet	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
40	ALWAYS A NEED FOR THOSE FAMIIES STRUGGLING.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
41	they should work like everyone else.	3/24/2022 10:39 AM

### Q15 Is there a need to improve existing waterlines/fire hydrants in your neighborhood?

Answered: 369 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	49.32%	182
Some Need	30.62%	113
No Need	20.05%	74
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>369</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	There is periodic flooding in streets (Kentucky area) due to overflow of hydrants and canals.	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
2	Again most homes here are more than 20 years old and pipes keep bursting	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
3	I would say yes? I'm not sure.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	Absolutely, no question in that. Crazy, how we Laredo community have been having problems with that situation.	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
5	due to previous water line breaks, we need a better water plant in the south.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
6	I have no idea	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
7	There have been many pipe bursts around Sorterra, the latest being the one on McPherson next to Taco Palenque. It would be good for them to be checked and maintained to prevent any future water shortages.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
8	We constantly have low water pressure, or if there's any maintance or broken pipe in the area we lose all water	4/2/2022 9:49 PM
9	Water comes out dirty or cloudy.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
10	Yes!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
11	Water pressure at times is very low.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
12	The infrastructure is aged in Chacon and surrounding neighborhoods.	3/30/2022 8:00 AM



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13	Water is always affected in our area by boil water notice.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
14	There are appears to be low water pressure in some areas.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
15	Drainage areas yea please. Orange blossom floods	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
16	The fire hydrants are in the subdivision, but are not checked Yoly to make sure they're working.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
17	Anything is possible with the third rate material they keep letting contractors use	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
18	But I'm sure the the original land grant area that CD services it must be necessary. That's the area where the water lines broke causing almost the whole city to be without water service	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
19	Our pipes are old.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
20	Would not know the answer to this question till there is a need ?	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
21	Not sure	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
22	Yes the water system in Laredo in general has failed the citizens time and time again I don't dare drink tap water at all	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
23	No accessible water for 10 days!	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
24	Low pressure frequently!!	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
25	Definitely!!! The neighborhood for this district 3 is in very poor condition. It needs to fine people who have debris, junk cars, over grown weeds.....	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
26	Watelines are unreliable.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
27	Low pressure	3/26/2022 12:43 PM
28	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power companies.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
29	We need to assure that we have clean running water. Too many water issues within the last two years.	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
30	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
31	I've been living at my current address 20 years. the neighborhood already existed 20-25 years before we moved in. That means the water lines are OVER 40 years old! WE KNOW WHAT CAN HAPPEN IF THEY'RE NOT CHECKED AND MAINTAINED!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
32	All water lines are old	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
33	YES. IS THIS THE 3RD OR 4TH BOIL WATER NOTICE IN LESS THAN 5 YEARS??	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
34	before it gets worst	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
35	Not that I am aware	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
36	very much needed they tend to do more for other neighborhoods than ours for being the older ones	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
37	absolutely!!!	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
38	YES, like I said the homes in the area were built in 1970 or early.... can you imagine the pipes...?	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
39	This is always a must, very important for these things to be checked on a regular basis.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
40	WATER IS ESSENTIAL FOR ALL. IMPROVEMENT NEEDED AND BETTER QUALIFIED MANAGEMENT NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE TO HANDLE SUCH AN IMPORTANT TASK FOR THE CITY AND CITIZENS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
41	I have never noticed fire hydrants being checked. They need to be re-painted brightly to stand out, so people don't park in front of them and so firefighters can find them easily when needed.	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
42	It seems our city officials have their priorities in reverse, which ultimately impacts constituents negatively. The common note all politicians are out of their depth when elected, with ulterior	3/24/2022 10:54 AM

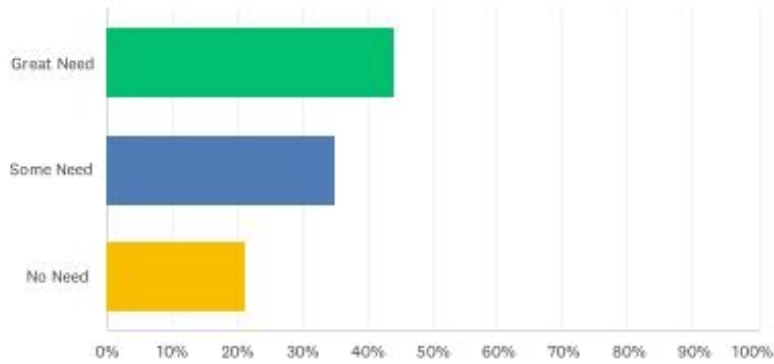
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motives which would only benefit themselves is true, except ours are do it so blatantly it's almost impossible they're that capable.

43	Only time I have good water pressure is in the middle of the night.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
44	my parents where ones of the people relocated from their homes to hotel while they fix the pipes. which the restroom at the hotel only had 2 room with disability showers. My parents can't be moving around from their home where they have all the needs they need.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
45	There are some hydrants that are no longer in use or damaged. There are some that have been reported to the Utilities Department and nothing has been done about them.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
46	We constantly have non drinkable water	3/24/2022 10:41 AM
47	My immediate neighborhood is fairly new but to the north are many older, more established neighborhood in the Chacota, Zacatecas area and west of Zapata highway.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

### Q16 Is there a need for new or increased water storage capacity in your neighborhood?

Answered: 367 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	43.87%	161
Some Need	34.88%	128
No Need	21.25%	78
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>367</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Again, we have not ever been without water in our area, but I'm sure pipelines are old and a water tank may be helpful in the near future.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
2	Definitely we keep having water problems	4/8/2022 1:16 PM
3	NONE	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
4	yes we need a water storage by our neighborhood. we are always experiencing low water pressure. THIS ISSUE NEEDS TO BE FIXED	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
5	in case of any emergencies a water storage is highly needed!!!!!!!!!!!!	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
6	No idea	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
7	Low water pressure	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
8	For some reason our neighborhood always loses all water supply when maitance or broken pipes around our area.	4/2/2022 9:49 PM
9	Great need!!! There's always water troubles here in Wright ranch!!!	4/2/2022 3:40 PM
10	Water pressure low often	3/30/2022 7:30 PM
11	It would solve water pressure problems.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
12	Water lines need to be replaced with thousands of new homes being built.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
13	Yes a new water storage would be very resourceful in our area.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM

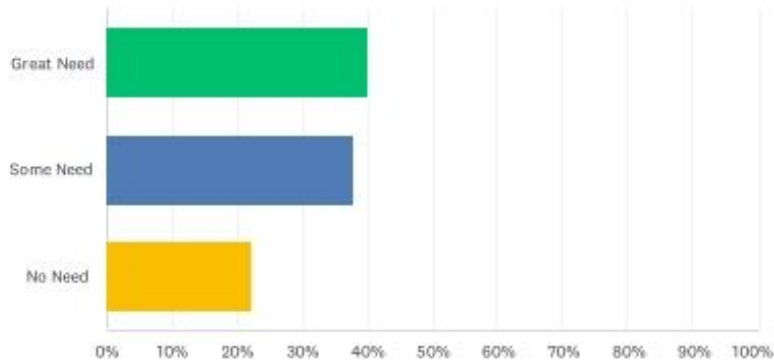
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14	Always good for emergency, yet keep it potable and drinkable	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
15	??	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
16	More water towers	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
17	Don't think so	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
18	Our neighborhood is growing, more people more water.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
19	The Jefferson Water plant is nearby, but don't know if its needs restoration and updates on the plant. It will help for this plant to have replacement if needed to avoid what happened with our friends from the Southside.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
20	I have no information on this topic	3/28/2022 10:31 AM
21	Not sure but this area frequently has low water pressure to no water.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
22	Yes water is always an issue in Laredo. Also we pay too much for water utilities	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
23	Laredo has had several issues with the water test results and water pipes breaking that it is a possibility that there is a need for improvement.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
24	See comments above	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
25	We always have low water pressure.	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
26	Refer to incident in February 2022 for central & south Laredo	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
27	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
28	After the water issue we had in our city, now we need one	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
29	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
30	We want to make sure we don't lose the water park in our neighborhood. WWe	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
31	There's always a need for water storage. Our community grows daily. And the same storage is used.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
32	We don't have a water tank.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
33	South Laredo	3/24/2022 6:36 PM
34	I DO NOT HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SUCH INFORMATION TO PROVIDE AN EDUCATED ANSWER, PRIOR TO SENDING A SURVEY WITH THESE KINDS OF QUESTIONS PERHAPS INFORMATION ON THESE TOPICS SHOULD BE PROVIDED.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
35	Not on my end.	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
36	I wouldn't know	3/24/2022 11:22 AM
37	Again, water pressure is always low, except in the middle of the night.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
38	A new water tank would benefit since the ones for the south are connected to only one tank and it affects a great part of the south	3/24/2022 10:43 AM

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Q17 Is there a need to improve/expand sewer treatment facilities in your neighborhood?

Answered: 362 Skipped: 18



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	40.06%	145
Some Need	37.85%	137
No Need	22.10%	80
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>362</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	The arroyo - canal - needs cleaning!	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
2	My toilets don't flush well and there is a big sewer cover hole in front of my home. I had to add insurance in case the sewer system floods	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
3	Again, I'm not quite sure how I would determine this, but I would say yes.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	Keep having water problems not sure why governments has not been organized hire the right personnel	4/8/2022 1:16 PM
5	I would think that with so many boil water notices something needs to be improved or updated. Or perhaps putting someone with some valid educational background and experience and factual knowledge to implement new standards and procedures to avoid mishaps. NOT EL COMPADRE like in the instance of solid waste where the suegra and girlfriend has been hired and put in positions to alienate people or like the Cardenas ladies who were related to an Irma lady also who contracted a security company who stole all the landscaping and clocked in hours they didn't actually work. DONT HIRE COMPADRES.	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
6	Last drainage project left surrounding neighborhood homes worse. Having major drainage issues	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
7	There is a lot of sewer backup.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
8	Same as water problem.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
9	News lately and water boil notices	3/29/2022 2:25 PM



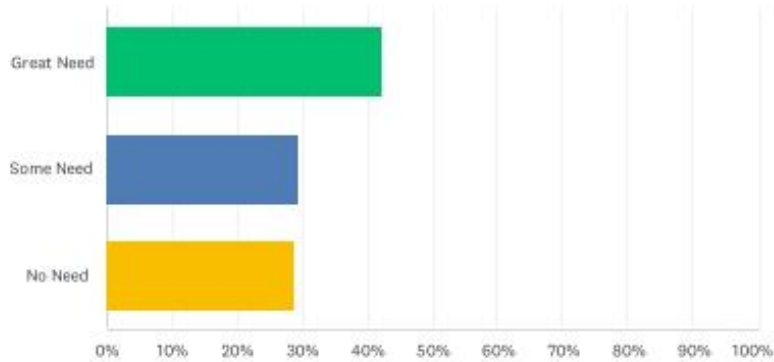
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10	Not for my neighborhood but certainly for the sector of the City we are assigned to.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
11	??	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
12	At the rate they continue to overbuild, YES, BIG TIME!!!!	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
13	Low water pressure across the city	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
14	It would be best to see if there are needed improvements for the sewer system before a catastrophe hits our neighborhood.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
15	Not sure	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
16	Not sure	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
17	Laredo has grown so much since the 1970, that tge sewer system might need improvements.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
18	???	3/26/2022 3:55 PM
19	Not sure. Low water pressure common.	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
20	Unsure	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
21	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
22	Yes, we need to assure that federal and state funds are being used to provide clean water for tax payers of laredo	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
23	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
24	YES. It is an older neighborhood.	3/25/2022 11:35 AM
25	I don't know	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
26	Always!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
27	Don't really know. Unless city is willing do it.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
28	Not sure	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
29	I DO NOT HAVE THE PRIVILAGE OF SUCH INFORMATION TO PROVIDE AN EDUCATED ANSWER. PRIOR TO SENDING A SURVEY WITH THESE KINDS OF QUESTIONS PERHAPS INFORMATION ON THESE TOPICS SHOULD BE PROVIDED.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
30	Not sure but not at least not in my area.	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
31	yes there is and i believe monies are not used wisley	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
32	DEFINITELY, NEEDS IMPROVEMENTS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM

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Q18 Is there a need to construct new sidewalks in your neighborhood?

Answered: 374 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Great Need	42.25% 158
Some Need	29.14% 109
No Need	28.61% 107
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>374</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	We need to clean the sidewalks and the streets.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Repair existing ones. With flooding & mud left, sidewalks are slippery with mud. I have fallen twice and reported it to city--Nop oner raised rge sidewalks higher (corner of Idaho and Kentucky)	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	No, I don't think there is a need to construct new sidewalks but rather maintain them (pick up litter and cut overgrown weeds) so that people can use them.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	sidewalks for bicycles	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
5	more sidewalks for child safety and cyclists and joggers	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
6	Yes, minimal to no sidewalks in neighborhood.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
7	our neighborhood needs sidewalks so that residents can go on walks/runs, we need sidewalks so that the children can walk to our nearest school Salinas elementary. we are in need of sidewalks to walk our pets.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
8	in original quail hollow planation. NO SIDE WALKS	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
9	Especially on Mines Road.	4/4/2022 10:36 AM
10	There are no sidewalk for the entire area of Meadow between Meadow and Zapata Hwy.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
11	more lighting	3/31/2022 6:09 PM
12	Especially to remove cars from sidewalks	3/30/2022 7:13 PM

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13	No side walk on my street.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
14	Sidewalks should be widened near schools and parks and find safety improvements to make walking safer in these areas.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
15	Need sidewalks along Guaymas.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
16	Yes some of the streets @ the subdivision don't have sidewalk, ,	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
17	There is little to no walk ability in the city. Little shade, unsafe roads (drivers), and a patchwork of incomplete and non-connecting sidewalks	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
18	There are some streets that have no sidewalks. Other sidewalks have been removed for repairs but never put back. Cars should not be allowed to park on the sidewalks.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
19	Our neighborhood was constructed with sidewalks ; however, the 359 area lacks sidewalks particularly leading to different businesses.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
20	Sidewalks in some areas need renovation because trees have caused sidewalks to break.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
21	speed bumps on Denmark	3/28/2022 9:18 PM
22	Sidewalk in mercy church going to park	3/28/2022 8:45 PM
23	Repairs to existing sidewalks.	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
24	There are children that need access to perks and schools	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
25	Middle school is adjacent to the neighborhood .	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
26	A cross over bridge on Zapata Hwy. 2314 to be exact.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
27	Very much!	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
28	There are no sidewalks in older neighborhoods like Hillside, Las Brisas, Del Mar C, The Base area, Westgate, Chaparral. There are many people that walk there and have to walk in street. Many are older individuals.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
29	More sidewalks for outdoor activities	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
30	Our sidewalks are always messy and broken. We pay taxes just like everyone else does and we demand the proper care of our area	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
31	Even tho we are a small neighborhood some sidewalks are in bad conditions.	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
32	Side walks are getting old	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
33	SUPER NEED. As the most historical neighborhood, it should be protected.	3/26/2022 10:05 AM
34	some recycled rubber walkways around LBJ high school would be nice, to exercise, walk, jog without pain in our feet.	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
35	People don't walk much around our neighborhood, and I assume that some of the reason is because of the lack of sidewalks.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
36	Maintenance is always required.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
37	Developers need to be REQUIRED to install sidewalks and bike lanes.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
38	Oh yes. I used to take my dad on his wheelchair to visit his old sites down San Bernardo. That was 29 years ago they are still the same a lot of the merchants place their merchandise on the sidewalk, even on bike section. The sidewalks are not even and a person on a wheelchair or with a disability can not go through the sidewalks. By the way the sections designated for bike riders, in my opinion are a waste of space. The one in Santa Maria is over weeded has a lot of trash and I don't think I have seen a bike on it.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
39	Santa Cleotilde street has many cars on the easement nobody will do anything about It!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
40	I live by S. Martin Ave. which is in front of Cigarroa Middle School and that entire street needs sidewalks. We have addressed the issue for years but nothing has been done.	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
41	MANY SIDWALKS ARE COVERED BY MUD OR UNEVEN PROVIDING A HAZARD WHEN TAKING KIDS OUT FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	3/24/2022 1:51 PM



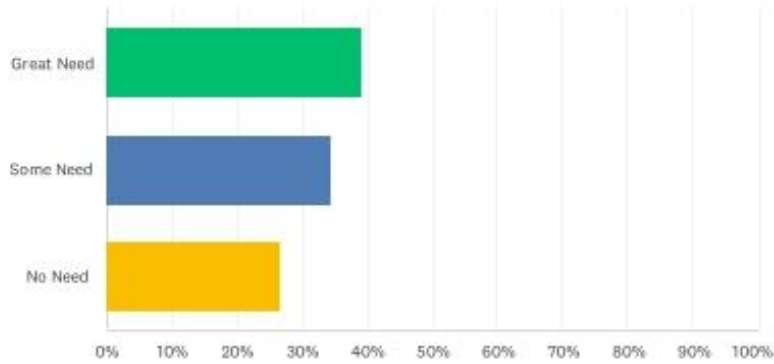
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42	improve and beautify and along with that trimming sidewalks not only at certain areas but since water runs constantly cuz of neighbors constant watering some areas are always flooded and thick grass is impossible to cut specially for elderly people it would help so very much.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
43	yes and add speed humps ... too many cars speed down Andrew Ln and Beverley. An Accident is bound to happen	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
44	Some humps would be needed since people do not respect and speed through my street.	3/24/2022 11:22 AM
45	YES, DEFINITELY. SIDEWALKS SHOULD BE IN PLACE IN ALL STREETS IN LAREDO ON BOTH SIDES.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
46	There are NO sidewalks in my neighborhood.	3/24/2022 10:53 AM
47	Sidewalks are cracked. I was told it is my responsibility, but why if its a public use sidewalk.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
48	ON S. EJIDO AREA IN FRONT OF ZACHRY ELEMENTARY ENTRANCE IN TERRAZA WAY	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
49	More fix the roads please.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
50	Despite being newer developments across my neighborhood, the lack of sidewalks is present in many roads or between different developments.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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Q19 Is there a need to construct/improve drainage conditions in your neighborhood?

Answered: 367 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	38.96%	143
Some Need	34.33%	126
No Need	26.70%	98
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>367</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Don't know of many drainage issues in the east woods subdivision.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Explained above	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	Yes, Bristol becomes a river with any little rain.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	Water pressure in this area is low.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
5	Most drainage are 30 yrs old.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
6	I have never had a drainage issue in my area	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
7	Last drainage project left surrounding neighborhood homes worse. Having major drainage issues	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
8	Chacon creek is in need of maintenance all near by residents use this area as a dumping site.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
9	Streets get flooded when it rains.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
10	some flooding	3/30/2022 7:30 PM
11	No drainage on street is available.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
12	Some of the drainage holes are lined with weeds and grass, .	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
13	Do not install speed bumps as they cause drainage problems.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
14	Yes please, orange blossom floods	3/29/2022 2:25 PM

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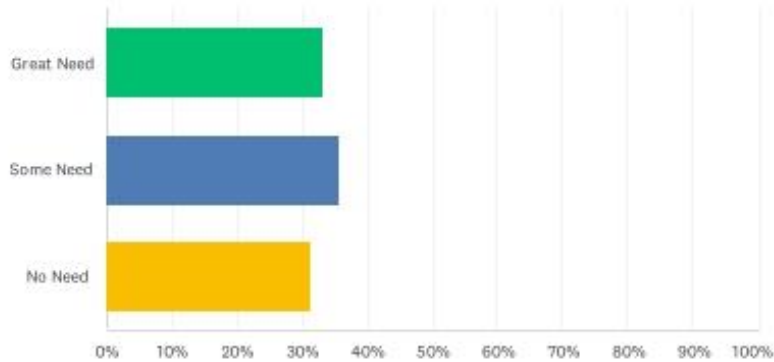
15	??	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
16	Drainage improvements by north side of Killam Elementary school.	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
17	Drainage needs Improvement in the Borchers Elm. Area.	3/28/2022 3:53 PM
18	Water always plug behind Newman Elementary.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
19	Bad Plumbing is always an issue in my home	3/28/2022 10:31 AM
20	Arkansas St. always floods during heavy rain fall .	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
21	At the furthest north point of the neighborhood, since the area goes downhill, the homes at the end are always at risk. Strong storms send all the water to those homes and when drainages aren't constantly cleaned out the water rises putting those particular homes at risk of flooding.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
22	New construction has caused major flooding in our area	3/27/2022 1:39 PM
23	In the intersection of pine and Mexico it always floods.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
24	Maybe just clean them in a set bases	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
25	Environmental needs to check the gutters ir drainage for garage & weeds.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
26	There's water everywhere and no real explanation.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
27	Clean the storm drains	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
28	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
29	there is a creek on st luke blvd, behind cielito lindo park that needs immediately attention, kids use this creek as a short cut, but when the grass is tall, illegals have been seen hiding from border patrols; big danger	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
30	The streets are patchy	3/25/2022 1:05 PM
31	I don't know	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
32	Water always plugs ups at the drains. This has affected the Newman Elementary and the houses in the area.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
33	poorly designed drainage on new roads continues to plague our community.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
34	Not sure	3/24/2022 2:29 PM
35	I DO NOT HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SUCH INFORMATION TO PROVIDE AN EDUCATED ANSWER. PRIOR TO SENDING A SURVEY WITH THESE KINDS OF QUESTIONS PERHAPS INFORMATION ON THESE TOPICS SHOULD BE PROVIDED.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
36	as the same some water remains still and drainage can be improved.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
37	Not sure	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
38	Hillside neighborhood getting older.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
39	Our neighborhood always gets flooded when it rains. The drains need to be cleaned on a regular basis because they are few and far between.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
40	Area near Slaughter Park, at the end of Chacon St.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
41	GREAT NEED WHEN IT RAINS HEAVELY ON SOME MAIN STREETS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
42	Flooding in the area	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
43	When it does rain, trash flows right into the pond with rainwater. (In addition to runoff of different colors from businesses)	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
44	BY S EJIDO IN FRONT ON TERRAZA APARTMENTS	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
45	There should be more storm drains constructed especially in between the streets due to homeowners covering up the canals that lead to the drains	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
46	I haven't lived at my house through any flooding events but I do see my area as a mix of low lying areas and lots of retention areas so yes.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM



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Q20 Is there a need to install new traffic signals or street signs in your neighborhood?

Answered: 374 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	33.16%	124
Some Need	35.56%	133
No Need	31.28%	117
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>374</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Speed Humps	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	More speed bumps. People drive like if there were in Daytona 500.	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
3	The street gets congested due to the 2 schools in area and there is no traffic light leading to streets through neighborhood	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
4	I would say that there is a need to put new street signs, not additional ones, just newer ones that are not faded.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
5	WE NEED OUR STREET SIGNS ON LOMAS HEIGHTS FIXED! THEY ARE ALL CROOKED AND FALLING DOWN. THIS SHOULDN'T BE HAPPENING DUE TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS A BRAND NEW NEIGHBORHOOD. WE ARE ALSO IN NEED OF STOP SIGNS ON THE STREETS NEAR OUR CLOSEST SCHOOL "SALINAS ELEMENTARY" FOR THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN, BUS DRIVERS, STAFF, AND PARENTS. TO BE MORE SPECIFIC 4 WAY STOP SIGN ON GUAYMAS AVE, PASCUAL DE LEON, AND ALFREDO CANTU DR	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
6	Yes. We have some missing signs and some that just need to be replaced.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
7	At the intersection of Reserve and Del Mar, we need a traffic light signal.	4/4/2022 1:38 PM
8	our community needs STOP signs so that people can respect the children that are trying to pass to school and back home. also stop signs near the school to respect the people that ride their bikes for exercising purposes or for transportation. mainly stop signs benefit the school buses that transport our children while taking them home to get them safe. In addition, we need speed limit sign down guaymas and near the school.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM



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9	Need to improve current signals that cause traffic to backup and move slow.	4/4/2022 11:10 AM
10	Last drainage project, re-routed surrounding downtown, El 4 and El Tonto traffic through Victoria St., residential area heading to IH35. Project is over, yet daily re-routed stayed the same- traffic worsened; hi volume; speeding over limit at all hours to include truck drivers, border patrol and all surrounding re-routed traffic.	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
11	more lighting on loop by the airport	3/31/2022 6:09 PM
12	speed bumps!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
13	At the entrance of neighborhood to control hwy59 traffic.	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
14	Traffic is picking up, I have been requesting stop sign on a corner of my block because there has been several accidents.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
15	Improved wayfinding and safety treatments at certain intersections are needed.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
16	Lomas Del Sur and Guaymas need stop light.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
17	Northpoint Dr. Needs speed bumps... drivers pass by at 40 miles per hour and disregard the child at play sign	3/30/2022 9:21 AM
18	Children playing or children warning signs. People flay through our area for the SAC	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
19	Speed bumps would be nice to slow down the drag racers at night	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
20	Traffic signal on Encino & Mann Rd to exit subdivision similar to what Regency has to exit onto Springfield.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
21	Yes people don't know how to stop at a stop sign we need more police presence	3/29/2022 7:40 AM
22	Or a speed bump . Motorist driving up to 35-40mph in narrow subdivision. Sapphire street	3/28/2022 8:45 PM
23	Corner of Santa Maria & Lafayette St.	3/28/2022 3:42 PM
24	No respect for street lights	3/28/2022 3:08 PM
25	New exits and overpasses out of concord hills & 359 area	3/28/2022 3:00 PM
26	They need to be synchronized	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
27	No moe random stop signs. Please, no too many sights already.	3/28/2022 2:12 PM
28	The construction of Midtown on HWY 359 has become a traffic issue. Several homeowners from there do not use the traffic light on Concord Hills thus causing traffic congestion in front of Zaffarini Elementary.	3/28/2022 11:49 AM
29	The Shiloh highland subdivision is increasingly getting harder to safely exit due to the flow of traffic on international.	3/28/2022 5:21 AM
30	YES ON DORADO TOO MANY SPEEDING DRIVERS DORADO AND MORELIA	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
31	I'm front of the park some drivers don't make a complete stop. I think more police supervision is needed.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
32	Yes, the entrance at our neighborhood is getting dangerous because of all the traffic coming from the south neighbors on loop 20	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
33	There are 2 schools Memorial, and JC Martin and cars drive to fast by here. Need more police patrolling the area.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
34	Speed bumps	3/26/2022 12:43 PM
35	When we try to exit our subdivision we encounter traffic coming from both sides and we have no light to give us the right of way. We have only 2 exits and both of them are working against us. It works great when you're trying to come in to the neighborhood but not to exit.	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
36	The neighborhood is dark we need more street lights there is one every other block.	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
37	Broadcrest and Del Mar, urgently needs. It's the only exit.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM
38	Literally takes 10-20 min to get out of the neighborhood. Only one exit one traffic light.	3/26/2022 10:24 AM

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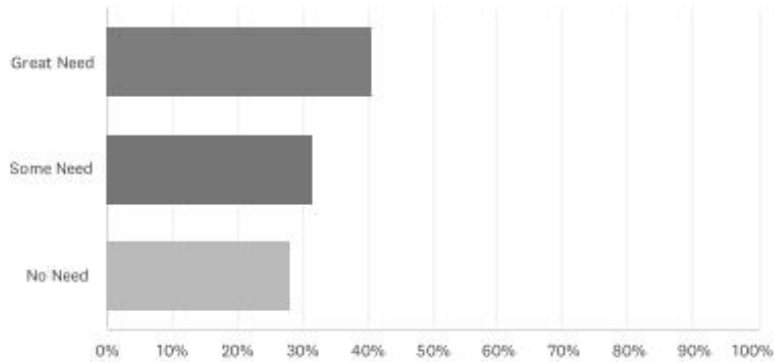
Hopefully no emergency evacuation will occur anytime soon.

39	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
40	So many people run the stop signs along Flores ave and intersecting streets. (Burnside, Madison, etc)	3/25/2022 1:05 PM
41	It has gotten better in the last couple of years.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
42	NO MORE TRAFFIC signals on Del Mar.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
43	speed bumps Get so many cars off the stree.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
44	Replace & renew	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
45	Cars not stop traveling north or south at the intersection of Shea/Santa Cleotilde.	3/24/2022 3:48 PM
46	Just cars and trees in the easements simply HORRIBLE!!!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
47	yes, people drive more than 30 mph where our parks are while children playing or crossing streets. most police cars parked do not even stop them.	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
48	What is needed are the lights on poles. At the moment they're amber not the new LED	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
49	Yes, in areas where there are warehouses (a-lot of commercial traffic in this area)	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
50	San Francisco and Gonzalez, a lot of people don't stop and just pass by.	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
51	ELIMINATE TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON LOOP 20. AIRPORT LIGHT FOR EXAMPLE, BOTTLENECK OF TRAFFIC AT SPECIFIC TIMES.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
52	Some street signs are not correct. There is a North and a South for several streets (Meadow, Seymour, Loring, Stone, Mendiola, etc.), and some signs are mislabeled. This causes confusion when people are looking for a specific address. Also some of the traffic signals need to be synchronized better. Some stay on red too long, while others stay on green for only seconds! This causes people to race through the yellow lights causing accidents.	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
53	A lot of traffic on Merida, (4 way stop). Vehicles do NOT stop at the stop sign. Numerous accidents	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
54	NEW AREA BY LOMAS DEL SUR / LP 20 IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL THERE IS MORE CONSTRUCTION AND NEW SCHOOLS AROUND THE AREA IT WILL FACILITATE TREMENDOUS TRAFFIC	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
55	Too many people go about 50 through the neighborhoods and throughout the streets where children are usually walking through.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
56	comer of Curly and Intemational & Broadcrest and Del Mar.	3/24/2022 10:39 AM

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Q21 Is there a need to pave streets/roads in your neighborhood?

Answered: 373 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	40.48%	151
Some Need	31.64%	118
No Need	27.88%	104
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>373</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Street repairs	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Moved to heights 5 years ago too many potholes	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
3	POT HOLES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD LOMAS HEIGHTS NEED TO BE FIXED	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
4	Roads/Streets need work.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
5	Do need more speed bumps. This will slow traffic down and keep the neighborhood safe.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
6	we need fixing of our streets for pot holes, we need speed bump fixings, etc.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
7	original quail hollow street never been repaved.	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
8	Mines Road	4/4/2022 10:36 AM
9	it literally feels like I'm leaving a ranch when I leave my neighborhood. We pay the highest tax amounts in the city, but we are full of potholes, and damaged streets its ridiculous.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
10	Streets within sonterra have just been patched and because of this are bumpy. Repavement would be great.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
11	Some of the entrance streets to the Belmont Plaza neighborhood have 1 or 2 pot holes and are also a bit sinked in.	4/2/2022 9:36 PM
12	Patchy work done when water lines burst and are repaired	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
13	A lot of pot holes.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
14	Resurfacing needed	3/30/2022 7:30 PM



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15	Yes! Riverhill Subdivision	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
16	Re-paving	3/30/2022 6:22 PM
17	the usual	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
18	Repaving to take care of wear and tear.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
19	Yes, there are some needs for road improvements. Improvements should consider adding protected bike lanes and wider sidewalks.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
20	Yes, some of the streets have water damage, because of the people that wash the car. .	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
21	The just did, a little disorganized first day didn't advise us till 6 am the day of but completion was swift and we were informed what to expect and when	3/30/2022 12:34 AM
22	CONSIDER RESURFACING OF ORIGINAL STREETS SINCE 1976	3/29/2022 5:46 PM
23	The streets were repaved when councilman Rendon was in office.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
24	Sam Isidro road , hospital side by Sandia	3/28/2022 8:45 PM
25	Repairs needed.	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
26	Pot holes everywhere. Trash and dumping on sidewalks	3/28/2022 3:59 PM
27	several potholes	3/28/2022 3:08 PM
28	Yes, with the crap developers are allowed to use, it's a miracle that it's lasted 10 years! Drive up international blvd North of the loop! It's falling apart already	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
29	There are too many potholes in our area	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
30	Some streets need to be resurfaced.	3/28/2022 2:12 PM
31	Great need. Maybe more speed bumps through out the neighborhood. Ppl speed as if it's the loop	3/28/2022 10:44 AM
32	Servando Drive needs a small piece of road to connect to las misiones main road. Currently have to drive through whole neighborhood streets to get to Servando Dr	3/27/2022 3:59 PM
33	YES ALOT OF POTHLES ON DORADO DRIVE	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
34	Too many potholes	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
35	Yes, at the migrant workers community on Bartlett.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
36	By stallion the pavement is cracking	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
37	All the streets are patch up! And need paving evenly. Pay high taxes to live in a neighborhood so poorly.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
38	YES!!, not pave but to add more lanes and turning lanes; you people need to be there 7:30am-8:15am and witness the traffic problem on cielito lindo boulevard and ejido street on schools days, and witness the huge problem that causes the poor design of this intersection, specifically the danger for the high school kids from LBJ that don't have a proper drop off and pick up assign area. I been witness of so many accidents about to happened because of the negligence of the proper authorities.	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
39	There is a need for upkeep and maintenance.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
40	In the Subdivision Lomas del Sur there are some streets that have batches and need repair.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
41	Around schools and churches	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
42	Many of the streets need resurfacing	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
43	Shiloh Rd needs repavement.	3/24/2022 4:29 PM
44	Jefferson St from San Bernardo to the west.	3/24/2022 3:48 PM
45	The yellow and white lines on the streets also need to be re-painted. At night, those lines are not visible and an accident may occur.	3/24/2022 2:26 PM

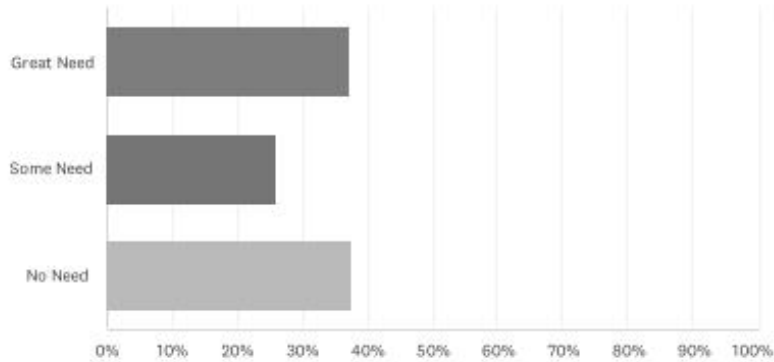
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46	STREETS ARE VERY UNEVEN AND THERE ARE MANY POT HOLES THAT NEED TO BE COVERED.	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
47	Streets have bumps or pot holes and some swerve badly and at times hit the sidewalks or hit a pedestrian.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
48	yes, they need to get resurfaced	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
49	There is a need to re-pave streets and roads not only in my neighborhood but all the streets in Laredo! Everybody knows that! This question keeps on popping up in surveys after surveys! For what purpose? The answer will always be the same. The answer is "YES." The streets of Laredo are the worse ones in the nation! If you own a new or luxurious vehicle, rest assure that in a matter of days your new car will sound like a rattle! It is time to do something about it! Just pave the streets that have not been paved and re-pave all the ones that have been only patched up for decades.	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
50	On the intersection of Aguanieve (near United South Ninth Grade Campus) and Cuatro Vientos Road, the street is in dire need to be re-paved as there are several potholes in this high traffic area.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
51	Many areas have had potholes repaired and now are all bumpy. The streets near the railroad tracks need attention.	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
52	In the 20 years we have lived at our residence (new construction), the road has not been resealed, slurry sealed or repaved. It is gator skin and at our driveway down, it is entirely gravel in some areas down to the road base. We have begged for years for it to be repaved since it is sheet flow down at the bottom and nothing has been done. We have been on the RED list for years, but no progress. Waste of money to let our roads deteriorate to this point when it could have been maintained and lasted longer.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
53	Repair	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
54	ALONG GUAYMAS / WORMSER IT WILL FACILITATE TRAFFIC CREATED FROM OCTAVIO ELEM. SCHOOL	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
55	Many roads are even due to improper paving. Main streets need repaired. Some streets in the neighborhood are in bad shape.	3/24/2022 10:33 AM
56	Most of the streets are newer but the busier roads already have some wear and tear and occasional pothole.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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Q22 Is there a need to install speed bumps in your neighborhood?

Answered: 373 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	37.00%	138
Some Need	25.74%	96
No Need	37.27%	139
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>373</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	In many areas of the neighborhood.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Citizens disregard stop sign at Vientos Rd. and Caroline St., drive recklessly and at full speed.	4/20/2022 3:16 PM
3	Yes. Many too many f... Maniac's driving. With no insurance	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
4	Again, it gets congested due to the 2 schools in area and drivers pass by at excessive speeds	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
5	We live on Orleans Loop. Once in a while a few neighbors go insane and drive at unsafe speeds. My neighbor has 4 young children, and I fear for their safety.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
6	Yes, traffic doesn't slow down	4/8/2022 4:51 AM
7	it is highly needed, a lot of kids in the block!! (Mallorca Dr)	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
8	700 s. new york ave	4/5/2022 3:42 PM
9	SPEED BUMPS ARE REQUIRED SINCE WE HAVE AN ELEMENTARY NEAR BY "OCTAVIO SALINAS ELEM"	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
10	Yes! Cars speed by w/o regard to children playing. Speedbumps in all these area, would be great and provide some safety to our neighborhood kids.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
11	no more speed humps	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
12	Help keep children safe and slow speeders down.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
13	2600 Vineyard Lp. speed bumps would be great.	4/4/2022 1:38 PM
14	YES!!!! We need speed bumps near our nearest elementary, due to traffic and the safety of the	4/4/2022 11:45 AM

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students.

15	More like speed bumps. There are accidents that occur between del mar and board crest	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
16	quail hollow needs limited amount	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
17	Last drainage project, re-routed surrounding downtown, El 4 and El Tonto traffic through Victoria St., residential area heading to IH35. Project is over, yet daily re-routed stayed the same- traffic worsened; hi volume; speeding over limit at all hours to include truck drivers, border patrol and all surrounding re-routed traffic.	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
18	Yes, our neighborhood experiences some traffic since it's adjacent to Mall Del Norte. Vehicles tend to speed in the streets without speed bumps in the Belmont Plaza neighborhood.	4/2/2022 9:36 PM
19	There's so many people running the stop signs on Flores and neighboring streets	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
20	School and church in neighborhood and cars pass by at high school.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
21	Concord Blvd. too much racing	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
22	Yes!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
23	on some streets	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
24	The City should try slowing traffic in neighborhoods through alternative street designs, such as narrower streets, treelined streets, curb bulb-outs, etc.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
25	Guaymas is being used as a racetrack and a burnout area. Please install large speed bumps.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
26	Northpoint Dr needs speed bumps. Drivers pass by at 40 miles an hour disregarding then children at play sign	3/30/2022 9:21 AM
27	Yes people not from the area go to fast coming or going yo the SAC	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
28	Do not install speed bumps. They cause drainage problems and slow down emergency services.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
29	Orange blossom	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
30	Speed bumps are a terrible idea because they can cause damage to vehicles. A less destructive option should be considered instead	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
31	Los presidentes ave in front of Alicia Ruiz elementary already several accidents through out the years when kids are crossing	3/29/2022 9:38 AM
32	Denmark st . Borchers Elementary	3/28/2022 9:18 PM
33	1000 block sapphire	3/28/2022 8:45 PM
34	On my street cars pass by really fast	3/28/2022 4:49 PM
35	on the 3000 block of puebla	3/28/2022 4:31 PM
36	again; no respect for street signs.	3/28/2022 3:08 PM
37	People drive down Gale at a high rate of speed	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
38	By Harmony School	3/28/2022 2:18 PM
39	YES!!! There are too many high speed cars that pass through Las Misiones street completely disregarding the stop signs and on Campanario Ln. because they think there is an exit to HWY 359 (need a No Outlet sign).	3/28/2022 11:49 AM
40	By Baltimore Street, the street is used as a racing track. This mostly happens by night. Speed bumps will help to reduce the speed and bring awareness for these individuals.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
41	Yes!!!! Too many people speed throughout the neighborhood	3/28/2022 10:44 AM
42	Definitely needed at the Larga Vista and Espada crossing. We've attempted to get them. Some residents have called to request and collect signatures but it hasn't been done.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
43	Yes especially in front of the park called Pepe Moreno on San Francisco and Lyon too much speeding	3/27/2022 12:58 PM

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44	YES ALOT SPEEDING CARS ON DORADO DRIVE	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
45	Yes definitely in front of independence hills park	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
46	Speed bumps ir speed limit signs might help with the some drivers that think they are at the speedway.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
47	by Pinder Av. on the 3100 block, a lot speeding through that street.	3/26/2022 4:14 PM
48	Yes!!!! On Galveston St. 300 block cars speed by here and there's 2 schools.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
49	People speed all around CL Milton elem	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
50	Yes! So many accidents late at night and early in the mornings. Lights, speed bumps anything will help	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
51	People do not obey speed laws in residential areas	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
52	Broadcrest and Del Mar.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM
53	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
54	on my street they pass by really fast and its super dark	3/25/2022 2:24 PM
55	So many people run the stop signs along Flores ave and intersecting streets. (Burnside, Madison, etc)	3/25/2022 1:05 PM
56	This too has improved. We need to do something about the speed limit on Ejido.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
57	Topaz Tri is windy, long and cars speed up. Accidents have happened to parked vehicles.	3/24/2022 4:29 PM
58	We need one ways so the traffic can move streets very NARROW!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
59	Those have been installed little by little.	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
60	what neighborhood doesnt have a madmax driver we do and in that area there is not speed bumps but do they drive fast. they even make whats it called donuts.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
61	Especially on Atlanta Dr. It's a long street and cars speed at a high rate. There are always children playing and it's an accident waiting to happen.	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
62	Especially on Merida St before USHS. At night we hear the cars where people are racing.	3/24/2022 1:16 PM
63	Tilden and ash street	3/24/2022 1:08 PM
64	yes, too many cars people driving like it was a highway	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
65	I am concerned with a lot of speed bumps, especially for emergency vehicles like fire trucks and ambulances to go through in an emergency.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
66	Absolutely	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
67	cars are always passing by at high speeds and there is a school and church in the neighborhood	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
68	Yes, especially on San Francisco Ave and Gonzalez St.	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
69	Puebla Street	3/24/2022 11:21 AM
70	Especially by the streets by United South High School. A lot of students and adults drive by at fast speeds and students are trying to cross or walk to or from school. They are highly needed.	3/24/2022 11:03 AM
71	GREAT NEED NEAR SCHOOL ZONES AND NEIGHBORHOODS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
72	They drive too fast!	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
73	My block is less than 2 blocks long, yet vehicles drive through it at 30-40 mph. Have almost been hit several times. 311's response to speed humps was to send me the procedures to request that include my petitioning neighbors and us paying for it.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
74	Speed bumps are not a good solution. Why do we need them here? We need to patrol streets and enforce. We need some additional stop signs and enforce speeding. Also need to make bikes adhere to the same rules of the road and not swing wide into oncoming traffic and drive in a pack that does not follow rules.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM

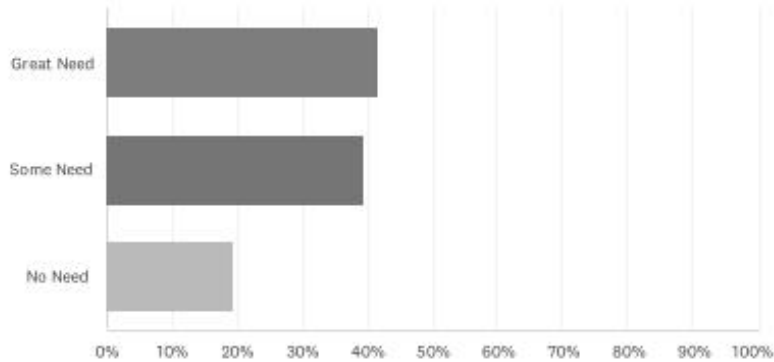
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75	Too many as it is	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
76	Especially on Avila Dr. there are wreckless drivers that tend to speed through the subdivision. It's an accident waiting to happen.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
77	on Pine St between Avenida Los Presidentes and Avenida Mexico	3/24/2022 10:39 AM
78	Need to uninstall would probably be better.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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**Q23 Is there a need to install new or additional street lighting in your neighborhood?**

Answered: 375 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	41.33%	155
Some Need	39.47%	148
No Need	19.20%	72
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>375</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	East Woods Subdivision gets too dark at night. We need extra safety lighting.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Not in the neighborhood, but Cuatro Vientos Blvd. is very dark at night.	4/20/2022 3:16 PM
3	Somer areas are very dark	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
4	Most definitely! We are so close to the border that the whole area of Mines Road (Bristol) needs to be lit up to deter people who go around taking things straight from our yard.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
5	Streets are too dark	4/8/2022 4:51 AM
6	too dark in some areas	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
7	WE NEED A STREET LIGHT ON GUAYMAS AND LOMAS DEL SUR BLVD	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
8	Yes! The 3000 block of E. Plum street definitely needs new/repaired & additional street lighting. Area is too dark and is a safety concern for families in this neighborhood.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
9	Improved lighting helps keep crime down.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
10	we need light poles in our neighborhood our community is very dark and easy to cause accidents, especially for the kids that like to play outside. we HIGHLY and most importantly need light poles down lomas del sur road by variety meats THERE IS NO LIGHTS, WE ARE IN MAJOR NEED OF LIGHTS!!! there can be a pedestrian get ran over.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
11	on Del Mar Blvd. and boardcrest because of the new subdivison.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM

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12	Havana is completely dark at night	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
13	need to replace old light and install LED light on Original quail Hollow street	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
14	Dead end of Boulanger and S Bartlett. High traffic area for the transportation of immigrants and illegal drug trafficking.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
15	Not necessarily my neighborhood, but the Loop does need more lighting	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
16	my block and 4 more are super dark we can't go for a afternoon walk because of this I trip once.	4/4/2022 10:10 AM
17	Some parts of the neighborhoods are too dark at night.	4/2/2022 9:36 PM
18	San Bernardo is too dark which can in turn be a hit bed for illegal activity. Make San Bernardo like McPherson, well lit and add resources to it as it does generate money for the city, especially during Paisano season.	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
19	please no Christmas lights	3/31/2022 6:56 PM
20	Some areas are quite dark can't see people walking or crossing	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
21	There are some streets that are very dark. Especially Callaghan Street 2400 and 2500.	3/30/2022 6:39 PM
22	Neighborhood needs more lighting especially on entrance to park & hike trail.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
23	We have burglars testing car doors and house doors almost nightly. Please install lights with cameras.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
24	The Block with the swamp is very dark and community members especially kids live and walk around that area.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
25	Dim But not totally dark	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
26	Improvements to existing lighting. Old type of incandescent.	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
27	My street is super dark and they have been theft.	3/28/2022 4:49 PM
28	Our neighborhood is too dark and some lights don't work	3/28/2022 3:15 PM
29	We're in a school zone.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
30	The west side / canta ranas neighborhood needs lighting as soon as possible. If there is no lighting there are more illicit activities going on.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
31	Lane & Arkansas and streets next to each another going East there is little to No lights at night . Recent had cars parked in front of house broken into .	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
32	YES TOO DARK IN DORADO DRIVE	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
33	Yes!!	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
34	Lots of night theft	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
35	Yes!! I have to by out of pocket lights , because it to dark.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
36	Along International near high school.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
37	Definitely	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
38	Very much so! We the residents at SummerWind are constantly trying not to get hit or cause an accident when we exit the area. There is no light to keep us safe, everything is working against us	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
39	We have a street light every other block. Streets are very dark at night and sometimes prone to crime	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
40	Broadcrest and Del Mar. Very urgently.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM
41	New lights around all streets specially those streets close to the creek. Lights around creek would benefit my neighborhood too.	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
42	Put the LED	3/26/2022 10:21 AM



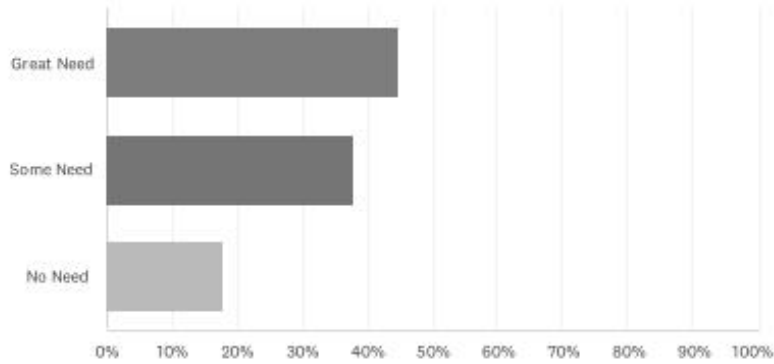
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43	Most lights don't work.	3/26/2022 10:05 AM
44	especially around LBJ high school, so dark when exercising in the afternoons	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
45	on my street they pass by really fast and its super dark	3/25/2022 2:24 PM
46	Lights are too dim	3/25/2022 1:05 PM
47	It is better now but there still some areas that need lighting attention.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
48	LED light poles have made a huge difference in my block. But, there's still several streets in the Alta Vista subdivision that need these LED light poles.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
49	There are some streets with no lights in Lomas del Sur. Also in Cuatro Vientos Road there are very small amount of street lighting.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
50	Intersection of Springfield and Tiara Trl is unlit and hard to see Topaz Trl when coming down thru Springfield.. Also, where there is a curvature on Topaz (1105), there s no light pole.	3/24/2022 4:29 PM
51	Need street lighting on the 2300 blk of Santa Cleotilde.	3/24/2022 3:48 PM
52	Drive by at night it is a disaster very dark.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
53	or at least near the schools, Cigarroa Ligarde and Zachary	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
54	Too many hit and runs	3/24/2022 2:11 PM
55	Most definitely poles do have lighting but its the romantic lighting that doesnt help unless for the couples that park and whats it called spoon. (well they toss out a little plastic thingy). and every Saturdays who cleans up the trash. P.D. has been called but its useless.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
56	Independence Park is so dark at night we need more lighting in that area.	3/24/2022 1:16 PM
57	A lot of need, we have had more break ins to cars .	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
58	yes to the new LEDs	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
59	Yes, the lighting is dim around the neighborhoods and especially on Mines Road.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
60	Areas where many accidents happen: loop 20, shiloh, international, etc	3/24/2022 11:09 AM
61	GREATLY NEEDED IN MOST AREAS OF LAREDO AND MAIN STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
62	Too dark at night	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
63	Transitioning to LED is a good idea	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
64	ALONG LP 20 SOUTH	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
65	There is about one or two street lights per street and at times they are non working.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
66	Corner of Pine and Ave Mexico	3/24/2022 10:39 AM
67	Tamarack Loop	3/24/2022 10:39 AM
68	Especially on San Isidro Road where the gym is, it is very dark and people are always crossing the road. Highly dangerous and Laredo is having way too many deadly accidents involving bicycles.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
69	On Mines Road.	3/24/2022 10:21 AM

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**Q24 Is there a need for community/senior centers to provide elderly individuals with activities that will benefit their well being?**

Answered: 371 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	44.47%	165
Some Need	37.74%	140
No Need	17.79%	66
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>371</b>

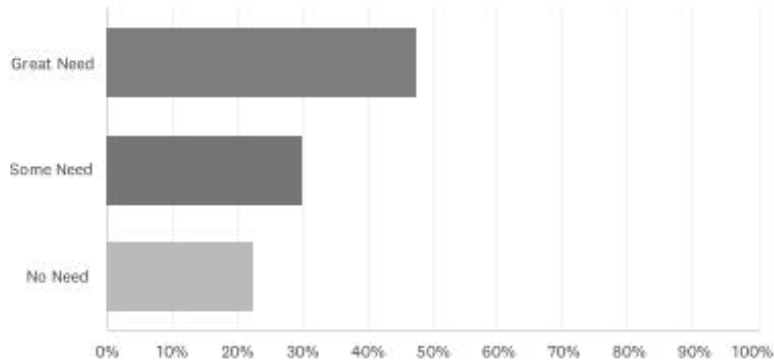
#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	More street safety lighting.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	There is a rec center but few events/activities for elderly.	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	Recreation center is not near	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
4	Most definitely. The recreation centers are great, but some of our elderly may not drive anymore and perhaps another center might be helpful. What is ESPECIALLY helpful is a pool in the Mines Road area. The splash pad is not conducive to visits from the elderly.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
5	YES	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
6	All members of our community need to stay active in a safe place.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
7	should be more programs/assistance for elderly individuals	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
8	Seniors are the backbone of society. Must do everything to help our seniors.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
9	we are in need of a park or a rec near by. there's plenty of available lots/land where a park or rec can be built.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
10	District 3 does not consits of any.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
11	I dont see any facilities for our elderly around the San Isidro area.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
12	We have no parks or any center in our neighborhood	4/2/2022 9:49 PM
13	I've seen so many emery's people walking around the neighborhood and school but it can be	4/1/2022 9:12 PM

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	dangerous as there are a lot of stray dogs (mainly from Garden towards Chicago)	
14	Need to get the word out	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
15	Maybe a park	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
16	Senior activities would benefit area.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
17	One again the swam area would be a great area for a small community center.	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
18	Always	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
19	Such center already exist.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
20	Won't know unless residents in subdivision fill out this survey.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
21	There are several elderly on my street alone.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
22	This neighborhood is old and a great percentage of the residents are over 60 years old. This will help them to get a better life span.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
23	It would be nice.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
24	Not sure	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
25	If it is for exercise or other activities yes.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
26	Yes!!! There are no community centers or Boys and Girls club in our area!!! Nothing where older adults can go for recreation.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
27	Yes, at no cost to the elderly	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
28	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
29	There is no park within distance of wright ranch neighborhood	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
30	Most of my neighbors are elderly. Some type of a center for all of us would be great	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
31	not sure	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
32	The community in this area is mostly younger families.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
33	We must help them stay busy and remind them they're still a crucial part of society. They know and have experience more than younger people.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
34	Also nutritional meals.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
35	THERE IS NO COMMUNITY OR SENIOR CENTER IN NORTH LAREDO AND I'M NOT TALKING MINES ROAD. THERE ARE NO CENTERS ANYWHERE NEAR SAN ISIDRO	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
36	That would be nice	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
37	Yes, we need more parks away from the Mexican Border because it is very dangerous trying to relax and enjoy time with family when people are crossing with drugs in front of the families in the park.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
38	Don't know of a center for the Chacon, 3 Points or south Meadow area.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
39	SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF ELDERY AND NURSING HOMES NEED TO BE MONITORED.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
40	Its not just exercise, it is socialization. YMCA will not build here and has no plans, but we need more than adult day care. Quality of life.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
41	I think there are already a lot of these facilities but they're underutilized due to lack of access from a mobility perspective.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

### Q25 Is there a need for new or additional recreation centers in your neighborhood?

Answered: 372 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	47.58%	177
Some Need	29.84%	111
No Need	22.58%	84
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>372</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	We can create more bike trails, running/walking trails, but with more night safety lighting and police presence.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Expand the one we have..It needs a swimming pool.	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	None that I know of	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
4	Yes. I'd love to see McNaboe Park as well maintained as Central park and others. We need a pool in our area.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
5	Definitely	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
6	YES! OUR NEIGHBORHOOD KEEPS GROWING AND EXPENDING AND THEIR IS STILL A FEW LOTS AVAILABLE THAT CAN BE USED TO BUILD A REC. BENEFITTING THE NEW RESIDENTS AND MAKING THE SOUTH SIDE FEEL LIKE HOME	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
7	Yes! Closest park to us is in the Eastwood area.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
8	we are in need of a park or a rec near by. there's plenty of available lots/land where a park or rec can be built. Our community is growing and it is only right it offers something back to the residents. we have a lot of stay at home parents and elderly people that live in our area that need this kind of service. we have children that would love to have a park to play at near by.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
9	There already way too many parks in laredo	4/4/2022 11:14 AM
10	Yes!! there is no community center in the north!!! Ahhh but mines road has an awesome one! and the heights area too. I find it very unfair that only the communities with lower income get	4/4/2022 11:03 AM

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to enjoy having community centers. The middle class pay taxes too and we don't qualify for food stamps and all the other free stuff! Meanwhile all those who leach off the government have access to a ton of facilities

11	our area has no recreation areas.	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
12	Only recreation is St. Peter's Plaza (2 basketball hoops)	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
13	More centers should be built or if there is some by the civic center, then the neighborhood needs more information on them! Make it a better place to live in, like Heights	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
14	Non near by.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
15	Not aware of any near neighborhood.	3/30/2022 7:30 PM
16	More recreation centers would help kids off the streets	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
17	Something closer	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
18	Expand current recreation center.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
19	Was told there would be a new recreational area built at the end of Jose de la paz rd. Nothing.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
20	A playground for the children and maybe a walkway, !	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
21	Always	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
22	District 1 has no recreation center and is in great need of one	3/29/2022 9:38 AM
23	I don't know if there's space available to build one.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
24	There are NO recreation centers in the north	3/28/2022 3:53 PM
25	Keeps everyone busy.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
26	This will help for the youth's attention to be more on the recreation and sports than getting involved in gangs and illicit activities.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
27	We have the Larga Vista Community Center but residents here do complain that not enough activities are presented for the youth.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
28	MORE PARKS THE BETTER	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
29	We fo need one	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
30	For exercise purpose yes.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
31	Yes, we need parks within our neighborhoods.	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
32	Water park	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
33	Yes	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
34	We are in middle of nowhere. Could use a park or playground for children	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
35	We have no rec centers in the north and we need them!	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
36	The existing centers are greatly dilapidated and need emergency repair	3/26/2022 12:56 PM
37	Make more accessible walking trails that may connect different neighborhoods	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
38	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
39	No nearby rec center for developing communities	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
40	Del Mar area.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM
41	There is a big space before going into the creek by N. Canada and green something can be done there	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
42	City has done a great job with the Devine Mercy Park.	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
43	I don't think so. But perhaps the people with young children may have a different opinion.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
44	A recreational center in the old base area would be GREAT!	3/25/2022 10:38 AM

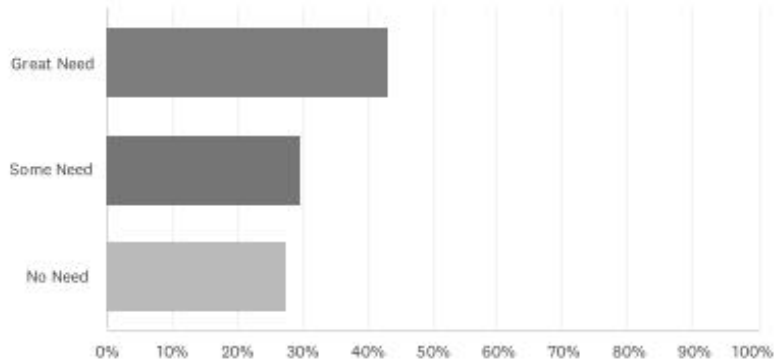
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45	collaboration with BGC of Laredo would be a wonderful asset to our community. There are a number of vacant buildings/ store fronts that could be repurposed for this service.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
46	With new homes and new schools in the area, we need a recreational center for the community.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
47	We need community centers that teach children good ethics and morals while them being able to have a good time playing with others	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
48	I don't think we have any on this side.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
49	Bike lanes in the neighborhood and PLEASE stray dogs and cats!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
50	THERE ARE NO RECREATION CENTERS IN THE NORTH. A NEIGHBORHOOD POOL THAT IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC IS NOT A RECREATION CENTER	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
51	the park that is located would be good but more lighting will help too.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
52	Yes, I don't know of one near by ...	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
53	Yes, our area is growing alot.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
54	there are non near by	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
55	Yes. The closest rec center is either Hillside or Fasken.	3/24/2022 11:22 AM
56	Slaughter Park has outdoor spaces, but nothing for indoor activities. Canseco House on Chihuahua should be used for public activities.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
57	No rec center within 5 miles.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
58	Definitely, the closest to my house is Hillside.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

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Q26 Is there a need for new or additional parks and playgrounds in your neighborhood?

Answered: 372 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	43.01%	160
Some Need	29.57%	110
No Need	27.42%	102
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>372</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	That is always a welcome idea and would definitely create a more healthy community for everybody.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Castañeda Park-- Expand playground for kids 7 -12.....nothing for them.....just for real little kids 2 - 6 years or older ones with skate boards/basketball.. The 7-12 year olds need bigger monkey bars, climbing wall, maze activities AND PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE put in benches & bleaches that DO NOT FACE THE HOT AFTERNOON SUN! Current ones are useless from 2 p.m. onwards...	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	The area that has slides in McNaboe Park seems to flood and just contain water there; the water doesn't drain and it makes the slides unusable. A set of swings for the children and even swings for the physically disabled children (wheel chair bound) would be helpful.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
4	yes	4/5/2022 4:14 PM
5	Dryden memorial park	4/5/2022 3:42 PM
6	YES! THERE IS ALWAYS KIDS PLAYING OUTSIDE THE STREETS OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD "LOMAS HEIGHTS" IT IS ONLY SAFE AND RIGHT TO BUILD A PARK IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE SAFETY AND FUN OF OUR CHILDREN. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD KEEPS GROWING AND EXPENDING AND THEIR IS STILL A FEW LOTS AVAILABLE THAT CAN BE USED TO BUILD A PARK.	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
7	Yes! Closest park & walking trail is located in the East Woods subdivision.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
8	no more parks	4/4/2022 3:05 PM

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9	A park would be nice in the plantation subdivision.	4/4/2022 1:38 PM
10	we are in need of a park or a rec near by. there's plenty of available lots/land where a park or rec can be built. Our community is growing and it is only right it offers something back to the residents. we have a lot of stay at home parents and elderly people that live in our area that need this kind of service. we have children that would love to have a park to play at near by.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
11	Too many parks already	4/4/2022 11:14 AM
12	The North central parks are mediocre at best. Perhaps larger play areas, cleaning up the ones they have and planting a couple hundred trees would assist with the shade and heat	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
13	in planation area no parks	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
14	Only recreation is St. Peter's Plaza (2 basketball hoops)	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
15	Improve Father McNaboe Park playground area, soccer and baseball fields. Great space to be a place to host tournaments.	4/4/2022 10:36 AM
16	nothing is ever invested in district 6. we have no recs and very little parks.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
17	playgrounds for toddlers	4/4/2022 10:15 AM
18	We no park	4/2/2022 9:49 PM
19	I've noticed that there's only one park by where I live (the one next to Lowes Grocery store). There should be more parks around (well kept) so people of all ages can get some type of exercise and have fun.	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
20	Non near by.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
21	Expand current recreation center.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
22	All parks & playgrounds are located in the "Las Minas" area of District VII leaving Michigan Avenue & Hilltop Area without greenspaces...closest greenspace has been closed for about two years.	3/30/2022 4:46 PM
23	Independence Hills park is great, but a few more amenities are needed. Additionally, streets and sidewalks leading to the park should be enhanced to encourage walking to the park.	3/30/2022 4:22 PM
24	End of Jose de la paz rd, along Guaymas.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
25	What is needed is monitoring of these parks to avoid destruction and vandalism.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
26	Yes, kids play in the streets	3/29/2022 10:10 AM
27	Residents need to fill out this survey.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
28	Yes there is only one small park in our community, it would be nice to have more	3/29/2022 7:40 AM
29	Area between Stonefield and Denmark where gas line is, could be a walking trail if maintained.	3/28/2022 9:18 PM
30	We need a park by Ponderosa Hills area or at the minimum start the Chacon Creek enhancements and beatification from Lake Casa Blanca to the Rio Grande. Monies have been set aside for this project but the initiation of the project yet to be seen. Thanks,	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
31	No need but there is a need for parking next to the Devine Mercy park. Cars are always parking on both sides of diamond street making it hazardous to cross the street. We feel that until a fatality happens the city will listen.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
32	a park and water base ae by the baseball fields.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
33	I wish we had a nice park to take the kids around the area	3/28/2022 10:44 AM
34	there are so many children in our community that would enjoy a walk distance park	3/28/2022 8:59 AM
35	The closest park to Shiloh highland subdivision belongs to the school district.	3/28/2022 5:21 AM
36	I would say there's a great need for improvement to our park. There's so much potential to make it more presentable and enjoyable. We feel left out. Definitely more swings. Playground needs updated equipment. All we have is an outdated playground and a basketball court. There's room for so much more. I'd add also that ALL water fountains throughout the city's parks are extremely disgusting.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM



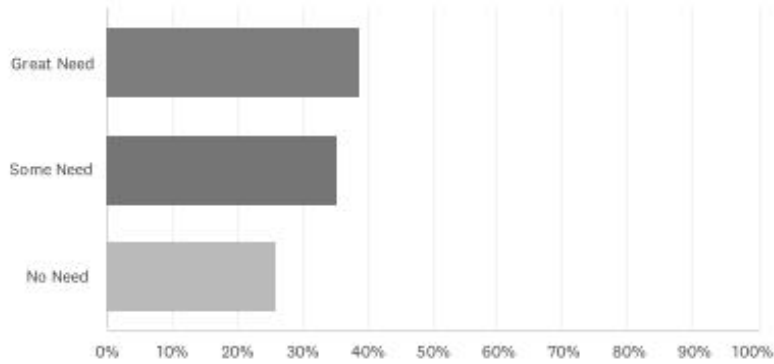
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37	YES MORE PARKS BETTER FOR KIDS	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
38	We have NCP	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
39	Yes, see comments above	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
40	Yes!!	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
41	Don't have any so yes	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
42	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
43	Big land available by N. Canada and green st.	3/26/2022 10:52 AM
44	Extend the walking trail of the Devine Mercy Park	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
45	would be nice to have on Cielito Lindo Park some exercise equipment like in other Laredo parks	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
46	Same comment as above.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
47	A park and playground would be nice at the old Base area.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
48	Plantation was developed without a single park. There are some lots that are too small for homes, but might work for a small community garden etc.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
49	As mentioned before, with new subdivisions in the area and new schools, there is a need for a new park.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
50	We don't have parks like in north Laredo. The few that we have are graffiti on structures. We need parks that have structures for kids with disabilities. Put cameras to catch those people that graffiti.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
51	MY KIDS ARE GROWN BUT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE 10 YEARS AGO. A BETTER PLAYGROUND WOULD HAVE BEEN GREAT. YOU MIGHT WANT TO TAKE A PAGE FROM PARKS IN HOUSTON SINCE THE 2 PLAYGROUNDS AT NORTH CENTRAL PARK ARE MEDIOCRE AT BEST HOWEVER IT MAY BENEFITS FUTURE GENERATIONS	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
52	We only have on playground park nearby (Santa Fe), and it requires a car. Walkability is next to zero in this neighborhood. There's also no shading, no cross walks, etc.	3/24/2022 12:28 PM
53	We have more than enough parks.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
54	The area has a small park on Andrew	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
55	Yes, we need playgrounds with bike trails around it.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
56	there are non near by	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
57	There is always a need for additional parks and playgrounds in my neighborhood and all around the city. You need walking trails, trees, places for kids to play in the grass. If ideas are needed go and visit the RGV. It is time to make this city stand out for having beautiful streets, beautiful parks, for having places to go and visit.	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
58	A skate plaza would be nice in the Slaughter Park or 3 Points park.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
59	There is no park or even small playground in our neighborhood. We must drive to the nearest park.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
60	Always. But nicely planned parks. Not just techitos and ill planned. Big cities have beautiful parks that are gorgeous. Ours sometimes end up little techitos, naming every corner after someone else, confusing, not enough shade.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
61	ON THE NEW CONSTRUCTION AREA BY LOMAS DEL SUR	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
62	It would be best if there parks and playgrounds would be maintained better. The parks are usually full of trash and the grass is higher than 5 feet.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
63	I think the closest park to where I live is about 1 mile away which I feel is a reasonable range but there's a lot of new housing with new families in my area so not enough for the amount of families.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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### Q27 Is there a need for neighborhood police substations in your neighborhood?

Answered: 375 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	38.67%	145
Some Need	35.47%	133
No Need	25.87%	97
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>375</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	That would definitely help by making families feel more safe and protected by our city police.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Is there one on Mines Road? I never see the police substation by the Fire Station manned. We need something more visible.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	Yes, Please! (700. S. New York)	4/5/2022 3:42 PM
4	A POLICE SUB WOULD BE GREAT SINCE THERES NOT ONE CLOSE BY.	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
5	Yes. It would greatly deter crime. I've had outside lawn furniture stolen, just as neighbors have too.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
6	YES!!!! sadly, there's always a lot of crime going on in our community and near neighborhoods. arrests, drunk driving, stealing, domestic violence, etc. It is in favor that we have a police sub near by since the police stations we have are miles away.	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
7	i'm not aware of a substation in the north	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
8	Closest is at inner Downtown	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
9	Maybe this will reduce so much illegal selling of drugs and trafficking of immigrants.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
10	No close police station.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
11	To many young kids driving w/ no regard for children @ all	3/31/2022 11:20 AM
12	Get more patrolling visibility	3/30/2022 7:29 PM

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13	Yes!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
14	There are no substations near me.	3/30/2022 6:22 PM
15	Due to recent robberies.	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
16	Police response time is very good. Some patrolling would be good.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
17	People breaking the law consistently here. Cars parked on the incorrect side of the street, all day every day, cars speeding, fireworks, cars bumout, nightly burglars, dogs wandering the streets, can't even walk my dog in my own neighborhood without being followed/chased by dogs.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
18	Always a need for law ent	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
19	??	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
20	Too much crime	3/28/2022 3:08 PM
21	There is on substation by Santa Maria and Chicago. The neighborhood needs more police surveillance.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
22	the nearest is at villas san agustin	3/28/2022 8:59 AM
23	We've had an increase in criminal activities such as attempted theft and drive byes.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
24	Yes	3/27/2022 6:33 AM
25	For traffic control	3/26/2022 4:06 PM
26	Lots of night theft!!	3/26/2022 1:14 PM
27	Yesss!!!	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
28	Too many criminal on lose . The court don't do anything to solve this problem??????	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
29	YES, the police that come already made friends with the troublemakers so there isn't a point to call them if they won't do anything.	3/26/2022 10:05 AM
30	At least, I don't think so. We seem to get a good response when there is a need for police presence.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
31	There's always crime. So, yes. A police substation would help keep the peace.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
32	Constantly we hear shootings at night, the presence of a police substation will help decrease crimes.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
33	I think we have one on Santa Maria. We need one on Sam Bernardo.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
34	Mainly for border patrol purposes. There is a lot of illegal activity that goes on in this area.	3/24/2022 1:54 PM
35	SUBSTATIONS ARE STILL USED? LOL! YEA, MAYBE MORE POLICING IN THE AREA WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE AND POSSIBLY PREVENT A BUNCH OF DRUNK KIDS FROM CRASHING ON INTERNATIONAL (ONE DIED!)	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
36	We do need a few more to cover most of the areas, cuz once there was this time kids were like santa clauses with a hefty black bag and two or three were walking the opposite sides to still from cars and front of homes but the other blocks where kids working in the morning doing the same thing. Thanks to an Gladys from Bewitch they were caught. and that was me :) but not the ones from the morning at the other block. P.D. took for ever cuz the thief's stole alot of stuff and hit it under pine trees and again Gladys was walking her chihuahua.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
37	yes	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
38	Yes, we have one semi close to us but if a further area does not have one then those units will be away at a time when we do need them.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
39	there are non in the neighborhood	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
40	Definitely.	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
41	GREAT NEED.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM

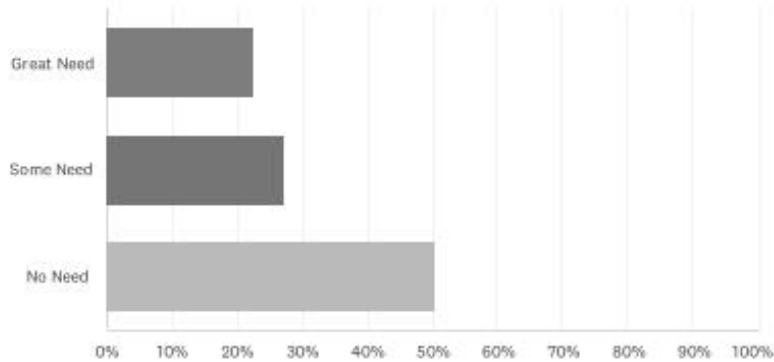
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42	Used to be one , but closed	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
43	There are no substations anymore.	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
44	If we have so many police, the cars should not be parked at the main campus or the Loop 20 campus. They should be visible in areas at all times.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
45	THERE HAS BEING ALOT OF THIEFS GOING ON	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
46	I don't think the substation in my general area is utilized much.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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**Q28 Is there a need to demolish substandard/abandoned buildings where crime may be occurring due to the building's condition?**

Answered: 370 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	22.70%	84
Some Need	27.03%	100
No Need	50.27%	186
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>370</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	What's substandard for me, may be a mansion to the owner. I don't see many abandoned buildings.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
2	SOME OLD ABANDONED HOUSE NEED TO BE TAKEN DOWN OR FIXED	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
3	Yes, older, abandoned & vacant unlivable homes, which pose life safety issues to the community, need to be demolished.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
4	Important not to give criminals a place to congregate.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
5	some abandoned houses near the area	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
6	Empty lots are being used as dumping site (Victoria and Vidauri by Washington St overpass to LC). Have called 311 on 4 occasions past few months for clean-up	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
7	Don't know.	4/2/2022 9:36 PM
8	TO many empty lots and buildings w/lots to hide and possible coarse.	3/31/2022 11:20 AM
9	Too many abandoned houses in our neighborhood.	3/30/2022 6:59 PM
10	There are some vacant houses that need to be taken care of.	3/30/2022 6:39 PM
11	Some buildings that are abandoned need to be tear down.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
12	Not sure	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
13	I wish code enforcement would come around often and make people aware of parking	3/29/2022 8:19 AM

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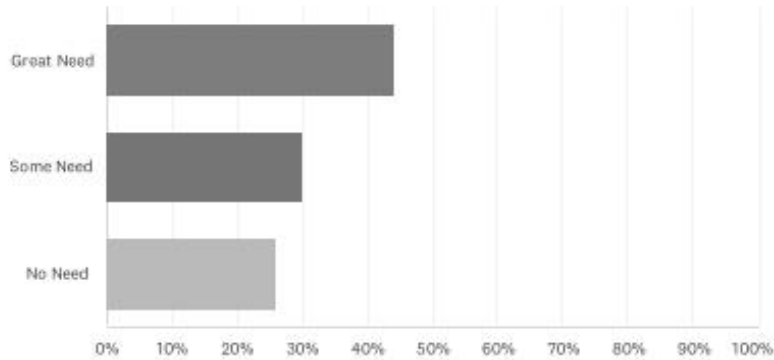
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ordinances. Belmont has property between the curb and the sidewalk that belongs to the city. It would be nice if the city maintained it.

14	there is a house that has not been lived in for years.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
15	There is a burned home by Baltimore and Santa Maria that it seems homeless individuals to be leaving shopping carts there. This will cause more trouble and more insecurity too.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
16	Area West if San Luis and Meadow or Zapata Hwy.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
17	Absolutely! There are houses in very non living condition's. With mildew and no one lives there.	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
18	In the downtown area.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
19	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
20	There are a few what appears to be empty houses.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
21	Don't give crime a chance. Demolishing unused buildings is good solution.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
22	in other parts of town.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
23	Not sure	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
24	Just sell the home as is and let someone buy and this creates more economical housing.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
25	NOT IN THE NORTH	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
26	yes to avoid people to go in	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
27	It's been demolished - the Dellwood apartments.	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
28	In my neighborhood alone there are rundown houses that should be demolished	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
29	I haven't seen any abandoned homes in the area	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
30	Definitely downtown Laredo.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
31	Not in my area but definitely in many neighborhoods across the city.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

**Q29 Is there a need for a Code Enforcement Program to address violations such as weeded lots, junked vehicles, and nuisances in your area to allow for a cleaner and safer neighborhood?**

Answered: 376 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	44.15%	166
Some Need	29.79%	112
No Need	26.06%	98
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>376</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	I would say that 70% of our neighbors are always keeping their front and backyards clean but there is that 30% that just don't care about beautifying the neighborhood or subdivision.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	How loud can I (type) YES. YES, YES, YES.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	TO HAVE THE SOUTH SIDE LOOK GOOD WE NEED TO ENFORCE CODES AND GIVE OUT CITATIONS TO PEOPLE THAT DONT FOLLOW THESE RULES. THEIR IS NO NEED TO HAVE YOUR LAWN LOOK UGKY YOU SHOULD ALWAYS MAINTAIN IT AND THERE IS NO NEED TO HAVE A JUNKED VEHICLE TAKING UP SPACE FOR OTHERS OR MAKING THE STREETS LOOK GHETTO	4/5/2022 9:20 AM
4	Yes! Properties around here have way too much outside placement, overgrown grass, junked vehicles and some are just littered with junk. Code Enforcement needs to be more strict in ensuring that homes are free of outside placement and ensure properties are kept clean.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
5	this is a major problem, not enough done by the city to address these issues	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
6	major need!!!! there's a lot a residents that don't respect these laws. many people have junked vehicles on the sidewalk which take up space and doesn't allow other people to park. we have 18 Wheelers parking inside the neighborhood causing road damage to our streets and blocking visible area from our streets, we have people that don't maintenance their lawns which make our neighborhood look ugly	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
7	Cars parked along the streets in the neighborhood that block other drivers view ... example	4/4/2022 11:37 AM

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along boardcrest.

8	Yes!! The area is starting to look like a cemetery with all those shrines around town. The tragedy is sad but shrines can't continue or the entire city will be filled, looking like a cemetery	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
9	Citizens are issued warnings. There fore allowing renters or owners to not maintain their properties clean.	4/4/2022 10:22 AM
10	There are a lot of junked cars around the neighborhood along with tires and trash	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
11	A lot of trash in the neighborhood.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
12	Tractor trailers being parked at homes	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
13	Improper parking on streets and sidewalks	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
14	We have HOA.	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
15	Need to clean up the neighborhood.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
16	Residents of Miramar at Del Mar Condominiums (townhomes) block the sidewalk, & sometimes the road, with their City issued trash & recycle bins	3/30/2022 4:46 PM
17	Yes. I see no enforcement of a multitude of codes in the city. It is extremely apparent and an eyesore in many neighborhoods. I've called the city to report violations, (junked cars) however they are seldom addressed.	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
18	Especially in the downtown area	3/29/2022 11:33 PM
19	There is a problem with trash along sidewalks. Children and parents that walk home from Heights elementary do not keep the neighborhood clean. They throw candy wrappers, soda cans, paper bags, potato chip bags on the ground with no regards for cleanliness. Enforcement/campaign is needed to get kids and parents to stop. Also, people need to properly fill there trashcans and close the lids as trash flies out of the cans.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
20	Neighbor hoods pretty clean	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
21	We have several cars, trucks, and a large van that have been parked and have not moved in several years, just check the license tags,the streets are too narrow and all the these cars on the street makes it hard to navigate thru the nieghbor hood	3/29/2022 10:05 AM
22	Discarded trailer tires by Casa Oración area and tractor trailers parking within the subdivision	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
23	There is abandoned vehicles on street. Mattress, furniture etc dumped around neighborhood	3/28/2022 3:59 PM
24	Lafayette & Davis = cars all down the street	3/28/2022 3:42 PM
25	cleaner and safer neighborhood is a must	3/28/2022 3:08 PM
26	Not too many violations but some.	3/28/2022 2:44 PM
27	There are several junked cars that should be in the dump!	3/28/2022 10:44 AM
28	Several houses yards are not kept by neighbor and or have which look like junked vehicles . ( cover over by tarp or Not being moved in Months / Years )	3/28/2022 3:48 AM
29	Please do!	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
30	ALWAYS	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
31	Same vehicles always parked in the street although they do have empty driveways.	3/27/2022 8:08 AM
32	Yes definitely. There are a couple of junked cars on the streets and in front of peoples yards. And it makes our neighborhood look bad.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
33	Cars park at the comers of streets is hard for traffic visibility	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
34	Yes!! 1812 Frankfort St. is always SO DIRTY! And people love to dump there.	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
35	Omg! Definitely Yes!!!	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
36	Yes!!! We pay a lot in taxes and some people don't have a lawn... just dirt!	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
37	Maybe something to address noise pollution from loud cars	3/26/2022 12:50 PM

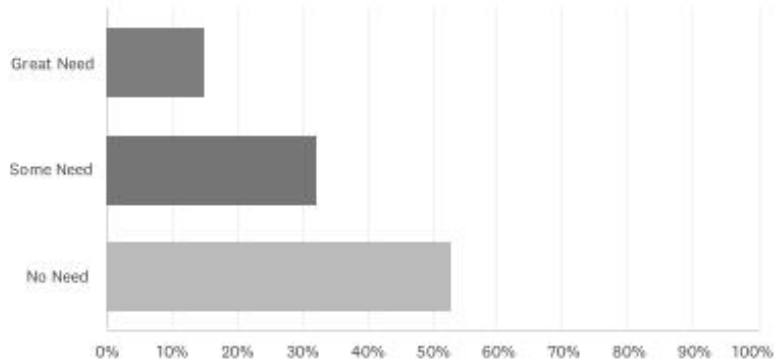


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38	I notice that people do not utilize their garages and own multiple cars. They park on the side of the main road. Some neighbors even have junk cars that they leave parked for months. It would be helpful to have parking enforcement go by and check for violations in the neighborhood from time to time.	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
39	Streets are filled with parked cars. Streets are to small and could cause accidents.	3/26/2022 10:21 AM
40	A program that enforce us on keeping our front yards clean and free of junk cars and trash, some type of low maintenance landscaping program that allows to improve visually and unified our neighborhood, and for the owners of empty lots to force them into clean and cut the grass and to fence their properties to avoid vandalisms (aka high school kids) out.	3/25/2022 4:07 PM
41	There does not seem to be enforcement of zoning regulations. It seems anyone can start a little business in the middle of a residential block. Too much junk in people's yards is also unsafe.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
42	In the street Lomas del Sur there are several lots wide open where people throw things like couches, tires, dead animals , etc.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
43	I would highly recommend. If certain elderly couldn't clean we could get local neighbors to help clean	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
44	Abundance of untenefed yard maintenance, junk in yard, large number of cars to one house, cars parked on grass, old cars inoperable in yards & on streets, too many cars for family-parked on streets making difficult to drive.	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
45	PLEASE HELP Nobody will take responsibility for this MAJOR PROBLEM!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
46	We have to be calling 311 for junk to get picked up near our area.	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
47	YES, PEOPLE PARK OLD CARS IN THEIR YARDS, STREETS LOOK LIKE CEMETARIES WHICH SHRINES ALL OVER THE CITY	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
48	if left to home owners they will not clear or clean areas.	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
49	Montgomery Street more than 3 homes, Ash Street, more than 2 homes. Code Enforcement only drives by and doesn't get down to really check the homes backyards	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
50	yes!	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
51	neighbors have a lot of trash in their properties and roaches and rats start coming in to others houses	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
52	Yes! In the RGV there are city ordinances prohibiting people from making their homes look like "junk yards." I am in shock when I drive around my neighborhood and I see abandoned cars on their front yards, refrigerators and stoves on their driveways, tricycles hanging on their trees!!! All this is on District VI on the North side of Laredo.	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
53	Trash, furniture, tires are dumped along the railroad tracks.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
54	This is a HUGE PROBLEM in our neighborhood -- especially the former hospital on Logan St.	3/24/2022 10:48 AM
55	This is a big need. So many reports go to Code Enforcement and it seems that they just close out the work orders or push their work onto another department.	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
56	Streets- Knoll, Tamarack Lp, Basswood.	3/24/2022 10:39 AM
57	yes, Laredo definitely needs improvement in that area.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

### Q30 Is there a need to remove graffiti from walls, bridges and underpasses in your neighborhood?

Answered: 374 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	14.97%	56
Some Need	32.09%	120
No Need	52.94%	198
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>374</b>

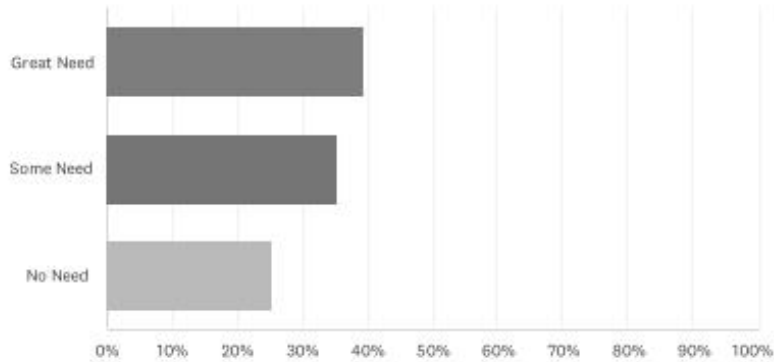
#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Park walking trails need some assistance with the graffiti crime activity.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	I haven't come across much graffiti. I'd say if there is some, the quicker it gets covered, the better.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	Some graffiti in area.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
4	Washington St overpass to Laredo College is constantly spray paint graffiti	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
5	And park	3/30/2022 9:43 PM
6	Very little.	3/30/2022 6:22 PM
7	Very little, trash in more common.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
8	Parks area	3/29/2022 9:38 AM
9	need more personal	3/28/2022 2:18 PM
10	Under the bridge at the park	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
11	Have not noticed graffiti in this area.	3/26/2022 11:23 PM
12	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
13	I have not identified this as a need.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
14	Kentucky & Colorado	3/24/2022 6:28 PM

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15	We do want to have our neighborhood looking good	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
16	I haven't seen any graffiti	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
17	Northpark gets vandalized too frequently.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM

### Q31 Is there a need to promote/incentivize small business development?

Answered: 375 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	39.20%	147
Some Need	35.47%	133
No Need	25.33%	95
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>375</b>

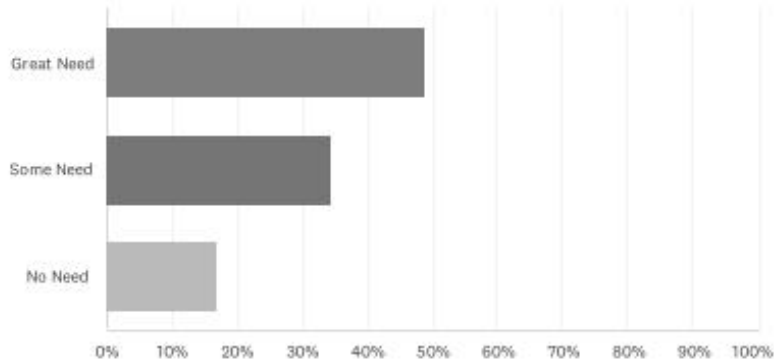
#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Sure!	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
2	Yes! Older neighborhoods need small business development.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
3	there is plenty of available lots that can benefit from being purchased and building stores or restaurants	4/4/2022 11:45 AM
4	I rarely see any small business survive around my neighborhood, unfortunately. It also has to do with how well San Ber is being kept.	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
5	On zoned areas.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
6	North Creek Plaza could benefit from said incentives	3/30/2022 4:46 PM
7	Perhaps for the future because at this time aid should be reserved for those trying to survive.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
8	Between Clark and Highway 59 on both sides of loop 20.	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
9	COVID has caused many people to start their own businesses and need guidance	3/28/2022 2:53 PM
10	Not sure	3/28/2022 2:12 PM
11	Yes	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
12	Yes! More business would bring more revenue and we need it since most of the budget goes to salaries for some departments.	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
13	I don't know this.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
14	throughout the community	3/25/2022 10:38 AM

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15	The lots in the street Lomas del Sur would be great for small business development.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
16	Help with work not freebee's!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
17	BUSINESS DO NOT SURVIVE IN LAREDO. HAVE YOU BEEN TO THE MALL LATELY?? EVEN DEPARTMENTS STORES ARE LEAVING. I'M SURE THE MALL WILL BE VACANT IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS WITH THOSE RIDICULOUS LEASING PRICES AND THE LACK OF CUSTOMERS. WAKE UP!! WE ARE 10 YEARS BEHIND! EVEN THE BICICLE CITY OF MCALLEN HAS SURPASSED US IN BUSINESS!	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
18	Especially for working moms and female entrepreneurs.	3/24/2022 10:52 AM
19	Need a plan for downtown and not one controlled by the same firms/teams that only work for themselves. Not a downtown improvement district where the funds are funneled for their pet projects. Quit awarding the same big firm all of the projects. There is a reason downtown is unsuccessful and no one wants to work with the same group. A true renaissance would have multiple groups working in tandem and a melting pot of ideas. But the same croonies look after their same friends. Shame we keep masterplanning and throwing money away. They offer things for free, then say they have experience, then come in and charge for it. THIS IS WRONG. THIS IS CORRUPT. THIS IS WHY BUSINESSES DONT THRIVE AND NEW ONES GROW.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
20	If this refers to my neighborhood, no. If it refers to city in general, yes.	3/24/2022 10:48 AM

### Q32 Is there a need to provide job training to increase job opportunities for individuals?

Answered: 369 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	48.78%	180
Some Need	34.42%	127
No Need	16.80%	62
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>369</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Too many underemployed -- There are smart, ambitious, willing young people (16 - 45) but they lack training, skills, career tracks to succeed. HELP THEM.	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
2	We are forgetting that plumbers, welders, ac repairmen, mechanics are so much still needed! We need these people trained!	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
3	Always! People need to always have an avenue to better themselves.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
4	get ppl to work	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
5	There's a need for the NEPOTISM clause to be enforced within the City	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
6	Don't know.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
7	More people need proper training along with more resources (I.e Internet, help with resumes, interview skills)	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
8	Help encourage job availability and training	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
9	Always good.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
10	Eliminate the leeches from public assistance.. make them get a training and be productive	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
11	The only way you get a job here in laredo is if you know someone that works there or call every day	3/26/2022 3:43 PM
12	We are all professionals in our community.	3/26/2022 3:13 PM

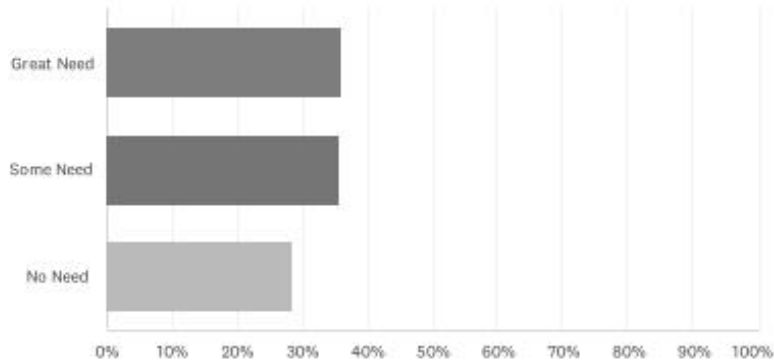
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13	Two weeks without water but y'all are worried about internet and power. Train water department so that we don't need San Antonio to come help again.	3/26/2022 11:25 AM
14	Skill sets, on job training	3/26/2022 11:10 AM
15	I dont know.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
16	Yes, our workforce is woefully under developed resulting in reduced opportunities for lower middle class workers. Brain drain has devastated our community and limited meaningful opportunities to a select few.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
17	There is always a need for this.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
18	Throughout city.... Maybe	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
19	The better the jobs the better City we will become. Help open the Oil fields and Truck Drivers to Bless the men and Women of our City financially.	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
20	YES. GOVERNMENT ENTITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICE ENTITIES NEED TO STOP HIRING RELATIVES LIKE AT CITY OF LAREDO UTILITIES DEPARTMENT WHEREIN 3 RELATIVES RAN OFF EMPLOYEES BY BULLYING HIM AND CALLING HIM FAT. AFTER GETTING FIRED THEY GOT THEIR JOBS BACK EVEN THOUGH THEY LIED ON THEIR APPLICATIONS BECUASE THEY ARE IN GOOD WITH CITY COUNCIL. OR OWING FAVORS TO THE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR WHICH HIRED AN ONLY SPANISH SPEAKING PUBLIC HEALTH TECH WITH NO VERIFIABLE EDUCATION. OR THE PROGRAM SUPERVISOR WHO TURNED IN A FALSE DEGREE BECUASE IT WAS A "COUNCIL DRIVEN" RECOMMENDATION. SOME OF MANY ISSUES WITHIN THE CITY	3/24/2022 1:51 PM
21	Not city's role	3/24/2022 10:49 AM

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Q33 Is there a need for the creation of bike lanes in your neighborhood/city?

Answered: 374 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Great Need	36.10%	135
Some Need	35.56%	133
No Need	28.34%	106
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>374</b>

#	COMMENTS	DATE
1	Apart from bike lanes we need to educate the public on this issue.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
2	Kids ride on dangerous streets or on sidewalks...A bike path would be great!	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
3	I wouldn't trust drivers down here. Ray Charles could drive better	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
4	None visible	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
5	no bike lanes	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
6	Yes! Please.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
7	no bike lanes plz	4/4/2022 3:05 PM
8	A bike rider was rundown and killed a few days ago.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
9	Del Mar neighborhood are in need of side. People walk on the streets so it is unsafe especially when people park their cars on the streets or on neighbors properties.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
10	There are no bike lanes in our area and sidewalks are limited.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
11	we have one just need to retouch the paint	3/31/2022 6:09 PM
12	Sta. Maria & San Bernardo - Waste of taxpayer money!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
13	Leading to trail park would be good.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
14	need to increase access to Mike Doyle trail from Springfield	3/30/2022 4:46 PM



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15	Yes, Jose De La Paz Road should have a bike lane, as well as Ejido.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
16	There are no areas for safe cycling	3/29/2022 11:33 PM
17	Seen too many close calls	3/29/2022 2:25 PM
18	More Police and Parks	3/29/2022 10:15 AM
19	So, kids can go out and play.	3/28/2022 4:49 PM
20	Have people bike @ park where it is safe.	3/28/2022 3:53 PM
21	Not on McPherson. Traffic is crazy.	3/28/2022 2:31 PM
22	Stop creating bike lanes at the expense of car lanes.	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
23	There are none so yes	3/26/2022 1:33 PM
24	I don't think I've seen bike lanes near Nixon HS area	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
25	Danger zone	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
26	Maybe...	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
27	Riding bikes on McPherson Ave., in my opinion, is not a good idea.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
28	Half the neighborhood has a bike lane and the other half does not. consequently, people ride bikes on the sidewalk. This is an accident (and potentially serious) waiting to happen.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
29	There are no bike lanes in our neighborhood Lomas del Sur.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
30	I don't see a use to bike lanes if we have sidewalks. Bike lane increase a persons chance of getting struck by a distracted motorist	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
31	I feel that this, on San Bernardo and Santa Maria, are a waste. We need safe parks with walking trails, bike trails, soccer fields and basketball courts. Like the ones on the north	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
32	PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE!!!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
33	Many people use Laredo College to go walk/ bike ride. it can be essential for many people.	3/24/2022 1:54 PM
34	well it might be used for a few months than forgotten	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
35	hardly see anyone use even all around town.	3/24/2022 12:35 PM
36	Please don't. People do not respect anyways	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
37	No, our area is very dangerous when it comes to traffic because we have a lot of tractor trailers in our area.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
38	Yes! Due to the price of gas nowadays and because individuals are much more conscientious about exercise and health more bike lanes, and walking trails are going to be needed everywhere! You have to have a strategic plan taking all this into consideration. You have to plan for the future of our children now!	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
39	Bike lanes on Market and south Meadow would be great.	3/24/2022 11:11 AM
40	NO, SAFETY IS OF CONCERN FOR BIKE RIDES ON ROADS. DESIGNATED TRAILS WOULD BE SAFER.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
41	There are times they take over the roads and do not share themselves. Everyone follow same rules.	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
42	Too many	3/24/2022 10:49 AM
43	I don't see the use of bike lanes an importance, the cyclists ride anywhere on the road, they are not cautious of automobile drivers.	3/24/2022 10:33 AM
44	I don't think I have any bike lanes in my area but the city is doing fair overall in other areas/neighborhoods.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM

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Q34 Do you have any other comments or suggestions?

Answered: 168 Skipped: 212

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	none	4/20/2022 4:40 PM
2	The most important issues would be, more street safety lighting, police presence, police substations, code enforcement and educate the people on keeping our sidewalks, and streets clean at all times.	4/20/2022 4:12 PM
3	Need to better utilize Castaneda Park..It is nice, but needs more trash cans, more benches, and bleaches facing the arroyo,,,not the west, with hot afternoon sun. The Rec Center there needs more art/music activities for kids...and a swimming pool to be constructed.	4/18/2022 2:45 PM
4	More speed bumps. More animal control. To many f... Dogs loose. Can't bike ride	4/17/2022 3:10 PM
5	Pet population is way out of control,need pay raises, poor lighting in streets, Downtown is a slump, Downtown needs major,major renovations. Bring a Hospital,Doctors offices Downtown and new restaurants and business will follow.	4/13/2022 1:47 PM
6	Help people pay the high property taxes	4/11/2022 6:18 PM
7	I love Laredo. Corruption will always be there, the love of money and greed will always rear its ugly head. The few good ones need to overcome and work for the betterment of our community. Adelante, Laredo.	4/11/2022 5:12 PM
8	There is a need to improve the traffic on mines rd, interamerica blvd, killam etc all that area.	4/11/2022 9:20 AM
9	Hire qualified personnel and use out tax dollars wisely	4/8/2022 1:16 PM
10	Our city has been neglected for far too long. 30% of our population lives below the federal poverty line. It's high time we work hard to eliminate poverty, repair and renovate our crumbling infrastructure, and ensure an equitable economy for Laredoans.	4/6/2022 12:42 AM
11	no	4/5/2022 4:55 PM
12	NONE	4/5/2022 1:15 PM
13	Whatever resources and programs are created need to be geared towards the needs of the many and not for the few who complain.	4/5/2022 8:52 AM
14	Yes, there is a great need. I live in the Noise Abatement area and I see so many empty lots and homes that the city bought and now, they just sit there...empty. As a former San Antonio resident, I urge you to consider revitalizing the older neighborhoods. There are tons of new subdivisions springing up all over Laredo, yet, the older neighborhoods are forgotten and sadly, deteriorating. Invest in these neighborhoods. While I understand that people who chose to sold their properties in the Noise Abatement area, what does the city plan to do with all these empty lots and homes? I for one, am interested in purchasing one, if not two of the empty lots and perhaps, one of the homes. Why let great real estate property go to waste and just sit there alone, when there are many people interested in purchasing these empty lots and building new homes? I live in the 3000 block of E. Plum and there are numerous empty lots around here...that would be perfect for building a new home on. I've live in this area for 5+ yrs and the airplane noise does not bother me at all. Give us, the residents of this neighborhood, a chance to purchase the empty lots around here and revitalize this area. Don't let the "barrios" go down and further deteriorate. Help Us, Help You. Allow us noise abatement area residents, to purchase vacant lots and homes.	4/4/2022 3:11 PM
15	Help to increase the pay of the city employees who will perform the majority of these projects. The city of Laredo is perhaps the lowest paying community in Texas. Appreciate your employees and pay them what they deserve.	4/4/2022 1:47 PM
16	LIGHT POLES ON LOMAS DEL SUR AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD LOMAS HEIGHTS ARE IN MAJOR NEED!!!! STOP SIGNS AND SPEED BUMPS AROUND NEW SCHOOLS ARE	4/4/2022 11:45 AM

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17	Del Mar old subdivision are in great need of new drainages, sidewalks, speed bumps and law enforcement to keep traffic in order.	4/4/2022 11:37 AM
18	Every where you go in laredo they are hiring. So there is no need to keep helping those that do not want to help themselves. Also you cant fo eat anywhere without having people sending kids to sell candy apples,chocolates etc..	4/4/2022 11:14 AM
19	n/a	4/4/2022 11:10 AM
20	YES!!! Go take a look at Mcallen, SA or Houston! Take a page from their book for parks, better wages, stop hiring friends, compadres and clean out city council! It's a joke! City prints an average of 30 pages of stuff to complete a deposit all because we still have departments giving PAPER receipts!!! We are like 15 years behind!! WAKE UP!! EVEN MCALLEN IS DOING BETTER!	4/4/2022 11:03 AM
21	I believe that the original quail Hollow section has been neglected street paving and side walks. I live on Quail Hollow Loop. very disappointed on any changes to our section.	4/4/2022 10:46 AM
22	Too many traffic tickets for parked home cars (this are-historical homes; century old homes with no car garages, yet no cops giving tickets to speeding cars -heavy traffic on Victoria St? Why?	4/4/2022 10:41 AM
23	Focus on infrastructure this year. Streets, lighting, waterlines, ect.	4/4/2022 10:21 AM
24	SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE ABOUT ZAPATA HWY, TRAFFIC IS HORRIBLE ALL DAY EVEN MORE ON IN THE MORNING & RUSH HOUR, WE NEED AN OVER PASS. THAT AREA IS RIDICULOUS IN TRAFFIC PEAK TIMES.	4/4/2022 10:15 AM
25	NONE	4/4/2022 10:14 AM
26	Please address the loop 20 issue in front of Play Mor... two way streets at high velocity and no median have caused many accidents.	4/4/2022 10:12 AM
27	N/A	4/4/2022 10:10 AM
28	We need the water lines repaired!! The ph level is absurd!	4/2/2022 3:40 PM
29	No	4/2/2022 9:17 AM
30	I'm mainly worried about stop signs. Many people don't pay attention to them and will go without checking. It's better to prevent accidents than to react to them.	4/1/2022 9:12 PM
31	loop 20 needs more lights	3/31/2022 6:09 PM
32	n/a	3/31/2022 6:02 PM
33	None	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
34	More police patrolling	3/31/2022 11:20 AM
35	None	3/31/2022 9:18 AM
36	Expansion of basketball courts for different ages. Basketball courts need roofs. Exercise section for kids and adults. There has been a few reports for over a year about leaks in the park near the water fountain and causes puddles. This issue has been like that for over 2 years. It has been reported more than once and nothing has been done. Grills were going to be installed in park, but nothing has been placed. It would be helpful to have a few gazebos for families to enjoy the park and relax in the shade.	3/30/2022 9:43 PM
37	Empty lots need to be maintained more often.	3/30/2022 7:30 PM
38	More cop patrolling	3/30/2022 7:29 PM
39	None!	3/30/2022 7:13 PM
40	No i think this is helful	3/30/2022 7:07 PM
41	This was cool.	3/30/2022 7:04 PM
42	No, I liked this survey!	3/30/2022 7:03 PM

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43	Code enforcement to beautify the neighborhood.	3/30/2022 6:59 PM
44	No	3/30/2022 6:32 PM
45	No need.	3/30/2022 6:29 PM
46	NC	3/30/2022 5:59 PM
47	More meeting on status of programs would be nice.	3/30/2022 5:53 PM
48	Consider opening the greenspace located at the rear of Mary Help for public use as this area does not have access to its own greenspace	3/30/2022 4:46 PM
49	Get the water situation fixed. Quit building new houses without fixing the existing infrastructure. Traffic is terribly down here. You can't keep adding developments without addressing infrastructure.	3/30/2022 10:57 AM
50	We need another hospital nearby, we need walking passages to go from one street to the other since we live close to a Highway, more security.	3/30/2022 10:16 AM
51	The greatest need is that there's no Catholic Churches near by, GOD Bless Y'all, have A Blessed day, AMEN, ....	3/30/2022 9:11 AM
52	IN GREAT NEED OF CLEANING BEHIND HOUSES BETWEEN UNITED DAY AND SONTERRA.	3/30/2022 8:31 AM
53	More grassroots and neighborhood programs. Promotion of civic and community engagement activities to promote civic pride and change in negative culture. Increased transparency, innovation and change projects that promote inclusiveness especially for vulnerable citizens. Not just the veterans, not just the elderly, how about single moms, those without transportation, at risk youth, & the lgbtq community.	3/30/2022 8:00 AM
54	A lot to fit here	3/30/2022 6:35 AM
55	Our neighborhood playground needs to be cleaned. There is graffiti everywhere. There should be signs asking people to not graffiti and take care of the park.	3/30/2022 12:38 AM
56	Thank you	3/30/2022 12:34 AM
57	AEP electricity down often in particular in summer multiple times. Poor planning on their part.	3/29/2022 7:42 PM
58	Do not allow cars to park along Chihuahua Street and Guadalupe Street. They cause visibility issues for cross traffic in the area of Christ the King Church. Property owners should be required to park their vehicles inside their lots as these are very busy streets.	3/29/2022 5:16 PM
59	I hope my responses are helpful.	3/29/2022 12:28 PM
60	Need to create an ordinance to keep vehicles off yards so are neighborhood and city can look attractive	3/29/2022 10:05 AM
61	Hope they fix my street	3/29/2022 10:02 AM
62	Commissioners need to focus on the entire community of people and its city focus on education well being health and its lifestyle. All of its people want and deserve money spent wisely the right way!	3/29/2022 9:58 AM
63	na	3/29/2022 9:57 AM
64	For our Council member to speak for the great needs of district 1	3/29/2022 9:38 AM
65	no	3/29/2022 9:36 AM
66	Until recently, thanks to Councilman Altgelt & Councilwoman Perez, Belmont has been abandoned by the city. It is situated in the middle of two districts that are so big, funding to provide for Belmont is very limited. The old Drs Hospital on Mann Rd., that now houses many offices, creates a traffic situation at peak hrs. Belmont only has two enters and exits and during holidays, the traffic situation worsens. All the mall traffic cuts through our subdivision. We are the race track to get from Mann Rd to the Mall & vice versa.	3/29/2022 8:19 AM
67	There is a great need for additional animal shelters to house straight animals that are found all over the city this is a very significant problem that needs assistance and needs to be looked at seriously	3/29/2022 5:55 AM

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68	Thank You for asking	3/28/2022 9:18 PM
69	Finish/ add sidewalk comer of diamond and amber , devine mercy side ,	3/28/2022 8:45 PM
70	The gathering of information is great but afterwords we need ACTION!	3/28/2022 7:50 PM
71	Summer programs for kids	3/28/2022 5:54 PM
72	Stop trying to "revitalize" the downtown area. Increase the water pressure. Imagine if there were to be a real fire? How many lives will be lost? Business lost? I know the city meets the min. requirements (supposedly) but come on. Takes too long to shower due to low water pressure. That is why our bills keep going up	3/28/2022 4:44 PM
73	Pave the streets with better materials! Synchronize the traffic lights! We need 7 Lane roads, not 5! Quit overbuilding the current streets	3/28/2022 2:56 PM
74	PLEASE DO A BETTER JOB ON PAVING THE STREETS AND BRINGING IN VISITORS BACK TO THE BORDER CITY!!!!	3/28/2022 2:54 PM
75	None	3/28/2022 2:07 PM
76	Sometimes on the weekends there is a lot street racing done from All Seasons Meat Market on HWY 359 heading West. They gather in the All Seasons Meat Market parking lot and leave in groups of two racing down the highway.	3/28/2022 11:49 AM
77	The west side / canta ranas neighborhoods needs a lot of improvement. There is drug related issues, low police surveillance, robberies. This makes the neighborhood insecure and unfortunately we are scared to leave our homes alone. We do need more police surveillance who are not friends with the drug dealers. Unfortunately, some police officers let go some drug crimes because they don't want to get involved or are comrades with the drug dealers. We do need a new start on this neighborhood and better police surveillance. For the insecurity to diminish.	3/28/2022 11:19 AM
78	Not at the moment	3/28/2022 10:44 AM
79	No	3/28/2022 9:19 AM
80	NA	3/28/2022 9:13 AM
81	We need the city to clean our streets from all the dirt that accumulates from constructions nearby	3/28/2022 8:59 AM
82	No	3/28/2022 7:52 AM
83	Roads are really bad, lots of overgrown lots, need a boys and girls club in this area.	3/28/2022 7:37 AM
84	The Shiloh highland subdivision needs traffic lights on international and the entrance of the subdivision to avoid any potential accidents.	3/28/2022 5:21 AM
85	More bulky trash pickup, every quarter instead of twice a year	3/28/2022 1:09 AM
86	Empty ranch lot behind Servando dr is full of illegal dumping trash. The dead end sign that leads to this area has been taken down. It needs to be put up again to prevent people from dumping more trash there.	3/27/2022 3:59 PM
87	Better housing inspections during the building process. Many of our homes at Las Ventanas have had issues and Armadillo didn't help us. Some of us have had to remodel upstairs bathrooms due to water leaking from the showers causing rotten floors within the first couple of years or water damage from the upstairs laundry room. Warping of walls which Armadillo would just send a worker to hammer until the wall set in instead of actually tearing down the wall and placing better material. Same walls warped again or are beginning to. Many neighbors have spoken about walls cracking along the window sills or doorways. New subdivisions in the south aren't given the same quality of homes as the north and most definitely lack the aesthetic design compared to the north. We deserve better looking neighborhoods that show that thought and planning went into developing our subdivisions.	3/27/2022 2:31 PM
88	Please take this surveys into consideration	3/27/2022 12:58 PM
89	More police presence to ensure safety and protection	3/27/2022 12:11 PM
90	Many residents have junked cars and large objects on their front/backyards that promote	3/27/2022 10:33 AM

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pests. City does provide clean up but we need to encourage/maybe help the residents move out large objects to the curb. If this doesn't work maybe cite them until they do something. The sight of pests is terrible due to negligence of residents. In my opinion out counsel has done a good job so far.

91	Speed bumps and more lights would be nice too dark sometimes	3/27/2022 10:28 AM
92	North Central Park Chimayo entrance needs a basketball court for kids. Please remove the cars from the streets.	3/27/2022 8:08 AM
93	I think people might need assistance to improve their fences especially the ones by merida. When people drive in our neighborhood people have old wood fences and some are broken and it looks bad.	3/27/2022 8:06 AM
94	Park Trails / Adult Walking Trails would be nice .	3/26/2022 7:45 PM
95	Stop allocating money "District Priority Funds". Each project should be able to stand on it's own merit, not be a discretionary decision of a single council member.	3/26/2022 6:12 PM
96	You are doing a great job here	3/26/2022 4:06 PM
97	No	3/26/2022 3:55 PM
98	Drainage issues in Alexander Estates and San Isidro need to be fixed	3/26/2022 3:50 PM
99	For the water not to be contaminated any more if we don't need to build something lets not build it ,fix the roads and make all neighborhoods safe	3/26/2022 3:43 PM
100	By Marcella street there is a high need of vigilance.	3/26/2022 3:31 PM
101	There is a great need for parks for our children to go to within the community, not miles away.	3/26/2022 3:13 PM
102	Improve the entrance to the neighborhood coming from north to south on loop 20. Traffic is getting bad and with the exit lane just added at the new complex sports construction is going to get worse trying to get into the 1 entrance at Wright Ranch	3/26/2022 2:18 PM
103	Let's keep beautifying and building a family oriented community.	3/26/2022 2:10 PM
104	NA	3/26/2022 2:06 PM
105	Yes, please take action immediately! To at least go by the neigh hood's and start giving warning and stay on top of that and if they don't clean. Fine them! Beautify Laredo!!	3/26/2022 1:10 PM
106	Not at the moment	3/26/2022 1:07 PM
107	Yes. Community centers in the north, sidewalks in central Laredo and fix the older Boys and Girls Clubs and build new ones in the north!!!	3/26/2022 1:00 PM
108	The city government really needs to look at all the places that are used for the boys and girls club leagues. The buildings are terribly old and need much improvement. They probably have asbestos from what they look like. It is sad that those are the places children play basketball in.	3/26/2022 12:56 PM
109	NA	3/26/2022 12:50 PM
110	The boys and girls clubs at Northwest and Main are deteriorated. Need to replace	3/26/2022 12:43 PM
111	We really hope that the city would have a open door policy. The city Major and city Members would really pay attention to the problem the community is going through . How the community was affect Covid-19's. That city made the wrong decision in closing there doors and Laredo Police Department. Has to be working at all time even on holiday. No excuses accept. This was not to has happened.	3/26/2022 11:29 AM
112	Help us with the noise coming from the airport. All those planes keep us up at night. Either buy our airspace so that we can make repairs needed to keep the Noise out or replace all our windows	3/26/2022 11:19 AM
113	Please it's very urgent to do something in the intersection Broadcrest and Del Mar! It's the only exit for the neighborhood, and it's very complicated.	3/26/2022 10:54 AM
114	My house is near the creek. Creek needs some type of light. A big land of space that something can be done in there.	3/26/2022 10:52 AM

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115	n/a	3/26/2022 10:49 AM
116	No	3/26/2022 10:31 AM
117	Would like to hear more from our councilman. Hear a lot from other city council members. Ours seems to be quiet.	3/26/2022 10:24 AM
118	We need more lpd patrolling the street and trash pick up	3/26/2022 10:09 AM
119	La azteca needs major repairs. Many consider la azteca as the poor people neighborhood. It may be right but we still pay taxes and should have the same repairs as the north side.	3/26/2022 10:05 AM
120	Discontinue community mailboxes on Shiloh drive due to heavy traffic and allow at home mailboxes.	3/25/2022 12:37 PM
121	1. Some of the streets are not wide enough for parking on both sides and it makes unsafe for two-way traffic. When cars are parked too close to the corner of an intersection, it is difficult to detect oncoming traffic. 2. There is a small tire shop on the northeast corner of Pine and Hwy. 83 that workers and customers spill out into the street, making it unsafe for them and for the drivers passing through. You would almost have to observe what I have tried to describe.	3/25/2022 10:49 AM
122	Keep up the GREAT work! It is appreciated.	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
123	Good luck	3/25/2022 10:38 AM
124	There is a need for Animal Control presence because there are a lot of animals on the streets.	3/25/2022 10:34 AM
125	I love santo Nino and yet there needs to be cleanup of yards, home etc. Can be a really nice home and right next to it TRAH> Thank you and good luck.	3/25/2022 9:44 AM
126	I would like neighborhood signage indicating 'The Woodlands'	3/25/2022 8:19 AM
127	Yea. Let's be wise on how we spend the cities money. Let's start on fixing the things people need instead of what they want.	3/25/2022 6:38 AM
128	None	3/24/2022 11:35 PM
129	Two major things we really need is a recovery camp program and housing for elderly and only elderly. These two are an urgency in our city. If there is anybody we should respect our veterans and elderly people. What's the solution to drug addiction if there is no recovery program/facility to help them. Two populations that by all means is growing in Laredo elderly and drug addicted people, to include alcoholics. Let's take care of this. Maybe somebody out there had land to donate, as starters.	3/24/2022 10:32 PM
130	Be consistent on the enforcement....	3/24/2022 6:28 PM
131	we need more mental health assistance for homeless individuals .	3/24/2022 4:41 PM
132	Thank you for the opportunity to let our city leaders know.	3/24/2022 4:29 PM
133	no	3/24/2022 4:25 PM
134	Make libraries on all poor neighborhoods.	3/24/2022 4:12 PM
135	No	3/24/2022 3:47 PM
136	Yes drive by the neighborhood at night!	3/24/2022 2:41 PM
137	None	3/24/2022 2:29 PM
138	Vidal Rodriguez needs to leave his position as a council member for our district 2 ASAP. We are very dissatisfied with his work as a council member. We trusted him and he was a fraud.	3/24/2022 2:26 PM
139	Make a park or walking trail on Hwy 59 area by the creek area.	3/24/2022 2:06 PM
140	I think having a Park in this area would be essential for many in this neighborhood. So many people engage in physical activity in this area. People walk around Laredo College, play basketball in the streets, bike ride, etc.	3/24/2022 1:54 PM
141	YES, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS NEED TO BE CLEANED UP. EDUCATIONAL REQUIRMENTS MUST BE IMPLEMENTED FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS AS WELL AS	3/24/2022 1:51 PM

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RIGOROUS BACKGROUND CHECKS ON MORAL CHARACTER NEED TO BE EVALUATED AS THERE IS TOO MUCH CORUPTION WITHIN THE CITY AND ITS LEADERS.

142	n/a	3/24/2022 1:39 PM
143	More access to IH 35 from Mines Road. There a lot of congestion along Mines Rd. especially when there are accidents and there are trailers everywhere.	3/24/2022 1:35 PM
144	make sure you follow through with improvement if not this survey was a waste of time!!	3/24/2022 1:16 PM
145	yes to do more to make Laredo like back in the day and use our tax money wisely	3/24/2022 12:36 PM
146	We need increased access to human experiences nearby, such as libraries, parks, recreation centers, crosswalks, and bike lanes, that are safe and accessible. We have nothing nearby that we can access without a car. Sidewalks are subpar and there are little to no activities to stay active.	3/24/2022 12:28 PM
147	none	3/24/2022 11:50 AM
148	I would like to see the lighting in the area updated and assistance for the elderly.	3/24/2022 11:47 AM
149	overall our district appears to have a lot of changes these last 3-4 years with a lot of improvement. Hats off to the council man overseeing these projects. I would like to see some covered seating area closer to the community pool so that families can really monitor their kids . I would like to see a senior center closer in this area as well and maybe making the community pool bigger as it appears to be really small.	3/24/2022 11:39 AM
150	We deserves the best and we deserve our city to be the best. I am Laredo Proud. I want my neighborhood safe, clean and fun.	3/24/2022 11:38 AM
151	N/A	3/24/2022 11:34 AM
152	none at this time	3/24/2022 11:33 AM
153	It is a good thing that all these surveys are being sent to Laredo citizens. You do need people's feedback and input when it comes to trying to make this city a better place to live. The problem is when you send out all these surveys, tally them up, get all the comments and then nothing is ever done! Stop pushing and forcing people to have to move to other cities looking for better medical care, more recreational activities, better entertainment, better streets, better restaurants and most of all better living conditions. It is time for Laredo to be known for what it has to offer its citizens and visitors all year round, and not only for a parade and a George Washington celebration every February. There are 12 months in a year!	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
154	no comments	3/24/2022 11:29 AM
155	It's an older neighborhood and a lot of the houses need a lot of repairs since older people live there they don't get the help they need to fix their homes.	3/24/2022 11:23 AM
156	None at this time.	3/24/2022 11:22 AM
157	More activities at community centers to reduce stress to prevent drug use for middle school students since surveys show that teenagers start consuming alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs around age 13 or 14.	3/24/2022 11:03 AM
158	MORE LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE NEEDED IN AREAS SUCH AS BAR AND GRILLS AND STREETS OVERALL. COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES.	3/24/2022 11:00 AM
159	More big trash pickups schedule & neighborhood clean-ups. More trimming of trees along sidewalks/curbs that are near power lines. More visible police patrolling the streets in the evenings.	3/24/2022 10:55 AM
160	To have chosen a "great need" with every question should be telling. We have a great city, rich in culture. It's a shame we are very trusting, we push ourselves down and dismiss any outstanding societal issues simply because you are out of living in poverty. The truth of the matter is, we need everything to be reviewed and tackled with a sense of urgency, with tact and humility. But, you already knew this. Shame on all of you.	3/24/2022 10:54 AM
161	Sad to see that city facilities are NOT maintained by the depts. (Park is full of trash, yet parks employees are always there)	3/24/2022 10:50 AM
162	END CORRUPTION. Do not award more projects to same people and allow them to change	3/24/2022 10:49 AM



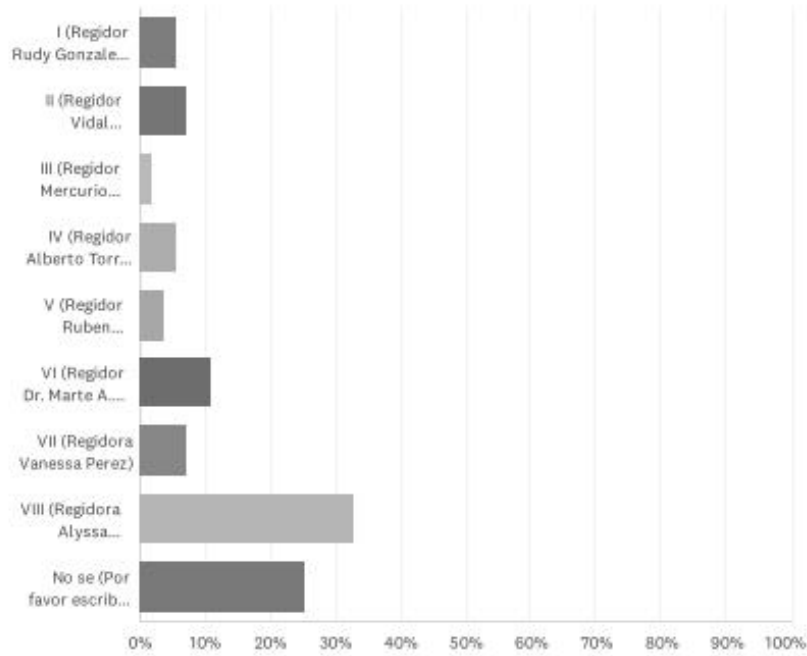
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scope, add fees, add change orders and steal more money from our city that could be given back to our taxpayers for all these things we want. FIX OUR ROADS. We don't have ice and salt, and yet our roads look worse than northern roads. LISTEN TO OUR TAXPAYERS and not just do projects that can be named after someone or added to the councilman's list - DO THE PROJECTS WE ASK FOR. Where is our waterpark that has gone out to RFQ 3-4 times and we still don't have, yet other projects go on through? Check whose projects get awarded and whose get canceled. Same firm(s) always comes out on top.

163	There is great need to protect historic neighborhoods through designation and code enforcement, and prevent encroachment of commercial development without adequate parking and traffic consideration.	3/24/2022 10:48 AM
164	IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO HAVE A STOP LIGHT ON LOMAS DEL SUR / LP 20 (CUATRO VIENTOS) TO HELP WITH TRAFFIC	3/24/2022 10:46 AM
165	Citizens would benefit more by posting every day either on social media or the news what departments are responsible for what along with the phone numbers	3/24/2022 10:43 AM
166	Laredo Proud born and raised. Let's continue helping our communities and ourselves to do better.	3/24/2022 10:37 AM
167	Transportation that is accessible is I feel one of the biggest issues. I looked into trying to ride the bus to work from south laredo to north laredo and it was a difficult process. And road congestion along Cuatro Vientos is already becoming a new Loop 20 problem with lack of overpasses to east-west roadways.	3/24/2022 10:31 AM
168	na	3/24/2022 10:21 AM

### Q1 ¿En que Distrito de la ciudad vive?

Answered: 55 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I (Regidor Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.)	5.45% 3
II (Regidor Vidal Rodriguez)	7.27% 4
III (Regidor Mercurio Martinez III)	1.82% 1
IV (Regidor Alberto Torres, Jr.)	5.45% 3
V (Regidor Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)	3.64% 2
VI (Regidor Dr. Marte A. Martinez)	10.91% 6
VII (Regidora Vanessa Perez)	7.27% 4
VIII (Regidora Alyssa Cigarroa)	32.73% 18
No se (Por favor escriba el nombre de su subdivisión o vecindario en la caja de abajo)	25.45% 14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55</b>

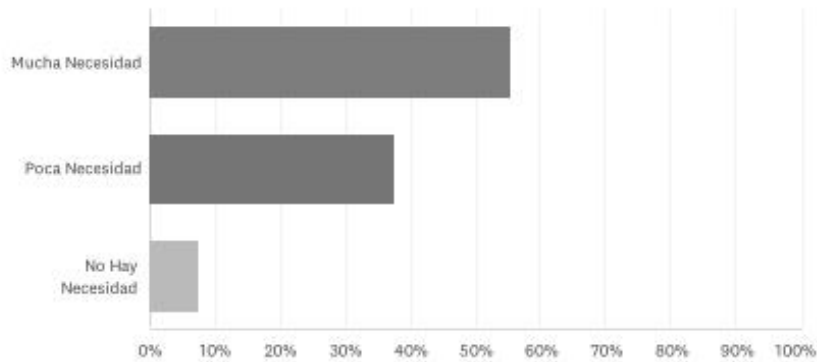
#	NOMBRE DE SU SUBDIVISIÓN O VECINDARIO:	DATE
1	MONARCH, SAN ISIDRO	4/12/2022 4:38 PM

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2	Amazonia	4/7/2022 6:42 AM
3	El Eden	4/5/2022 5:29 PM
4	Santa Fe	4/5/2022 5:06 PM
5	Santa Fe	4/5/2022 5:01 PM
6	los presidentes	4/5/2022 4:26 PM
7	3304 Mier St	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
8	EASTWOODS	3/31/2022 11:11 AM
9	Moreno Subdivision	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
10	Sur-Laredo Texas	3/30/2022 7:05 PM
11	La Joya	3/30/2022 6:03 PM
12	San Agustin	3/30/2022 9:59 AM
13	Narvaez apartments	3/30/2022 9:57 AM
14	500 Gallagher 802b	3/29/2022 9:41 AM
15	Sonterea	3/28/2022 10:41 PM
16	Los Ovispos	3/28/2022 6:33 PM
17	Los Angeles	3/28/2022 3:28 PM
18	Plantation	3/28/2022 2:04 PM
19	San Isidro	3/28/2022 2:00 PM
20	San Jose	3/28/2022 12:57 PM
21	Heritage Park	3/28/2022 10:55 AM
22	la bota ranch	3/28/2022 8:28 AM
23	San José casa del sol	3/28/2022 8:16 AM
24	San José	3/28/2022 7:51 AM
25	Rancho los centenarios, Hwy 59	3/28/2022 7:39 AM
26	Dominion Del Mar subdivision	3/28/2022 3:41 AM
27	Entre los dos rieles de ferrocarril	3/26/2022 2:49 PM
28	78043 Roosevelt avenue	3/26/2022 1:47 PM
29	Colonia Carlos Richter	3/26/2022 12:42 PM
30	Shiloh Crossing	3/26/2022 11:46 AM
31	El eden subdivisión	3/26/2022 11:34 AM
32	Mangana hein rd.	3/26/2022 11:31 AM
33	Lomas del Sur	3/26/2022 10:15 AM
34	La primavera- San isidro	3/24/2022 9:41 PM
35	Westgate	3/24/2022 11:15 AM
36	Casa Verde Apartments	3/24/2022 10:24 AM

## Q2 ¿Hay necesidad de un Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas para ayudar a los propietarios a reparar sus viviendas incluyendo el techo, plomería, electricidad, etc.?

Answered: 67 Skipped: 0

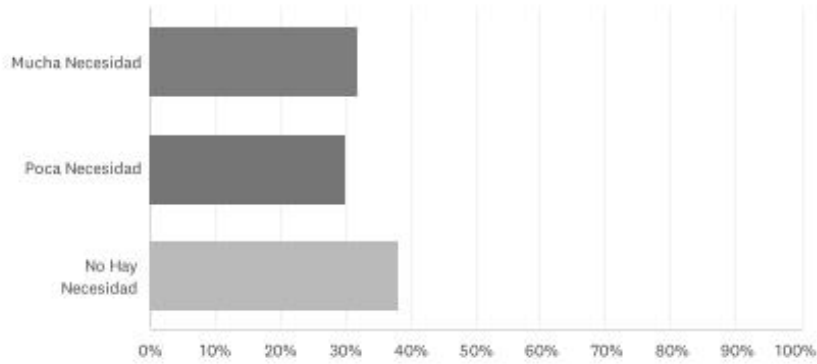


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	55.22%	37
Poca Necesidad	37.31%	25
No Hay Necesidad	7.46%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>67</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	poca necesidad	4/5/2022 4:26 PM
2	Si porque tenemos casas muy bonitas pero son viejitas	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	Porque existen hogares muy humildes	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q3 ¿Hay necesidad de remover la pintura a base de plomo en casas?

Answered: 63 Skipped: 4

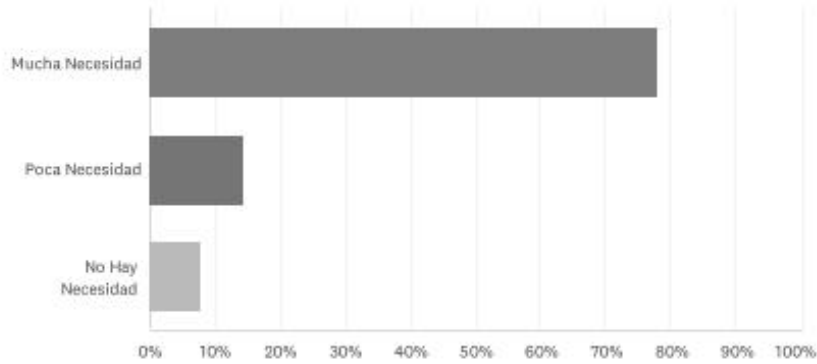


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Mucha Necesidad	31.75% 20
Poca Necesidad	30.16% 19
No Hay Necesidad	38.10% 24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	no se mucho de eso pero pienso que si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	es nosiva para la salud	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	no tengo informacion	3/28/2022 8:28 AM

**Q4 ¿Hay necesidad de un programa para proveer ayuda a individuos de bajos recursos para dar el enganche de una casa por primera vez?**

Answered: 63 Skipped: 4

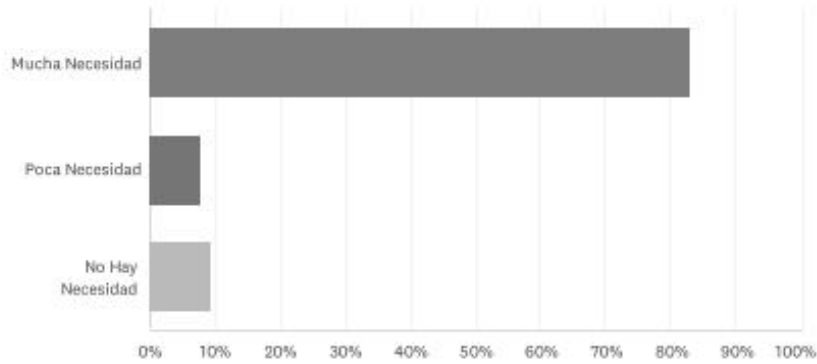


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	77.78%	49
Poca Necesidad	14.29%	9
No Hay Necesidad	7.94%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>63</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	porque cada familia siempre es un sueno tener su propia casa	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	so porque hay personas que en sus trabajos tienen salarios muy bajos.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	Yo doy una de ellas	3/26/2022 2:49 PM

### Q5 ¿Hay necesidad de construir casas nuevas a precios accesibles para ser compradas por individuos de bajos recursos?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3

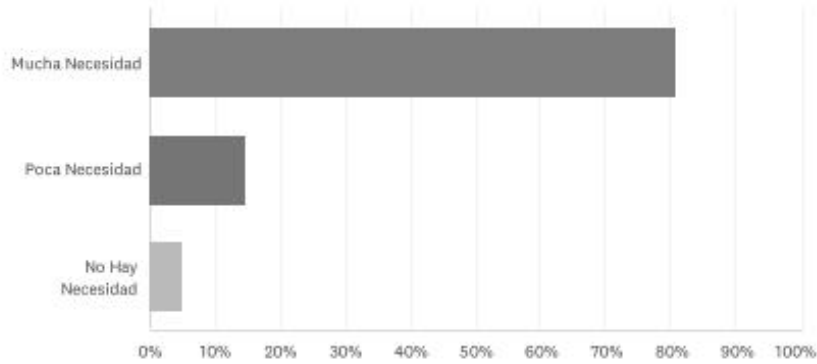


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	82.81%	53
Poca Necesidad	7.81%	5
No Hay Necesidad	9.38%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	por la razon que no todos tenemos una carrera o un trabajo donde ganemos muy bien	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	a pagos comodos de acuerdo a sus posibilidades.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	Laredo a disparado sus precios en compra en venta	3/26/2022 2:49 PM

### Q6 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer ayuda a las personas de la tercera edad para pagar la renta?

Answered: 62 Skipped: 5



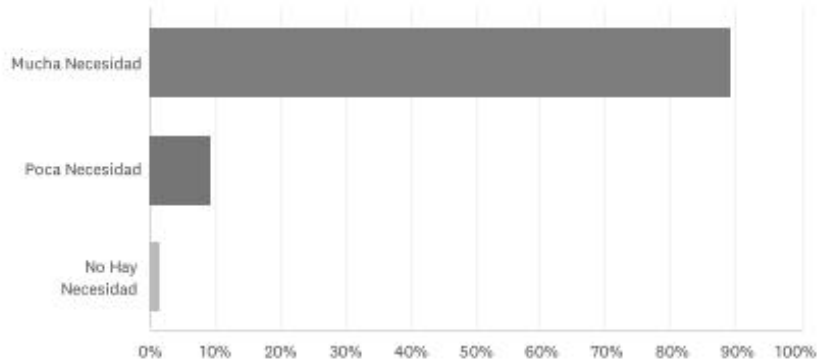
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	80.65%	50
Poca Necesidad	14.52%	9
No Hay Necesidad	4.84%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>62</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	si porque ellos son personas muy especiales y importantes	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	La mayoría de los adultos mayores tienen pensiones bajas	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	no tengo informacion sobre este asunto	3/28/2022 8:28 AM



**Q7 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer consejería, referencia/servicios de apoyo para informar a individuos de los recursos disponibles en la comunidad?**

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3

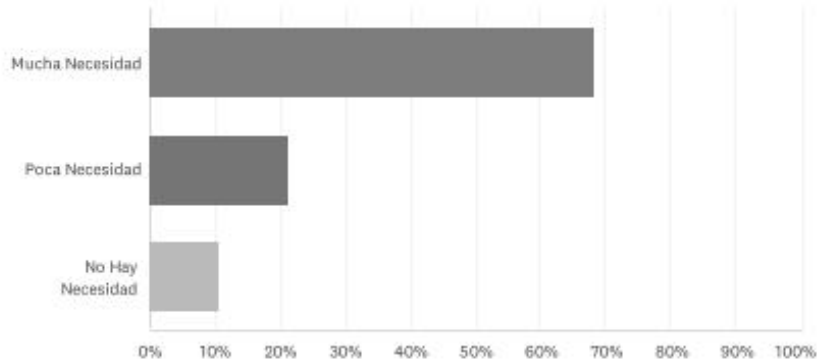


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	89.06%	57
Poca Necesidad	9.38%	6
No Hay Necesidad	1.56%	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si porque voy en dia hay muchos depresion y otras cosas nuevas en nuestros hijos	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	si para estar informados y saber a donde acudir.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

**Q8 ¿Hay necesidad de albergues de emergencia para proveer un techo y servicios a personas ó familias que viven en la calle?**

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

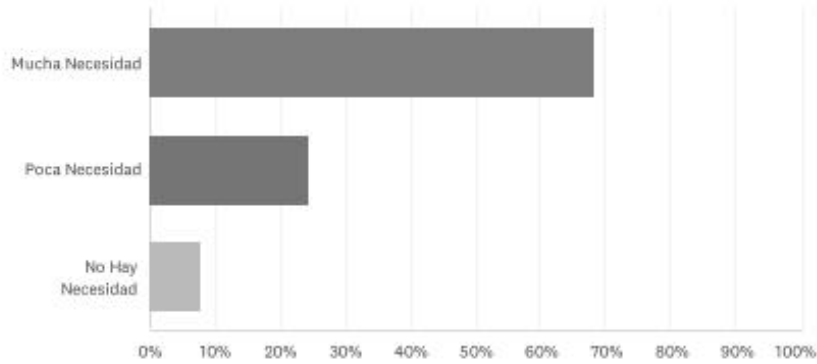


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	68.18%	45
Poca Necesidad	21.21%	14
No Hay Necesidad	10.61%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si porque es muy tristes que alguien viva de esa manera	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Muchas familias no tienen casa y si necesitan donde vivir.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q9 ¿Hay necesidad de refugios de emergencia adicionales para personas o familias sin hogar?

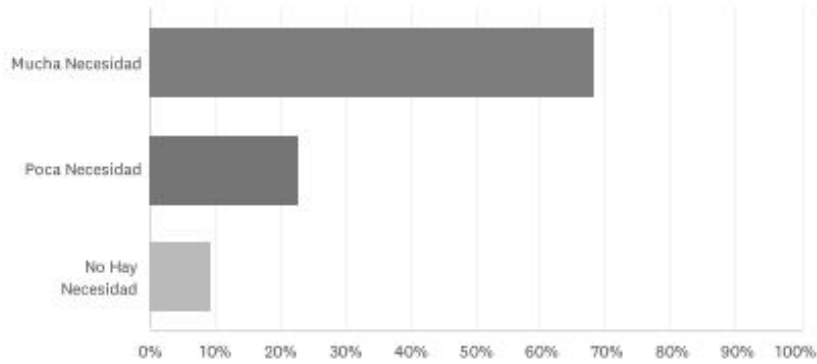
Answered: 66 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	68.18%	45
Poca Necesidad	24.24%	16
No Hay Necesidad	7.58%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

**Q10 ¿Hay necesidad de un refugio de emergencia no congregado para personas o familias sin hogar?**

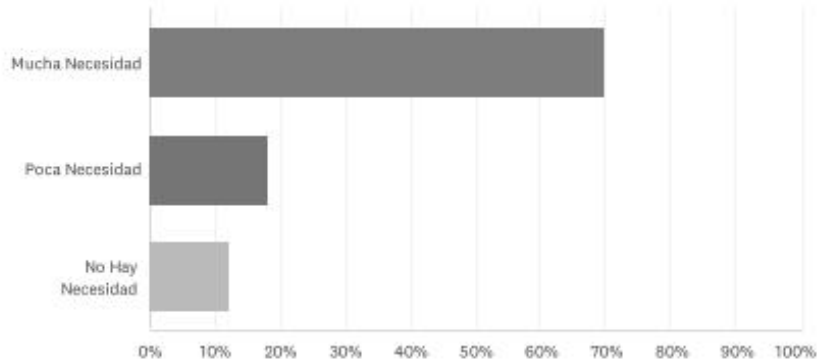
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	68.18%	45
Poca Necesidad	22.73%	15
No Hay Necesidad	9.09%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

**Q11 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer una vivienda temporal a personas ó familias que viven la calle en lo que encuentran un hogar permanente?**

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

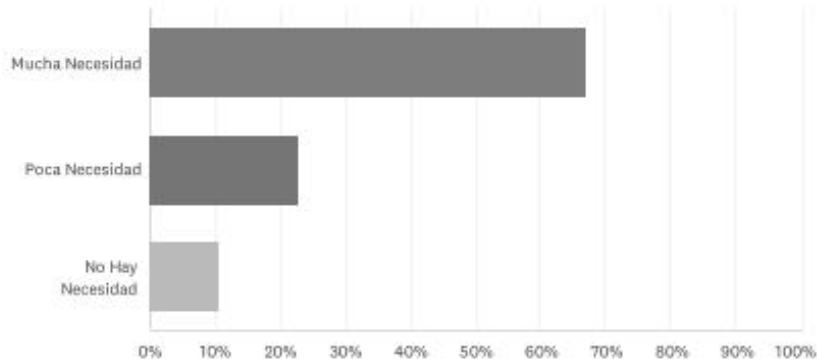


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	69.70%	46
Poca Necesidad	18.18%	12
No Hay Necesidad	12.12%	8
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si porque ay necesidades	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	A personas sin hogar	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

**Q12 ¿Hay necesidad de una nueva construcción de viviendas asequibles para personas o familias sin hogar?**

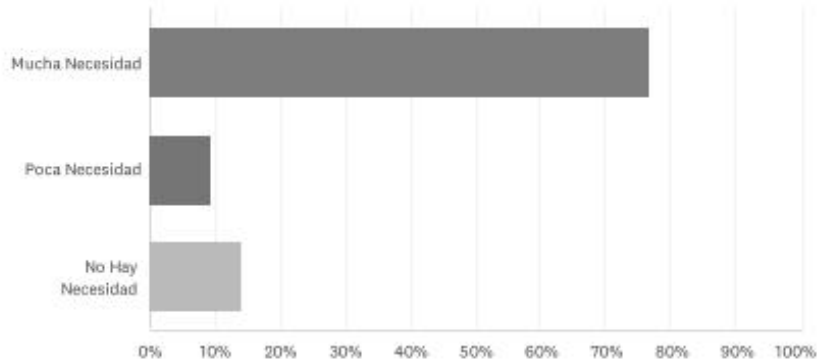
Answered: 66 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	66.67%	44
Poca Necesidad	22.73%	15
No Hay Necesidad	10.61%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

**Q13 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer información a personas que viven en la calle sobre los servicios disponibles?**

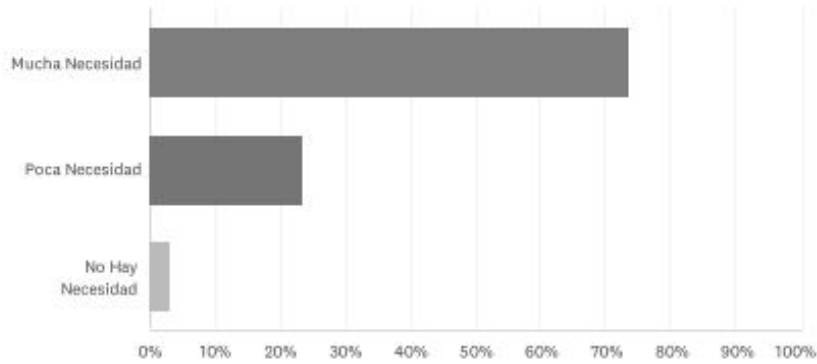
Answered: 64 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	76.56%	49
Poca Necesidad	9.38%	6
No Hay Necesidad	14.06%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

**Q14 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer a individuos ó familias asistencia para pagar la renta ú otras utilidades para prevenir que terminen en la calle?**

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3



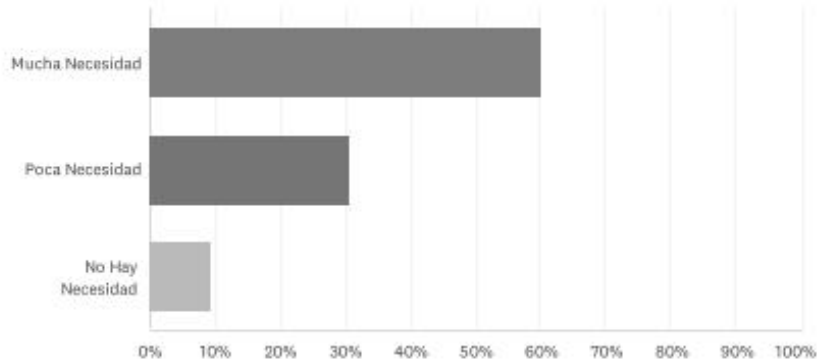
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	73.44%	47
Poca Necesidad	23.44%	15
No Hay Necesidad	3.13%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	Hay familias que tienen muchas privaciones para pagar una renta.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM



**Q15 ¿Hay necesidad de mejorar las líneas de agua o hidrantes de incendio existentes en su vecindario?**

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

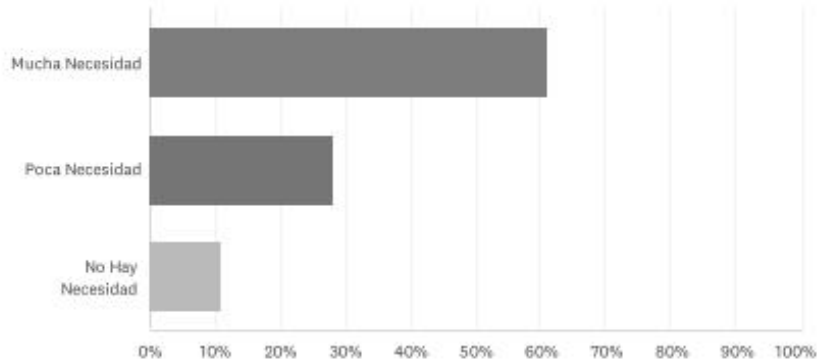


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	60.00%	39
Poca Necesidad	30.77%	20
No Hay Necesidad	9.23%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	eso si es muy importante porque ay muchas lineas que son muy muy viejitas	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	No estan urgente se ve bien las condiciones.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	Necesitamos drenaje	3/26/2022 11:31 AM

### Q16 ¿Hay necesidad de construir o incrementar la capacidad de almacenamiento de agua en su vecindario?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3

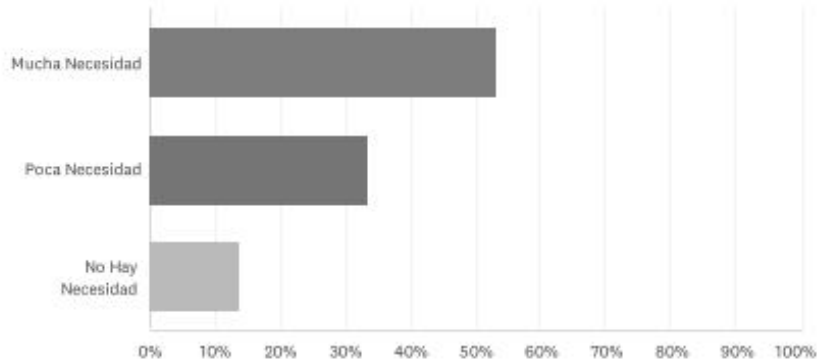


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	60.94%	39
Poca Necesidad	28.13%	18
No Hay Necesidad	10.94%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	si porque no tenemos informacion	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	No creo que sea una prioridad.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	Necesitamos drenaje	3/26/2022 11:31 AM
5	demasiada POCA PRESION DE AGUA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	3/24/2022 9:41 PM

### Q17 ¿Hay necesidad de mejorar o expandir las instalaciones de tratamiento de alcantarillado en su vecindario?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

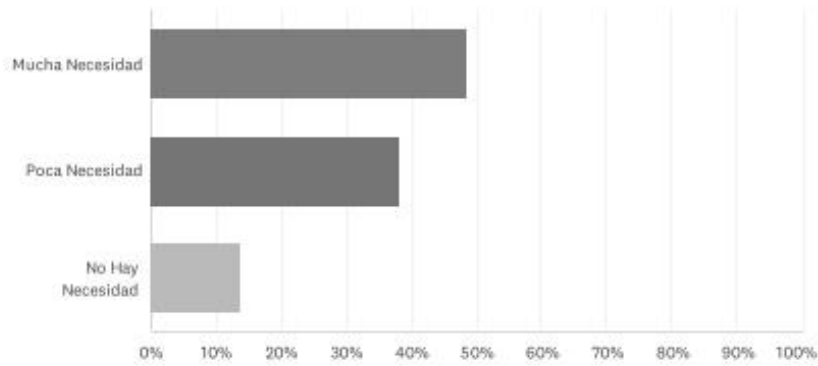


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	53.03%	35
Poca Necesidad	33.33%	22
No Hay Necesidad	13.64%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si porque cuando llueve fuerte simepre se tapa o no es suficiente	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	En nuestra colonia hay partes donde no hay alcantarias o ni banquetas.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q18 ¿Hay necesidad de construir banquetas en su vecindario?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

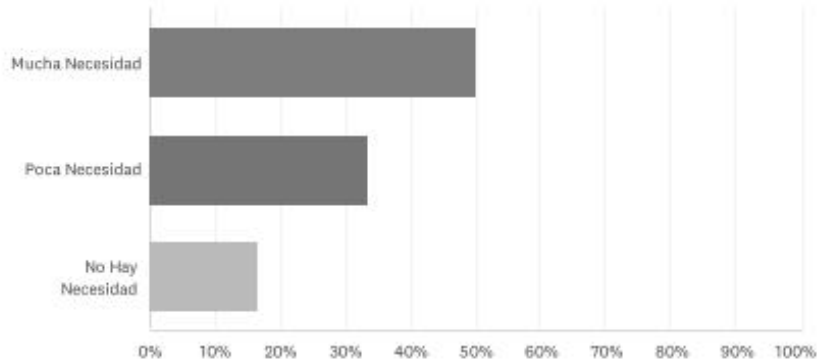


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	48.48%	32
Poca Necesidad	37.88%	25
No Hay Necesidad	13.64%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	creo que si no me e puesto atencion	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	en algunas calles no existen.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	Por favor si again esto de las banquetas	3/26/2022 2:49 PM
4	Mi venciadad tieneal rededor de 50 años y no se han construido banquetas	3/24/2022 11:15 AM

### Q19 ¿Hay necesidad de construir/mejorar las condiciones del drenaje en su vecindario?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

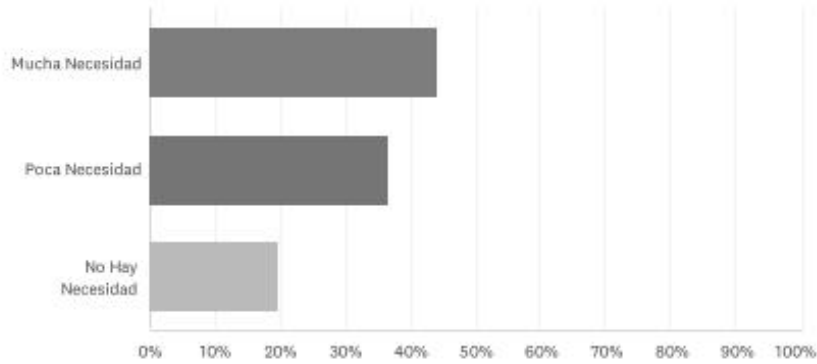


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	50.00%	33
Poca Necesidad	33.33%	22
No Hay Necesidad	16.67%	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si son muyj viejos	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Faltan alcantarias	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q20 ¿Hay necesidad de instalar señales de tráfico nuevas en su vecindario?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1

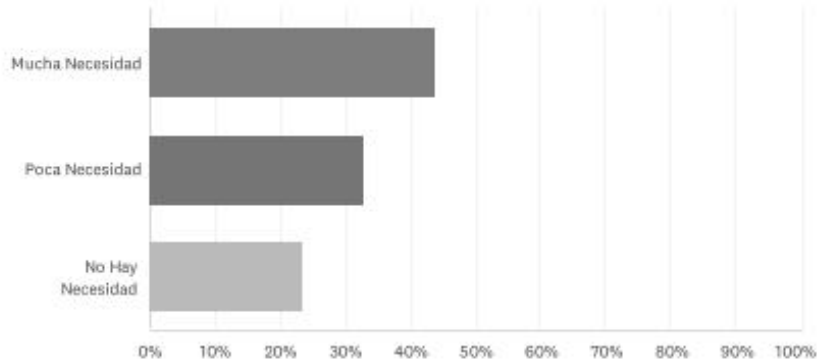


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	43.94%	29
Poca Necesidad	36.36%	24
No Hay Necesidad	19.70%	13
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	donde estan los boms	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	funciona bien	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	Ejido & Sierra Vista	3/28/2022 3:28 PM
4	reemplazar señalamientos viejos y nombres de calles	3/28/2022 2:04 PM
5	SIIIIIIIII por el trafico de UHS y la primaria.	3/24/2022 9:41 PM

### Q21 ¿Hay necesidad de pavimentar las calles/carreteras en su vecindario?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3

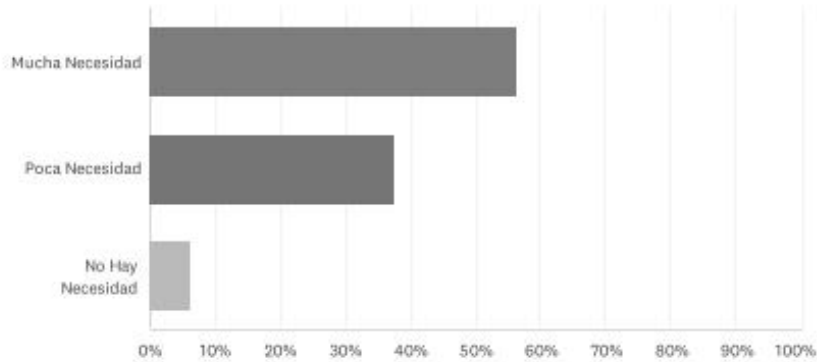


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	43.75%	28
Poca Necesidad	32.81%	21
No Hay Necesidad	23.44%	15
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	The streets need maintenance, we have the same street with the worst and worst conditions. San Isidro, La Cuesta, Palmetto Dr.	4/4/2022 10:43 AM
2	si porque ya esta pasada la calle	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	ya estan pavimentadas en su mayoria.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	Re-pavimentar	3/28/2022 3:28 PM
5	50 anos de vecindario y no se han arreglado las calles	3/24/2022 11:15 AM

### Q22 ¿Hay necesidad de instalar reductores de velocidad en su vecindario?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	56.25%	36
Poca Necesidad	37.50%	24
No Hay Necesidad	6.25%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

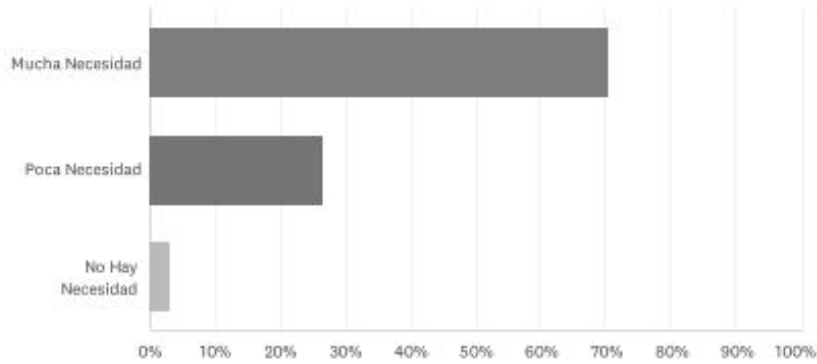
#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	Crepusculo Dr.	4/4/2022 10:43 AM
2	si muy importante	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	en nuestra colonia no existe.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
4	siii por internacional por la hora de las escuelas	3/24/2022 9:41 PM
5	seguido hay trafico que cruzan haciendo "short cuts" y pasan a una gran velocidad aun mas de la permitida	3/24/2022 11:15 AM





**Q24 ¿Hay necesidad de centros comunitarios ó centros para personas de la tercera edad que provean actividades que beneficien a los usuarios?**

Answered: 64 Skipped: 3

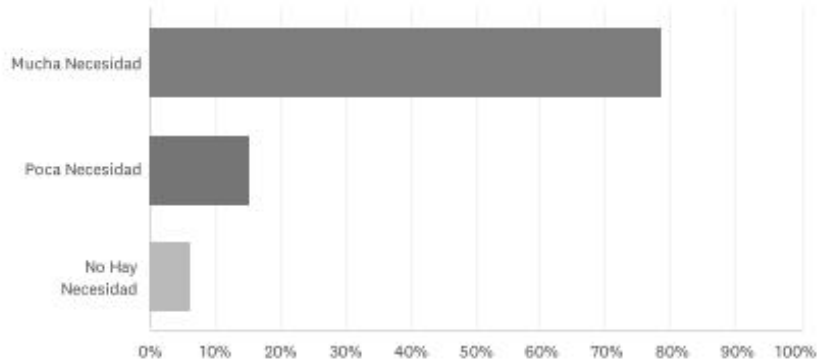


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	70.31%	45
Poca Necesidad	26.56%	17
No Hay Necesidad	3.13%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Todo beneficio es bueno hay adultos mayores que pueden ser activos.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	si, no tenemos centro comunitario y el parque que hay no esta ni pavimentado el estacionamiento siempre esta bien seco el zacate y sucio	3/24/2022 9:41 PM
4	seniors are in need	3/24/2022 1:02 PM

### Q25 ¿Hay necesidad de centros de recreación nuevos ó adicionales en su vecindario?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

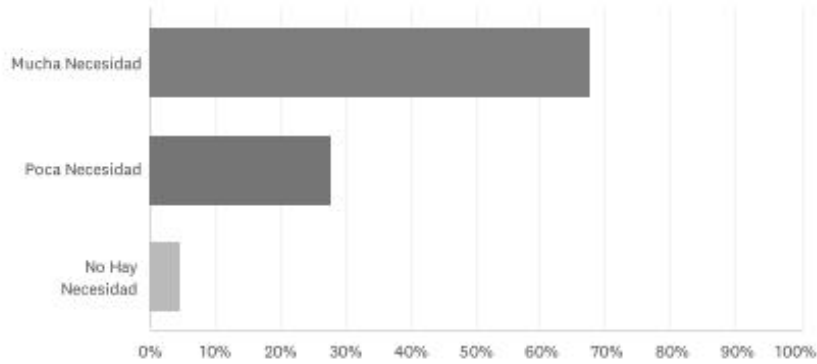


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	78.46%	51
Poca Necesidad	15.38%	10
No Hay Necesidad	6.15%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	ya tenemos uno clark	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	No existen en nuestra colonia	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	sii, esta abandonado el parque y seco ni arreglado ni cercado de perdido con malla ciclonica	3/24/2022 9:41 PM
4	no parks	3/24/2022 1:02 PM

### Q26 ¿Hay necesidad de nuevos parques y áreas de juegos en su vecindario?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

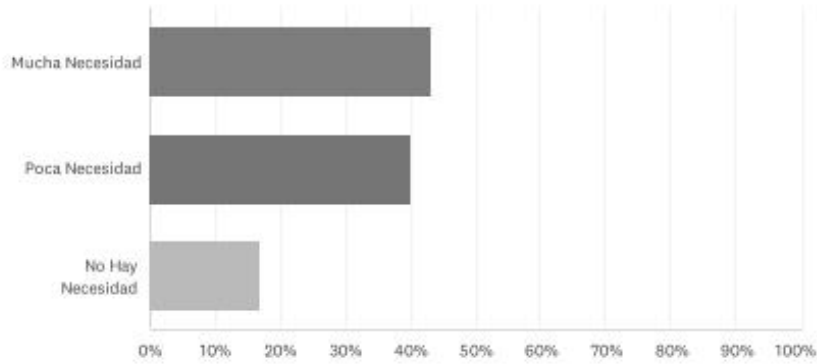


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	67.69%	44
Poca Necesidad	27.69%	18
No Hay Necesidad	4.62%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	Si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	no tenemos parques	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	En esta cuadra está un solar solo y es muy buen lugar para hacer una plaza con la banquetta acondicionada para caminar cómodamente	3/26/2022 2:49 PM
4	si para el nivel de lo que se cobran de impuestos solo hay un juego en el parque y esta descuidado no hay sombra y muy pocas bancas y sin pavimentar y sin cerca, hasta que no pase un accidente van a hacer algo	3/24/2022 9:41 PM

### Q27 ¿Hay necesidad de sub-estaciones de policía en su vecindario?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

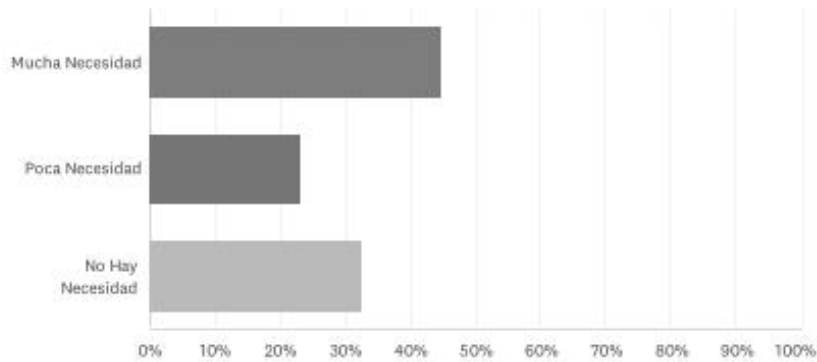


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	43.08%	28
Poca Necesidad	40.00%	26
No Hay Necesidad	16.92%	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	Si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	ya existe UNA!	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	lack of security	3/24/2022 1:02 PM

**Q28 ¿Hay necesidad de derrumbar edificios deficientes/abandonados en donde es posible que ocurra algún crimen debido a las condiciones del edificio?**

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

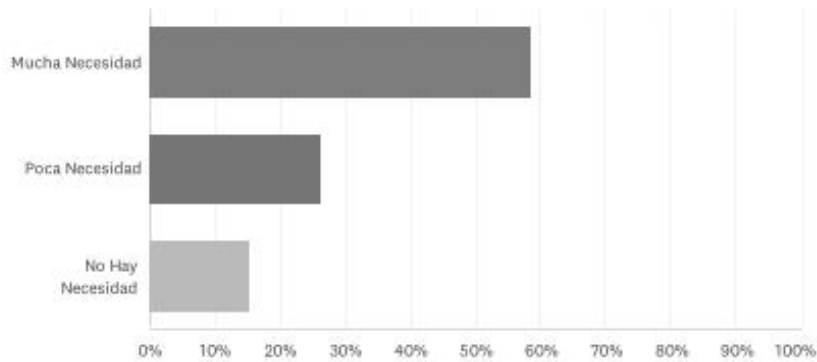


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	44.62%	29
Poca Necesidad	23.08%	15
No Hay Necesidad	32.31%	21
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	no e visto	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Para construir viviendas para las personas necesitadas	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
3	Trails abandonadas	3/28/2022 3:28 PM

**Q29 ¿Hay necesidad de un Programa de Enfortamiento de Códigos relacionados con solares con hiervas altas, vehículos abandonados, y otras molestias para tener un vecindario más limpio y Seguro?**

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

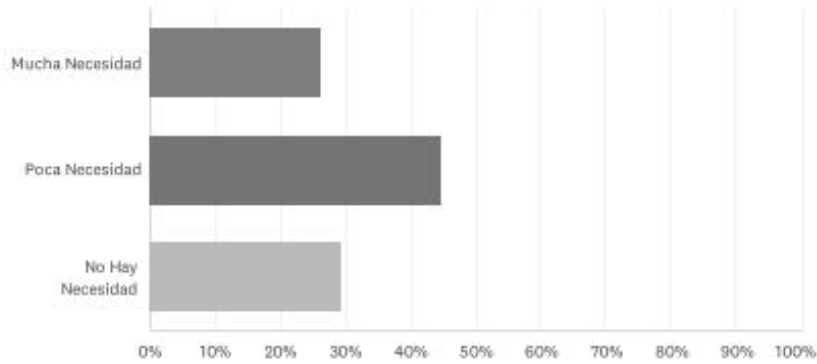


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	58.46%	38
Poca Necesidad	26.15%	17
No Hay Necesidad	15.38%	10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	que limpien sus solares	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Muchos molestias la jente no hace caso son muy inconcientes.	3/31/2022 11:15 AM
3	MUCHOS CARROS ABANDONADOS	3/31/2022 11:11 AM
4	Porque, crea contaminacion	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
5	Carrots abandonados	3/28/2022 3:32 PM
6	si, no todos los vecinos cortab las hierbas altas y hay como 3 carros abandonados	3/24/2022 9:41 PM

### Q30 ¿Hay necesidad de remover el grafiti de las paredes, puentes y otras áreas en su vecindario?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2



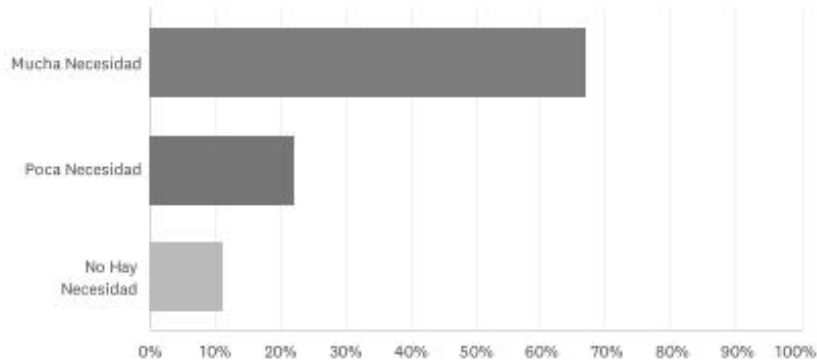
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	26.15%	17
Poca Necesidad	44.62%	29
No Hay Necesidad	29.23%	19
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	no se mucho de eso	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Almenos que sean artistico.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM



### Q31 ¿Hay necesidad de promover/proveer incentivos para el desarrollo de negocios pequeños?

Answered: 63 Skipped: 4

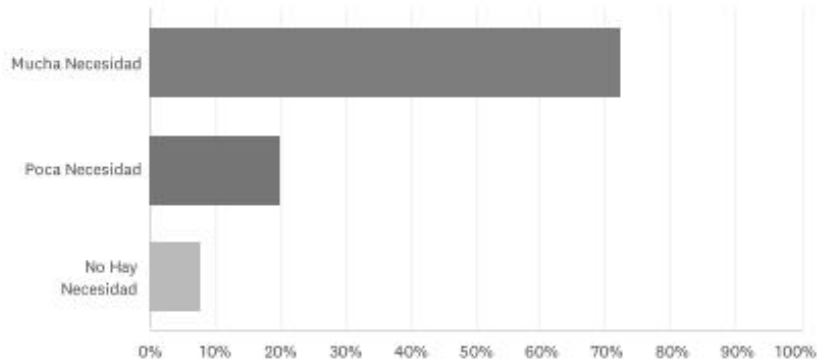


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	66.67%	42
Poca Necesidad	22.22%	14
No Hay Necesidad	11.11%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>63</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	No sé	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	pienso que si	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
3	Si para ampliar el mismo y tener mejores ganancias	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q32 ¿Hay necesidad de proveer entrenamiento de trabajo para los individuos?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 2

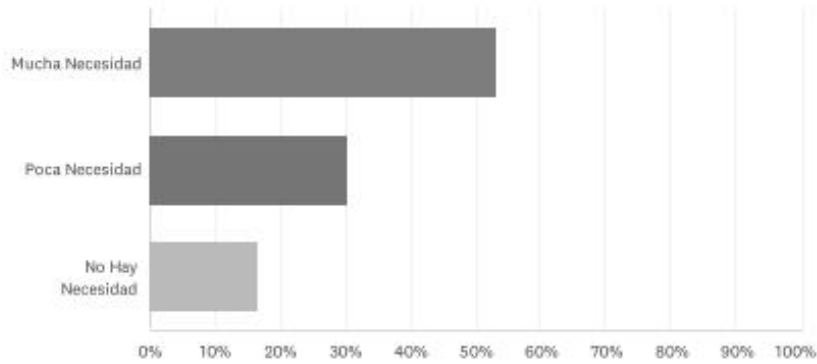


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	72.31%	47
Poca Necesidad	20.00%	13
No Hay Necesidad	7.69%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si ojala y les caterese y cambien la manera de vivir	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	para porder tener mejor salario	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

### Q33 ¿Hay necesidad de crear carriles para las personas que andan en bicicleta en su vecindario?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucha Necesidad	53.03%	35
Poca Necesidad	30.30%	20
No Hay Necesidad	16.67%	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

#	COMENTARIOS	DATE
1	si a mis hijos les gusta mucho usar bidicletas	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
2	Para evitar accidentes sobre todo de ninos	3/30/2022 7:23 PM

## Q34 ¿Tiene algun otro comentario ó sugerencia?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 41

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Hace falta un centro comunitario que tenga gimnasio, biblioteca, salones para actividades deportivas, culturales y artísticas, para niños y adultos. Una buena opción para su ubicación es que se ubicará cerca de las canchas de bsquetbil. Volleyball de North Central Park, a donde acude mucha gente a ejercitarse.	4/12/2022 4:38 PM
2	que esten mas activos o disponibles para necesidades de nuestra comunidad	4/5/2022 5:29 PM
3	este centro de ferias es el que mas me a gustado para mis hijos laverdad	3/31/2022 5:35 PM
4	si que nos limpien los sacatoles y los arbolles de la colonia CONcord Hills y que cuando bengan	3/31/2022 11:15 AM
5	Tratar de poner banquetas en siertos lugares.	3/30/2022 7:23 PM
6	Me gustaria que hubiera mas vigilancia de parte de policias de noche.	3/30/2022 6:03 PM
7	Ayudar a los homeless a salir de las calles	3/30/2022 10:08 AM
8	No	3/30/2022 9:59 AM
9	No hay vijilancia en el edificio del hamilton para que no entre gente que no vive aqui y que se mete a robar	3/30/2022 9:56 AM
10	ninguno	3/29/2022 9:47 AM
11	no	3/29/2022 9:41 AM
12	No comentarios	3/28/2022 10:41 PM
13	Se requiere mas asistencia de seguridad y mas luces en las calles.	3/28/2022 6:33 PM
14	Mas limpieza en las Casas, botes Y basura	3/28/2022 3:28 PM
15	Casi todos mis comentarios son para la gente de la calle, osea del centro de la ciudad.	3/28/2022 1:54 PM
16	Por favor, tomen en cuenta que si es necesario un área para ejercitarse o para los niños, Ya que los parques quedan todos retirados.	3/28/2022 12:57 PM
17	La falta luz en la calle independence es muy necesaria	3/28/2022 10:55 AM
18	No	3/28/2022 7:39 AM
19	El uso de topes en Las Calles de la ciudad no son la solución para enforzar leyes de trafico, sino que mas vigalancia por parte de los policías y multas mas severas. Al castigar nuestro publico en general por culpa de Uno's cuantos es una desgracia sobre los que viajamos justamente y legalmente. Asi aún hay muchas barreras por falta de la coordinación del trafico en nuestra ciudad, ademas de falta de planificar. Y tal vez utilizar topes como la solución para complacer nuestro constituyentes y no tomar otras medidas son inútil. La libertad de uno de poder manejar y viajar sin impedimentos esta escrito en la base de nuestro derechos de este País. Quisas la ciudad tome otra dirección sobre topes en nuestra calles, ya que por lo tanto como ciudadanos estamos enfrentando dificultades en nuestra vidas diariamente.	3/28/2022 3:41 AM
20	Por favor tomen en cuenta que si hay muchas necesidades para poder ayudarnos	3/26/2022 2:49 PM
21	El Dr Marte Martinez realiza un excelente trabajo	3/26/2022 11:46 AM
22	Se nesecita ayuda con los animales ya que se les llama al 311 a que acudan a rescatar o capturar muchos perros que andan en la calle y pasa hasta mas de 8 semanas y no bienen tambien en los cruces de Sierra vista ejido no respetan señalamientos de stop y se nesecita una salida alternativa para la escuela lamar bruni ya que se junta demaciado trafico pues salen	3/26/2022 11:34 AM

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los niños de la escuela memorial y a los 15 minutos salen los otros niños de lamar bruni  
vergara ojo con esto porfavor ,lindo dia

23	Necesitamos drenaje y un Programa para remodelar casas o préstamos para compra	3/26/2022 11:31 AM
24	El suministro de agua debe de ser limpio y tener capacidad para, en dado caso de tener un problema, dar suministro a toda la ciudad y no solo al area norte de la ciudad.	3/26/2022 10:15 AM
25	las calles demasiado oscuras y muy mal que hayan puesto una raya blanca para invadir una calle de muy apenas dos carriles y agregaron esa linea para estacionarse y ni esta cercado y los ninso se bajan atras de la pelota, creo debemos prevenir y evitar accidentes!	3/24/2022 9:41 PM
26	We need more help	3/24/2022 1:02 PM

**APPENDIX H**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING – APPROVAL OF ACTION PLAN**

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**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**M2022-R-11**  
**LIVE WEB LINK: <http://laredotx.swagit.com/live>**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**July 18, 2022**  
**5:30 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Saenz called the meeting to order at 05:30 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Saenz.

**III. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Saenz called for a moment of silence for any particular intention.

**IV. ROLL CALL**

In attendance:

Pete Saenz	Mayor
Rudy Gonzalez Jr.	District I
Vidal Rodriguez	Mayor Pro Tempore
Mercurio "Merc" Martinez, III	District III
Alberto Torres Jr.	District IV
Ruben Gutierrez Jr.	District V
Dr. Marte Martinez	District VI 5:46 p.m.
Vanessa Perez	District VII 5:46 p.m.
Alyssa Cigarroa	District VIII
Jose A. Valdez Jr.	City Secretary
Samuel K. Selman	Interim City Manager
Rosario Cabello	Deputy City Manager
Miazul Ria	Assistant City Manager
Zone Nguyen	City Attorney

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for the veteran community within the City of Laredo area. The term of the grant shall be one (1) year from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023. There is no match requirement.

38. **2022-R-113** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept and execute the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) Fund for Veterans' Assistance (FVA) Financial Assistance Grant Program. The Community Development Department, through the Municipal Housing Division, received an award in the amount of \$75,000.00 to provide financial assistance in the form of utility and/or mortgage or rental payments for the veteran community within the City of Laredo area. The term of the grant shall be one (1) year from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023. There is no match required.
39. Approving the submission of the 2022-2023 One Year Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) request for funding in the amounts of \$3,403,999.00 in 48th Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$1,239,355.00 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and \$315,100.00 through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). An additional \$80,000.00 is anticipated to be received in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, \$20,000.00 through CDBG Program Income, and \$200,000.00 in HOME Program Income. Also authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute all documents as a result of the Plan's submission. The plan identifies the projects proposed to be funded by HUD through entitlement program funds and anticipated program income, which are as follows:
40. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute all documents as a result of the application submission of the Section 108 Loan Application in the proposed amount of \$4,115,000.00 to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to request funding for the rehabilitation of an existing City-owned historical building known as the Southern Hotel located downtown at the 1200 block of Matamoros St., Laredo, TX 78040, for the purpose of providing twenty-two (22) mixed income affordable rental housing units of which thirteen (13) will be designated for low-moderate income households.

**Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 30-76, with the tabling of Item 33.**

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 8                      Against: 0                      Abstain: Cm. Torres #48

NP:

**Motion Carries.**

41. Authorization to allow Interim City Manager to enter into an agreement between the City of Laredo and the Kansas City Southern Railway Company by which the City will agree to grant certain easements to Kansas City Southern to be used for railroad purposes. In exchange for these easements, Kansas City Southern will procure preliminary engineering services for the proposed grade separations and hire a consultant to prepare a grant



**APPENDIX I**  
**LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM TEXAS BALANCE OF STATE**  
**CONTINUUM OF CARE**

# Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care

July 13, 2022

Ms. Maria Tina Martinez  
Director, Community Development Department  
City of Laredo  
1301 Farragut Street, Transit Center, East Wing, Third Floor  
Laredo, TX 78040

Dear Ms. Martinez,

Texas Homeless Network, the CoC Lead Agency for the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care (TX BoS CoC), is pleased to provide this letter of support for the City of Laredo's 2022-23 Annual Action Plan. THN staff reviewed the homeless-related topics in the draft plan and provided input, and City staff responded to THN's questions and comments in writing.

We appreciate the opportunity to review the plan with the City staff, to better understand how Consolidated Planning funds are making a difference in Laredo. THN and the CoC will continue to support the City's efforts to address homelessness, including administering ESG, and activities to increase the supply of and access to affordable housing in Laredo.

If you have questions or want additional information, please contact me at [mary@thn.org](mailto:mary@thn.org) or 512-861-2180.

Sincerely,



Mary Stahlke, LMSW  
Director of Engagement for the TX BoS CoC



**APPENDIX J**  
**ANNOUNCEMENT - SUBMISSION**  
**OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**



# WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

## TELL US WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS ARE

The City of Laredo, Department of Community Development, will be conducting surveys and receiving public comments in order to give citizens an opportunity to express their housing and community development needs. We highly encourage you to fill out a Community Needs Survey or provide comments through any of the following methods:

★ Fill out a quick survey online through Survey Monkey at:

**ENGLISH**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/comments22>



**ESPAÑOL**

<https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/comentarios22>



★ Call us at the City of Laredo Community Development Department at (956)795-2675

★ Write an e-mail to [cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us)

### Expected Grants

CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOME ARP
\$3,748,497	\$1,158,599	\$328,355	\$4,199,095

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS CURRENTLY OFFERED

Housing Rehabilitation

Down Payment Assistance

Homeless Assistance

Rental Assistance

Affordable Housing

Code Enforcement



**HOME PROGRAM  
RESALE AND RECAPTURE PROVISIONS**

NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIALITY RIGHTS: IF YOU ARE A NATURAL PERSON, YOU MAY REMOVE OR STRIKE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THIS INSTRUMENT BEFORE IT IS FILED FOR RECORD IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS: YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER.

**SECOND LIEN  
DEED OF TRUST  
DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

GRANTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

GRANTOR'S MAILING ADDRESS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Laredo, Texas 7804\_

TRUSTEE: \_\_\_\_\_, City Manager

TRUSTEE'S MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 579  
Laredo, Webb County, Texas 78042-0579

BENEFICIARY: City of Laredo

BENEFICIARY'S MAILING ADDRESS (including county):

1110 Houston St.  
P.O. Box 579  
Laredo, Webb County, Texas 78042-0579

NOTE:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_)

GRANTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYEE: City of Laredo

FINAL MATURITY DATE: (5 OR 10 YRS FROM DATE OF CLOSING)

PROPERTY (including any improvements):

**TERM OF PAYMENTS**

The terms of payment shall be in accordance with that Real Estate Lien Note entered in between The City of Laredo, \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_. Owner understands and agrees that if Owner sells the Property, as provided in this paragraph, within the period of affordability, \_\_\_\_ years following the beginning date used in the Loan Documents.

(A) Accordingly, in the event of a voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property during the applicable period of affordability, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer.

The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer:

- a. Upon completion of the 1st year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- b. Upon completion of the 2nd year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- c. Upon completion of the 3rd year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- d. Upon completion of the 4th year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; and
- e. Upon completion of the 5th year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.

- a. Upon completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 10% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- b. Upon completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- c. Upon completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 30% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- d. Upon completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- e. Upon completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 50% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- f. Upon completion of the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- g. Upon completion of the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 70% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- h. Upon completion of the 8<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- i. Upon completion of the 9<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 90% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
- j. Upon completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.

If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the prorated amount of the HOME subsidy, the City shall recapture the entire amount of net proceeds from the sale. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

**Penalties for Non-Compliance**

In the event that the city determines that the assisted homebuyer(s) is non-compliant with the residency requirements and the other requirements stated in the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) Contract then the entire face value of the DPA loan is immediately due and payable to the city. Homebuyer will be given 30 days to return to compliance. If homebuyer(s) does not return to compliance the entire face value of the DPA will be due and payable and will incur a four percent (4%) interest per annum.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

**PRIOR LIEN(S):**

The indebtedness evidenced by the **Note** and this deed of trust is subordinate to the indebtedness evidenced  
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by a deed of trust dated \_\_\_\_\_, and payable to \_\_\_\_\_ in the original principal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), which is recorded in Volume \_\_\_\_\_, PP \_\_\_\_\_ Official Property Records, Webb County, Texas, which First Lien Debt is also secured by a deed of trust lien on the Property.

Grantor and Beneficiary acknowledge and agree that this Second Lien Deed of Trust is subject and subordinate in all respects to the liens, covenants and conditions of the First Lien Debt and to all advances heretofore made or which may hereafter be made pursuant to the First Lien Debt including all sums advanced for the purpose of (a) protecting or further securing the lien of the First Lien Debt, curing defaults by Grantor under the First Lien Debt or for any other purpose expressly permitted by the First Lien Debt or (b) constructing, renovating, repairing, furnishing, fixturing or equipping the Property. The terms and provisions of the First Lien Debt are paramount and controlling, and they supersede any other terms and provisions in conflict therewith. In the event of a foreclosure of the First Lien Debt, any provisions herein or any provisions in any other collateral agreement restricting the use of the Property to low or moderate income households or otherwise restricting the Grantor's ability to sell the Property shall have no effect on subsequent owners or purchasers of the Property. Any person, including successors and assigns (other than the Grantor or a related entity of the Grantor), receiving title to the Property through a foreclosure of the First Lien Debt shall receive title to the Property free and clear from any such restrictions.

In the event Beneficiary commences foreclosure proceedings on the Property under this Second Lien Deed of Trust, Beneficiary, in addition to providing Grantor notices at the time(s) and in the manner provided in Section 51.002, Texas Property Code, will also provide a copy of such notice(s) to the holder of the First Lien Debt at the same time such notice(s) are provided to Grantor as provided in Section 51.002, Texas Property Code; however, the holder of the First Lien Debt shall have no claim or cause of action against Beneficiary in the event Beneficiary fails to give any such notice to the holder of the First Lien Debt so long as such failure is not due to willful disregard on the part of Beneficiary, or if such notice(s) are given by Beneficiary to the holder of the First Lien Debt in the manner provided by Section 51.002, Texas Property Code, but such notice(s) are not received by the holder of the First Lien Debt. For purposes of giving any notices to the holder of the First Lien Debt as provided in this paragraph, such holder's address is as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_

If no address has been inserted in the space immediately above, Beneficiary has no obligation to provide such notices to the holder of the First Lien Debt until such time as beneficiary receives written notice of such holder's address, by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to Beneficiary, in care of Trustee, at Beneficiary's Mailing Address shown herein.

**OTHER EXCEPTIONS TO CONVEYANCE AND WARRANTY:**

For value received and to secure payment of the **Note**, Grantor conveys the **Property** to Trustee in trust. Grantor warrants and agrees to defend title to the **Property**. If Grantor performs all the covenants and pays the **Note** according to its terms, this deed of trust shall have no further effect, and Beneficiary shall release it at Grantor's expense.

**GRANTOR'S OBLIGATIONS**

Grantor agrees to:

1. Keep the **Property** in good repair and condition;
2. Pay all taxes and assessments on the **Property** when due;
3. Preserve the lien's priority as it is established in this deed of trust;
4. Maintain the **Property** in such a manner as to cause it to comply with Grantor's agreements in a Down Payment Assistance Program Contract ("**DPA Contract**") between Grantor



and **Beneficiary**;

5. Maintain, in a form acceptable to **Beneficiary**, an insurance policy that:
  - a. Covers all improvements for their full insurable value as determined when the policy is issued and renewed, unless **Beneficiary** approves a smaller amount in writing;
  - b. contains an 80% coinsurance clause;
  - c. provides fire and extended coverage, including windstorm coverage;
  - d. protects **Beneficiary** with a standard mortgage clause;
  - e. provides flood insurance at any time the **Property** is in a flood hazard area; and
  - f. contains such other coverage as **Beneficiary** may reasonably require;
6. Comply at all times with the requirements of the 80% coinsurance clause;
7. Deliver the insurance policy to **Beneficiary** and deliver renewals to **Beneficiary** at least ten days before expiration;
8. Keep any buildings occupies as required by the insurance policy;
9. Comply with its obligations under the **DPA Contract**; and
10. If this is not a first lien, pay all prior lien notes that **Grantor** is personally liable to pay and abide by all prior lien instruments, including the **First Lien Debt**.

#### **BENEFICIARY'S RIGHTS**

1. **Beneficiary** may appoint in writing a substitute or successor trustee, succeeding to all rights and responsibilities of **Trustee**.
2. If the proceeds of the **Note** are used to pay any debt secured by prior liens, **Beneficiary** is subrogated to all of the rights and liens of the holders of any debt so paid.
3. **Beneficiary** may apply any proceeds received under the insurance policy either to reduce the **Note** or to repair or replace damaged or destroyed improvements covered by the policy.
4. Notwithstanding the above, the **Beneficiary's** right to collect and apply the insurance proceeds hereunder shall be subject and subordinate to the rights of the senior lien holder to collect and apply such proceeds in accordance with the First Deed of Trust.
5. If **Grantor** fails to perform any of **Grantor's** obligations, **Beneficiary** may perform those obligations and be reimbursed by **Grantor** on demand at the place where the **Note** is payable for any sums so paid, including attorney's fees, plus interest on those sums from the dates of payment at the rate stated in the **Note** for matured, unpaid amounts. The sum to be reimbursed shall be secured by this deed of trust.
6. If **Grantor** defaults on the **Note** or fails to perform any of **Grantor's** obligations or if default occurs on a prior lien **Note** or other instrument, including the **First Lien Debt**, and the default continues after **Beneficiary** gives **Grantor** notice of the default and the time within which it must be cured, as may be required by law or by written agreement, then **Beneficiary** may:
  - a. declare the unpaid principal balance and earned interest on the **Note** immediately due as provided in the **DPA Contract**;
  - b. request **Trustee** to foreclose this lien, in which case **Beneficiary** or **Beneficiary's** agent shall give notice of the foreclosure sale as provided by the Texas Property Code as then amended; or
  - c. purchase the **Property** at any foreclosure sale by offering the highest bid and then have the bid credited on the **Note**.
7. **Beneficiary** will give the senior lien written notice of default and prior written notice of acceleration under the subordinate Deed of Trust.

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## TRUSTEE'S DUTIES

If requested by **Beneficiary** to foreclose this lien, **Trustee** shall:

1. either personally or by agent give notice to the foreclosure sale as required by the Texas Property Code as then amended;
2. sell and convey all or part of the **Property** to the highest bidder for cash with a general warranty binding **Grantor**, subject to prior liens and to other exceptions to conveyance and warranty; and
3. from the proceeds of the sale, pay, in this order:
  - a. expenses of foreclosure, including a commission to **Trustee** of 5% of the bid;
  - b. to **Beneficiary**, the full amount of principal, interest, attorney's fees, and other charges due and unpaid;
  - c. any amounts required by law to be paid before payment to **Grantor**; and
  - d. to **Grantor**, any balance.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. If any of the **Property** is sold under this deed of trust, **Grantor** shall immediately surrender possession to the purchaser. If **Grantor** fails to do so, **Grantor** shall become a tenant at sufferance of the purchaser, subject to an action for forcible detainer.
2. Recitals in any **Trustee's** deed conveying the **Property** will be presumed to be true.
3. Proceeding under this deed of trust, filing suit for foreclosure, or pursuing any other remedy will not constitute an election of remedies.
4. This lien shall remain superior to liens after created even if the time of payment of all or part of the **Note** is extended or part of the **Property** is released.
5. If any portion of the **Note** cannot be lawfully secured by this deed of trust, payments shall be applied first to discharge that portion.
6. **Grantor** assigns to **Beneficiary** all sums payable to or received by **Grantor** from condemnation of all or part of the **Property**, from private sale in lieu of condemnation, and from damages caused by public works or construction on or near the **Property**. After deducting any expenses incurred, including attorney's fees, **Beneficiary** may release any remaining sums to **Grantor** or apply such sums to reduce the **Note**. **Beneficiary** shall not be liable for failure to collect or to exercise diligence in collecting any such sums.
7. **Grantor** assigns to **Beneficiary** absolutely, not only as collateral, all present and future rent and other income and receipts from the **Property**. Leases are not assigned. **Grantor** warrants the validity and enforceability of the assignment. **Grantor** may as **Beneficiary's** licensee collect rent and other income and receipts as long as **Grantor** is not in default under the **Note** or this deed of trust. **Grantor** will apply all rent and other income and receipts to payment of the **Note** and performance of this deed of trust, but if the rent and other income and receipts exceed the amount due under the **Note** and deed of trust, **Grantor** may retain the excess. If **Grantor** defaults in payment of the **Note** or performance of this deed of trust, **Beneficiary** may terminate **Grantor's** license to collect and then as **Grantor's** agent may rent the **Property** if it is vacant and collect all rent and other income and receipts. **Beneficiary** neither has nor assumes any obligations as lessor.

or landlord with respect to any occupant of the **Property**. **Beneficiary** may exercise **Beneficiary's** rights and remedies under this paragraph without taking possession of the **Property**. **Beneficiary** shall apply all rent and other income and receipts collected under this paragraph first to expenses incurred in exercising **Beneficiary's** rights and remedies and then to **Grantor's** obligations under the **Note** and this deed of trust in the order determined by **Beneficiary**. **Beneficiary** is not required to act under this paragraph, and acting under this paragraph does not waive any of **Beneficiary's** other rights or remedies. If **Grantor** becomes a voluntary or involuntary bankrupt, **Beneficiary's** filing a proof of claim in bankruptcy will be tantamount to the appointment of a receiver under Texas law.

8. Interest on the debt secured by this deed of trust shall not exceed the maximum amount of no usurious interest that may be contracted for, taken, reserved, charged, or received under law; any interest in excess of that maximum amount shall be credited on the principal of the debt or, if that has been paid, refunded. On any acceleration or required or permitted prepayment, any such excess shall be canceled automatically as of the acceleration or prepayment or, if already paid, credited on the principal of the debt, or if the principal of the debt has been paid, refunded. This provision overrides other provisions in this and all other instruments concerning the debt.
9. When the context requires, singular nouns and pronouns include the plural.
10. The term **Note** includes all sums secured by this deed of trust.
11. This deed of trust shall bind, inure to the benefit of, and be exercised by successors in interest of all parties.
12. If **Grantor** and **Maker** are not the same person, the term **Grantor** shall include **Maker**.
13. **Grantor** represents that this deed of trust and the **Note** are given to evidence funds advanced by **Beneficiary** to **Grantor** as a portion of the down payment and closing costs related to **Grantor's** purchase of the **Property**.
14. For five (5) or ten (10) years following the date of this deed of trust, **Grantor** agrees that any sale of the **Property** or failure to use the property as their principal residence (as defined in 24 C.F.R. Part 92, as amended), the HOME Down Payment Assistance Program Recapture Policy will apply. The restrictions in this section are subordinate to the deed of trust lien which secures the repayment of the First Lien Debt.

This Deed of Trust, and the Real Estate Lien note which is secured is given for and represents the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_/100 Cents (\$\_\_\_\_\_). HOME funds and paid by the City of Laredo at the special instance and request of the grantors herein and used to pay for a part of the purchase money down payment to the property by the grantor herein. Said amount represents a purchase money down payment assistance program loan to Grantors herein under the HOME Investment Partnership Program of the Department of Community Development of the City.

THIS DEED OF TRUST AND THE NOTE TO WHICH IT RELATES IS SUBJECT TO THE AFFORDABILITY PROVISIONS OF 24 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 92.254, & THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF LAREDO ADOPTED UNDER SAID 24 CFR Part 92.

SINCE THESE REGULATIONS PLACE SOME LIMITATIONS ON THE GRANTOR'S FREEDOM OF SALE FOR A PERIOD OF (5 or 10) YEARS IN RELATION TO THE PROPERTY, GRANTOR HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY SHOULD OBTAIN LEGAL ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF WEBB**

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

**AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO:**

**Tina Martinez**  
Community Development Director, City of Laredo  
P.O. Box 1276  
Laredo, Texas 78042-1276

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**REAL ESTATE LIEN NOTE**  
**DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKER'S MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Laredo, Texas 7804\_

**PAYEE:** City of Laredo, a Texas municipal corporation

**PAYEE'S MAILING ADDRESS:**  
City of Laredo  
Community Development Dept.  
P.O. Box 1276  
Laredo, Texas 78042

**COUNTY OF EXECUTION:** Webb, Texas

**PLACE FOR PAYMENT:** 1301 Farragut Street  
Laredo, Webb County, Texas

**PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:** \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_)

**USE OF PROCEEDS:**

Closing costs and/or a portion of the down payment to purchase the **Property** according to a Down Payment Assistance Program Contract ("**DPA Contract**") dated \_\_\_\_\_ executed by **Payee** and **Maker**.

**ANNUAL INTEREST RATE ON UNPAID PRINCIPAL FROM DATE:**

None, unless: (i) **Maker** sells the **Property**; or (ii) **Maker** fails to continuously use the residence located on the **Property** as **Maker's** principal residence; or (iii) **Maker** fails to honor any of its other obligations to **Payee** under the **Homeowner Contract** or this note; in which event interest on and after that date shall be four percent (4%) per annum as provided in the **DPA Contract**

**ANNUAL INTEREST RATE ON MATURED, UNPAID AMOUNTS:**

Four Percent (4%) per annum

**SECURITY FOR PAYMENT:**

A second deed of trust lien granted by **Maker** in favor of **Payee** in a Second Lien Deed of Trust ("**Deed of Trust**") of even date herewith on the **Property**.

**PROPERTY (INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS):**

**OTHER LIENS:**

The indebtedness evidenced by this note is subordinate to the indebtedness evidenced by a note dated \_\_\_\_\_, executed by \_\_\_\_\_ and payable to \_\_\_\_\_, in the original principal sum of \_\_\_\_\_, which is recorded in Volume \_\_\_\_\_, PP. \_\_\_\_\_ Official Property Records, Webb County, Texas, which First Lien Debt is also secured by a deed of trust lien on the Property.

**TERMS OF PAYMENT:**

The terms of payment shall be in accordance with the City of Laredo HOME Program Down Payment Assistance Program Contract between maker and Payee, attached hereto as exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference as if Fully set fourth at length. Owner understands and agrees that if Owner sells the Property, as provided in this paragraph, within the period of affordability, five (5) or ten (10) years following the beginning date used in the Loan Documents:

- (A) Accordingly, in the event of a voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property during the applicable period of affordability, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer.

The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer:

- a. Upon completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - b. Upon completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - c. Upon completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - d. Upon completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; and
  - e. Upon completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven
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- f. Upon completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 10% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - g. Upon completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - h. Upon completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 30% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - i. Upon completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - j. Upon completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 50% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - k. Upon completion of the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - l. Upon completion of the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 70% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - m. Upon completion of the 8<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - n. Upon completion of the 9<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 90% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - o. Upon completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.

If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the prorated amount of the HOME subsidy, the City shall recapture the entire amount of net proceeds from the sale. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

**Penalties for Non-Compliance**

In the event that the city determines that the assisted homebuyer(s) is non-compliant with the residency requirements and the other requirements stated in the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) Contract then the entire face value of the DPA loan is immediately due and payable to the city. Homebuyer will be given 30 days to return to compliance. If homebuyer(s) does not return to compliance the entire face value of the DPA will be due and payable and will incur a four percent (4%) interest per annum.

**Events of Default:**

**Maker** shall be in default ("**Event of Default**") under the terms of this Real Estate Lien Note if any one or more of the following occurs:

1. **Maker** fails to keep any promise contained in: (i) the DPA Contract; or (ii) the First Lien Debt;
2. **Maker** fails to payments on this note or the First Lien Debt in the amount due;
3. **Maker** fails to keep any promise contained in this note and/or fails to keep any promise contained in any agreement which secures the repayment of this note, including the Deed of Trust and/or the First Lien Debt deed of trust; or

4. **Maker** makes any written statement or provides any financial information that is untrue or inaccurate at the time it was made or provided.

**Acceleration of Payment:**

The repayment of the **Principal Amount** may, at **Payee's** option, be accelerated if any of the following occur:

1. **Maker** fails to continuously use the residence located on the **Property** as **Maker's** principal residence; or
2. Except to the extent permitted in this note or the **DPA Contract**, the voluntary transfer of beneficial ownership of all or part of the **Property**, whether by deed, contract for deed, or otherwise; or
3. Except as provided in the **Deed of Trust** or the **DPA Contract**, the existence of any voluntary or involuntary lien, encumbrance or charge against the **Property**, or any part thereof, which is superior to the **Payee's** liens, except for the lien for non-delinquent ad valorem taxes and the **First Lien Debt**; or
4. An **Event of Default** exists.

**Additional Terms:**

**Maker** also agrees to the following additional terms and conditions:

1. This note incorporates and is subject to the **DPA Contract** and the **Deed of Trust**.
2. **Maker** promises to pay to the order of **Payee** at the place for payment and according to the terms of payment the principal amount plus interest at the rates stated above. All unpaid amounts shall be due immediately.
3. If **Maker** defaults in the payment of this note or in the performance of any obligation in any instrument securing or collateral to it, and the default continues after **Payee** gives **Maker** notice of the default and the time within which it must be cured, as may be required by law or by written agreement, then **Payee** may declare the unpaid recaptured amount and earned interest on this note immediately due as provided in the **DPA Contract**. **Maker** and each surety, endorser, and guarantor waive all demands for payment, presentations for payment, notices of default, notices of intention to accelerate maturity, notices of acceleration of maturity, protests, and notices of protest, to the extent permitted by law.
4. **Maker** may at any time make full or partial prepayments on the principal without paying any penalty.
5. If this note or any instrument securing or collateral to it is given to an attorney for collection or enforcement, or if suit is brought for collection or enforcement, or if it is collected or enforced through probate, bankruptcy, or other judicial proceeding, then **Maker** shall pay **Payee** all costs of collection and enforcement, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees paid to an attorney who is not an employee of **Payee**, in addition to other amounts due. Reasonable attorney's fees shall be 10% of all amounts due unless either party pleads otherwise.
6. Interest on the debt evidenced by this note shall not exceed the maximum amount of non-usurious interest that may be contracted for, taken, reserved, charged, or received under law; any interest in excess of that maximum amount shall be credited on the principal of the debt or, if that has been paid, refunded. On any acceleration or required or permitted prepayment, any such excess shall be canceled automatically as of the acceleration or prepayment or, if already paid, credited on the principal of the debt or, if the principal of the debt has been paid, refunded. This provision overrides other provisions in this and all other instruments concerning the debt.
7. Each **Maker** is responsible for all obligations represented by this note.
8. When the context requires, singular nouns and pronouns include the plural.

**NOTICE TO MAKER:**

**THIS PROMISSORY NOTE IS SUBJECT TO THE AFFORDABILITY PROVISIONS OF 24 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 92.254, & THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF LAREDO ADOPTED UNDER SAID 24 CFR Part 92.**

**SINCE THESE REGULATIONS PLACE SOME LIMITATIONS ON THE MAKER'S FREEDOM OF SALE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) OR TEN (10) YEARS IN RELATION TO THE PROPERTY TO BE SECURED BY THE LOAN, MAKER HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY SHOULD OBTAIN LEGAL ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.**

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**EXHIBIT "A"  
TO A  
REAL ESTATE LIEN NOTE**

**City of Laredo  
HOME Program  
Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program Contract**

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**HOME PROGRAM**  
**DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE (DPA) PROGRAM CONTRACT**

This Down Payment Assistance Program Contract ("DPA Contract") is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_, day of \_\_\_\_\_, between the City of Laredo, State of Texas ("City") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Owners").

Owners have requested financial assistance from the City to assist Owners with the down payment and/or closing costs to purchase a home in accordance with the requirements of the City's Down Payment Assistance Program ("DPA Program"); and

Owners, based on the information furnished to City, qualifies for financial assistance under the Down Payment Assistance Program.

NOW THEREFORE, the City and Owners agree as follows:

1. Owners represent and warrants that all information furnished to the City in or as a part of Owners' application for financial assistance in the DPA Program is true and correct.
2. Owners agree that the financial assistance provided to Owners by City will be used to pay Owners' closing costs and/or a portion of Owners' down payment in order for Owners to acquire Owners' principal residence located at \_\_\_\_\_ more fully described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto ("Property").
3. Owners represent to City that the contract attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is a true and correct copy of the contract under which Owner will acquire the Property. The debt and lien described in Exhibit "B" will be the only debt and lien against the Property other than the lien granted pursuant to this DPA Program Contract.
4. Owners agree to comply with all applicable requirements of the U. S. Housing and Urban Development affordable housing home ownership statutes and regulations, including 24 CFR § 92.254(a) Qualification as Affordable Housing: Homeownership, as amended.
5. Owners agree to provide, within five (5) business days of the final loan closing, the City of Laredo's Community Development with copies of the Lender's Note, Settlement Statement, Truth-in-Lending Disclosure, Property Deed and Property Insurance in order to receive the HOME funds.
6. Owners agree to execute all documents requested by City in order for City to obtain a valid second deed of trust lien on the Property.
7. **OWNERS UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT CITY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE TO OWNERS FOR: (i) ANY ASPECT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE RESIDENCE ON THE PROPERTY BEING PURCHASED BY OWNERS, INCLUDING ANY CLAIM FOR DEFECTIVE WORK, INCOMPLETE WORK OR WARRANTY WORK; AND/OR (ii) ANY DEFECTS IN OWNERS TITLE TO THE PROPERTY.**
8. City agrees to expend \_\_\_\_\_ Down Payment Assistance Funds ("DPA Funds") for the benefit of Owners in connection with Owners' purchase of the Property. The Homeowners Funds will be applied first to Owners' closing costs and any excess funds will be applied to Owners' down payment and to the principal if funds are available.

9. **OWNERS AGREE THAT OWNERS WILL, FOR A MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) or TEN (10) CONSECUTIVE YEARS FOLLOWING OWNERS' PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY, CONTINUOUSLY USE THE RESIDENCE LOCATED ON THE PROPERTY AS OWNERS' PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE. OWNERS AGREE THAT OWNERS WILL, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, EXECUTE SUCH CERTIFICATIONS AS CITY MAY REQUIRE TO CONFIRM OWNERS' COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS PARAGRAPH 9.**
10. Provided Owners have continuously used the residence located on the Property as Owners' principal residence for five (5) or ten (10) consecutive years (depending on assisted amount) after the beginning date used in the Loan Documents, City will forgive Owners' outstanding DPA Funds on the Repayment Date in an amount equal to the DPA Funds.

**FAILURE TO REPAY THE DPA FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS DPA CONTRACT AND/OR THE LOAN DOCUMENTS AND/OR TO COMPLY WITH THE OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE LOAN DOCUMENTS, MAY RESULT IN THE FORECLOSURE OF THE CITY'S LIENS AGAINST THE PROPERTY AND THE LOSS OF YOUR RESIDENCE AND THE PROPERTY.**

11. Owners understand and agree that if Owners sell the Property, within the period of affordability (ten (10) years the beginning date used in the Loan Documents), through a voluntary or involuntary transfer, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer as provided in this paragraph subject to the amount of net proceeds available.

The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer:

- a. Upon completion of the 1st year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
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13. **THIS DPA CONTRACT CREATES A BINDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOU AND THE CITY; OWNERS REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS TO THE CITY THAT OWNERS HAS REVIEWED THE DPA CONTRACT, UNDERSTANDS IT, AND IS EXECUTING IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY.**

Executed and effective as of the date and year first written above.

CITY OF LAREDO  
HOME DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DIRECTOR**

**OWNERS:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**(Jurat/Individual Acknowledgment)**

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
COUNTY OF WBB               §

SWORN, SUBSCRIBED AND ACKNOWLEDGED before me by ON THIS \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

**Exhibit "A"**  
**To a**  
**Down Payment Assistance Program Contract**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:

**Exhibit "B"**  
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**Down Payment Assistance Program Contract**

Copy of Earnest Money Contract

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**HOME PROGRAM**  
**DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE (DPA) PROGRAM CONTRACT**

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NOW THEREFORE, the City and Owners agree as follows:

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5. Owners agree to provide, within five (5) business days of the final loan closing, the City of Laredo's Community Development with copies of the Lender's Note, Settlement Statement, Truth-in-Lending Disclosure, Property Deed and Property Insurance in order to receive the HOME funds.
6. Owners agree to execute all documents requested by City in order for City to obtain a valid second deed of trust lien on the Property.
7. **OWNERS UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT CITY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE TO OWNERS FOR: (i) ANY ASPECT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE RESIDENCE ON THE PROPERTY BEING PURCHASED BY OWNERS, INCLUDING ANY CLAIM FOR DEFECTIVE WORK, INCOMPLETE WORK OR WARRANTY WORK; AND/OR (ii) ANY DEFECTS IN OWNERS TITLE TO THE PROPERTY.**
8. City agrees to expend \_\_\_\_\_ Down Payment Assistance Funds ("DPA Funds") for the benefit of Owners in connection with Owners' purchase of the Property. The Homeowners Funds will be applied first to Owners' closing costs and any excess funds will be applied to Owners' down payment and to the principal if funds are available.

9. **OWNERS AGREE THAT OWNERS WILL, FOR A MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) or TEN (10) CONSECUTIVE YEARS FOLLOWING OWNERS' PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY, CONTINUOUSLY USE THE RESIDENCE LOCATED ON THE PROPERTY AS OWNERS' PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE. OWNERS AGREE THAT OWNERS WILL, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, EXECUTE SUCH CERTIFICATIONS AS CITY MAY REQUIRE TO CONFIRM OWNERS' COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS PARAGRAPH 9.**
10. Provided Owners have continuously used the residence located on the Property as Owners' principal residence for five (5) or ten (10) consecutive years (depending on assisted amount) after the beginning date used in the Loan Documents, City will forgive Owners' outstanding DPA Funds on the Repayment Date in an amount equal to the DPA Funds.

**FAILURE TO REPAY THE DPA FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS DPA CONTRACT AND/OR THE LOAN DOCUMENTS AND/OR TO COMPLY WITH THE OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE LOAN DOCUMENTS, MAY RESULT IN THE FORECLOSURE OF THE CITY'S LIENS AGAINST THE PROPERTY AND THE LOSS OF YOUR RESIDENCE AND THE PROPERTY.**

11. Owners understand and agree that if Owners sell the Property, within the period of affordability (ten (10) years the beginning date used in the Loan Documents), through a voluntary or involuntary transfer, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer as provided in this paragraph subject to the amount of net proceeds available.

The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer:

- a. Upon completion of the 1st year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - b. Upon completion of the 2nd year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - c. Upon completion of the 3rd year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - d. Upon completion of the 4th year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; and
  - e. Upon completion of the 5th year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.
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- a. Upon completion of the 1st year of the Loan Documents - 10% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - b. Upon completion of the 2nd year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - c. Upon completion of the 3rd year of the Loan Documents - 30% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - d. Upon completion of the 4th year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - e. Upon completion of the 5th year of the Loan Documents - 50% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - f. Upon completion of the 6th year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - g. Upon completion of the 7th year of the Loan Documents - 70% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - h. Upon completion of the 8th year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - i. Upon completion of the 9th year of the Loan Documents - 90% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - j. Upon completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.

If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the prorated amount of the HOME subsidy, the City shall recapture the entire amount of net proceeds from the sale. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

12. Owners understand and agree that to: (i) Owners agree to continuously use the residence located on the property as Owners' principal residence for five (5) or ten (10) consecutive (depending on assisted amount) years following the beginning date used in the Loan Documents; and (ii) Owners agrees to honor



any of its other obligations to City under the DPA Contract or the Loan Documents; collectively. In the event that the city determines that the assisted homebuyer(s) is non-compliant with the residency requirements and the other requirements stated in the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) Contract then the entire face value of the Down Payment Assistance loan is immediately due and payable to the city. Homebuyers will be given 30 days to return to compliance. If homebuyer(s) does not return to compliance the entire face value of the Down Payment Assistance will be due and payable and will incur a four percent (4%) interest per annum.

13. **THIS DPA CONTRACT CREATES A BINDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOU AND THE CITY; OWNERS REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS TO THE CITY THAT OWNERS HAS REVIEWED THE DPA CONTRACT, UNDERSTANDS IT, AND IS EXECUTING IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY.**

Executed and effective as of the date and year first written above.

CITY OF LAREDO  
HOME DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DIRECTOR**

**OWNERS:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**(Jurat/Individual Acknowledgment)**

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
COUNTY OF WBB         §

SWORN, SUBSCRIBED AND ACKNOWLEDGED before me by ON THIS \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

**Exhibit "A"**  
**To a**  
**Down Payment Assistance Program Contract**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:

**Exhibit "B"**  
**To a**  
**Down Payment Assistance Program Contract**

Copy of Earnest Money Contract

**REAL ESTATE LIEN NOTE**  
**DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKER'S MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Laredo, Texas 7804\_

**PAYEE:** City of Laredo, a Texas municipal corporation

**PAYEE'S MAILING ADDRESS:**  
City of Laredo  
Community Development Dept.  
P.O. Box 1276  
Laredo, Texas 78042

**COUNTY OF EXECUTION:** Webb, Texas

**PLACE FOR PAYMENT:** 1301 Farragut Street  
Laredo, Webb County, Texas

**PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:** \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_)

**USE OF PROCEEDS:**

Closing costs and/or a portion of the down payment to purchase the **Property** according to a Down Payment Assistance Program Contract ("**DPA Contract**") dated \_\_\_\_\_ executed by **Payee** and **Maker**.

**ANNUAL INTEREST RATE ON UNPAID PRINCIPAL FROM DATE:**

None, unless: (i) **Maker** sells the **Property**; or (ii) **Maker** fails to continuously use the residence located on the **Property** as **Maker's** principal residence; or (iii) **Maker** fails to honor any of its other obligations to **Payee** under the **Homeowner Contract** or this note; in which event interest on and after that date shall be four percent (4%) per annum as provided in the **DPA Contract**

**ANNUAL INTEREST RATE ON MATURED, UNPAID AMOUNTS:**

Four Percent (4%) per annum

**SECURITY FOR PAYMENT:**

A second deed of trust lien granted by **Maker** in favor of **Payee** in a Second Lien Deed of Trust ("**Deed of Trust**") of even date herewith on the **Property**.

**PROPERTY (INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS):**

**OTHER LIENS:**

The indebtedness evidenced by this note is subordinate to the indebtedness evidenced by a note dated \_\_\_\_\_, executed by \_\_\_\_\_ and payable to \_\_\_\_\_, in the original principal sum of \_\_\_\_\_, which is recorded in Volume \_\_\_\_\_, PP. \_\_\_\_\_ Official Property Records, Webb County, Texas, which First Lien Debt is also secured by a deed of trust lien on the Property.

**TERMS OF PAYMENT:**

The terms of payment shall be in accordance with the City of Laredo HOME Program Down Payment Assistance Program Contract between maker and Payee, attached hereto as exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference as if Fully set fourth at length. Owner understands and agrees that if Owner sells the Property, as provided in this paragraph, within the period of affordability, five (5) or ten (10) years following the beginning date used in the Loan Documents:

- (A) Accordingly, in the event of a voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property during the applicable period of affordability, the City will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer.

The loan will be forgiven pro rata over the period of affordability under the following terms, as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer:

- a. Upon completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - b. Upon completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - c. Upon completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - d. Upon completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven; and
  - e. Upon completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven
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- f. Upon completion of the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 10% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - g. Upon completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 20% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - h. Upon completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 30% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - i. Upon completion of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 40% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - j. Upon completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 50% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - k. Upon completion of the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 60% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - l. Upon completion of the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 70% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - m. Upon completion of the 8<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 80% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - n. Upon completion of the 9<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 90% of the original principal amount will be forgiven;
  - o. Upon completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Loan Documents - 100% of the original principal amount will be forgiven.

If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the prorated amount of the HOME subsidy, the City shall recapture the entire amount of net proceeds from the sale. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

**Penalties for Non-Compliance**

In the event that the city determines that the assisted homebuyer(s) is non-compliant with the residency requirements and the other requirements stated in the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) Contract then the entire face value of the DPA loan is immediately due and payable to the city. Homebuyer will be given 30 days to return to compliance. If homebuyer(s) does not return to compliance the entire face value of the DPA will be due and payable and will incur a four percent (4%) interest per annum.

**Events of Default:**

**Maker** shall be in default ("**Event of Default**") under the terms of this Real Estate Lien Note if any one or more of the following occurs:

1. **Maker** fails to keep any promise contained in: (i) the DPA Contract; or (ii) the First Lien Debt;
2. **Maker** fails to payments on this note or the First Lien Debt in the amount due;
3. **Maker** fails to keep any promise contained in this note and/or fails to keep any promise contained in any agreement which secures the repayment of this note, including the Deed of Trust and/or the First Lien Debt deed of trust; or

4. **Maker** makes any written statement or provides any financial information that is untrue or inaccurate at the time it was made or provided.

**Acceleration of Payment:**

The repayment of the **Principal Amount** may, at **Payee's** option, be accelerated if any of the following occur:

1. **Maker** fails to continuously use the residence located on the **Property** as **Maker's** principal residence; or
2. Except to the extent permitted in this note or the **DPA Contract**, the voluntary transfer of beneficial ownership of all or part of the **Property**, whether by deed, contract for deed, or otherwise; or
3. Except as provided in the **Deed of Trust** or the **DPA Contract**, the existence of any voluntary or involuntary lien, encumbrance or charge against the **Property**, or any part thereof, which is superior to the **Payee's** liens, except for the lien for non-delinquent ad valorem taxes and the **First Lien Debt**; or
4. An **Event of Default** exists.

**Additional Terms:**

**Maker** also agrees to the following additional terms and conditions:

1. This note incorporates and is subject to the **DPA Contract** and the **Deed of Trust**.
2. **Maker** promises to pay to the order of **Payee** at the place for payment and according to the terms of payment the principal amount plus interest at the rates stated above. All unpaid amounts shall be due immediately.
3. If **Maker** defaults in the payment of this note or in the performance of any obligation in any instrument securing or collateral to it, and the default continues after **Payee** gives **Maker** notice of the default and the time within which it must be cured, as may be required by law or by written agreement, then **Payee** may declare the unpaid recaptured amount and earned interest on this note immediately due as provided in the **DPA Contract**. **Maker** and each surety, endorser, and guarantor waive all demands for payment, presentations for payment, notices of default, notices of intention to accelerate maturity, notices of acceleration of maturity, protests, and notices of protest, to the extent permitted by law.
4. **Maker** may at any time make full or partial prepayments on the principal without paying any penalty.
5. If this note or any instrument securing or collateral to it is given to an attorney for collection or enforcement, or if suit is brought for collection or enforcement, or if it is collected or enforced through probate, bankruptcy, or other judicial proceeding, then **Maker** shall pay **Payee** all costs of collection and enforcement, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees paid to an attorney who is not an employee of **Payee**, in addition to other amounts due. Reasonable attorney's fees shall be 10% of all amounts due unless either party pleads otherwise.
6. Interest on the debt evidenced by this note shall not exceed the maximum amount of non-usurious interest that may be contracted for, taken, reserved, charged, or received under law; any interest in excess of that maximum amount shall be credited on the principal of the debt or, if that has been paid, refunded. On any acceleration or required or permitted prepayment, any such excess shall be canceled automatically as of the acceleration or prepayment or, if already paid, credited on the principal of the debt or, if the principal of the debt has been paid, refunded. This provision overrides other provisions in this and all other instruments concerning the debt.
7. Each **Maker** is responsible for all obligations represented by this note.
8. When the context requires, singular nouns and pronouns include the plural.

**NOTICE TO MAKER:**

**THIS PROMISSORY NOTE IS SUBJECT TO THE AFFORDABILITY PROVISIONS OF 24 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 92.254, & THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF LAREDO ADOPTED UNDER SAID 24 CFR Part 92.**

**SINCE THESE REGULATIONS PLACE SOME LIMITATIONS ON THE MAKER'S FREEDOM OF SALE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) OR TEN (10) YEARS IN RELATION TO THE PROPERTY TO BE SECURED BY THE LOAN, MAKER HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY SHOULD OBTAIN LEGAL ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.**

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**EXHIBIT "A"  
TO A  
REAL ESTATE LIEN NOTE**

**City of Laredo  
HOME Program  
Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program Contract**



**Grantee Unique Appendices**

**APPENDIX C  
PUBLIC NOTICES**

Publication date: Sunday, March 27, 2022

### NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The City of Laredo, Department of Community Development, will be conducting surveys and receiving public comment at various sites throughout the City in order to give citizens an opportunity to express their housing and community development needs. Staff will also be providing information regarding current Community Development programs and services available to the community. Comments received will be made part of the 2022 One-Year Action Plan that will outline how funding made available through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be utilized.

#### CITY OF LAREDO STAFF WILL BE ACCEPTING COMMENTS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

**Monday, March 28, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

City of Laredo, City Hall at 1110 Houston

**Monday, March 28, 2022 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

City of Laredo, City Hall Annex at 1102 Bob Bullock Loop

**Monday, March 28, 2022 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

El Eden Recreation Center at 4735 Loma Vista

**Tuesday, March 29, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

City of Laredo Health Department Courtyard 2600 Cedar Ave.

**Wednesday, March 30, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Hamilton Apartments at 815 Salinas

**Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Haynes Health & Wellness Center at 2102 Clark Crossing Blvd.

**Thursday, March 31, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Marcos Aranda Recreational Center (Farias) at 4418 Old Santa Maria Rd

**Monday, April 4, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Laredo Housing Authority Offices at 2000 San Francisco

**Monday, April 4, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Laredo Public Library – Main at 1120 E. Calton Rd.

**Tuesday, April 5, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

MOS Branch Library at 1920 Palo Blanco

**Wednesday, April 6, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Bethany House of Laredo at 817 Hidalgo St.

Also, fill out the survey online through Survey Monkey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/comments22> (English) or <https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/comentarios22> (Spanish)

In addition, a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 5:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers located at 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, 78040. City staff would like to invite the community to attend and make their needs known. Special services will be made available upon timely request for the physically impaired. Comments may be provided at the public hearing or submitted orally or in writing to Ms. Tina Martinez, Community Development Director, P.O. Box 1276 or 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3rd Floor, East Wing, Laredo, Texas 78040. For more information, contact the Department of Community Development at 795-2675.



Equal Housing Opportunity

Tina Martinez  
Community Development Director

**Fecha de Publicación: Domingo, veinte y siete de Marzo**

### **AVISO DE SOLICITUD DE COMENTARIO PÚBLICO**

La Ciudad de Laredo, Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad, estará realizando encuestas y recibiendo comentarios en diversos sitios de la ciudad para dar a nuestros ciudadanos la oportunidad de expresar sus ideas y sugerencias acerca del mejoramiento de viviendas y el desarrollo de la comunidad. El personal también proporcionará información sobre los programas y servicios del Departamento del Desarrollo de la Comunidad que están disponibles a la comunidad. Las sugerencias recibidas serán incluidas en el Plan Consolidado Anual del Año 2022 en el cual se explica el proceso de invertir fondos disponibles por el Departamento de Viviendas y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos.

#### **PERSONAL DE LA CIUDAD DE LAREDO ACEPTARÁ COMENTARIOS EN LAS SIGUIENTES UBICACIONES:**

**Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

City Hall de la Ciudad de Laredo localizado en 1110 Houston

**Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

City Hall Annex de la Ciudad de Laredo localizado en 1102 Bob Bullock Loop

**Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

Centro de Recreación El Edén localizado en 4735 Loma Vista

**Martes, 29 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Departamento de Salud de la Ciudad de Laredo (Patio) localizado en 2600 Cedar Ave.

**Miércoles, 30 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Departamentos Hamilton localizados en 815 Salinas Ave.

**Miércoles, 30 de Marzo, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Centro de Recreación Haynes localizado en 2102 Clark Crossing Blvd.

**Jueves, 31 de Marzo, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Centro de Recreación Marcos Aranda (Farias) localizado en 4418 Old Santa Maria Rd

**Lunes, 4 de Abril, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Oficinas de Laredo Housing Authority localizadas en 2000 San Francisco

**Lunes, 4 de Abril, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Librería Publica localizada en 1120 E. Calton Rd.

**Martes, 5 de Abril, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Librería MOS localizada en 1920 Palo Blanco

**Miércoles, 6 de Abril, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Bethany House de Laredo localizado en 817 Hidalgo St.

Llene una encuesta en línea por medio del sitio Survey Monkey en <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/comments22> (Inglés) o <https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/comentarios22> (Español);

Adicionalmente, una audiencia pública se llevará a cabo el Martes, 19 de Abril del 2022 durante la junta regular del Cabildo a las 5:30 de la tarde en la Sala de Cabildo localizada en City Hall, 1110 Houston, Laredo, Texas 78040. El personal de la Ciudad los invita a que asista y nos exprese sus necesidades/sugerencias. Servicios para personas con impedimentos físicos serán disponibles con previo aviso. Comentarios pueden ser proporcionados en la audiencia pública o presentados oralmente o por escrito al Sra. Tina Martinez, Director del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad, P.O. Box 1276 o 1301 Farragut, Centro de Transito, Tercer piso, al lado este, Laredo, Texas, 78040. Para obtener información adicional, por favor llame al Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al número (956)795-2675.



Igualdad de Oportunidad en la Vivienda

Tina Martinez

Director del Departamento  
de Desarrollo de la Comunidad



**SPORTS**  
**How do you respond?**

Alexander took a punch to the gut Tuesday; Bulldogs bounced back with solid win Friday  
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**Two dead after vehicle pursuit on IH-35**  
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**GAMEZ LAW FIGHTS!**  
CONSULTA GRATIS  
**242-PAIN (7246)**

**Family of spelling champs**

Bruni middle schooler follows up brother's Regional Spelling Bee win

**By David Gomez Jr.**  
LAREDO MORNING TIMES  
Third through eighth graders competed in the Regional Final Spelling Bee at L.C. Guadalupe and Lilia Martinez Fine Arts Center Theatre on Saturday.  
The Scripps Regional Final Spelling Bee took place at the Laredo College Center Theatre to a combined 66 competing spellers from United and Laredo Independ-

dent School District to the test.  
By 11:24 a.m., nearly two and a half hours later after its start time at 9, only two spellers were left on stage to compete for the No. 1 spot. Both spellers could not be any different. One poised and confident, the other a cautious, but determined competitor.  
Once seventh grader of Lamar Bruni Vergara Middle School Nathaniel Rimocal spelled "ascen-



David Gomez Jr. / Laredo Morning Times  
Pictured are Nathaniel Rimocal, Owen Cuevas, Heather L. Garcia and Luke Montemayor who took the top four places.

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**Fort Hood soldiers sentenced in human smuggling conspiracy**

**By César G. Rodriguez**  
LAREDO MORNING TIMES

Two soldiers stationed in Texas were sentenced to prison for their involvement in a human smuggling conspiracy, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office.  
Isalah Gore, 21, and Denerio Williams, 22, pleaded guilty on Dec. 2. Another co-conspirator Ivory Palmer, 21, pleaded guilty on Jan. 10. All are active duty soldiers with the U.S. Army, authorities said.  
On Friday, U.S. District Judge Marina Garcia Marmolejo sentenced Gore to 30 months in prison while Williams received a 24-

*Soldiers continues on A13*

**City in north Ukraine feared as 'next Mariupol'**



In this image released by Chernihiv Regional Government press service, the central stadium is seen damaged by shelling in Chernihiv, Ukraine, Friday, March 11, 2022.

Blockaded and pounded from afar by Russian troops, Chernihiv's remaining residents are terrified

**By Yuras Karmanau**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LVIV, Ukraine - Nights are spent huddling underground from Russian strikes pounding their encircled city into rubble. Daylight hours are devoted to hunting down drinkable water and braving the risk of standing in line for the little food available as shells and bombs rain down.  
In the second month of Russia's invasion, this is what now passes for life in Chernihiv, a besieged city in northern Ukraine where death is everywhere.  
It isn't - yet - quite as synonymous with atrocious human suffering as the pulverized southern

*Ukraine continues on A11*

**New protein-free egg product by Laredoan goes national**

**By Jorge A. Vela**  
LAREDO MORNING TIMES

When Arturo Elizondo left Laredo, he had almost no money, but he also had an idea. It was an idea he wanted to bring to the world that would not only encourage better health but also sustainability.  
It was what some might call a "pipe dream." But the thing about dreams is that they can

*Egg continues on A13*

**Water main break affected athletic fields in Laredo as well**

**By Thomas Lott**  
LAREDO MORNING TIMES

The water line break in Laredo may have highlighted the need for improvements at the Bill Johnson Student Activity Complex.  
According to United Independ-

ting water to those who need it most in the area - with how much it has been able to water athletic fields with natural grass, such as the baseball and softball facilities at the SAC due to the line break in recent weeks.  
"We've been given some gaps

radically for maybe about the last three weeks or a month."  
Due to this, there are noticeable patches of dying grass behind both home plate and at the baseball and softball fields at the SAC.  
With the high winds and dry weather of Laredo, there is cer-





**LOCAL**

# SCAN is looking for young volunteers

By Jorge A. Vela  
LAREDO MORNING TIMES

A program of Serving Children and Adults in Need Inc., or SCAN as it is locally known, is looking for volunteers. SCAN hopes to raise awareness of several major illnesses affecting members of the local community.

The program would allow those participating to get more insight into topics such as substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C as they would learn about it and the local population suffering through it. Those volunteering for the program will be able to receive community service hours.

"The South Texas Prevention Navigation Program of SCAN is currently looking for volunteers who are Hispanic, ages 13 to 24, and living in Webb, Zapata and Starr counties to participate in our program, and all those who successfully complete the program will receive 100 community service hours and a \$15 Walmart gift card," South Texas Prevention Navigation Program Director Melissa M. Ramirez said.

"The services we provide are free of charge, and they can be completed in as little as one month at the participant's own pace and at the times they are available. Upon the completion of the services, 50 community service hours will be awarded and after three months, participants will be contacted to complete a three-month follow-up where upon completion, they will receive the remaining 50 community service hours as well as a \$15 Walmart gift card."

According to Ramirez, the program provides substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C prevention services which include drug prevention education, brief prevention counseling,



Courtesy / SCAN

**The Serving Children and Adults in Need organization will receive \$6 million in federal funding on Friday from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Center for Mental Health Services.**

case management, referrals to community resources, as well as HIV and Hepatitis C rapid testing and counseling.

All of the services are provided virtually and/or in-person depending on the availability of the participant.

Ramirez says the South Texas Prevention Navigation Program of SCAN is offering community service hours for youth and young adults in the community as a way of encouraging them to take part in their program services. They also hope it helps the program accomplish its mission in creating awareness about the link between substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C and how to prevent them among youth and young adults in the community.

Ramirez also said the safety of the volunteers will be respected as they will never come in contact with those they attend to.

"Individuals who volunteer to take part in program services will not come into contact with people who are abusing substances nor

will they be taking care of any issues involving other SCAN participants," Ramirez said.

In the program, the main role for volunteers who participate is for them to attend weekly or bi-weekly sessions with staff where they will learn the link between substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C and how to prevent them.

Ramirez stresses this is an important opportunity for all those wanting to volunteer and do things to benefit the community and their careers.

"Volunteering is important for the youth in our community because it provides them with a sense of purpose, it increases their social skills and it teaches them valuable skills," Ramirez said. "In volunteering with the South Texas Prevention Navigation Program of SCAN, youth will be able to learn what are substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C, what is the link between them, how to prevent them, and lastly they are able to share the information they learned with

their friends and loved ones to create awareness."

Ramirez says learning about the prevention of these diseases and how they are interrelated between one another is important in a border community like Laredo due to the exchange of substances between people.

"Individuals living along the Texas-Mexico Border are continuously exposed to a tremendous number of factors that place them at high risk for substance abuse, HIV and Hepatitis C," Ramirez said. "Adolescent and young adult Hispanics are especially vulnerable to these risk factors. In addition to the easy availability and low cost of illicit drugs such as marijuana, individuals in the area have historically also had easy access to alcohol and prescription drugs."

This is according to evidence from a recent survey conducted in 2021 by the agency's Webb County Community Coalition with more than 6,500 middle and high school students. The survey found the aver-

age age of first use for substances were around 14 years old.

"Prescription drug misuse or abuse, 14.22 years, alcohol consumption, 14.29 years, synthetic marijuana use, 14.62 years, and marijuana use, 14.63 years," Ramirez said. "When individuals use substances, it impairs their judgment which reduces their inhibitions which of-ten places people in high

risk situations or it causes them to engage in high risk behaviors, which may put them at risk for HIV and Hepatitis C infection. The South Texas Prevention Navigation Program aims to raise awareness about this link in an effort to prevent substance abuse as well as HIV and Hepatitis C infections."

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**AVISO DE SOLICITUD DE COMENTARIO PUBLICO**

La Ciudad de Laredo, Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad, estará realizando encuestas y recibiendo comentarios en diversos sitios de la ciudad para dar a nuestros ciudadanos la oportunidad de expresar sus ideas y sugerencias acerca del mejoramiento de viviendas y el desarrollo de la comunidad. El personal también proporcionará información sobre los programas y servicios del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad que están disponibles a la comunidad. Las sugerencias recibidas serán incluidas en el Plan Consolidado Anual del Año 2022 en el cual se explica el proceso de invertir fondos disponibles por el Departamento de Viviendas y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos.

**PERSONAL DE LA CIUDAD DE LAREDO ACEPTARÁ COMENTARIOS EN LAS SIGUIENTES UBICACIONES:**

- Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
City Hall de la Ciudad de Laredo localizado en 1110 Houston
- Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
City Hall Annex de la Ciudad de Laredo localizado en 1702 Bobo Bullock Loop
- Lunes, 28 de Marzo, 2022 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**  
Centro de Recreación El Estero localizado en 4735 Loma Vista
- Martes, 29 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
Departamento de Salud de la Ciudad de Laredo (Patio) localizado en 2600 Cedar Ave.
- Miércoles, 30 de Marzo, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Departamentos Hamilton localizados en 815 Salinas Ave.
- Miércoles, 30 de Marzo, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
Centro de Recreación Haynes localizado en 2102 Clark Crossing Blvd.
- Jueves, 31 de Marzo, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
Centro de Recreación Marcos Aranda (Patio) localizado en 4415 Old Santa Maria Rd
- Lunes, 4 de Abril, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Oficinas de Laredo Housing Authority localizadas en 2000 San Francisco
- Lunes, 4 de Abril, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
Biblioteca Pública localizada en 1120 E. Cotton Rd.
- Martes, 5 de Abril, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
Lorena MGS localizada en 1929 Palo Blanco
- Miércoles, 6 de Abril, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Bethany House de Laredo localizado en 817 Hidalgo St.

Línea una encuesta en línea por medio del sitio Survey Monkey en <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/commar22> (inglés) o <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/commar22> (Español).

Adicionalmente, una audiencia pública se llevará a cabo el Martes, 19 de Abril del 2022 durante la junta regular del Cabildo a las 5:30 de la tarde en la Sala de Cabildo localizada en City Hall, 1110 Houston, Laredo, Texas 78940. El personal de la Ciudad les invita a que asista y nos exprese sus necesidades/sugestiones. Servicios para personas con impedimentos físicos serán disponibles con previo aviso. Comentarios pueden ser proporcionados en la audiencia pública o presentados oralmente o por escrito al Sr. Tina Martínez, Director del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad, P.O. Box 1278 o 1301 Faragut, Centro de Tránsito, Tercer piso, al lado este, Laredo, Texas, 78940. Para obtener información adicional, por favor llame al Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al número (956)796-2675.

Tina Martínez  
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**UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS/PROPOSALS/ QUALIFICATIONS**

United Independent School District will solicit and receive Qualification Statements/ Sealed Proposals for:

**RFP/RFPQ NO.:** RFP 2022-010  
**DESCRIPTION:** Parent Engagement Unified Notification Software System

**DUE DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. CST

Specifications may be obtained by registering to EBID on [www.usid.net](http://www.usid.net). Responses shall be received via online submitter **NO LATER THAN** the date and time stated above for each RFP/RFPQ listed. **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO PURCHASING@USD.NE**. United ISD Purchasing Department, 3501 E. Saunders, Laredo, Texas 78041.

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**UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS/PROPOSALS/ QUALIFICATIONS**

United Independent School District will solicit and receive Qualification Statements/ Sealed Proposals for:

**RFP/RFPQ NO.:** CSP 2022-019  
**DESCRIPTION:** Construction of Aquero Blvd. Extension and Related Infrastructure for United ISD's New Middle School, Juan Roberto Ramirez Middle School

**DUE DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, April 27, 2022 @ 3:00 P.M. CST

**Pre-Proposal:** Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. CST (Purchasing Conference Room) 2001 E. Saunders

Specifications may be obtained by registering to EBID on [www.usid.net](http://www.usid.net). Responses shall be received via online submitter **NO LATER THAN** the date and time stated above for each RFP/RFPQ listed. **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO PURCHASING@USD.NE**. United ISD Purchasing Department, 3501 E. Saunders, Laredo, Texas 78041.

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**UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS/PROPOSALS/ QUALIFICATIONS**

United Independent School District will solicit and receive Qualification Statements/ Sealed Proposals for:

**RFP/RFPQ NO.:** RFP 2022-021  
**DESCRIPTION:** Cherting & Dance Equipment, Supplies and Accessories

**DUE DATE & TIME:** Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 3:30 PM CST

Specifications may be obtained by registering to EBID on [www.usid.net](http://www.usid.net). Responses shall be received via online submitter **NO LATER THAN** the date and time stated above for each RFP/RFPQ listed. **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO PURCHASING@USD.NE**. United ISD Purchasing Department, 3501 E. Saunders, Laredo, Texas 78041.

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS – Professional Engineering Services**

**Engineering & Surveying Services for 36-in Water Transmission Main**

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to provide professional engineering services related to the Engineering & Surveying Services for 36-in Water Transmission Main for Utilities Department within the City of Laredo is enclosed.

This RFQ includes the following:

- Background
- Scope of Service
- Statement of Qualifications
- Submission of Qualifications
- Selection process and Criteria
- Exhibits on locations of proposed works


Request for qualifications should be presented in accordance with the specified requirements in the RFQ. Supplementary material such as exhibits, biographical information, and other documentation may also be submitted separately bound from the request for qualifications.

Six hard copies and one electronic copy in pdf format of the request for qualifications must be submitted to the Director at 5816 Daugherty Avenue, Laredo, TX 78041, no later than 5:00 pm CST, April 15, 2022. A virtual pre-RFQ meeting with firms interested in submitting the RFQ to discuss the proposed project and answer questions will be held at 2:00 p.m. on March 31, 2022 at link: <https://cityoflaredo.webex.com/cityoflaredo/j.php?MTID=ms26770d4ed15d311908875e15a2d>

Request for qualifications will be evaluated by Department staff in accordance with the selection criteria specified in the RFQ. The consultant selection process will be followed by contract negotiations.

It is expected that the selected consultant should be ready to proceed on or about May, 2022.

Questions concerning this RFQ should be directed to Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E., at (956) 721-2000 or [agarcia1@laredo.tx.us](mailto:agarcia1@laredo.tx.us). All responses shall be in writing via an addendum.

Sincerely,  
  
 Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E.  
 Utilities Director

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS – Geotechnical Services**

**Consultants for Geotechnical Investigation and Materials Testing Services**

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to provide geotechnical investigation and materials testing services as pool consultants for projects that are funded by Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for Utilities Department within the City of Laredo is enclosed. Consultants qualified with Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Minority-owned Businesses (MWB), and other programs as required by TWDB only may submit the RFQ.

This RFQ includes the following:

- Background
- Scope of Service
- Statement of Qualifications
- Submission of Qualifications
- Selection process and Criteria

Request for qualifications should be presented in accordance with the specified requirements in the RFQ. Supplementary material such as exhibits, biographical information, and other documentation may also be submitted separately bound from the request for qualifications.

Six hard copies and one electronic copy in pdf format of the request for qualifications must be submitted to the Director at 5816 Daugherty Avenue, Laredo, TX 78041, no later than 5:00 pm CST, April 22, 2022. A virtual pre-RFQ meeting with firms interested in submitting the RFQ to discuss the proposed project and answer questions will be held at 2:00 p.m. on April 7, 2022 at link: <https://cityoflaredo.webex.com/cityoflaredo/j.php?MTID=ms26770d4ed15d311908875e15a2d>

Request for qualifications will be evaluated by Department staff in accordance with the selection criteria specified in the RFQ. The consultant selection process will be followed by contract negotiations.

It is expected that the selected consultants will be listed on a rotation basis for geotechnical investigation and materials testing services for the next 3-years and extendable for another 3-years if both the consultants and the city mutually agreed.

Questions concerning this RFQ should be directed to Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E., at (956) 721-2000 or [agarcia1@laredo.tx.us](mailto:agarcia1@laredo.tx.us). All responses shall be in writing via an addendum.

Sincerely,  
  
 Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E.  
 Utilities Director

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**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**



The City of Laredo, Department of Community Development, will be conducting surveys and receiving public comment at various sites throughout the City in order to give citizens an opportunity to express their housing and community development needs. Staff will also be providing information regarding current Community Development programs and services available to the community. Comments received will be made part of the 2022 One-Year Action Plan that will outline how funding made available through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be utilized.

**CITY OF LAREDO STAFF WILL BE ACCEPTING COMMENTS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- Monday, March 28, 2022 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
City of Laredo, City Hall at 1110 Houston
- Monday, March 28, 2022 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
City of Laredo, City Hall Annex at 1102 Bob Bullock Loop
- Monday, March 28, 2022 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**  
El Eden Recreation Center at 4735 Loma Vista
- Tuesday, March 29, 2022 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
City of Laredo Health Department Courtyard 2000 Cedar Ave
- Wednesday, March 30, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Hamilton Apartments at 815 Salinas
- Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
Haynes Health & Wellness Center at 2102 Clark Crossing Blvd.
- Thursday, March 31, 2022 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
Marcos Arellano Recreational Center (Parque) at 4418 Cto Santa Maria Rd
- Monday, April 4, 2022 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Laredo Housing Authority Offices at 2020 San Francisco
- Monday, April 4, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
Laredo Public Library – Main at 1120 E. Galton Rd.
- Tuesday, April 5, 2022 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
MOS Branch Library at 1920 Palo Blanco
- Wednesday, April 6, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Bethany House of Laredo at 817 Hidalgo St.

Also, fill out the survey online through Survey Monkey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/commnet22> (English) or <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/commnet22> (Spanish)

In addition, a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 5:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers located at 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, 78040. City staff would like to invite the community to attend and make their needs known. Special services will be made available upon timely request for the physically impaired. Comments may be provided at the public hearing or submitted only or in writing to Ms. Tina Martinez, Community Development Director, P.O. Box 1976 or 1901 Faranago, Transit Center, 3rd Floor, East Wing, Laredo, Texas 78040. For more information, contact the Department of Community Development at 795-2675.

 Equal Housing Opportunity  
 Tina Martinez  
 Community Development Director

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**City of Laredo**

**REQUEST FOR THIRD PARTY FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

The City of Laredo has an ongoing program to provide funding assistance to non-profit organizations that work to help address social problems, develop the community, raise the standard of living and/or promote tourism. Funds for this program are provided through General Fund Revenue and Hotel-Motel Tax Revenue.

The City is accepting applications from interested non-profit agencies who wish to be considered for funding through this program for FY 2022-2023. Applications will be evaluated by a Third Party Funding Advisory Committee who will make recommendations to the City Council for approval. If awarded, funds will be paid on a reimbursement basis only.

Agencies must submit an application and meet the following criteria:

- Agency must qualify to receive funds from either General fund or Hotel-Motel fund.
- All agencies must be a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue to receive money from General funds and a 501 (c) 3 to receive money from Hotel-Motel funds.
- To qualify for General Fund monies, agency must promote education, economic development and/or health and welfare.
- To qualify for Hotel-Motel monies, agency expenditures must directly enhance and promote tourism and the convention and hotel industry.

Applications may be obtained from the Finance Department – Purchasing Division, 5512 Thomas Ave., Laredo, TX 78041 or by downloading from our website: <https://cityoflaredo.texas.gov/finance/purchasing>

Applications are to be submitted through City E-Bid: <https://cityoflaredo.texas.gov/finance/purchasing>

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 City of Laredo - City Secretary  
 C/O Jose A. Yanez, Jr.  
 City Hall - Third Floor  
 1110 Houston  
 Laredo, Texas 78040

A MANDATORY informational in-person training to assist interested organizations in the application process and requirements will be held on March 31, 2022, at 9:00 am for agencies interested in Hotel/Motel Fund assistance and 10:00 am for agencies interested in General fund assistance. MANDATORY training will be held at the Multi-Purpose Room at the Public Library, 1120 E. Galton Rd., Laredo, TX 78041. For any questions please contact Ms. Guadalupe Garcia, Acting Program Coordinator, at (956) 796-5742.

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS – Professional Engineering Services**

**Pool Consultants for the Replacement of Water Lines/Sanitary Sewer Lines and related Appurtenances**

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to provide professional engineering services as pool consultants for replacement of water lines/sanitary sewer lines and related appurtenances for Utilities Department within the City of Laredo is enclosed.

This RFQ includes the following:

- Background
- Scope of Service
- Statement of Qualifications
- Submission of Qualifications
- Selection process and Criteria


Request for qualifications should be presented in accordance with the specified requirements in the RFQ. Supplementary material such as exhibits, biographical information, and other documentation may also be submitted separately bound from the request for qualifications.

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Request for qualifications will be evaluated by Department staff in accordance with the selection criteria specified in the RFQ. The consultant selection process will be followed by contract negotiations.

It is expected that the selected consultants will be listed on a rotation basis for identified water line replacement throughout the city for the next 3-years and extendable for another 3-years if both the consultants and the city mutually agreed.

Questions concerning this RFQ should be directed to Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E., at (956) 721-2000 or [agarcia1@laredo.tx.us](mailto:agarcia1@laredo.tx.us). All responses shall be in writing via an addendum.

Sincerely,  
  
 Arturo Garcia, Jr., P.E.  
 Utilities Director

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**SECTION A-1**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed bids will be received at City Secretary's Office, 1110 Houston Street, 3rd floor, City Hall Building, Laredo, Texas, or electronically through Cit-E-Bid until 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 21, 2022 and publicly opened, read, and taken under advisement on Friday, April 22, 2022 at 10:30 A.M. for the furnishing of all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, labor, supervision, and all other services and appurtenances required for "CDBG Sidewalks - District IV (B) Blocks FY22-ENG-16" for the City of Laredo, and shall include acknowledgment of all addenda submitted, and all other documents included in said bid call. Said bid shall be marked.

"CDBG Sidewalks - District IV (B) Blocks FY22-ENG-16"

The project consists of constructing a series of concrete sidewalks that include the following:

constructing ADA ramps, and complying with ADA specifications for sidewalks, driveways, etc.

Construction contract time for the project is Sixty (60) working days.

Each proposal and a proposal guaranty must be originals and must be sealed in an envelope plainly marked with the name of the project as shown above, and the name and address of the Bidder. When submitted by mail, this envelope shall be placed in another envelope addressed as indicated in this Notice to Bidders and shall be marked as a bid for the project above referred.

Bidders for the construction work must submit a satisfactory cashier's or certified check, or bidder's bond having a minimum Best's Rating A according to Best's Key Rating Guide Latest Edition from a surety duly authorized and licensed in the State of Texas, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Laredo, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid based on the bid which check or bond shall be submitted as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract, and execute performance and payment bonds within ten (10) days after Notice of Award of contract is given to him for contracts in excess of \$50,000.00. Bids without the required check or original bond will NOT be considered.

Further, on federally funded projects only, contractor must comply with the Federal Labor Standards Provision, Davis Bacon Act, Equal Opportunity Clause, Wage Determination and HUD and Urban Development Federal Requirements especially as it regards pay-

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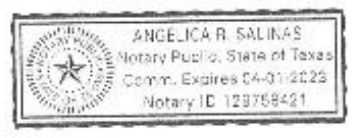
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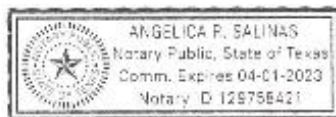
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**Public Notice**

Publication date: Sunday, May 22, 2022 & June 5, 2022

The City of Laredo prepared its 2022-2023 One Year Action Plan which will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as a prerequisite for receiving continued funding from the same. The One Year Action Plan outlines the specific federal, state, and local resources that are anticipated to be made available and the specific housing and non-housing activities to be carried out over the next year. The City anticipates receiving **\$3,403,999** in 48th Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, **\$1,239,355** through the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and **\$315,100** through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

An additional **\$80,000** is anticipated to be received in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, **\$20,000** through CDBG Program Income, and **\$200,000** in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed and subject to City Council approval.

<b>48th AY Community Development Block Grant</b>		
1	Community Development Administration	\$679,000
2	Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$342,051
3	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$700,000
4	Code Enforcement	\$600,000
5	Graffiti Removal Program	\$ 31,550
6	Downtown Elderly Recreational Program	\$165,000
7	Homeless Outreach Services	\$45,000
8	Downtown Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$112,398
9	Park Improvements in District 1	\$ 53,500
10	Sidewalks in District 1	\$ 53,500
11	Park Improvements in District 2	\$53,500
12	Sidewalks in District 2	\$53,500
13	Park Improvements in District 3	\$53,500
14	Sidewalks in District 3	\$53,500
15	Park Improvements in District 4	\$107,000
16	Park Improvements in District 5	\$107,000
17	Park Improvements in District 7	\$107,000
18	Park Improvements in District 8	\$53,500
19	Sidewalks in District 8	\$53,500
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>
<b>Revolving Loan</b>		
19	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$7,000
20	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$73,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>
<b>HOME Investment Partnership Grant</b>		
21	HOME Program Administration	\$123,000
22	Down Payment Assistance Program (PI)	\$200,000
23	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$200,000
24	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$200,000
25	Homeowner Reconstruction Program	\$271,756
26	Affordable Rental Housing Program	\$444,599
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,439,355</b>
<b>Emergency Solutions Grant</b>		
27	ESG Program Administration	\$23,000
28	Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations	\$96,318
29	Emergency Shelter – Essential Services	\$41,745
30	Street Outreach	\$45,000
31	Rapid Re-Housing	\$50,000
32	Homelessness Prevention	\$51,037
33	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 8,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$315,100</b>

If feasible, copies of the draft Plans can be viewed in person at the offices of the City Secretary located in City Hall at 1110 Houston, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, and at the Laredo Public Library located at 1120 E. Calton Road during the hours of operation. A copy of the plans will also be available at the Department of Community Development located at 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The plan can also be viewed in the Community Development Department website at: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/CommDev/index.html>

The period of time to review the plans and provide comments will be from **May 31 – June 29, 2022**

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Community Development Director

**Aviso Público**

Fecha de Publicación: Domingo, 22 de Mayo, 2022 y Junio 5, 2022

La Ciudad de Laredo preparó su Plan de Acción para el año 2022-2023 que será sometido al Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano como un requisito previo para continuar recibiendo fondos financieros del departamento. El Plan de Acción de un año describe los recursos federales, estatales, y locales específicos que se anticipa serán disponibles y las actividades de vivienda y otros tipos de actividades que se llevarán a cabo el próximo año. La Ciudad anticipa recibir **\$3,403,999** para el año de acción No. 48 en fondos del Programa "CDBG", **\$1,239,355** del programa "HOME", y **\$315,100** del programa "ESG".

Además, se anticipa que **\$80,000** dólares adicionales sean recibidos en fondos adicionales del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan", **\$20,000** ingresos del programa "CDBG", y **\$200,000** en ingresos del programa "HOME". Los proyectos siguientes son propuestos y sujetos a la aprobación del Cabildo de la Ciudad.

<b>Año de Acción No. 48 del Programa "CDBG"</b>		
1	Administración	\$679,000
2	Administración del Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$342,051
3	Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$700,000
4	Programa de Cumplimiento de Códigos	\$600,000
5	Programa de Eliminación de Grafiti	\$31,550
6	Programa Recreativo para Personas de la Tercer Edad	\$165,000
7	Servicios Concientización al Público	\$45,000
8	Programa de Rehabilitación de Unidades de Renta en el Centro de Laredo	\$112,398
9	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 1	\$53,500
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17	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 7	\$107,000
18	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 8	\$53,500
19	Banquetas en el Distrito 8	\$53,500
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>

<b>Préstamo Giratorio</b>		
19	Administración del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$ 7,000
20	Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$73,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

<b>HOME Investment Partnership Grant</b>		
21	Administración del Programa "HOME"	\$123,000
22	Asistencia Financiera para Enganche de Viviendas	\$200,000
23	Asistencia de Renta para Arrendatarios	\$200,000
24	Fondos Reservados para Organizaciones llamadas "CHDO"	\$200,000
25	Programa de Reconstrucción de Viviendas de Propietarios	\$271,756
26	Programa de Viviendas de Renta Accesible	\$444,599
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,439,355</b>

<b>Emergency Solutions Grant</b>		
24	Administración del Programa "ESG"	\$23,000
25	Operaciones del Programa de Refugio de Emergencia	\$96,318
26	Servicios Esenciales del Programa de Refugio de Emergencia	\$41,745
27	Concientización al Público	\$45,000

28	Reubicación Rápida de Viviendas	\$50,000
29	Prevención de Personas sin Hogar	\$51,037
30	Manejamiento del Sistema "HMIS"	\$ 8,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$315,100</b>

En caso de ser viable, debido a la situación de salud actual, las copias del plan se podrán ver presencialmente en las oficinas del Secretario Municipal ubicadas en 1110 Houston, 3ª planta, y en la Biblioteca Pública de Laredo ubicada en 1120 E. Calton Rd. durante las horas de operación. Una copia del plan también estará disponible en el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad ubicado en 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3er piso, Lado Este, de Lunes a Viernes, de 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. El plan también se puede ver en el sitio web del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad en: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/CommDev/index.html>

El periodo de tiempo para revisar el plan y proporcionar comentarios será del **31 de mayo al 29 de junio del 2022**.

Además, se programará una audiencia pública para ofrecer a los ciudadanos interesados la oportunidad de comentar en el plan. La audiencia se llevará a cabo el **6 de junio del 2022** en la Cámaras de Cabildo en 1110 Houston St. durante la reunión programada regularmente del Cabildo Municipal a partir de las 5:30 p.m. Se pondrá a disposición de los discapacitados físicos servicios especiales, con previa solicitud oportuna. El público tendrá la oportunidad enviar comentarios públicos y llenar un formulario de participación en línea o en persona. Los formularios de participación en línea se pueden encontrar en <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>

Los comentarios pueden ser proporcionados en la audiencia pública o presentados por escrito durante el periodo de comentarios de 30 días a Tina Martinez, Directora de Desarrollo Comunitario, P.O. Box 1276 en Laredo, Texas 78042-1276 o 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3er piso, Lado Este, Laredo, Texas 78040. Los comentarios también pueden enviarse por correo electrónico a: [ercampos@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:ercampos@ci.laredo.tx.us). Los comentarios serán aceptados hasta el **29 de junio del 2022**, 5:00 p.m. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al (956)795-2675.

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Tina Martinez  
Directora del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad



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Cigarroa Toros defensive line-men tally sacks in STCA All-Star Game for East squad

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Advertisement for Gamez Law Fights featuring a man in a suit and a truck. Text includes '¿Accidente de Camión?', 'GAMEZ LAW FIGHTS!', 'CONSULTA GRATIS', and '242-PAIN (7246)'.

Laredo Morning Times

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Affidavit: Cartel Del Noreste guns were to fuel 'active war'

By Cesar G Rodriguez LAREDO MORNING TIMES

The weapons that were supposed to be bought in a firearm scheme for the Cartel Del Noreste were to fuel an "active war" in Mexico, according to court documents.

Manuel Perez-Ortiz, 40, of Nuevo Laredo; Arturo Mata Jr., 55, of Rio Bravo; and Luis Ramos, 44, of Rio Bravo, recently pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit international money laundering.

During May and June of 2020, an undercover agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration had phone conversations with some people who were interested in purchasing weapons and then smuggling them into Mexico for the Cartel Del Noreste.

Weapons to be purchased included M60 machine guns, FN Cartel continues on A13

Russia's claim of city's capture fuels POW concern

By Elena Becatoros, Oleksandr Stashevskiy and Ciaran Mcquillan ASSOCIATED PRESS

POKROVSK, Ukraine — Concern mounted Saturday over the fate of the Ukrainian fighters who became Moscow's prisoners as Russia claimed seizure of the steel plant-turned-fortress in Mariupol, capping a nearly three-month siege that left the strategic port city in ruins and more than 20,000 city residents feared dead.

The Russian Defense Ministry released video of Ukrainian ... continues on A13

'PENNIES ON THE DOLLAR'

Freer man says he nixed a major land deal due to plans for a gun range which would have impacted his business and his family's safety. The government reportedly plans to use eminent domain to take the land and build it anyway.

By Christian Alejandro Ocampo LAREDO MORNING TIMES

A Freer man is accusing the federal government of potentially using eminent domain to take his land for "pennies on the dollar" after negotiations to buy the land fell through.

Jacob Cantu, the owner of J.A. Cantu Ranch, told Laredo Morning Times the government is potentially planning to force the sale of 30 acres of his land for around \$67,500 after he refused to sell it to them for \$750,000 due to their insistence on building an open-field gun range. He says this would impact not only his hunting business on the remaining portions of his land but also introduce a safety risk to his family.

"I worked very hard to acquire this property," Cantu said. "I saved my money for years and managed to buy this land, and I feel like it's just being ruined now."

Eminent domain refers to the power of the government

to take private property and convert it into public use. The Fifth Amendment provides that the government may only exercise this power if they give just compensation to the property owners.

Cantu claims the move by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency will eventually place a helipad and an open-field gun range on his property, which sits in Duval County on the outskirts of Freer.

In addition to the concerns over his business and family's safety, he says this would also devalue his land.

According to Cantu, the ordeal began two years ago when he was contacted by a representative of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who asked if he would be willing to sell his property for the building of a U.S. Customs and Border Protection station.

Cantu said he would be interested in selling approximately 30 acres for \$25,000 per acre, or \$750,000. He said access to water made it prime commercial property, and he

Pennies continues on A12



Kevin Dietsch/TNS

U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Texas, seen at the U.S. Capitol on July 30, 2021 in Washington, D.C., is in a primary battle with Jessica Cisneros.

FBI won't clear Cuellar before election

By Christian Alejandro Ocampo LAREDO MORNING TIMES

As the primary runoff elections are well underway, eyes all around the country continue to be on the Democratic race for Texas' District 28 between long-time incumbent Rep. Henry Cuellar and challenger Jessica Cisneros.

And a potentially major concern for some voters remains the status of Cuellar, who had his home and office raided by the FBI in January. Cuellar's lawyer Joshua Berman proclaimed he was not a target of the investigation in mid-April.

In a conversation with LMT this week, however, an FBI media representative refused to clear the nine-term incumbent of wrongdoing, stating both the FBI and the Department of Justice do not comment on the existence of any investigation.

Furthermore, no other media outlets have been able to confirm Berman's proclamation of Cuellar's innocence. That means outside of Cuellar's own lawyer, voters are unfortunately stuck with no confirmation one way or the other regarding whether or not Cuellar is a target of the investigation as they head to the polls ... continues on A5



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The Board of Trustees for the Laredo Independent School District will accept sealed proposals until 2:30 p.m. June 7, 2022 on RFP 22-014 Professional Development and Instructional Consulting Services at which time they will be submitted electronically via Bonfire web system or via hand-delivery to the Laredo Independent School District Administration Building Procurement Department, Room #101, 1702 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas 78040. Hand-delivered proposals will be stamped, with time and date received, at the time of delivery to the Procurement Department. If timely submitted, electronic submissions will be automatically time stamped at the time of submission on Bonfire. Proposals will be considered late and will not be accepted after the stated time and date. Proposals will be opened at 3:00 p.m. on June 7, 2022 at the Laredo Independent School District Procurement Department located at 1702 Houston Street. Specifications can be retrieved by registering to Bonfire at [www.lisdist.net/bonfire](https://www.lisdist.net/bonfire). The Board of Trustees at Laredo Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive any formalities and/or irregularities. L-48

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Publication date: Sunday, May 22, 2022 & June 5, 2022  
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48th AY Community Development Block Grant	
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3. Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$700,000
4. Code Enforcement	\$800,000
5. graffiti Removal Program	\$ 31,550
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8. Downtown Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$112,348
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18. Park Improvements in District 8	\$53,500
19. Sidewalks in District 8	\$53,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,403,999</b>
Revolving Loan	
19. Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$7,000
20. Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$75,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$82,000</b>
HOME Investment Partnership Grant	
21. HOME Program Administration	\$125,000
22. Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA)	\$200,000
23. Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$200,000
24. Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$200,000
25. Homeowner Reconstruction Program	\$271,756
26. Affordable Rental Housing Program	\$444,599
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,439,355</b>
Emergency Solutions Grant	
27. ESG Program Administration	\$23,000
28. Emergency Shelter - Shelter Operations	\$96,314
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31. Rapid Re-Housing	\$50,000
32. Homelessness Prevention	\$51,037

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Johnny Davis talks with reporters during the NBA basketball draft combine at the Wintrust Arena Thursday, May 19, 2022, in Chicago.

# Wisconsin-ex Johnny Davis familiar with rebuilding projects

By Tom Orsborn  
SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS

CHICAGO - An assertive decision by Johnny Davis set him on the path to becoming a consensus lottery pick in the 2022 NBA Draft.

"We lost six or seven seniors from my freshman year, so it was a very limited roster on the team," he said, referring to Wisconsin's outlook entering last season. "Guys were looking left and right, (thinking), 'Who is going to be the next guy on the team?'" I figured, "Why not me?" It was a great opportunity to go out and play freely."

And the 6-foot-5, 196-pound guard did just that, fueling the Badgers' surprising showing in 2021-22.

After averaging 7.0 points as a freshman and starting his sophomore season with back-to-back 15-point games, Davis scored 21 or more in nine of the next 10 contests, including 30-plus twice, to position himself as Wisconsin's No. 1 option and surge up draft boards.

This past week at the NBA draft combine, the Spurs were one of several teams to interview Davis, whose take-charge approach undoubtedly impressed a club going through a rebuild of its own.

So is Davis interested in playing for the Spurs?

"Playing under coach (Gregg) Popovich, the most famous coach in NBA history, would be something I would really want to happen," said Davis, who was also interviewed by Cleveland, Washington, Indiana, Detroit, Orlando and New York.

Depth at guard isn't an issue for the Spurs, but it could be hard for them to pass on one as gifted as Davis when they are on the clock with the ninth overall pick. He's a strong, tenacious defender and a relentless three-level scorer who averaged 19.7 points, 8.2 rebounds, 2.1 assists and 1.6 steals last season.

showed that all season long, never more than down the stretch," Gard said. "We knew he was hurting, but he laid it all on the line for his teammates. That's a toughness that will translate at any level."

Davis and his twin brother Jordan, who is returning to Wisconsin for his junior season, were introduced to basketball at an early age by their father. Mark Davis played professional basketball for 13 seasons, including a stint with Milwaukee in 1988-89.

"I was four when my dad first got me and my brother in the gym," Davis said.

At La Crosse High in La Crosse, Wis., Davis excelled at basketball and football, earning all-state recognition in both. The state's Mr. Basketball in 2020, Davis also passed for more than 6,500 yards and 56 touchdowns and ran for more than 2,000 yards and another 34 scores as a three-year starter at quarterback for the Red Raiders.

"I don't think we'll have another Johnny come through here," La Crosse's football coach said after Davis' last game.

Wisconsin started targeting Davis early on in his prep career, offering him a scholarship early in his sophomore year. Despite offers from other school and friends telling him other programs would give him a better chance at advancing to the NBA, he struck with Madison, which is less than 150 miles from La Crosse.

"My friends were like, 'Man, you're going to go there and you're not going to be able to make it to the NBA,'" Davis told ESPN. "I heard all the noise about how Wisconsin's not a good place for athletes to go if they want to reach the next level."

Now after a confidence-building turn on the USA Basketball U19 World Cup Team last summer, the 20-year-old Davis is poised to become the youngest NBA draft pick from Wisconsin since...

Banchero did.

"I'm never the type to shy away from competition," Davis said. "But my agents thought it would be the best thing for me not to compete."

Agents often advise top prospects to skip action at the combine for fearing even a minor injury could hurt their client's stock.

"I think the way I carried myself throughout the year and did everything I could for my team speaks highly about my game," Davis said. "I also don't want to risk being injured or not playing as well and dropping out of where I am projected."

For the most part, all Davis did at the combine was interview with teams.

"They asked me about my family," Davis said. "I speak very highly of them. I have a younger brother and sister who are twins as well. Everybody is shocked about that, having two sets of twins in the family."

Davis also took advantage of the meet-and-greet with NBA decision-makers to find out what he needs to do to improve.

"They gave me great feedback," he said. "It's been a variety of different things, defense, shooting, ball-handling."

But with the exception of needing to improve his deep ball after shooting just 30.6 percent from 3-point territory on 3.9 attempts per game last season, there are no glaring holes in his skill set.

"That definitely doesn't represent me," he said of his low percentage from beyond the arc. "I could have shot better from three, but later in the season I took a lot more contested shots."

## JAHIEL

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ing days in the Laredo Morning Times.

Hernandez was a two-year letterman for the Mustangs and a part of the program for four years, but most importantly, he was a member of Nixon's first playoff team since 2005 as the team finished in fourth in District 30-6A this season to lock up a spot in the postseason.

He was given honorable mention at shortstop in the district after batting .257 with a .333 on-base percentage with 13 runs scored and four RBIs on the season.

"(He is) the baseball guru on the team," head coach Eddie Cruz wrote. "Players would gravitate to him for advice on mechanics."

"Jahiel learned how to control the difficulties of the game... and was key to showing the rest of the team how to manage adversity."

Hernandez spent good amounts of time leading

"I liked the things I saw from their college. I like the program, (and) the baseball players."

Jahiel Hernandez, Nixon

off for the Mustangs on the season and helped extend the team's year by one at-bat with two outs in Nixon's Bi-District matchup with San Antonio Stevens with a walk in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Nixon ultimately fell to Stevens — the No. 1 seed out of District 29-6A — but it gave the team everything it could handle falling 4-3 on a walkoff hit in Game 1 and 4-2 in Game 2 only allowing runs to score in one frame.

"It was a long journey (for) me and the boys since freshman year," he said. "We pushed to make (it), it's amazing what we've been through all together, not only with the seniors, but also with the incoming seniors and sophomores and all of that, it was just an amazing journey we had to make history."

Hernandez consistently

played good defense at shortstop and was a calm presence in the batter's box even in tense moments like the team's final game of the year.

"His leadership helped him keep the team focused and determined throughout the playoff run," Cruz wrote.

Hernandez was thrilled to sign his LOI on Thursday.

"It's, of course, a dream come true," he said. "I couldn't do it without my family, my friends out here and my coaches as well. But I'm just excited to be going to the next level to play ball."

The infielder is the second Mustang player to commit to play baseball in college in Kansas as Aidan Salazar signed with McPherson College earlier this school year.

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**Aviso Público**

Fecha de Publicación: Domingo, 22 de Mayo, 2022 y Junio 9, 2022

La Ciudad de Laredo preparó su Plan de Acción para el año 2022-2023 que será sometido al Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano como un requisito previo para continuar recibiendo fondos/fineancios del departamento. El Plan de Acción de un año describe los recursos federales, estatales, y locales específicos que se anticipan serán disponibles y las actividades de vivienda y otros tipos de actividades que se llevarán a cabo el próximo año. La Ciudad anticipa recibir \$3,043,599 entre el año de acción No. 48 en fondos del Programa "CDBG", \$1,239,358 del programa "HOME", y \$315,100 del programa "ESG".

Además, se anticipa que \$90,000 dólares adicionales sean recibidos en fondos adicionales del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan", \$200,000 ingresos del programa "CDBG", y \$200,000 en ingresos del programa "HOME". Los proyectos siguientes son propuestos y sujetos a la aprobación del Cabildo de la Ciudad:

Año de Acción No. 48 del Programa "CDBG"		
1	Administración	\$679,000
2	Administración del Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$342,051
3	Programa de Rehabilitación de Sistemas	\$590,400
4	Programa de Construcción de Codigos	\$560,000
5	Programa de Eliminación de Grafts	\$31,550
6	Programa Recreativo para Personas de la Tercera Edad	\$145,000
7	Servicios de Construcción al Público	\$45,000
8	Programa de Rehabilitación de Unidades de Renta en el Centro de Justicia	\$112,108
9	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 1	\$53,500
10	Banquetas en el Distrito 1	\$53,500
11	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 2	\$53,500
12	Banquetas en el Distrito 2	\$53,500
13	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 3	\$53,500
14	Banquetas en el Distrito 3	\$53,500
15	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 4	\$107,000
16	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 5	\$107,000
17	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 7	\$107,000
18	Mojeros en un Parque en el Distrito 8	\$53,500
19	Banquetas en el Distrito 8	\$53,500
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,423,959</b>

Préstamo Garantado		
19	Administración del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$ 7,000
20	Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$73,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$80,000</b>

HOME Investment Partnership Grant		
21	Administración del Programa "HOME"	\$125,000
22	Asistencia Financiera para Empaques de Viviendas	\$201,100
23	Asistencia de Renta para Armadores	\$200,000
24	Fondos Reservados para Organizaciones Hermanas "CHDO"	\$200,000
25	Programa de Reconstrucción de Viviendas de Proprietarios	\$271,756
26	Programa de Viviendas de Baja Accesibilidad	\$444,599
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,439,355</b>

Emergency Solutions Grant		
28	Administración del Programa "ESG"	\$23,000
29	Operación del Programa de Refugio de Paralelos	\$96,318
30	Servicios Esenciales del Programa de Refugio de Emergencia	\$91,558
31	Concientización al Público	\$43,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$253,876</b>

En caso de ser viable, debido a la situación de salud actual, las copias del plan se podrán ver presencialmente en las oficinas del Secretario Municipal ubicado en 1110 Houston, 2º planta, y en la Biblioteca Pública de Laredo ubicada en 1120 E. Calton Rd. durante las horas de operación. Una copia del plan también estará disponible en el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad ubicado en 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3er piso, Laredo, Texas 78040. Los comentarios serán aceptados hasta el 29 de junio del 2022, a las 5:00 p.m. El plan también se puede ver en el sitio web del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad en: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/ComDev/index.html>

El periodo de tiempo para revisar el plan y proporcionar comentarios será del **31 de mayo al 29 de junio del 2022**.

Además, se programará una audiencia pública para ofrecer a los ciudadanos interesados la oportunidad de comentar en el plan. La audiencia se llevará a cabo el **8 de junio del 2022** en la Cámara de Ciudadanos en 1110 Houston St. durante la reunión programada regular del Cabildo Municipal a las 7:00 p.m. Se pondrá a disposición de los discapacitados físicos servicios especiales, con previa solicitud oportuna. El público tendrá la oportunidad enviar comentarios públicos y llenar un formulario de participación en línea o en persona. Los formularios de participación en línea se pueden encontrar en <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comdev>

Los comentarios pueden ser proporcionados en la audiencia pública o presentados por escrito durante el periodo de comentarios de 30 días a Tima Martínez, Directora de Desarrollo Comunitario, P.O. Box 1276 en Laredo, Texas 78042-1276 o 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3er piso, Laredo, Texas 78040. Los comentarios también pueden enviarse por correo electrónico a: [comdev@cityoflaredo.com](mailto:comdev@cityoflaredo.com) o por teléfono al 956-755-2675. Los comentarios serán aceptados hasta el 29 de junio del 2022, a las 5:00 p.m. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al (956)755-2675.

Igualdad de Oportunidad Tima Martínez  
En La Vivienda Directora del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad

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**AVISO DE DETERMINACIÓN DE NO IMPACTO SIGNIFICATIVO Y AVISO DE INTENCIÓN DE SOLICITAR LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS**

Dominique, 22 de Mayo de 2022  
City of Laredo  
1110 Houston St.  
P.O. Box 279  
Laredo, TX 78042-0279  
956-755-2675

**SOLICITUD PARA LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS**

En el mes del 7 de junio de 2022 la Ciudad de Laredo presentará una solicitud al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano para el Departamento de Construcción de los fondos de subvención en el programa de desarrollo comunitario de los fondos del Programa de Vivienda para el Desarrollo Comunitario COVID-19 (CDBG-COVID) y subvención de Solución de Emergencia (ESG) en el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad. El programa de desarrollo comunitario COVID-19 (CDBG-COVID) es un programa de desarrollo comunitario que se convirtió en un refugio de emergencia cuando se declaró el estado de emergencia del estado de Texas el 23 de marzo del 2020.

**AVISO DE SOLICITUD DE COMENTARIO PÚBLICO**

El Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad de la Ciudad de Laredo, prepara una aplicación en la cantidad de \$4,120,000.00 para un préstamo de Sección 108 que será sometida al Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano para la rehabilitación de un edificio histórico localizado en la ciudad 1300 de Matamoros en el centro de la ciudad conocido como Southern Hotel que es propiedad de la Ciudad de Laredo con el propósito de proveer viviendas adicionales de renta accesible para familias con bajos ingresos.

La intención de la Ciudad de Laredo es aumentar el número de unidades de renta accesible en la ciudad que serán construidas con los fondos del préstamo Sección 108. Además de proveer viviendas de bajo costo, los beneficios llegan a otras poblaciones cercanas y ayudan a revitalizar el vecindario circundante. La información de este edificio histórico se encuentra en un video de 60 segundos que se encuentra en el sitio web de la Ciudad de Laredo en <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comdev>

**Public Notice**

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An additional **\$80,000** is anticipated to be received in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, **\$20,000** through CDBG Program Income, and **\$200,000** in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed and subject to City Council approval.

**UPDATED PROPOSED PROJECT LIST**

<b>48th AY Community Development Block Grant</b>		
1	Community Development Administration	\$679,000
2	Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$342,051
3	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$700,000
4	Code Enforcement	\$600,000
5	Graffiti Removal Program	\$31,550
6	Homeless Services	\$479,049
7	CDBG Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$112,401
8	Park Improvements in District 1	\$34,282
9	Sidewalks in District 1	\$34,282
10	Park Improvements in District 2	\$34,282
11	Sidewalks in District 2	\$34,282
12	Park Improvements in District 3	\$34,282
13	Sidewalks in District 3	\$34,282
14	Park Improvements in District 4	\$68,564
15	Park Improvements in District 5	\$68,564
16	Park Improvements in District 7	\$68,564
17	Park Improvements in District 8	\$34,282
18	Sidewalks in District 8	\$34,282
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>
<b>Revolving Loan</b>		
19	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$7,000
20	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$73,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>
<b>HOME Investment Partnership Grant</b>		
21	HOME Program Administration	\$123,000
22	Down Payment Assistance Program (PI)	\$200,000
23	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$200,000
24	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$200,000
25	Homeowner Reconstruction Program	\$271,756
26	HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program	\$444,599
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,439,355</b>
<b>Emergency Solutions Grant</b>		
27	ESG Program Administration	\$23,000
28	Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations	\$96,318
29	Emergency Shelter – Essential Services	\$41,745
30	Street Outreach	\$45,000
31	Rapid Re-Housing	\$50,000
32	Homelessness Prevention	\$51,037
33	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 8,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$315,100</b>



If feasible, copies of the draft Plans can be viewed in person at the offices of the City Secretary located in City Hall at 1110 Houston, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, and at the Laredo Public Library located at 1120 E. Calton Road during the hours of operation. A copy of the plans will also be available at the Department of Community Development located at 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The plan can also be viewed in the Community Development Department website at: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/CommDev/index.html>

The period of time to review the plans and provide comments will be from **May 31 – June 29, 2022**

Also, a public hearing will be scheduled to provide interested citizens an opportunity to comment on the draft One Year Action Plan. The hearing will be held on **June 6, 2022** in the City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1110 Houston during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m. Special services will be made available, upon timely request, for the physically impaired. Citizens will be able to submit Public Comments and can fill out a participation form online or in person. Participation forms can be found at <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>

Comments may be provided at the public hearing or submitted in writing during the 30 day comment period to Tina Martinez, Community Development Director, P.O. Box 1276 in Laredo, Texas 78042-1276 or 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing, Laredo, Texas 78040. Comments may also be submitted via email to: [ercampos@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:ercampos@ci.laredo.tx.us). Comments will be accepted until **June 29, 2022**, 5:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Department of Community Development at (956)795-2675.

Equal Housing Opportunity



Tina Martinez  
Community Development Director

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Además, se anticipa que **\$80,000** dólares adicionales sean recibidos en fondos adicionales del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan", **\$20,000** ingresos del programa "CDBG", y **\$200,000** en ingresos del programa "HOME". Los proyectos siguientes son propuestos y sujetos a la aprobación del Cabildo de la Ciudad.

**LISTA ACTUALIZADA DE PROYECTOS PROPUESTOS**

<b>Año de Acción No. 48 del Programa "CDBG"</b>		
1	Administración	\$679,000
2	Administración del Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$342,051
3	Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$700,000
4	Programa de Cumplimiento de Códigos	\$600,000
5	Programa de Eliminación de Grafiti	\$31,550
6	Servicios a Personas sin Hogar	\$479,049
7	Programa de Rehabilitación de Unidades de Renta de CDBG	\$112,401
8	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 1	\$34,282
9	Banquetas en el Distrito 1	\$34,282
10	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 2	\$34,282
11	Banquetas en el Distrito 2	\$34,282
12	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 3	\$34,282
13	Banquetas en el Distrito 3	\$34,282
14	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 4	\$68,564
15	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 5	\$68,564
16	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 7	\$68,564
17	Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 8	\$34,282
18	Banquetas en el Distrito 8	\$34,282
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>

<b>Préstamo Giratorio</b>		
19	Administración del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$ 7,000
20	Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$73,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

<b>HOME Investment Partnership Grant</b>		
21	Administración del Programa "HOME"	\$123,000
22	Asistencia Financiera para Enganche de Viviendas	\$200,000
23	Asistencia de Renta para Arrendatarios	\$200,000
24	Fondos Reservados para Organizaciones llamadas "CHDO"	\$200,000
25	Programa de Reconstrucción de Viviendas de Propietarios	\$271,756
26	Programa de Viviendas de Renta Accesible de HOME	\$444,599
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,439,355</b>

<b>Emergency Solutions Grant</b>		
27	Administración del Programa "ESG"	\$23,000
28	Operaciones del Programa de Refugio de Emergencia	\$96,318
29	Servicios Esenciales del Programa de Refugio de Emergencia	\$41,745
30	Concientización al Público	\$45,000
31	Reubicación Rápida de Viviendas	\$50,000
32	Prevención de Personas sin Hogar	\$51,037

33	Mancjamiento del Sistema "HMIS"	\$ 8,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$315,100</b>

En caso de ser viable, debido a la situación de salud actual, las copias del plan se podrán ver presencialmente en las oficinas del Secretario Municipal ubicadas en 1110 Houston, 3ª planta, y en la Biblioteca Pública de Laredo ubicada en 1120 E. Calton Rd. durante las horas de operación. Una copia del plan también estará disponible en el Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad ubicado en 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3er piso, Lado Este, de Lunes a Viernes, de 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. El plan también se puede ver en el sitio web del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad en: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/CommDev/index.html>

El período de tiempo para revisar el plan y proporcionar comentarios será del **31 de mayo al 29 de junio del 2022**.

Además, se programará una audiencia pública para ofrecer a los ciudadanos interesados la oportunidad de comentar en el plan. La audiencia se llevará a cabo el **6 de junio del 2022** en la Cámaras de Cabildo en 1110 Houston St. durante la reunión programada regularmente del Cabildo Municipal a partir de las 5:30 p.m. Se pondrá a disposición de los discapacitados físicos servicios especiales, con previa solicitud oportuna. El público tendrá la oportunidad enviar comentarios públicos y llenar un formulario de participación en línea o en persona. Los formularios de participación en línea se pueden encontrar en <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>

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Igualdad de Oportunidad  
En La Vivienda



Tina Martinez  
Directora del Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad

SPORTS

HIS OTHER CALLING

Outside of playing baseball, Tecos first baseman Kennys Vargas enjoys cutting hair

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CRIME

LPD: NO SHOTS FIRED AT APPLEBEE'S

Police refute report of gunshot in restaurant, CBP seizes \$1.5M in cocaine at Bridge IV

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¿Accidente de Camión? GAMEZ LAW FIRMS! CONSULTA GRATIS 242-PAIN (7246)

Laredo Morning Times

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Teen shot in the head in south Laredo

By Cesar G Rodriguez LAREDO MORNING TIMES

A teenager was shot in the head in south Laredo, according to authorities. The shooting occurred at about 2 a.m. Saturday in the 4400 block of Exodus Drive. Preliminary information indicates that a 17-year-old male was shot in the head and is listed in critical condition, LPD said in a statement.

Shot continues on A15



Alexander graduate Cindy Heredia is the co-captain of the MIT Driverless/MIT-Pitt-RW autonomous racing team.

Local leads self-driving car racing team

By Thomas Lott LAREDO MORNING TIMES

When most students getting their Masters of Business Administration graduate, they've spent time learning at big companies and going through a slog of classes. When Cindy Heredia



Flowers and candles are placed around crosses at a memorial outside Robb Elementary School to honor the victims killed in this week's school shooting in Uvalde, Texas Saturday, May 28, 2022.

Police inaction moves to center of shooting probe

Students and teachers begged 911 for help while officers waited to move in

Former Laredo officer scrutinized for response during Uvalde massacre

By Stefanie Dazio ASSOCIATED PRESS

MORE COVERAGE

Laredo food truck visits Uvalde to offer support, one plate at a time, A3

By Jorge A. Vela LAREDO MORNING TIMES



Arredondo

The actions — or more notably, the inaction — of a school district police chief and other law enforcement officers have become the center of the investigation into this week's shocking school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

The delay in confronting the shooter — who was inside the school for more than an hour — could lead to discipline, lawsuits and even criminal charges against police.

The attack that left 19 children and two teachers dead in a fourth grade classroom was the nation's deadliest school shooting in nearly a decade, and for three days police offered a confusing and sometimes contradictory timeline that drew public anger and frustration.

By Friday, authorities ac-

and teachers repeatedly begged 911 operators for help while the police chief told more than a dozen officers to wait in a hallway at Robb Elementary School. Officials said he believed the suspect was barricaded inside adjoining classrooms and that there was no longer an active attack.

The chief's decision — and the officers' apparent willingness to follow his directives against established active-shooter protocols — prompted questions about whether more lives were lost because officers did not act faster to stop the gunman, and who should be held responsible.

"In these cases, I think the court of public opinion is far

New details emerged this week concerning the investigation into the mass shooting that happened at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas that left 21 dead, including 19 children and two teachers. Specifically, there are major concerns that law enforcement made a devastating mistake by waiting too long to engage with the shooter inside the fourth-grade classroom.

As it turns out, the incident commander on scene who is under fire is a former Laredoan who worked for UISD and the Webb County Sheriff's Office, and is a recently-elected Uvalde city councilmember. He allegedly ordered law enforcement to wait for reinforcements and to not engage the shooter for close to an hour.

In a press conference on Friday,

lic Safety Director Steve McCraw identified Pete Arredondo, who serves as the chief police for the Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District, as the incident commander of the situation at the school. The DPS director stated that it was a mistake to listen to the orders provided by Arredondo.



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UPDATED PROPOSED PROJECT LIST

4th AY Community Development Block Grant		
1	Community Development Administration	\$679,000
2	Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$342,851
3	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$700,000
4	Code Enforcement	\$400,000
5	Garbage Removal Program	\$1,130
6	Homeless Services	\$479,849
7	CDBG Revolving Rehabilitation Program	\$112,451
8	Park Improvements in District 1	\$34,282
9	Sidewalks in District 1	\$34,282
10	Park Improvements in District 2	\$34,282
11	Sidewalks in District 2	\$34,282
12	Park Improvements in District 3	\$34,282
13	Sidewalks in District 3	\$34,282
14	Park Improvements in District 4	\$34,282
15	Park Improvements in District 5	\$34,282
16	Park Improvements in District 7	\$34,282
17	Park Improvements in District 8	\$34,282
18	Sidewalks in District 8	\$34,282
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,633,999</b>
Revolving Loan		
19	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$7,000
20	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$73,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$80,000</b>
HOME Investment Partnership Grant		
21	HOME Program Administration	\$123,000
22	Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA)	\$200,000
23	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$200,000
24	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$200,000
25	Homeowner Rehabilitation Program	\$371,754
26	HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program	\$442,559
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,459,353</b>
Emergency Solutions Grant		
27	ESG Program Administration	\$23,000
28	Emergency Shelter - Rapid Reentry	\$66,313
29	Emergency Shelter - Essential Services	\$41,745
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33	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$3,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$316,100</b>

If feasible, copies of the draft Plans can be viewed in person at the office of the City Secretary located in City Hall at 1110 Houston, 3rd Floor, and at the Laredo Public Library located at 1120 E. Canton Road during the hours of operation.

A copy of the plans will also be available at the Department of Community Development located at 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3rd Floor, East Wing, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The plan can also be viewed in the Community Development Department website at: <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/CommDev/index.html>

The period of time to review the plans and provide comments will be from **May 31 - June 29, 2022**

Also, a public hearing will be scheduled to provide interested citizens an opportunity to comment on the draft One Year Action Plan. The hearing will be held on **June 6, 2022** in the City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1110 Houston during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. Special services will be made available, upon timely request, for the physically impaired. Citizens will be able to submit Public Comments and can fill out a participation form online or in person. Participation forms can be found at <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/commdev/>

Comments may be provided at the public hearing or submitted in writing during the 30 day comment period to Tina Martinez, Community Development Director, P.O. Box 1276 in Laredo, Texas 78042-1276 or 1301 Farragut, Transit Center, 3rd Floor, East Wing, Laredo, Texas 78040. Comments may also be submitted via email to: [comprocarros@laredo.tx.us](mailto:comprocarros@laredo.tx.us). Comments will be accepted until **June 29, 2022, 5:00 p.m.** For more information, contact the Department of Community Development at: (956)-267-2675.

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chapter 15, Article III, Section 15-38 and Chapter 21, Article II, Section 21-17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laredo, that the lot or lots located at the following locations are declared to be in and constitute a nuisance and health hazard due to the existence of all or part of the following: accumulation of various weeds and other rank vegetation, refuse, trash, refuse, junk and other abandoned materials, metals, lumber or other objectionable, or unwholesome matter:

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LAREDO, TX 78046
3. LOT 1 BLK 7 RIVERSIDE  
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9. CYLINDR HEIGHTS, BLOCK 13, LOT 4, UNIT III  
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2319 SAN SALVADOR ST.  
LAREDO, TX 78046
11. LOT 5 BLK 16 SANTA RITA III  
282 ALCANTAR DR.  
LAREDO, TX 78046  
ALBIREZ, SIRIANA  
2319 SAN SALVADOR ST.  
LAREDO, TX 78046
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PALENCIA, MARIA ELISA  
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LAREDO, TX 78043
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SECTION A-1

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received at City Secretary's Office, 1110 Houston Street, 3rd floor, City Hall Building, Laredo, Texas, or electronically through CII-E-Bid until 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday July 6, 2022 and publicly opened, read, and taken under advisement on Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. for the furnishing of all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, labor, submittences, and all other services and appurtenances required for FY22-ENG-26 - Riverbend Hike & Bike Trail Project - Phase 1 for the City of Laredo, and shall include acknowledgment of any addenda submitted, and all other documents included in said bid call. Said bid shall be marked.

FY22-ENG-26 Riverbend Hike & Bike Trail Project - Phase 1

The City of Laredo proposes to improve accessibility and promote the development of an environmentally friendly ecosystem by constructing 2,200 LF of hike and bike trail, a pre-engineered outdoor gazebo, bird observation decks, and related appurtenances.

Construction contract time for the project is one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days.

Each proposal and a proposal guaranty must be originals and must be sealed in an envelope plainly marked with the name of the project as shown above, and the name and address of the Bidder. When submitted by mail, this envelope shall be placed in another envelope addressed as indicated in this Notice to Bidders and shall be marked as a bid for the project above referred.

Bidders for the construction work must submit a satisfactory cashier's or certified check or bidder's bond having a minimum **Best's Rating A** according to Best's Key Rating Guide Latest Edition from a surety duly authorized and licensed in the State of Texas, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Laredo, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid based on the bid which check or bond shall be submitted as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract, and execute performance and payment bonds within ten (10) days after Notice of Award of contract is given to him for contracts in excess of \$50,000.00. Bids without the required check or original bond will NOT be considered.

Further, on federally funded projects only, contractor must comply with the Federal Labor Standards Provision, Davis Bacon Act, Equal Opportunity Clause, Wage Determination and HUD and Urban Development Federal Requirements especially as it regards payrolls and basic records.

Only the bids and bid guaranties actually in the hands of the designated official at the time set in this Notice to Bidders shall be considered. Bids submitted by telephone, telegraph, or fax, will not be considered.

Bidders are expressly advised to review Section C-3.10 of the General Conditions of the proposed Contract as to the causes which may lead



# Horns hook upset, earn College World Series berth

By Nick Moyle  
SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS

Hailey Dolcini, Texas' pitching ace, was spent. Well, her throwing arm was, at least.

If she could have, and if Texas coach Mike White had seemed it safe enough, Dolcini would've been on the mound Saturday afternoon for Game 3 of the NCAA Tournament Fayetteville super regional. But Dolcini had thrown 134 pitches during the past two days and 435 total over five tournament starts, and trainers had to tend to her at times during Friday's season-preserving complete game outing against the fourth-seeded Razorbacks.

That left the Longhorns' fate largely in the incendiary right hand of freshman Sophia Simpson. She proved unfrazzled by the moment. So did her teammates, for

that matter. Texas (43-19-1) eliminated Arkansas (48-11) on Saturday with a gutsy 3-0 win at Bogle Park to advance to the Women's College World Series for the first time since 2013. The eight-team WCWS runs June 2 to June 9/10 in Oklahoma City.

"There's a lot of pressure; I understand that," White said during a post-game news conference. "We were able to wriggle the hook a little bit, so to speak, and were able to hold on and get some runs."

Considering the stakes, the opponent and the hostile setting, Simpson's first career NCAA Tournament start was remarkable. She threw 68 of 111 pitches for strikes in the complete-game shut-out, allowed five hits, struck out seven and walked four.

White never had to turn to the bullpen, in-



Yi-Chin Lee/Staff photographer  
Texas' Sophia Simpson was remarkable Saturday.

stead letting Simpson work through a few dangerous jams. She escaped a two-on, no-out situation in the second inning, recording two strikeouts and a fly out to keep Arkansas off the scoreboard and didn't allow a single hit with a runner in scoring position.

Simpson (8-4) also received some outstanding help in the field, particularly from second baseman Janae Jefferson and shortstop Alyssa Washington. Jefferson channeled Willie Mays with a leaping overheard catch on a fifth-inning pop-up, then linked up with

Washington for a double play to end the sixth inning with two Razorbacks stranded.

"My defense had me the entire time. The entire time," Simpson said. "I knew they wanted it just as much as I did."

And Jefferson, of course, had a hand in Texas' game-breaking scoring binge.

She hit a leadoff double in the top of the sixth, advanced on Mia Scott's bunt single and scored on Washington's two-run double to snap the scoreless tie. Catcher Mary Lasko tacked on Texas' third run of the inning



Sue Ogrocki/Associated Press  
Mike White, right, and Texas earned a berth in the Women's College World Series for the first time since 2013.

with an RBI single.

Arkansas put one final scare into the few Texas fans sitting inside Bogle Park, putting two runners on with no outs in the bottom of the seventh. Simpson never blinked.

After a fielder's choice placed runners on the corners with one out, Simpson got McEwen to pop out to third base and watched as former Longhorn Taylor Ellsworth's deep fly ball landed in the glove of left fielder Lauren Burke at the warning track.

A few minutes later, teammates crowded Simpson and bathed her

in Gatorade amid a post-game interview with ESPN's Holly Rowe.

"It's very satisfying," White said. "When you're trying to build a program, you're trying to tell these kids we'll have a shot to be in the top 16, top eight in the country. We're just blessed for this team to come together. For them to get to the College World Series and see the show, it's another thing stepping out there. I'm so excited for them to be able to experience that opportunity."

Nick Moyle reported from Austin

# More details, fallout emerge from Tommy Pham's slap of Giants' Joc Pederson

By Evan Webeck  
THE MERCURY NEWS

CINCINNATI - More details and fallout of Tommy Pham's slap heard 'round the baseball world emerged Saturday in the lead up to the Giants' second game here at Great American Ballpark.

While addressing his confrontation with Joc Pederson for the first time, Pham broke the news of his three-game suspension, explained why he resorted to physical violence and expressed little remorse. Shortly after he finished speaking with reporters in the Reds clubhouse - where the Bay Area News Group was the only San Francisco media to speak with Pham - MLB made official Pham's suspension, ruling him out for the remainder of the series.

"I slapped Joc. He said some (stuff) I don't condone. I had to address it," Pham said, adding that Pederson's "disrespectful" comments had to do with his former team, the San Diego Padres. "I told him I didn't forget about that (stuff) and walked right up and slapped him."

While Pederson was walking barefoot in the outfield grass with mental health coach Harvey Martin - a pregame ritual called "grounding" that Pederson participates in - Pham approached him and delivered a hard, open-handed slap across his left cheek.

"There was some (expletive) that went on in fantasy, but what he forgot to tell you guys, too, is he said some disrespectful (expletive) in a text message," Pham said. "I called him out on it."

Approached by reporters with Pham's comments Saturday, Pederson declined an interview request.

Pham also said he was "face to face" with Giants pitching coach Andrew Bailey, who was one of the first Giants to sprint toward the scene after Pham slapped Pederson. Pham initially approached Pederson and Martin with Reds outfielder Albert Almora Jr., but the situation escalated to include upward of 30 players and coaches from both teams.

Pham said that he was "hearing rumors that their pitching coach isn't happy . . . (and) now he wants to go behind my back."

In an interview with the Bay Area News Group, Bailey confirmed he was one of the first to reach Pederson and Pham but was confused by the accusations leveled by Pham.

"Obviously you're concerned for Joc and trying to diffuse the situation. I don't really think there was anything other than

that," Bailey said. "I don't know Tommy."

What was clear after speaking with both players was that a high-stakes fantasy football league was at the center of the disagreement. The league involved many current and former San Diego Padres, the team about which Pham said Pederson made comments in the group chat that were out of line.

While Pederson limited his explanation to a dispute over how he used the injured reserve, pointing to Pham's ownership of 49ers off-injured running back Jeff Wilson as an example, Pham indicated he resorted to physical violence because of the amount of money involved.

Pham earned \$8.9 million in 2021 and signed a \$7.5 million contract for 2022. Pederson earned \$3.5 million last season and signed a \$6 million contract this year with the Giants. It's not unusual for professional athletes to gamble substantial sums of money on activities such as fantasy sports, but rarely does it escalate like it did Friday.

"We've got too much money on the line," Pham said. "I look at it like, there's a code. If you're (messing) with my money,

you're going to say some disrespectful (stuff), there's a code to this. . . This was strictly about winning some money, gambling. . . There's a lot of money on the line. I'm a big dog in Vegas. I'm a high roller at many casinos. . . If you lost, you had to pay double, so I looked at it like he was (messing) with my money, along with the disrespect."

Pham declined to expand on the comments Pederson made in the text chain, saying "It wasn't racist. It was some (stuff) that you just don't say. . . I told him in the text thread right away, 'I'm not cool enough with you to be talking like this.'"

Pham was a late scratch from the Reds' lineup Fri-

day night as MLB launched its investigation. Less than 24 hours later, Saturday morning, MLB announced Pham's three-game suspension for "inappropriate conduct."

While Pederson surely did not seem to anticipate the incident occurring, he expressed regret that it may have played a factor in the Giants' sloppy 5-1 loss to the Reds.

"It was a weird interaction. Unfortunate. You show up here, and it's hard to lock back in. It was a tough day," Pederson said on Friday. "We're scuffling a little bit, so that just makes things worse, and this is just an added distraction. You want to eliminate those as much as possible because this

game's so hard. Like I said, we lost.

"It feels like what happened was unfortunate, but it's still a big distraction to other guys around here. We didn't play a good game tonight. If I had something to do with that, being a distraction, that makes me feel really bad because I'm here to help this team win, not be a distraction."

Pham said he is not appealing the suspension, saying that, "It sounds like if I appeal, it will only get worse," meaning that he won't face the Giants at all this series in Cincinnati. He could, however, be on the field when the Reds travel to San Francisco for a three-game series from June 24-26.

### Aviso Público

La Ciudad de Laredo preparó su Plan de Acción para el año 2022-2023 que será sometido al Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano como un requisito previo para continuar recibiendo fondos financieros del departamento. El Plan de Acción de un año describe los recursos federales, estatales, y locales específicos que se anticipan serán disponibles y las actividades de vivienda y otros tipos de actividades que se llevarán a cabo el próximo año. La Ciudad anticipa recibir \$8,463,999 para el año de acción No. 48 en fondos del Programa "CDBG", \$1,230,268 del programa "HOME", y \$316,100 del programa "ESF".

Además, se anticipa que \$60,000 dólares adicionales sean recibidos en fondos adicionales del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan", \$30,000 ingresos del programa "CDBG", y \$30,000 en ingresos del programa "HOME". Los proyectos siguientes son propuestos y sujetos a la aprobación del Cabildo de la Ciudad.

#### LISTA ACTUALIZADA DE PROYECTOS PROPUESTOS

Año de Acción No. 48 del Programa "CDBG"	
1. Administración	\$679,000
2. Administración del Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$542,691
3. Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$70,000
4. Programa de Cosembramiento de Jardines	\$693,000
5. Programa de Iluminación de Grúas	\$31,550
6. Servicios a Personas sin Hogar	\$474,044
7. Programa de Rehabilitación de Unidades de Renta de CDBG	\$117,401
8. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 1	\$34,282
9. Barajetas en el Distrito 1	\$34,282
10. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 2	\$34,282
11. Barajetas en el Distrito 2	\$34,282
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13. Barajetas en el Distrito 3	\$34,282
14. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 4	\$68,564
15. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 5	\$68,564
16. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 7	\$68,564
17. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 8	\$34,282
18. Barajetas en el Distrito 8	\$34,282
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>

#### Préstamo Giratorio

19. Administración del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$ 7,000
20. Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$73,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>





SPORTS

HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS

Esteban Caballero couldn't see, couldn't eat, couldn't drink, couldn't walk

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LOCAL

FROM LAREDO TO UVALDE

Justice of the Peace visits city in mourning, Webb director updates county clinic

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Advertisement for Gamez Law Fights! featuring a man in a suit and a truck. Text includes '¿Accidente de Camión?', 'GAMEZ LAW FIGHTS!', 'CONSULTA GRATIS', and '242-PAIN (7246)'.

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Kaylee Greenlee Beal/The Texas Tribune

A campaign sign for Pete Arredondo blocks away from Robb Elementary School. Arredondo, police chief of Uvalde CISD, was a part of the six-person force that led the response to the mass shooting at the school.

Police chief remains elusive to questioning

In battered Uvalde, grief leads to calls for accountability

By Zach Despart THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

UVALDE — Everyone in town is waiting to hear from Pete Arredondo.

As chief of the Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District Police Department, it was his call to wait more than an hour for backup instead of ordering officers on scene to immediately charge the shooter who killed 19 students and two teachers at Robb Elementary School. The chief of the state police later said this was the "wrong deci-

sion, period."

Now, Arredondo is a man in hiding, as calls for answers and accountability grow louder each day.

In the week since state police singled him out for blame, Arredondo has hardly been seen.

Police officers stand guard outside his home. He has declined to explain his actions, telling a television crew that staked out his office he would not do so until after the victims' funerals. City officials, too, have assisted in the vanishing act. They canceled a previously scheduled public ceremony Tuesday and

instead swore in Arredondo in secret for his latest role on the City Council.

Even state police complained this week that Arredondo has remained elusive to them, accusing him of not cooperating with a Texas Department of Public Safety investigation into the shooting, a claim Arredondo refuted. The New York Times reported Friday that the chief arrived on scene without a radio, hampering his ability to organize the response.

Residents here remain in mourning. Arredondo continues on A13

Webb CISD search begins

Superintendent resigned following lawsuit

By Jorge A. Vela LAREDO MORNING TIMES

BRUNI, Texas — With less than 60 days left before the new school year begins, the board members and Webb Consolidated Independent School District are looking for a new superintendent after they accepted the resignation of Beto D. Gonzalez following an incident which involved the school district in litigation.

Gonzalez — now the former Superintendent of Webb Consolidated ISD — submitted his letter of resignation to the school board on Monday night following an incident with a district vehicle from last December causing he and the school district to be involved in a million-dollar lawsuit. Due to this, the school district is actively promoting the fact they are looking for any interested candidates to fill the role.

"The Board voted to accept his resignation and Search continues on A12

Woman fatally shot in El Cenizo identified

By Cesar G Rodriguez LAREDO MORNING TIMES

The Webb County Sheriff's Office has identified the woman fatally shot by her boyfriend while they were playing with a gun in their apartment in El Cenizo.

Authorities identified her as Desiree Michelle Cavazos, 19. Her friends and loved ones would call her "Desi." She was described as a wonderful daughter, sister, niece, friend and dog mom.

"Desi was a kind soul that brightened up any room that she was in. She loved deeply and fiercely. With her passing, she leaves a huge emptiness in the hearts of all of us who loved her," her obituary states.

Meanwhile, Luis Enrique Ramirez Jr., 21, remained behind bars at the Webb County Jail as of Friday facing a manslaughter charge.

The case unfolded when deputies responded to a shots fired report at an apartment complex in the 400 block of Holguin. A woman told deputies that she was sitting outside her apartment when she



Cavaz

UISD staff member allegedly made 'racist' remark toward student

By Thomas Lott LAREDO MORNING TIMES

A staff member at Trautmann Middle School allegedly made a "racist" remark toward a student this week, according to a par-

In the incident in question, a student went to the school's front office to pick up their yearbook and when stating their name so they could receive it, the staff member allegedly responded: "Like the terror-

The student in question has a middle eastern background.

"On May 23, 2022, (a) Trautmann Middle School staff member...made a racist remark to a student by referring to him as a terrorist."

ments, due to his middle eastern background," an e-mail on the incident reads.

The staff member's name has been omitted due to there being no criminal action having taken place. The student notified

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# ARREDONDO

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ing. Each day repeats a cycle of at least two funerals followed by processions to the cemetery on the west edge of town. Their grief, however, is giving way to frustration about how local officials have responded to the tragedy and conversations about how to hold them accountable.

For many, this starts with firing Arredondo and overhauling his department, which they believe failed the students it was supposed to keep safe.

"They were cowards," said Salvador Hurtado, a retired farm worker, who said Arredondo should lose his job. "There was one man with a gun, and they waited and waited. ... I read the signs on the police cars that say 'protect and serve.' Where was the protection?"

But residents here also expressed broader desire for transparency from city and school district officials, whom they feel have retreated from serving their constituents at a time they are needed most.

City Hall has locked its doors during business hours and declined to immediately provide any public records to reporters. The chief of the city police force, Daniel Rodriguez, has declined to answer questions about his officers' response to the shooting. A Uvalde CISD official told a reporter, falsely, that the first school board meeting since the incident would be closed to the public.

At the special meeting, scheduled for Friday at 6 p.m., board members will decide whether to grant the superintendent more power during emergencies. A second agenda item allows the board to reassign, suspend or fire district employees, including Arredondo — whose name does not explicitly appear on the agenda.

Board members did not respond to requests for comment about their intentions. Whether Arredondo will attend the meeting, as he has in the past, is unknown.

Lydia Morales, who grew up in Uvalde, said local government has long been insular. She feels officials protect each other and give preferential treatment to friends and allies. She criticized Mayor Don McLaughlin for initially saying Arredondo would not be sworn in as planned. Arredondo was subsequently sworn in Monday at City Hall in a secret ceremony.

"He lied to the community of Uvalde," Morales said. "But shame on Arredondo for even doing that. I can't see how he would have the audacity."

## A familiar face

Arredondo, 50, became chief of the Uvalde CISD in 2019. He was born in



Imelda Garcia, 49, restocked melons Friday at her mother's produce stand in Uvalde on June 3. The family has noticed a lack of Uvalde police presence in town after the school shooting.

ing to his hometown. Arredondo told the Uvalde Leader-News he "didn't even have to think twice" about applying once he saw the job opening.

"We are confident with our selection and impressed with his experience, knowledge and community involvement," Superintendent Hal Harrell said after the school board unanimously approved the hire in February 2020. "Chief Arredondo is well-versed in the expanded expectations in student and school safety and will stay current as changes occur."

Arredondo launched his political career this spring by announcing a bid for City Council in his district, which abuts Robb Elementary. He pledged to knock on every constituent's door to introduce himself and hand out his phone number. At an April candidate forum, Arredondo said communicating is the key to solving complicated issues.

"I guess to me, nothing's complicated, everything has a solution," he said at the time. "And that solution starts with communication."

Arredondo was elected May 7 with 69% of the vote.

Jorge Botello, 68, said Arredondo is well known and well liked around town, a familiar presence providing security at football games and other events. He said Arredondo is an avid fisherman and often posts pictures of his catches on Facebook.

Botello said he's unsure how much blame Arredondo deserves but he understands why some residents are angry at the chief and agreed public officials should be held accountable. But he also said he understood why Arredondo has avoided appearing in public since state officials criticized his conduct during the shooting.

"If I were in his shoes, I wouldn't go into the City Council right now," Botello said. "I would stay in my house."



Uvalde school police Chief Pete Arredondo, third from left, stood with law enforcement officers at a May 26 Department of Public Safety press conference in Uvalde.

intervene?" he asked. "They had more law enforcement there."

A relative who declined to be interviewed said Arredondo is not the bad guy some have made him out to be and suggested the chief needs to speak up for himself.

Many residents said they are unsure who to blame in part because the authorities have repeatedly changed their narrative of what happened. In the three days following the shooting, state officials said one of Arredondo's officers engaged the shooter before he entered the school, then said that was false; they said a school employee had failed to lock the door through which the shooter entered, then said that, too, was not true.

Gov. Greg Abbott said he had been misled by police shortly after DPS Director Steve McCraw said Arredondo's decision to wait for specialized officers before attempting to engage the gunman was "the wrong decision, period."

State Sen. Roland Gutierrez, a Democrat who represents Uvalde, told reporters Thursday he was dismayed that local and state officials have not been forthcoming with an accurate, detailed account of their actions during the shooting. Among the outstanding questions is why Arredondo, with his tiny police force, remained in-

Ten days have passed since the massacre. The passage of time is marked by the height of flowers stacked at the memorial in the town square, now sitting 3 feet high in some places. The afternoon heat has wilted the leaves on wreaths commemorating the dead.

Residents express an overwhelming sense of fatigue. From keeping track of visitations at the two funeral homes in town. From fielding reporters' questions on their front porches. From attempting to make sense of how the shooter was not an outsider who came here to do evil, but a teenager who attended school here and worked at the Wendy's.

They have already seen the memorials, back before the rose petals curled and the prayer candles burned to the wick. Most of the visitors now to the town square and another memorial along the sun-baked sidewalk by the school are out-of-towners who wish to pay their respects.

In the quiet neighborhoods and side streets, there is a desire to return to normal life — but for that life to be better.

From her family's produce stand on Main Street, Angelia Arellano has watched police cars

from Dallas, Houston and the Rio Grande Valley drive by in the past week. Officers from across the state have come to assist their local counterparts. She said the city police department appears to have retreated from public view at precisely the moment they should be out in the community as it grieves.

Their absence reinforces Arellano's belief, forged in a lifetime of living in Uvalde, that the police cannot be relied upon. She said they refused to respond when she once called about a man who was harassing her son.

"The police aren't very effective," she said in Spanish. "If there's no blood and no one has been killed, they don't come."

Mary Rodriguez, 86, sat outside in the shade Thursday afternoon chatting up her neighbor, Tonita Torres. Like almost everyone in this community of 15,000, Rodriguez has a personal connection to the victims.

Her children attended Robb Elementary. She remembers giving popsicles to little Joe Garcia, who grew up to be a grocery manager and suffered a fatal heart attack two days after his wife, a teacher, was killed in the shooting. Nine of the children who died went to her church.

Through tears, Rodriguez said her heart breaks at the thought that students could have been saved if the police had acted sooner. She said her faith dictates her to let God judge Arredondo. She said she feels local police are not held in high regard by Uvalde residents and that they have been slow to respond whenever she has called. Their failure to act decisively during the shooting, she said, is inexcusable.

"We don't want those policemen to be here," Rodriguez said. "I pray that they get new jobs somewhere else."

Alexa Ura and Jason Beerman contributed reporting.

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**Aviso Público**

La Ciudad de Laredo preparó su Plan de Acción para el año 2022-2023 que será sometido al Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano como un requisito previo para continuar recibiendo fondos financieros del departamento. El Plan de Acción de un año describe los recursos federales, estatales, y locales específicos que se anticipan serán disponibles y las actividades de vivienda y otros tipos de actividades que se llevarán a cabo el próximo año. La Ciudad anticipa recibir \$8,463,999 para el año de acción No. 48 en fondos del programa "CDBG", \$1,230,268 del programa "HOME", y \$316,100 del programa "ESF".

Además, se anticipa que \$60,000 dólares adicionales sean recibidos en fondos adicionales del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan", \$300,000 ingresos del programa "CDBG", y \$200,000 en ingresos del programa "HOME". Los proyectos siguientes son propuestos y sujetos a la aprobación del Cabildo de la Ciudad.

LISTA ACTUALIZADA DE PROYECTOS PROPUESTOS	
Año de Acción No. 48 del Programa "CDBG"	
1. Administración	\$679,000
2. Administración del Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$342,691
3. Programa de Rehabilitación de Viviendas	\$703,000
4. Programa de Mejoramiento de Calles	\$693,000
5. Programa de Mejoramiento de Grutas	\$31,550
6. Servicios a Personas sin Hogar	\$474,046
7. Programa de Rehabilitación de Unidades de Renta de CDBG	\$117,401
8. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 1	\$34,262
9. Balcasetas en el Distrito 1	\$34,262
10. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 2	\$34,262
11. Balcasetas en el Distrito 2	\$34,262
12. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 3	\$34,262
13. Balcasetas en el Distrito 3	\$34,262
14. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 4	\$34,262
15. Balcasetas en el Distrito 4	\$34,262
16. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 5	\$34,262
17. Balcasetas en el Distrito 5	\$34,262
18. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 7	\$34,262
19. Balcasetas en el Distrito 7	\$34,262
20. Mejoras a un Parque en el Distrito 8	\$34,262
21. Balcasetas en el Distrito 8	\$34,262
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,423,999</b>
Préstamo Giratorio	
19. Administración del Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$7,000
20. Programa "Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan"	\$73,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>



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**City of Rio Bravo**

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Request for proposals are being requested for the publishing of legal information described and defined as per Local, State and Federal Guidelines.

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**Legals/Public Notices**

**Public Notice**  
The City of Laredo prepared its 2022-2023 One Year Action Plan which will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as a prerequisite for receiving continued funding from the same. The One Year Action Plan outlines the specific federal, state, and local resources that are anticipated to be made available and the specific housing and non-housing activities to be carried out over the next year. The City anticipates receiving \$3,483,899 in 2022 Action Plan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$1,288,385 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and \$315,150 through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

An additional \$80,000 is anticipated to be received in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, \$20,000 through CDBG Program Income, and \$200,000 in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed and subject to City Council approval.

**UPDATED PROPOSED PROJECT LIST**  
\$14.1X Community Development Block Grant

1	Community Development Administration	\$672,000
2	Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$183,051
3	Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$700,000
4	CDBG Enforcement	\$600,000
5	Grassroots Renovation Program	\$31,550
6	Homeless Services	\$475,049
7	CDBG Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$112,401
8	Park Improvements in District 1	\$34,282
9	Sidewalks in District 1	\$34,282
10	Park Improvements in District 2	\$34,282
11	Sidewalks in District 2	\$34,282
12	Park Improvements in District 3	\$34,282
13	Sidewalks in District 3	\$34,282
14	Park Improvements in District 4	\$68,564
15	Park Improvements in District 5	\$68,564
16	Park Improvements in District 7	\$68,564
17	Park Improvements in District 8	\$34,282
18	Sidewalks in District 8	\$34,282
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,483,899</b>
	<b>Revolving Loan</b>	
19	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$7,000
20	Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$73,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

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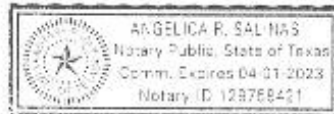
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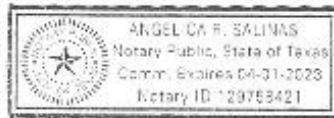
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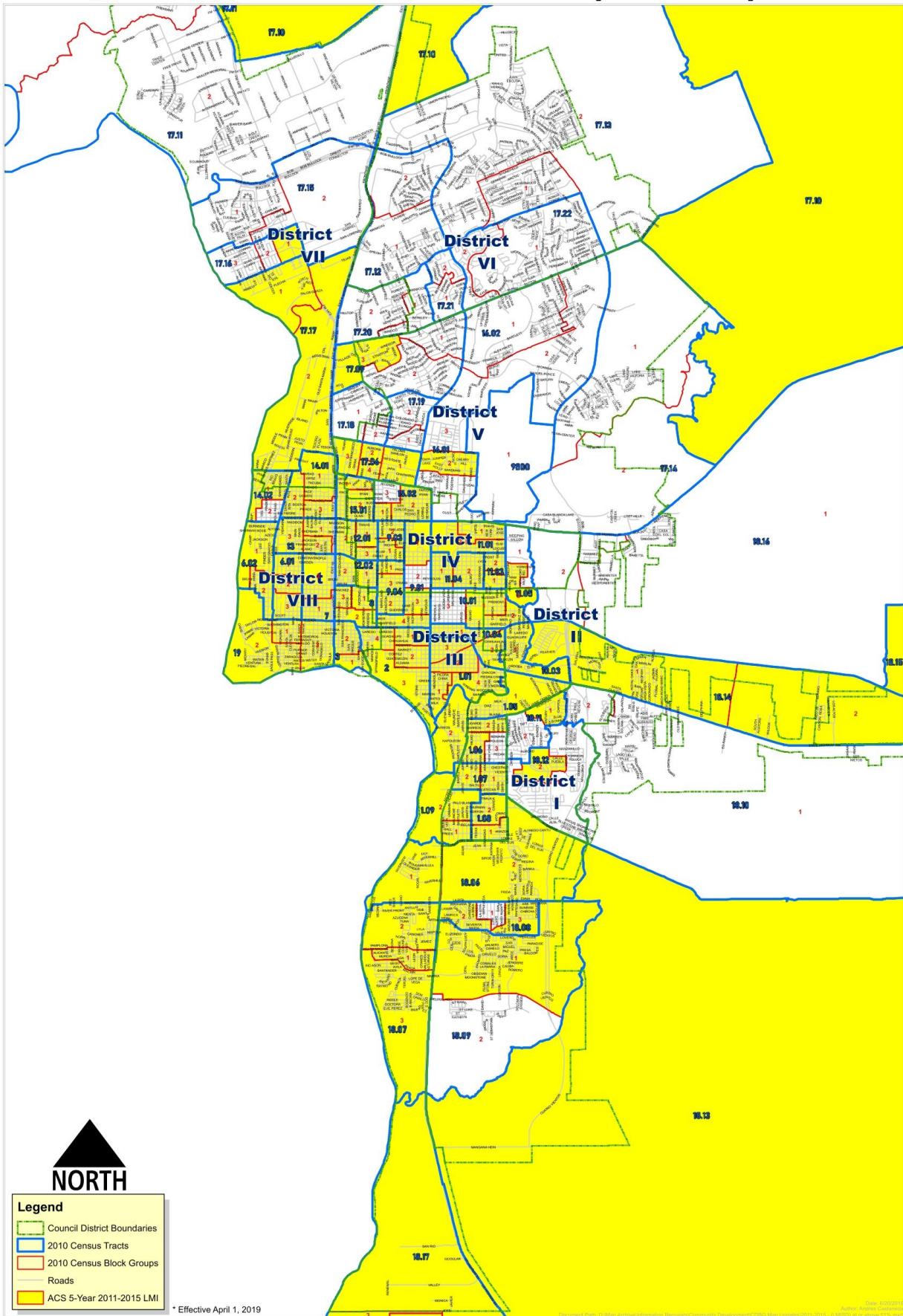


**APPENDIX E**

**CDBG MAP**



# City of Laredo - Community Development Department



**APPENDIX F**  
**ESG WRITTEN STANDARDS, POLICY AND PROCEDURES,**  
**COORDINATED ENTRY**

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



**EMERGENCY SOLUTION GRANT (ESG)**  
**WRITTEN STANDARDS**

## **WRITTEN STANDARDS FOR PROVISION OF ESG ASSISTANCE**

The City has developed written standards for the provision of ESG assistance which include policies and procedures for evaluating each individual or family's eligibility to obtain ESG assistance. The Emergency Solutions Grants program written standards serve as a guide in administering the City's ESG Funds. While ESG regulations 24 CFR Part 576, as amended, are clear regarding eligible program uses, the City has the discretion of identifying how program funds can best be utilized based on the needs of the homeless in the community. The City will continue to refine its written standards as the community adapts and further develops strategies for targeting resources and as new best practices are established.

The written standards were developed using information obtained from the various service providers in the community who presented their views on how the program could best serve the homeless population within the community and through consultation with the Continuum of Care. These standards include client eligibility requirements including the number and types of risk factors that will be used to determine those that are most in need of assistance. The standards also discuss coordination of services, prioritization of homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing services, the limits on services such as the amounts, length of participation in the program, and the number of times an applicant can receive services within the 3-year period limitation.

### **COORDINATION OF SERVICES**

There are two important factors in the coordination of services. The first being helping individuals/families define and realize their goals to end homelessness and obtain permanent housing. The second part involves coordinating with service providers to become more aware of what assistance is offered and what funding is available. The service agency receiving ESG funds will work collaboratively with the individual/ family and other support providers to design a plan that will assist them to stabilize. This will involve advocating on behalf of the individual/family and working with a network of supports to enable them to increase skills or obtain the services necessary to achieve independent living. ESG funds may be utilized to pay for the costs of assessing, arranging, coordinating, and monitoring the delivery of individualized services to facilitate housing stability for a program participant who resides in permanent housing or to assist a program participant in overcoming immediate barriers to obtaining housing. This assistance cannot exceed 30 days during the period the program participant is seeking permanent housing and cannot exceed 6 months during the period the program participant is living in permanent housing.

Component services will consist of:

- (A) Using the centralized system to evaluate individuals and families applying for or receiving homelessness prevention or rapid re-housing assistance;
- (B) Conducting the initial evaluation required under § 576.401(a), including verifying and documenting eligibility, for individuals and families applying for homelessness prevention or rapid re-housing assistance;
- (C) Counseling;
- (D) Developing, securing, and coordinating services and obtaining Federal, State, and local benefits;
- (E) Monitoring and evaluating program participant progress;
- (F) Providing information and referrals to other providers;
- (G) Developing an individualized housing and service plan, including planning a path to permanent housing stability; and
- (H) Conducting re-evaluations required under § 576.401(b).

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## PRIORITIZATION OF HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING SERVICES

### **Homelessness Prevention**

ESG Homelessness Prevention assistance funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance up to 6 months including rental arrears when necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or another place as described in the “homeless” definition. Homelessness prevention may be provided to individuals and families who meet the criteria under “at risk of homeless” and have an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. The costs of homelessness prevention are only eligible to the extent that the assistance is necessary to help the program participant regain stability in the program participant’s current permanent housing or move into other permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

### **Rapid Re-Housing**

ESG funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance for up to 6 months to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. This assistance, referred to as rapid re-housing assistance, may be provided to program participants who meet the criteria of the “homeless” definition or who meet the criteria of the “homeless” definition and live in an emergency shelter or other place as describe in the “homeless” definition.

## **INCOME ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

At the initial assistance and at the time of re-evaluation, households applying for/receiving homelessness prevention assistance must have an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area based on household size (AMI), and as updated annually by HUD. Individuals and/or families who meet the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 576.2 paragraphs 1 or 4 and live in an emergency shelter or other placed described in paragraph 1 of the homeless definition, are not required to meet an income threshold at initial evaluation but incomes must be at or below 30 percent of AMI at the time of re-evaluation.

The most recent table of income limits is available on the Internet at:

<http://www.huduser.org/datasets/il.html>.

Certain rules and requirements apply in determining income as well as eligibility:

1. The ESG Program regulations require that income of all qualifying family and/or household members be included in the determination of income, as may be applicable. The applicant’s income must not exceed 30% of the Housing Area Median Family Income (HAMFI).
2. The City or sub-recipient program staff must ensure the applicant’s income meets low-income criteria within thirty (30) days prior to the time of the ESG application.
3. Staff must consider anticipated income in determining eligibility. To do so, a “snapshot” of the household’s current circumstance is used to project future income, whether or not it is clear that the type of income received will continue in the coming year.

Recipients and/or sub-recipients will determine income eligibility of ESG applicants by examining source documents. The client must sign a General Release Form which will be notarized to allow staff to verify employment, income, and any other information required to process application.

In order to determine total applicable household income the documents noted below will be requested and updated, as necessary, for each qualifying individual who resides within the household to be assisted. The report of income determination will be documented on the application.

1. Last thirty (30) days of current employment payment stubs.
  - a. Should overtime be reflected in the last thirty days of check stubs submitted, the last three (3) months of checks stubs will be needed.
  - b. Should overtime in the last three (3) months prove to be sporadic, the overtime will not be used to calculate the household's income.
  - c. Should overtime in the last three (3) months prove to be constant, the overtime will be used to calculate the household's income.
  
2. Self-employed households must:
  - a. Submit a Profit and Loss Quarterly Report from a book keeper or accountant
  - b. Submit a Profit and Loss report for the last thirty (30) days from a book keeper or accountant.
  - c. If odd jobs were performed, invoices and receipts from the customers need to be submitted as well.
  
3. Verification of Employment Forms
  
4. Agency Assistance Statements including but not limited to:
  - A. Social Security Benefits
  - B. Disability Benefits
  - C. Unemployment Compensation
  - D. Retirement funds
  - E. Pension
  - F. Worker's Compensation
  - G. Child Support

\* If child support was court-ordered but has not been paid, proof must be submitted.
  
5. Other Applicable Income Sources
  
6. If the individual has no income or is paid in cash and has no way of obtaining income verification from the employer, then a Declaration of Income form may be used, but only as a last measure for obtaining verification of income.

### **Participant Eligibility for HP &RRH**

All participants must lack sufficient resources or support networks to retain housing without ESG assistance. Individuals & families assisted under ESG are required to have annual incomes at or below 30% of the area median at annual assessment. Participants are not required to contribute rent during the short-term and medium-term rental assistance.

### **Eligible Activities for HP and RRH:**

- Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services;
- Moving Costs; (No Limits)
- Rent Application Fees;
- Security Deposits;
- Last Month's Rent;
- Utility Deposits;
- Utility Payments;
- Housing Search/Placement;
- Housing Stability Case Management;

### **Street Outreach**

Essential Services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and provide them with urgent, non-facility-based care. Component services generally consist of engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services, and transportation. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.101.

### **Minimum Standards:**

People are eligible for these services if they are "unsheltered homeless" based on category (1)(i) of the "homeless" definition found under 24 CFR 576.2 are eligible for the following activities, in compliance with federal ESG rules (24 CFR 576.101): engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services, transportation.

### **Affirmative Outreach:**

Providers of Street Outreach services shall target unsheltered homeless individuals and families, meaning those with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including:

- a car
- park
- abandoned building
- bus and airport
- camping ground

### **Participant Eligibility:**

Individuals and families who qualify as homeless under paragraph (1)(I) of the "homeless" definition under 24 CFR § 576.2, which is an individual or family with a primary nighttime

residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or airport, or camping ground.

**Assessment / Service Provision / Referral / Prioritization:**

Individuals and families shall be offered an initial need and eligibility assessment. Families and individuals engaged through Street Outreach should complete a Coordinated Entry Assessment and enter that information into HMIS as soon as is practicable. Qualifying program participants, including those meeting special population criteria, will be offered the following Street Outreach services, as needed and appropriate:

- Engagement;
- Case management;
- Emergency Health and Mental Health;
- Transportation Services

When appropriate based on the individual's needs and wishes, the provision of or referral to rapid rehousing services that can quickly assist individuals to obtain safe, permanent housing shall be prioritized over the provision of or referral to emergency shelter or transitional housing services. All recipients of ESG program funds are required to prioritize individuals who meet the "literally homeless" definition.

**Emergency Shelter**

An effective crisis response system provides immediate and low-barrier access to safe and decent shelter to anyone that needs it and aims to house people as quickly as possible.

Emergency shelters, and other types of crisis housing, play a critical role in the community's system response and strategy to end homelessness.

- Essential Services for individuals and families in emergency shelter. Component services generally consist of case management, child care, education services, employment assistance and job training, outpatient health services, life skills training, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and transportation.
- Shelter Operations, including maintenance, rent, security, fuel, equipment, insurance, utilities, and furnishings.

For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.102.

**Participant Eligibility:**

People are eligible for these services if they qualify as "homeless" based on categories (1, 2, or 4) of the "homeless" definition found at 24 CFR 576.232. Eligible activities, in compliance with federal ESG rules (24 CFR 576.102) in addition to the provision of decent, safe, and sanitary emergency shelter accommodations may include:

- Case management;
- Child Care;
- Education,

- Employment and Life Skills Services;
- Mental Health Services;
- Substance Abuse Treatment
- Transportation

**Minimum Standards:**

**Safety, Sanitation, & Privacy:**

- Any building for which ESG funds were used for conversion, major rehabilitation, or other renovation or that receives ESG assistance for shelter operations shall meet state/local government safety and sanitation standards, as well as the following:
- Structure and materials: The building must be structurally sound, protect participants from the elements and not pose any threats to their health or safety.
- Access: The shelter must comply with the applicable Rehabilitation, Fair Housing and Americans with Disabilities Acts and implement regulations.
- Space and security: Unless it is a day shelter, it must provide appropriate places to sleep, adequate space, and security for residents and their belongings.
- Interior air quality: Each shelter room/space must have proper ventilation and be pollutant free.
- Water supply: Must be free of contamination.
- Sanitary facilities: Each participant must have access to sufficient, sanitary facilities that are in proper operating condition, private and adequate for personal cleanliness and disposal of human waste.
- Thermal environment: The shelter must have the necessary, properly operating heating/cooling facilities.
- Illumination and electricity: The shelter must have adequate and appropriate lighting and safe electrical sources.
- Food preparation: Any food preparation areas must be able to store, prepare, and serve safe and sanitary food.
- Sanitary conditions: The shelter must be in sanitary condition.
- Fire safety: Each occupied unit of the shelter must have at least one working smoke detector and when possible, they should be near sleeping areas. The fire alarm system must be designed for hearing-impaired residents. All public areas must have at least one working detector and there must be a second means of exiting the building in the event of an emergency.

**Shelter Diversion:**

Shelter Diversion is a strategy that prevents homelessness at the front door by helping to identify immediate alternate housing arrangements and, if necessary, connecting people experiencing homelessness with services and financial assistance to help them return to permanent housing. Diversion should be attempted with all households seeking homeless services assistance.

**Admission:**

Providers of Emergency Shelter services shall admit individuals and families who meet the HUD definition of “homeless,” as specified in 24 CFR 576.2 (1, 2, & 4) and agencies’ eligibility criteria.

**Assessment:**

- Individuals and families shall be assessed for Coordinated Entry using the CoC Approved Coordinated Entry assessment, and that assessment must be recorded into HMIS.
- Families and individuals remaining in shelter for longer than thirty (30) days shall be reassessed by a Case Manager for housing every 30-45 days.

**Intake:**

When appropriate, based on the individual's needs and wishes, the provision of or referral to Homelessness Prevention (HP) or Rapid Rehousing (RRH) services that can quickly assist individuals to maintain or obtain safe, permanent housing shall be prioritized over the provision of Emergency Shelter (ES) or Transitional Housing (TH) services. Emergency shelters will prioritize shelter services for those:

- Individuals and families lacking other resources in the community even if limited assistance could be provided to end their homelessness.
- Are literally homeless and in the absence of shelter are likely to be living in an unsheltered setting.
- Individuals and families vulnerable to injury or illness if not sheltered

**Discharge / Length of Stay:**

Program participants shall be discharged from Emergency Shelter services when they choose to leave or when they have successfully obtained safe, permanent housing. Any Length of Stay limitations shall be determined by the individual service provider's policies and clearly communicated to program participants. Providers of shelter services are strongly encouraged not to discharge individuals and families who have not secured permanent housing and maintain those households in shelter until they can be placed in appropriate permanent housing.

**Safety and Shelter Safeguards for Special Populations:**

Safety and Shelter Safeguards shall be determined by the individual Special Population service provider's policies and clearly communicated to program participants.

**HMIS**

A Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a locally administered, electronic data collection system that stores longitudinal person-level information about persons who access the homeless service system. All recipients and subrecipients of ESG program funds are required to enter and maintain their project data in the local HMIS.

**HMIS Participation Exceptions include:**

- Providers, except for victim service providers shall actively utilize the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), to enter data on people served and assistance provided under ESG Programs.
- Victim service providers shall actively utilize a comparable data system that meets HUD's standards (24 CFR 576.107 and 578.7(b))



## LIMITS ON RENT SHARE AND UTILITY COSTS

The City's ESG program will be administered in compliance with 24 CFR 576, interim rule, with the exception that the City has the discretion to set a cap on the amount or percentage of rental assistance that a program participant may receive, and may also require program participants to share in the costs of rent and utilities.

If at any time during the program participant's term of assistance they are employed, obtain employment, or receive some type of financial income or benefit, they will as determined to be possible be encourage to pay increasing amounts of their income towards their rent and utilities until they exit the program based on need.

### HOW LONG A PROGRAM PARTICIPANT WILL BE PROVIDED RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND ADJUSTMENT OVER TIME

The City has the option to set a maximum length of time that an individual/family may participate and receive assistance under the program. The City will provide no more than 6 months of assistance for a program participant including rent in arrears.

### STANDARD FOR DETERMINING TYPE, AMOUNT, AND DURATION OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE: MAXIMUM AMOUNT; MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MONTHS; MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TIMES

#### **Housing relocation and stabilization services.**

(a) Financial assistance costs. Subject to the general conditions under 24 CFR § 576.103 and § 576.104, ESG funds may be used to pay housing owners, utility companies, and other third parties for the following costs:

- (1) Rental application fees. ESG funds may pay for the rental housing application fee that is charged by the owner to all applicants.
- (2) Security deposits. ESG funds may pay for a security deposit that is equal to no more than 2 months' rent.
- (3) Last month's rent. If necessary to obtain housing for a program participant, the last month's rent may be paid from ESG funds to the owner of that housing at the time the owner is paid the security deposit and the first month's rent. This assistance must not exceed one month's rent and must be included in calculating the program participant's total rental assistance, which cannot exceed 6 months during any 3-year period.
- (4) Utility deposits. ESG funds may pay for a standard utility deposit required by the utility company for all customers for the utilities listed in paragraph (5) of this section.
- (5) Utility payments. ESG funds may pay for up to a total of 6 months of utility payments per program participant, per service, including utility payments in arrears, per service.

A partial payment of a utility bill counts as one month. This assistance may only be provided if the program participant or a member of the same household has an account in his or her name with a utility company or proof of responsibility to make utility payments.

Eligible utility services are gas, electric, water, and sewage. No program participant shall receive more than 6 months of utility assistance within any 3-year period nor receive assistance more than once within a 12 month period.

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Staff will ensure that timely and accurate HMIS data is kept on each program participant to ensure that those assisted do not receive more than 6 months of assistance including rent and utilities in arrears within any 3-year period and that they receive assistance only once every 12 months.

- (6) Moving costs. ESG funds may pay for moving costs, such as truck rental or hiring a moving company. This assistance may include payment of temporary storage fees for up to 3 months, provided that the fees are accrued after the date the program participant begins receiving assistance under paragraph (b) of this section and before the program participant moves into permanent housing. Payment of temporary storage fees in arrears is not eligible. There is no limit to the moving cost expenses.

**Short-term and medium-term rental assistance.**

- (a) General provisions. Subject to the general conditions under § 576.103 and § 576.104, the recipient or subrecipient may provide a program participant with up to 6 months of rental assistance during any 3-year period. This assistance may be short-term rental assistance, medium-term rental assistance, payment of rental arrears, or any combination of this assistance. Participants are not required to contribute rent during the short-term and medium-term rental assistance.
  - (1) Short-term rental assistance is assistance for up to 3 months of rent.
  - (2) Medium-term rental assistance is assistance for more than 3 months but not more than 6 months of rent.
  - (3) Payment of rental arrears consists of a one-time payment for up to 2 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees on those arrears.
  - (4) Rental assistance is tenant-based and program participants must live within the City of Laredo limits.
- (b) Use with other subsidies. Except for a one-time payment of rental arrears on the tenant's portion of the rental payment, rental assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving tenant-based rental assistance, or living in a housing unit receiving project-based rental assistance or operating assistance, through other public sources. Rental assistance may not be provided to a program participant who has been provided with replacement housing payments under the URA during the period of time covered by the URA payments.
- (c) Rent restrictions.
  - (1) Rental assistance cannot be provided unless the rent does not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR part 888, and complies with HUD's standard of rent reasonableness, as established under 24 CFR 982.507.
  - (2) For purposes of calculating rent under this section, the rent shall equal the sum of the total monthly rent for the unit, any fees required for occupancy under the lease (other than late fees and pet fees) and, if the tenant pays separately for utilities, the monthly allowance for utilities (excluding telephone) established by the public housing authority for the area in which the housing is located.

**Prioritization / Diversion / Referral:**

When appropriate, based on the individual's needs and wishes, the provision of or referral to Homelessness Prevention (HP) or Rapid Rehousing (RRH) services that can quickly assist individuals to maintain or obtain safe, permanent housing shall be prioritized over the provision of Emergency Shelter (ES) or Transitional Housing (TH) services. ESG Program funded RRH and ESG Prevention

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projects must serve participants referred from the local Coordinated Entry System, which prioritizes the following characteristics:

- Households with the highest service needs
- Households with the longest history of homelessness
- Households sleeping in an unsheltered location

### **Coordinated Entry System**

ESG sub-recipients are required to participate in the Laredo-Webb County coordinated entry system in order to initially assess the eligibility and needs of each individual or family who seeks homeless assistance or homelessness prevention assistance. The coordinated entry process is meant to orient the community to one or two central prioritizing principles by which the community can make decisions about how to utilize its resources most effectively.

- Reduce the burden on households experiencing a housing crisis
- Identify the most appropriate housing resource to facilitate a rapid and permanent exit from homelessness
- Prioritize the most vulnerable households with the longest time homeless for housing resources
- Collect system-wide data to inform necessary shifts in resources, identify gaps, and enable data-driven decision making at the CoC, organizational and project levels.

### **Reporting Requirements**

All agencies requesting Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds are required to provide a certification letter stating that the agency has a software program that is compatible with HUD's Sage HMIS Reporting Repository (Sage). Funding is contingent on the software compatibility and its availability to create reports. In addition, the City will request a test report from the agency's software to confirm the compatibility. The agency must also ensure that the personnel are accurately reporting the homeless populations being served.

The City of Laredo will conduct on-site monitoring visits to provide training and require the sub-recipients to run a test report to ensure all data is being collected accurately and software is compatible.

On-site visits will be scheduled as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> year sub-recipients: Will be required to host on site monitoring visits and run a test of the Sage report on a quarterly basis.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year sub-recipients: Will be required to host on site monitoring visits and run a test of the Sage report on a bi-annual basis.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year sub-recipients and older: Will be required to submit the Sage report on an annual basis.

(NOTE: Requirements are subject to change depending on compliance with reporting tool.)

During the required on-site monitoring visits, City staff will review the sub-recipient's intake process. The City will make suggestions regarding changes that the City may consider appropriate to improve the agencies' intake process. After the visit, the City will detail all deficiencies and provide suggestions and/or new requirements in a letter addressed to the agency's leader (Executive Director, President, etc.), giving the agency a timeline to abide to the changes, if any. Failure to comply with the required changes in a timely manner may result in termination of funding.

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It is also required for all new sub-recipients' to be awarded ESG funding to attend a mandatory training regarding the creation of reports to be submitted to the City of Laredo (e.g. Sage, request for payments, etc.).

Sub recipients are strongly encouraged to visit the following site for additional information.

[Sage Guidance for ESG Subrecipients Webinar](#) :

<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/sage-guidance-for-esg-subrecipients-webinar/2193/>

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## Introduction

The City of Laredo Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program Policies and Procedures Manual serves as a guide to assist agencies with the implementation of this program. This manual does not replace the regulations contained in 24 CFR Parts 91 and 576, subsequent amendments or any other applicable Federal, State and local laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to the Emergency Solutions Grants Program. It simply highlights and emphasizes grant requirements. Sub-recipients must always refer to the regulations and the grant agreement in determining what is allowable under the ESG program.

The Emergency Solutions Grant Program is designed to identify sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

## Definitions

*At risk of homelessness* means:

- Category 1- An individual or family who:
  - i. Has an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD; and
  - ii. Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place define in Category 1 of the “homeless” definition and
  - iii. Meets one of the following conditions:
    - A. Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
    - B. Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
    - C. Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
    - D. Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
    - E. Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than one and half persons per room;
    - F. Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth
    - G. Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient’s approved consolidated plan.

- **Category 2 - Unaccompanied Children and Youth**  
A child or youth who does not qualify as homeless under the homeless definition, but qualifies as homeless under another Federal statute.
- **Category 3 - Families with Children and Youth**  
An unaccompanied youth who does not qualify as homeless under the homeless definition, but qualifies as homeless under section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, and the parent(s) or guardian(s) or that child or youth if living with him or her.

Homeless means:

- **Category 1 - Literally Homeless**  
Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
  - i. Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground; or
  - ii. An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operate shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low- income individuals); or
  - iii. An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.
- **Category 2 – Imminent Risk of Homelessness**  
An individual or family, who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:
  - i. The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance; and
  - ii. No subsequent residence has been identified; and
  - iii. The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing.
- **Category 3 – Homeless under other Federal statutes**  
Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:
  - i. Are defined as homeless under other listed federal statutes; and

- ii. Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance; and
- iii. Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
- iv. Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment.

- Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV

Any individual or family who:

- i. Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence; and
- ii. Has no other residence; and
- iii. Lacks the resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

### ESG Requirements

The ESG program provides funding to:

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

### Eligible Program Components

ESG funds may be used for five program components: Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-housing, and HMIS; as well as administrative activities.

- Street Outreach - Essential Services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and provide them with urgent, non-facility-based care. Component services generally consist of engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services, and transportation. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.101.
- Emergency Shelter
  - Essential Services for individuals and families in emergency shelter. Component services generally consist of case management, child care, education services, employment assistance and job training, outpatient health services, life skills training, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and transportation.
  - Shelter Operations, including maintenance, rent, security, fuel, equipment, insurance, utilities, and furnishings.

For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.102.

- Homelessness Prevention - Housing relocation and stabilization services and/or short- and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent the individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the “homeless” definition in § 576.2. Component services and assistance generally consist of short-term and medium-term rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, last month’s rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, and mediation. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.103, 576.105, and 576.106.
- Rapid Re-Housing - Housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help individuals or families living in an emergency shelter or other place described in paragraph (1) of the “homeless” definition move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. Component services and assistance generally consist of short-term and medium-term rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, last month’s rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, and mediation. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.104, 576.105, and 576.106.
- HMIS - Grant funds may be used for certain Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and comparable database costs, as specified at 24 CFR 576.107.

### Administration

Up to 7.5% of the City of Laredo fiscal year ESG grant can be used for administrative activities, such as general management, oversight, coordination, and reporting on the program. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.108.



### Documenting Homeless or At Risk of Homelessness Status

Per 24 CFR 576.500(b), sub-recipients must maintain and follow written intake procedures to ensure compliance with homeless definitions and must include documentation required at intake to verify homeless or at risk of homelessness status in the order of HUD preference:

1. Third-party documentation.
2. Intake worker observations.
3. Self-certification from program participant seeking assistance.

Appropriate homeless or at risk of homelessness status documentation for intake files will vary depending on type of assistance provided and the circumstances of each participant. Lack of third-party documentation should not prevent a household from being immediately admitted to shelter, receiving street outreach services, or from receiving victims' services and shelter.

The recordkeeping requirements for each homeless or at risk of homelessness status are detailed as follows:

#### Homeless Status.

- Literally Homeless (Category 1)
  - Written referral by another housing/service provider; or
  - Written observation by the outreach worker; or
  - Certification by the head of household seeking assistance stating they he/she was living on the streets or in shelter.
- Imminent Risk of Homelessness (Category 2)
  - A court order resulting from an eviction action notifying the individual or family that they must leave their residence within 14 days after the date of their application for homeless assistance or equivalent notice under applicable state law, a Notice to Quit, or a Notice to Terminate issued under state law; or
  - For individual or families whose primary nighttime residence is a hotel or motel room not paid for by charitable organizations or federal, state, or local government programs for low income individuals, evidence that the individual or family lacks the resources necessary to reside there for more than 14 days after the date of application for homeless assistance; or
  - An oral statement by the individual or head of household that the owner or renter of the housing in which they currently reside will not allow them to stay for more than 14 days after the date of application for homeless assistance. The intake worker must record the statement and certify that it was found credible. To be found credible, the oral statement must either: be verified by a written certification by the owner/renter or by the intake worker's recording of the owner/renter's oral statement. If the intake worker is unable to contact the owner or renter, a written certification by the intake worker of his or her due diligence in attempting to obtain the owner/renter's verification must be documented; and
  - Certification by the individual or head of household that no subsequent residence has been identified; and

- Certification or other written documentation that the individual or family lacks the resources and support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing.
- Homeless under other Federal statutes (Category 3)
  - Certification of homeless status by the local private nonprofit organization or state or local governmental entity that the individual or head of household seeking assistance met the criteria of homelessness under another federal statute; and
  - Certification by the individual or head of household and any available supporting documentation that the individual or family moved two or more times during the 60-days period immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance; and
  - A written diagnosis from a professional who is licensed by the state to diagnose and treat that condition (or intake staff- recorded observation of disability that within 45 days of date of the application for assistance is confirmed by a professional who is licensed by the state to diagnose and treat that condition); employment records; department of corrections records; literacy, English proficiency tests; or other reasonable documentation of the conditions required under paragraph (3)(iv) of the homeless definition.
- Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence (Category 4)
  - Oral statement by the head of household seeking assistance which states they are fleeing that situation, that no subsequent residence has been identified, and that they lack the resources or support networks. Statement must be documented by a self-certification or certification by the intake worker.

At risk of Homelessness Status.

For each individual or family who receives Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) homelessness prevention assistance, the records must include the evidence relied upon to establish and verify the individual or family's "at risk of homelessness" status.

This evidence must include an intake and certification form that meets HUD specifications and is completed by sub-recipient. The evidence must also include:

- (1) If the program participant meets the criteria under paragraph (1) of the "at risk of homelessness" definition in §576.2:
  - i. The documentation specified under this section for determining annual income;
  - ii. The program participant's certification on a form specified by HUD that the program participant has insufficient financial resources and support networks; e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to attain housing stability and meets one or more of the conditions under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition of "at risk of homelessness" in §576.2;
  - iii. The most reliable evidence available to show that the program participant does not have sufficient resources or support networks; e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an

emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the “homeless” definition. Acceptable evidence includes:

- (A) Source documents (e.g., notice of termination from employment, unemployment compensation statement, bank statement, health-care bill showing arrears, utility bill showing arrears);
  - (B) To the extent that source documents are unobtainable, a written statement by the relevant third party (e.g., former employer, public administrator, relative) or the written certification by the recipient’s or sub-recipient’s intake staff of the oral verification by the relevant third party that the applicant meets one or both of the criteria under paragraph (1)(ii) of the definition of “at risk of homelessness” in §576.2; or
  - (C) To the extent that source documents and third-party verification are unobtainable, a written statement by the recipient’s or sub-recipient’s intake staff describing the efforts taken to obtain the required evidence; and
- iv. The most reliable evidence available to show that the program participant meets one or more of the conditions under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition of “at risk of homelessness” in §576.2. Acceptable evidence includes:
- (A) Source documents that evidence one or more of the conditions under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition (e.g., eviction notice, notice of termination from employment, bank statement);
  - (B) To the extent that source documents are unobtainable, a written statement by the relevant third party (e.g., former employer, owner, primary leaseholder, public administrator, hotel or motel manager) or the written certification by the recipient’s or sub-recipient’s intake staff of the oral verification by the relevant third party that the applicant meets one or more of the criteria under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition of “at risk of homelessness”; or
  - (C) To the extent that source documents and third-party verification are unobtainable, a written statement by the recipient’s or sub-recipient’s intake staff that the staff person has visited the applicant’s residence and determined that the applicant meets one or more of the criteria under paragraph (1)(iii) of the definition or, if a visit is not practicable or relevant to the determination, a written statement by the recipient’s or sub-recipient’s intake staff describing the efforts taken to obtain the required evidence; or
- (2) If the program participant meets the criteria under paragraph (2) or (3) of the “at risk of homelessness” definition in §576.2, certification of the child or youth’s homeless status by the agency or organization responsible for administering assistance under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5701 et seq.), the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.), subtitle N of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e et seq.), section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b), the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786) or subtitle B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.), as applicable.

**Grant Awards**

The amount of ESG allocation received from HUD varies each year. In order to identify the unmet needs of the homeless and at-risk of homelessness in City of Laredo, agencies applying for an ESG allocation must submit a proposal supported by documentation demonstrating its capacity to effectively serve the needs of the homeless population. Interested homeless service providers must provide a description of activities to be carried out, a copy of their most recent financial audit, their proposed project budget, and the agency’s operational budget. Agencies must also be able to provide a 100% in-kind match and indicate in the proposal the specific source of the match.

The proposals will be evaluated based on the eligibility of the project and the funds will be awarded on a competitive basis, subject to the availability of funds, and City Council approval. Preference will be given to agencies whose programs will help to meet priorities identified by HUD and the City of Laredo and that provide access to permanent rapid re-housing of homeless individuals and families.

All ESG funds awarded to sub-recipients will be required to enter into a contract agreement with the City of Laredo in order to enforce compliance with the Emergency Solutions Program Interim Regulations, City of Laredo ESG Policy and Procedures, and ESG Written Standards.

In addition, all sub-recipients will be required to provide specific amount of ESG funds to be used for each budget line item to ensure funds are being spent on eligible costs in accordance with ESG program regulation 24 CFR 576.102(a)(3).

**Obligations and Expenditure Deadlines**

The City of Laredo is required to obligate all funds, except the amount for administrative costs, within 180 days and expended all funds within 24 months after HUD signs the grant agreement. Therefore, sub-recipients must expend 100% of funds awarded before their contract deadline.

**Match Requirement**

ESG funds must be match with an equal amount of cash and/or noncash contributions, which may include donated building, materials, and volunteer services. Each sub-recipient will be responsible to provide match support documentation records.

In order to comply with the match requirement, every request of payment should be accompanied by the match documentation for the amount being requested for reimbursement. Documentation must indicate the fiscal year grant for which each matching contribution is counted and show how the value placed on third-party, noncash contributions was derived. To the extent feasible, volunteer services must be supported by the same methods that the organization uses to support allocation of regular personnel costs.

For specific match requirements, see 24 CFR 576.201.

**Sub-recipients Policy and Procedures**

All agencies awarded ESG funds will be required to create their own ESG policy and procedures manual in order to ensure compliance with program requirements and facilitate onsite-monitoring visits.

**Debarment**

The City of Laredo and its sub-recipients receiving ESG funding are prohibited from contracting with or making sub-awards to entities that are suspended or debarred from Federal, State, or City of Laredo Contracts. Covered transactions include procurement contracts for goods or services and all non-procurement transactions. This verification can be done by checking in the System Award Management at <https://www.sam.gov>, which lists all suspended and debarred entities.

**Homeless Participation**

The City of Laredo coordinates an annual visit to a homeless shelter to obtain feedback from homeless individuals and families in order to allocate the ESG funds more efficiently. Sub-recipients are required to have at least one homeless person or formerly homeless person participating in the policy decision regarding projects receiving ESG funds.

**Coordinated Entry System**

ESG sub-recipients are required to participate in the Laredo-Webb County coordinated entry system in order to initially assess the eligibility and needs of each individual or family who seeks homeless assistance or homelessness prevention assistance.

**Section 3**

The City of Laredo and its sub-recipients must be in compliance with the applicable requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968.

**Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)**

All sub-recipients are required to enter program participant’s information in the HMIS or in a comparable database (e.g. domestic violence victim service provider). Participation will be in accordance with HUD’s standards on participation, data collection, and reporting.

**Coordination with Mainstream and Targeted Homeless Providers**

The City of Laredo requires its subrecipients receiving ESG funds to maximize the use of available Federal, State, and Local mainstream resources to ensure the long-term stability of program participants. Subrecipients must actively seek to engage in partnership with programs and services that are targeted to address homelessness and poverty within our community.

**Anti-Discrimination**

The ESG program must comply with applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements in 24 CFR 5.109 and 24 CFR 576.406 . In addition, sub-recipients must make known that ESG assistance and services are available to all on a nondiscriminatory basis and ensure that citizens have equal access to information about ESG and equal access to the assistance and services provided under this program. Sub-recipients will not discriminate against applicants for employment or applicants for housing or other services on the basis of national origin, race, religion, color, sex, age, familial status, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

### **Faith-Based Activities**

The City of Laredo and its sub-recipients must comply with the faith-based activities requirements in 24 CFR 576.406.

Sub-recipients that are directly funded under the ESG program may not engage in inherently religious activities as part of the ESG funded programs or services. Such activities must be offered separately from ESG funded programs and services and participation must be voluntary. Program participants or prospective participants shall not be discriminated based on religion or religious beliefs.

### **Drug-Free Workplace**

The City of Laredo and its sub-recipients shall comply with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C 701, et seq.) and 27 CFR part 21 – Government wide requirements for grants and agreements.

### **Termination of Assistance**

Sub-recipients may terminate assistance to a program participant who violates program requirements utilizing a formal process consisting of:

1. Written notice to the program participant containing a clear statement of the reasons for termination;
2. Review of decision, including the opportunity to present written or oral objection before a person other than the person who made or approved the termination decision; and
3. Prompt written notice of the final decision to the program participant.

Termination does not bar the sub-recipient from providing further assistance at a later date to the same individual or family.

### **Record Retention**

The City of Laredo and its sub-recipients must comply with the record keeping requirements under CFR Part 576.500 to include maintaining and making records available as necessary for a period of five years after the expenditure of all funds from the grant under which the program participant was assisted.

### **Conflict of Interest**

No person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected or appointed official of the City of Laredo and who exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to ESG activities, or who is in a position to participate in an ESG decision-making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a personal or financial interest or benefit from the activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds there under, either for himself or herself or for those with whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure or for one year thereafter.

Sub-recipients must also comply with 24 CFR 85.36(b) to ensure that ESG funds are not used inappropriately.

### **Client Confidentiality and Privacy Policies**

The confidential policy standards maintained by the City shall comply with all applicable local, state and federal requirements. Each sub-recipient must incorporate into their policies and procedures a process that will ensure the confidentiality of program participants' identifying information; records pertaining to any individual or family provided family violence prevention; and treatment services offered under any project assisted with ESG funds.

All records shall be maintained for a minimum of five years and shall be available upon request for review to federal, state and county auditors and/or examiners in the course of their regular audits and monitoring functions of ESG.

### **Lead-Based Paint Requirements**

The Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, as amended by the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 and implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 35, subparts A,B,H,J,K,M and R apply to all shelters assisted under the ESG program and to all housing occupied by program participants.

### **Habitability Standards**

The City of Laredo requires sub-recipients to maintain their shelter in a condition that meets safety, sanitation, and privacy standards. Sub-recipients will also be required to conduct an initial inspection of all housing units into which a program participant will be residing in. ESG funds cannot be used to help a program participant remain or move into housing that does not meet the minimum habitability standards required under 24 CFR Part 576.403.

### **Rent Restrictions**

All sub-recipients must ensure that ESG funds used for rental assistance for the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing components are in compliance with HUD's standards of rent reasonableness, as established under 24 CFR 982.507 and do not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR part 888.

For purposes of calculating rent under this section, the rent shall equal the sum of the total monthly rent for the unit, any fees required for occupancy under the lease (other than late fees and pet fees) and, if the tenant pays separately for utilities, the monthly allowance for utilities (excluding telephone) established by the Housing Authority of City of Laredo.

For the exception of one-time payment of rental arrears on the tenant's portion of the rental payment, rental assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving tenant-based rental assistance, or living in a housing unit receiving project-based rental assistance or operating assistance, through other public sources. Rental assistance may not be provided to a program participant who has been provided with replacement housing payments under the URA during the period of time covered by the URA payments.

The maximum period for which a program participant may qualify for rental assistance must not exceed 6 months during any three-year period.



### **Income Eligibility**

Individuals and families applying for ESG Homelessness Prevention assistance must have a household income below 30 percent of area median income established by HUD and their eligibility of assistance must be re-evaluated not less than once every 3 months. As for individuals and families applying for ESG Rapid Re-Housing assistance do not need an income assessment at the initial evaluation and are not required to be re-evaluated. Income requirements do not apply to program participants who are being served under Emergency Shelter or Street Outreach components.

### **Determinations of Ineligibility**

For each individual and family determined ineligible to receive ESG assistance, sub-recipients are required to maintain a record which includes documentation of the reason for that determination.

### **Financial Management**

The City of Laredo will maintain an accounting system which separates each major funding category. No payments will be made directly to program participants but only to third parties such as landlords and utility companies. Rental assistance cannot exceed the actual rent cost and no program fees can be charged to participants.

ESG funds are provided on a reimbursement basis only, therefore sub-recipients must have the capacity to provide program assistance to eligible participants before submitting a request for payment. Sub-recipients are required to submit supporting documentation, depending on the type of expenses, with the payment request which demonstrates how the funds were expended.

Sub-recipients are encouraged to submit their request for payments on monthly basis and to spend at least 50 percent of the total grant amount on or before the end of the fourth quarter. The City of Laredo has the discretion to recapture a portion or all remaining ESG funds if they are not being utilize appropriately. Payment reimbursements will be issued to sub-recipients within 30 days after receiving the complete request for payment.

In certain instances, sub-recipients may request to amend their original contract with the City of Laredo's approval. Amendments are required for any changes in the contract such as transferring funds between components, modifying the match, or requesting an extension on their contract deadline. All amendments must be requested in writing and must include the proposed changed and an explanation of why the amendment is needed. A substantial amendment will be required if the proposed budget change equals or exceeds \$50,000, as specified in the City of Laredo Citizen Participation Plan.

### **Monitoring**

The City of Laredo is responsible for monitoring all ESG funded sub-recipients, to ensure that the program requirements established by HUD are met. This is accomplished with on-site visits to sub-recipients and review of all reimbursement requests. City of Laredo conducts annual site visits through each grant term. Additional monitoring of sub-recipients may be conducted by the local HUD Office of Community Planning and Development to determine compliance with federal program requirements.



On-Site compliance visits are conducted at the sub-recipient's location. City staff only reviews expenses billed to ESG that have been reimbursed. Also, emergency shelters are inspected during the on-site visits to ensure compliance with the minimum habitability standards. Sub-recipients are responsible for notifying clients, prior to the site visit that City of Laredo staff will be on site for an inspection of the shelter. At the conclusion of the site visit, city staff discusses the findings of the visit with the appropriate agency staff member(s). The agency is given the opportunity to discuss the findings as well as any other questions and concerns with city staff. After completing an on-site visit, city staff mails the sub-recipient the monitoring report detailing the results of the review, including any minor or major findings, areas for improvement, corrective actions that need to be taken and the deadline to complete these actions. Until the city staff has verified that the issue(s) has/have been resolved, ESG funding may be suspended. Depending on the reason(s) for out of compliance status, City of Laredo staff may consider a follow up visit.

The following violations are noted in City of Laredo records, and points may be assessed during future application cycles:

- Applicant's files reviewed had missing or incomplete information
- Minimum habitability standards not met
- Funds not drawn quarterly
- Grant funds not fully expended by the contract deadline

The following violations will result in grantee being out of compliance, which will require the City of Laredo to suspend ESG funding, assess points for future applications, and in most instances, a Corrective Action Plan will be required in order to reinstate compliance:

- More than one-half of files reviewed during on-site compliance visit contained findings
- Files were unable to be reviewed during the site visit
- Sub-recipient will not confirm a scheduled monitoring visit; after three attempts and no response from request sent
- Sub-recipient's accommodations deemed to be unsafe or unsanitary; allegations of clients being put in danger by sub-recipient

The City of Laredo will also provide support and technical assistance, as needed.

A final close-out monitoring report will be issued by the City of Laredo within 30 days after sub-recipient has addressed all deficiencies/finding and the City has conducted a final review.

#### **Single Audit Act Requirements**

Sub-recipients that receive federal funds that in the aggregate, equal or exceed the threshold identified in the Uniform Administrative Requirements must be in compliance with the Single Audit Act of 1984 and with Subpart F of 2 CFR part 200.

### **Environmental Review**

The City of Laredo acts as the responsible entity for HUD's environmental responsibilities listed under 24 CFR Part 58, to ensure all federally funded projects are in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other related Federal and state environmental laws. The HUD environmental review process must be completed before federal funds can be used. For further information, please refer to the City of Laredo Environmental Policy and Procedures.

### **Procurement Standards**

24 CFR Part 84.84 provides regulations that govern the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction and services to ensure that they are obtained economically and competitively. ESG funded sub-recipients may use their own procurement procedures as long as they conform to the regulations. Important elements for sub-recipients to consider are: a system to handle contract disputes; a code of conduct preventing conflicts of interest; some form of cost analysis to ensure economic purchases; positive efforts to use small, minority- and woman-owned businesses to the maximum extent possible.

### **Property Controls**

The Federal regulations regarding property controls in 24 CFR 84.34 (f) are for the purpose of tracking the assets purchased with grant funds to ensure that they are properly maintained, secure and being used for authorized purposes. The City of Laredo will do a periodic physical inventory on these items to verify their existence, current utilization and continued need. For this reason, sub-recipients using ESG funds to purchase furnishings, vehicles or equipment for an activity should keep accurate records including the following: a complete description of the item purchased including its serial or other identification numbers, source of funds, the acquisition date, and the cost.

### **Marketing, Outreach, and Client Access**

The City of Laredo ESG Program staff conducts informational presentations about the ESG Program and consults with the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care on an annual basis. As for sub-recipients, they conduct outreach to support ESG component goals and activities to persons who are homeless so that they are aware of the ESG program and its services.

To ensure that outreach materials and services are accessible to persons with limited English proficiency, all ESG assisted programs will be required to have staff members available who are bilingual. In the case, that the person seeking services speaks another language or has a vision or hearing disabilities, ESG staff will utilize other translation services to ensure fair access.

### **Sub-recipient Reporting Requirement**

The City of Laredo is required to submit a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD annually that includes homelessness data collection. This data is an important component of making progress towards the goal of ending homelessness. All sub-recipients receiving ESG funds through the City of Laredo must utilize the Sage HMIS Reporting. Repository System (Sage) to report client data to the City of Laredo to be included as part of the Capers.

### **WRITTEN STANDARDS FOR PROVISION OF ESG ASSISTANCE**

The City has developed written standards for the provision of ESG assistance which include policies and procedures for evaluating each individual or family's eligibility to obtain ESG assistance. The Emergency Solutions Grants program written standards serve as a guide in administering the City's ESG Funds. While ESG regulations 24 CFR Part 576, as amended, are clear regarding eligible program uses, the City has the discretion of identifying how program funds can best be utilized based on the needs of the homeless in the community. The City will continue to refine its written standards as the community adapts and further develops strategies for targeting resources and as new best practices are established.

The written standards were developed using information obtained from the various service providers in the community who presented their views on how the program could best serve the homeless population within the community and through consultation with the Continuum of Care. These standards include client eligibility requirements including the number and types of risk factors that will be used to determine those that are most in need of assistance. The standards also discuss coordination of services, prioritization of homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing services, the limits on services such as the amounts, length of participation in the program, and the number of times an applicant can receive services within the 3-year period limitation.

#### **INCOME ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

At the initial assistance and at the time of re-evaluation, households applying for/receiving homelessness prevention assistance must have an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area based on household size (AMI), and as updated annually by HUD. Individuals and/or families who meet the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 576.2 paragraphs 1 or 4 and live in an emergency shelter or other placed described in paragraph 1 of the homeless definition, are not required to meet an income threshold at initial evaluation but incomes must be at or below 30 percent of AMI at the time of re-evaluation.

The most recent table of income limits is available on the Internet at:

<http://www.huduser.org/datasets/il.html>.

Certain rules and requirements apply in determining income as well as eligibility:

1. The ESG Program regulations require that income of all qualifying family and/or household members be included in the determination of income, as may be applicable. The applicant's income must not exceed 30% of the Housing Area Median Family Income (HAMFI).
2. The City or sub-recipient program staff must ensure the applicant's income meets low-income criteria within thirty (30) days prior to the time of the ESG application.
3. Staff must consider anticipated income in determining eligibility. To do so, a "snapshot" of the household's current circumstance is used to project future income, whether or not it is clear that the type of income received will continue in the coming year.

Recipients and/or sub-recipients will determine income eligibility of ESG applicants by examining source documents. The client must sign a General Release Form which will be notarized to allow staff to verify employment, income, and any other information required to process application.

In order to determine total applicable household income the documents noted below will be requested and updated, as necessary, for each qualifying individual who resides within the household to be assisted. The report of income determination will be documented on the application.

1. Last thirty (30) days of current employment payment stubs.
  - a. Should overtime be reflected in the last thirty days of check stubs submitted, the last three (3) months of checks stubs will be needed.
  - b. Should overtime in the last three (3) months prove to be sporadic, the overtime will not be used to calculate the household's income.
  - c. Should overtime in the last three (3) months prove to be constant, the overtime will be used to calculate the household's income.
  
2. Self-employed households must:
  - a. Submit a Profit and Loss Quarterly Report from a book keeper or accountant
  - b. Submit a Profit and Loss report for the last thirty (30) days from a book keeper or accountant.
  - c. If odd jobs were performed, invoices and receipts from the customers need to be submitted as well.
  
3. Verification of Employment Forms
  
4. Agency Assistance Statements including but not limited to:
  - A. Social Security Benefits
  - B. Disability Benefits
  - C. Unemployment Compensation
  - D. Retirement funds
  - E. Pension
  - F. Worker's Compensation
  - G. Child Support

\* If child support was court-ordered but has not been paid, proof must be submitted.
  
5. Other Applicable Income Sources
  
6. If the individual has no income or is paid in cash and has no way of obtaining income verification from the employer, then a Declaration of Income form may be used, but only as a last measure for obtaining verification of income.

## COORDINATION OF SERVICES

There are two important factors in the coordination of services. The first being helping individuals/families define and realize their goals to end homelessness and obtain permanent housing. The second part involves coordinating with service providers to become more aware of what assistance is offered and what funding is available. The service agency receiving ESG funds will work collaboratively with the individual/ family and other support providers to design a plan that will assist them to stabilize. This will involve advocating on behalf of the individual/family and working with a network of supports to enable them to increase skills or obtain the services necessary to achieve independent living. ESG funds may be utilized to pay for the costs of assessing, arranging, coordinating, and monitoring the delivery of individualized services to facilitate housing stability for a program participant who resides in permanent housing or to assist a program participant in overcoming immediate barriers to obtaining housing. This assistance cannot exceed 30 days during the period the program participant is seeking permanent housing and cannot exceed 6 months during the period the program participant is living in permanent housing.

Component services will consist of:

- (A) Using the centralized system to evaluate individuals and families applying for or receiving homelessness prevention or rapid re-housing assistance;
- (B) Conducting the initial evaluation required under § 576.401(a), including verifying and documenting eligibility, for individuals and families applying for homelessness prevention or rapid re-housing assistance;
- (C) Counseling;
- (D) Developing, securing, and coordinating services and obtaining Federal, State, and local benefits;
- (E) Monitoring and evaluating program participant progress;
- (F) Providing information and referrals to other providers;
- (G) Developing an individualized housing and service plan, including planning a path to permanent housing stability; and
- (H) Conducting re-evaluations required under § 576.401(b).

## PRIORIZATION OF HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING SERVICES

### **Homelessness Prevention**

ESG Homelessness Prevention assistance funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium term rental assistance up to 6 months including rental arrears when necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or another place as described in the “homeless” definition. Homelessness prevention may be provided to individuals and families who meet the criteria under “at risk of homeless” and have an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD. The costs of homelessness prevention are only eligible to the extent that the assistance is necessary to help the program participant regain stability in the program participant’s current permanent housing or move into other permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

**Rapid Re-Housing**

ESG funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance for up to 6 months to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. This assistance, referred to as rapid re-housing assistance, may be provided to program participants who meet the criteria of the “homeless” definition or who meet the criteria of the “homeless” definition and live in an emergency shelter or other place as describe in the “homeless” definition.

**LIMITS ON RENT SHARE AND UTILITY COSTS**

The City’s ESG program will be administered in compliance with 24 CFR 576, interim rule, with the exception that the City has the discretion to set a cap on the amount or percentage of rental assistance that a program participant may receive, and may also require program participants to share in the costs of rent and utilities.

If at any time during the program participant’s term of assistance they are employed, obtain employment, or receive some type of financial income or benefit, they will as determined to be possible be encourage to pay increasing amounts of their income towards their rent and utilities until they exit the program based on need.

**HOW LONG A PROGRAM PARTICIPANT WILL BE PROVIDED RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND ADJUSTMENT OVER TIME**

The City has the option to set a maximum length of time that an individual/family may participate and receive assistance under the program. The City will provide no more than 6 months of assistance for a program participant including rent in arrears.

**STANDARD FOR DETERMINING TYPE, AMOUNT, AND DURATION OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE: MAXIMUM AMOUNT; MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MONTHS; MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TIMES**

**Housing relocation and stabilization services.**

- (a) Financial assistance costs. Subject to the general conditions under 24 CFR § 576.103 and § 576.104, ESG funds may be used to pay housing owners, utility companies, and other third parties for the following costs:
  - (1) Rental application fees. ESG funds may pay for the rental housing application fee that is charged by the owner to all applicants.
  - (2) Security deposits. ESG funds may pay for a security deposit that is equal to no more than 2 months’ rent.
  - (3) *Last month’s rent.* If necessary to obtain housing for a program participant, the last month’s rent may be paid from ESG funds to the owner of that housing at the time the owner is paid the security deposit and the first month’s rent. This assistance must not exceed one month’s rent and must be included in calculating the program participant’s total rental assistance, which cannot exceed 6 months during any 3-year period.

- (4) Utility deposits. ESG funds may pay for a standard utility deposit required by the utility company for all customers for the utilities listed in paragraph (5) of this section.
- (5) Utility payments. ESG funds may pay for up to a total of 6 months of utility payments per program participant, per service, including utility payments in arrears, per service.

A partial payment of a utility bill counts as one month. This assistance may only be provided if the program participant or a member of the same household has an account in his or her name with a utility company or proof of responsibility to make utility payments.

Eligible utility services are gas, electric, water, and sewage. No program participant shall receive more than 6 months of utility assistance within any 3-year period nor receive assistance more than once within a 12 month period.

Staff will ensure that timely and accurate HMIS data is kept on each program participant to ensure that those assisted do not receive more than 6 months of assistance including rent and utilities in arrears within any 3-year period and that they receive assistance only once every 12 months.
- (6) Moving costs. ESG funds may pay for moving costs, such as truck rental or hiring a moving company. This assistance may include payment of temporary storage fees for up to 3 months, provided that the fees are accrued after the date the program participant begins receiving assistance under paragraph (b) of this section and before the program participant moves into permanent housing. Payment of temporary storage fees in arrears is not eligible.

**Short-term and medium-term rental assistance.**

- (a) General provisions. Subject to the general conditions under § 576.103 and § 576.104, the recipient or subrecipient may provide a program participant with up to 6 months of rental assistance during any 3-year period. This assistance may be short-term rental assistance, medium-term rental assistance, payment of rental arrears, or any combination of this assistance.
  - (1) Short-term rental assistance is assistance for up to 3 months of rent.
  - (2) Medium-term rental assistance is assistance for more than 3 months but not more than 6 months of rent.
  - (3) Payment of rental arrears consists of a one-time payment for up to 2 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees on those arrears.
  - (4) Rental assistance is tenant-based and program participants must live within the City of Laredo limits.
- (b) Use with other subsidies. Except for a one-time payment of rental arrears on the tenant's portion of the rental payment, rental assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving tenant-based rental assistance, or living in a housing unit receiving project-based rental assistance or operating assistance, through other public sources. Rental assistance may not be provided to a program participant who has been provided with replacement housing payments under the URA during the period of time covered by the URA payments.



## (c) Rent restrictions.

- (1) Rental assistance cannot be provided unless the rent does not exceed the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR part 888, and complies with HUD's standard of rent reasonableness, as established under 24 CFR 982.507.
- (2) For purposes of calculating rent under this section, the rent shall equal the sum of the total monthly rent for the unit, any fees required for occupancy under the lease (other than late fees and pet fees) and, if the tenant pays separately for utilities, the monthly allowance for utilities (excluding telephone) established by the public housing authority for the area in which the housing is located.

**Reporting Requirements**

All agencies requesting Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds are required to provide a certification letter stating that the agency has a software program that is compatible with HUD's Sage HMIS Reporting Repository (Sage). Funding is contingent on the software compatibility and its availability to create reports. In addition, the City will request a test report from the agency's software to confirm the compatibility. The agency must also ensure that the personnel are accurately reporting the homeless populations being served.

The City of Laredo will conduct on-site monitoring visits to provide training and require the sub-recipients to run a test report to ensure all data is being collected accurately and software is compatible.

On-site visits will be scheduled as follows:

- o 1<sup>st</sup> year sub-recipients: Will be required to host on site monitoring visits and run a test of the Sage report on a quarterly basis.
- o 2<sup>nd</sup> year sub-recipients: Will be required to host on site monitoring visits and run a test of the Sage report on a bi-annual basis.
- o 3<sup>rd</sup> year sub-recipients and older: Will be required to submit the Sage report on an annual basis.

(NOTE: Requirements are subject to change depending on compliance with reporting tool.)

During the required on-site monitoring visits, City staff will review the sub-recipient's intake process. The City will make suggestions regarding changes that the City may consider appropriate to improve the agencies' intake process. After the visit, the City will detail all deficiencies and provide suggestions and/or new requirements in a letter addressed to the agency's leader (Executive Director, President, etc.), giving the agency a timeline to abide to the changes, if any. Failure to comply with the required changes in a timely manner may result in termination of funding.

It is also required for all new sub-recipients' to be awarded ESG funding to attend a mandatory training regarding the creation of reports to be submitted to the City of Laredo (e.g. Sage, request for payments, etc.).

Sub recipients are strongly encouraged to visit the following site for additional information.

[Sage Guidance for ESG Subrecipients Webinar](#) :

<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/sage-guidance-for-esg-subrecipients-webinar/2193/>



# **Laredo/Webb County**

## **Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures**

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## INTRODUCTION

The City of Laredo's primary goal for Coordinated Entry process is to provide accessible and effective assistance to individuals experiencing homelessness. It helps our community prioritize assistance based on vulnerability and severity of service needs to ensure that individuals who need assistance the most can receive it on a timely manner. Therefore, the City has developed its policies and procedures manual to meet the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirement for the coordinated entry process. These policies and procedures have been approved by the Laredo Homeless Coalition.

Through this Coordinated Entry process the City expects more collaboration among providers, creating team work and transparency, increase referral appropriateness, improve system efficiency, decrease the length of stay of homelessness, and provides the opportunity to identify needs, gaps, and strength across our community.

The City of Laredo supports the Housing First approach to quickly and successfully connect individuals and families experiencing homelessness to permanent housing without preconditions and barriers to entry, such as sobriety, treatment or service participation requirements. The Coordinated Entry participating agencies will allow entry to program participants regardless of their income, current or past substance use, criminal records (with the exception of restrictions imposed by Federal, State or Local law/ordinance), e.g., restrictions on serving people who are listed on sex offenders registries and history of domestic violence.

**COORDINATED ENTRY FLOW CHART**

**Provider/Case Manager schedules intake, reviews eligibility, and inputs information in HMIS**



**Receiving agency will prioritize individual/family based on need**



**Referrals will be made to the corresponding agency based on the VI-SPDAT/F-VI-SPDAT score**



**The Eligibility Matrix is used to navigate the most effective route of services**



**Assessment is conducted utilizing the VI-SPDAT/F-VI-SPDAT**



**Individual/Family contacts with a Representative from an Entry Points for registration**

## **PLANNING**

### **Coordinated Entry Proposal**

The Coordinated Entry Proposal was submitted to the TX BoS CoC on 01/22/2018.

### **Implementation Date**

The Coordinated Entry process started operating on July 23, 2018.

### **Coverage Area**

The Coordinated Entry process will cover Laredo/Webb County.

### **TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards**

The Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures describe the Coordinated Entry Process in Laredo/Webb County. The Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures adhere to the requirements in the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards and do not supersede the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards.

### **Responsibilities of Coordinated Entry Planning Entity**

Bethany House of Laredo will:

1. Serve as support for the local Coordinated Entry process and coordinate participating organizations and agencies.
2. Participate in the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry planning and management activities as established by CoC leadership.
3. Ensure that their communities' policies and procedures adhere to the requirements in the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards and do not supersede the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards.
4. Develop Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures, which must be submitted to the Systems Change Coordinator when complete and upon each update.
5. Market the local Coordinated Entry process.
6. Develop and have a system in place to maintain the Eligibility Matrix.
7. Maintain a community training and assessors list and submit monthly updates to the Systems Change Coordinator.
8. Address grievances/appeals according to the local Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures as they arise in their coverage area for Coordinated Entry.
9. Execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the CEPE and TX BoS CoC.
10. Execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the CEPE and participating agencies.
11. Evaluate the performance and progress of the local Coordinated Entry process monthly in accordance with the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards and recommend or require adjustments as necessary.
12. Conduct an in-depth evaluation of the implementation of Coordinated Entry annually in accordance with the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards and make adjustments as necessary.

### Coordinated Entry Planning Entity

Bethany House of Laredo is charged with managing the Coordinated Entry process in Laredo/Webb County, ensuring that the policies and procedures outlined in this document are implemented appropriately at the system, provider, and client level, and regularly monitoring progress towards the ending homelessness goal.

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(956) 722-4152 ext. 15

Bethany House of Laredo will consult with Participating Agencies, as needed.

### Participating Agencies

The following agencies are participating in Coordinated Entry in Laredo/Webb County.

Emergency Solution Grant (ESG)	
Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, and Street Outreach	Bethany House
Emergency Shelter	Casa de Misericordia
SSVF	
Rapid Re-Housing and Street Outreach	Endeavors
Other	
Street Outreach	Border Region
Permanent Housing	Laredo Housing Authority
Youth Emergency Shelter, Outreach, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Services for Mental Health/Substance Use	SCAN
Emergency Assistance, Medication Assistance Program, Outreach, Prevention & Intervention, and Emergency Shelter	Holding Institute
Medical Clinic, Prevention & Intervention Services	City of Laredo Health Department
Tenant Based Rental Assistance and Housing Rehabilitation Program	City of Laredo Department of Community Development
Immigration Services, Emergency Assistance	Catholic Charities

### ACCESS

#### Target Population

The Coordinated Entry process for Laredo/Webb County will serve households who are literally homeless and fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence. The section titled Serving Survivors will describe the process for serving survivors.

Category 1 and 4 respectively of the Homeless Definition as described below:

#### Category 1 – Literally Homeless

An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

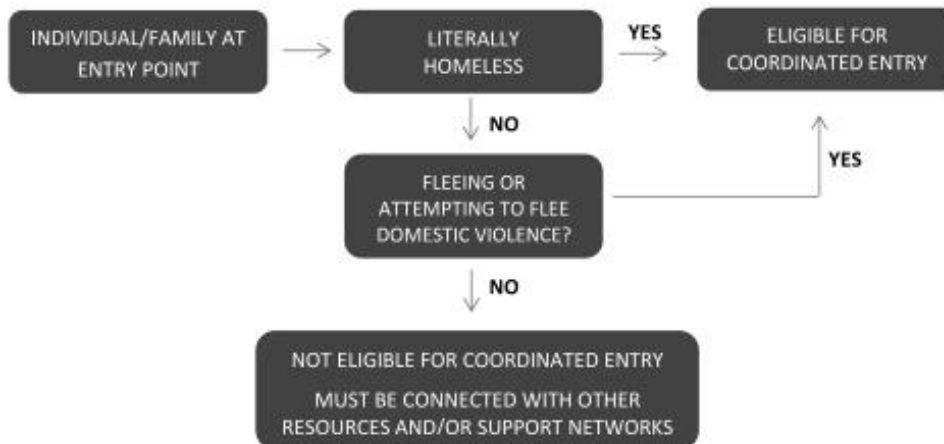
- (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
- (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low income individuals); or
- (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

**Category 4- Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence**

Any individual or family who:

- (i) Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
- (ii) Has no other residence; and
- (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

Individuals/families that don't meet category 1 and 4 of the homeless definition will be connected with other resources within our community and encouraged to connect with their support networks such as family, friends, or co-workers.



**Entry Points**

Laredo/Webb County will be utilizing a decentralized approach meaning there are multiple points of entry. The following seven agencies have been designed to be entry points/accessors for the Coordinated Entry process.



Agency	Laredo Health Department	SCAN	Bethany House	Border Region	Endeavors	Catholic Charities	Holding Institute
System Component	Medical Clinic, Prevention & Intervention Services	Youth Emergency Shelter, Outreach, Prevention, Intervention, & Treatment Services for Mental Health/Substance Use	Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing	Temporary Shelter, Street Outreach, Mental Health Services	Street Outreach, Rapid Re-Housing	Emergency & Immigration Assistance	Emergency Assistance, Medical Clinic, Medication Assistance, Outreach, Prevention & Intervention, Emergency Shelter
Address	2600 Cedar St	1702 Hendricks Ave	817 Hidalgo	1500 Pappas	1130 Pecan Blvd McAllen, TX	1919 Cedar Ave	1102 Santa Maria St.
Office Hours	8:00am – 5:00pm (Monday-Friday)	8:30am-5:30pm (Monday-Friday)	9:00am – 5:00pm (Monday-Friday)	8:00am-5:00pm (Monday-Friday)	8:00am – 5:00pm (Monday-Friday)	8:00am – 5:00pm (Monday-Friday)	8:00am-5:00pm (Monday-Friday)
Phone Number	956-795-4900	956-568-7105	(956) 722-4152	(956) 794-3000	(956) 278-0751	(956) 722-2443	(956) 718-2070

Individuals/families in need of assistance after hours can contact Bethany House or Holding Institute for emergency shelter.

The agencies mentioned above will:

- Follow the Coordinated Entry HMIS Data Standards including using the standardized assessment and coordinated referrals procedure
- Enter information into HMIS in real-time or within 24 hours
- Commit to having staff trained on Coordinated Entry
- Having staff serve as assessors
- Honor Coordinated Entry hours of operation as advertised

All entry points are reachable by public transportation and located close to other services, provide street outreach assistance, and are accessible to those with disabilities.

### ASSESSMENT

The Coordinated Entry process will use the most current HMIS Universal Data Elements and the Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) for individuals and (F-VI-SPDAT) families. This assessment tool will match participants to the most appropriate housing intervention and assists in prioritization. This assessment will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Participants have the right to refuse to answer any questions however this could have an impact on their assessment score. The assessment information will be shared with service providers eliminating the need for completion of multiple assessments.

The scoring breakdown is as follows:

VI-SPDAT Score (Individuals)	F-VI-SPDAT Score (Families)	Housing Interventions
0-3	0-3	Emergency Shelter

4-7	4-8	Transitional Housing (TH)/Rapid Re-Housing
8+	9+	Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

**Assessors**

Assessors are responsible for conducting the Coordinated Entry process with those who are seeking assistance. They are responsible for ensuring that all requests for assistance are treated equally and fairly and that all participant data is entered in HMIS.

**Re-Assessments**

Individuals/families will be required to be re-assessed if one or more of the following changes occur, as notified during their initial coordinated entry assessment.

- Housing status
- Number of household members
- Newly Diagnosed Disabling Condition
- More than 6 months have passed since their initial assessment
- Assessment review request has been approved by Coordinated Entry Planning Entity

These changes are critical due to a possible change in the prioritization process.

**Assessment Review Request**

Assessors, Staff Members at a participating agency, and households may submit an Assessment Review Request form (Exhibit A), if they dispute the accuracy of the VI-SPDAT or F-VI-SPDAT score. Households who have concerns about the accuracy of the assessment may complete an Assessment Review Request or request for one to be completed by an Assessor or their Case Manager. Staff members at the participating Coordinated Entry agency may request a review, with the permission of their direct supervisor.

Completed forms can be emailed to [javier@bethanyhouseoflaredo.org](mailto:javier@bethanyhouseoflaredo.org), faxed to (956) 791-1102, or delivered in person to the Bethany House of Laredo, c/o Javier Garcia, 817 Hidalgo Street, Laredo, Texas 78040.

All Assessment Review Requests will be reviewed through Case Conferencing, which must be done within ten (10) business days of receiving the request. Mr. Garcia will email Participating Agencies to set up a date and time for Case Conferencing.

Mr. Garcia will save the Assessment Review Requests in the Coordinated Entry Binder. The outcome of the Assessment Review Request will also be included in the binder.

**Assessment Review Request Follow-up**

Javier Garcia will contact the household within three (3) business days of Case Conferencing through phone and/or email to notify the household of the outcome of the Assessment Review Request.

If the Assessment Review Request is approved, Mr. Garcia will notify the household that a new reassessment will be administered at an Entry Point of their choice via a phone call and in writing, as applicable. Mr. Garcia will provide them with contact information for the Entry Point of their choice so the household can set up an appointment. The household can also request that Mr. Garcia contact the Entry Point of their choice to set up an appointment. The household has thirty (30) days to follow up with the participating agency of their choice. An extension can be granted if the household is engaged with providers. If the household does not present within thirty (30) days the

Assessment Review Request will be closed.

If the Assessment Review Request is not approved, Mr. Garcia will notify household of the appeals process.

**Grievances**

Individuals/families will be notified of their right to submit grievances including non-discrimination and equal access complaints. Assessors are responsible for advising clients of their rights and of the grievance procedure, including that an Assessor can assist them in completing and file the grievance.

Grievances must be submitted in writing to the Laredo Homeless Coalition president using the form provided on Exhibit B.

Laredo Homeless Coalition  
Attention: Mr. Gerardo Alvarado  
1500 Pappas Street  
Laredo, Texas 78041  
(956) 794-3089

All Grievances will be reviewed through Case Conferencing with participating agencies, which must be done within ten (10) business days of receiving the request. Gerardo Alvarado will email Participating Agencies to set up a date and time for Case Conferencing.

Mr. Alvarado will save the Grievance Forms in the Coordinated Entry Binder. The outcome of the Grievance will also be included in the binder.

**Grievances Follow-up**

Gerardo Alvarado will contact the household within three (3) business days of Case Conferencing through phone and/or email to notify the household of the outcome of the Grievance and the appeals process.

**Appeals**

Appeals may be submitted to the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care Systems Change Team at [CE@thn.org](mailto:CE@thn.org) (Exhibit C) if concerns arise with the outcome of the assessment review request or a grievance.

**REFERRALS**

**Receiving Agencies**

Receiving projects refers to the projects that will fill availabilities with referrals from Coordinated Entry. These agencies must participate in the monthly coordinated entry meetings lead by the Coordinated Entry Planning Entity (CEPE).

The following receiving agencies are participating in Coordinated Entry in Laredo:

Emergency Shelter	Bethany House, Casa de Misericordia, and Holding Institute
Youth Emergency Shelter	SCAN
Transitional Housing	Bethany House
Rapid Re-Housing	Bethany House and Endeavors

Affordable Housing	Laredo Housing Authority
Street Outreach	Bethany House, Border Region, Endeavors, SCAN, and Holding Institute
Medical Clinic	City of Laredo Health Department, Holding Institute
Prevention & Intervention Services	City of Laredo Health Department, and Holding Institute
Prevention, Intervention, & Treatment Services for Mental Health/Substance Use	SCAN
Emergency Assistance	Bethany House, Catholic Charities, and Holding Institute
Tenant Based Rental Assistance & Housing Rehabilitative Program	City of Laredo Community Development

### Eligibility Matrix

The Eligibility Matrix will assist assessors in providing the most accurate description of services, which will aid in making appropriate referrals. The Coordinated Entry Steering Committee Chair member, Judith Mena, will manage the Eligibility Matrix. She is responsible for making appropriate updates. Participating projects must submit changes to the Eligibility Matrix to her at [judy@bethanyhouseoflaredo.org](mailto:judy@bethanyhouseoflaredo.org). Ms. Mena will make the appropriate updates within three (3) business days. The updated eligibility matrix will be denoted by a disclaimer, "Modified on <date>". Any updates to this matrix will be discussed during the monthly Coordinated Entry meeting. The matrix will be stored in the City of Laredo website where it will be viewed to all; Assessors can access the eligibility matrix on the website.

### Making a Referral

All referrals generated by the Coordinated Entry process must be recorded in HMIS. All entry points have HMIS except for Casa de Misericordia that uses OSNIUM and will be using the HMIS workaround process.

### Acknowledging the Referral

Agencies must acknowledge the receipt of the referrals in HMIS within three business days.

### Outcomes of a Referral

Agencies participating in the Coordinated Entry process are required to provide an update of the individual/family outcome in HMIS. If the agency doesn't have access to HMIS, they must contact Bethany House no later than 48 hours with the necessary changes. For Laredo Housing Authority, they will be notified by the CEPE of all of the referrals made to them through Coordinated Entry once the Housing Waitlist opens.

### Rejecting a Referral

The following are the only reasons a receiving agency may reject a referral, if an individual/family:

- Declined further participation
- Has permanently left the area
- Does not meet required criteria for program eligibility
- Is unresponsive to one instance of 5 attempts to contact in 5 days
- Resolved crisis without assistance
- Has safety concerns

## **PRIORITIZATION**

Prioritization is the process which all persons in need of assistance who use coordinated entry are ranked in order of priority. It ensures that individuals/families with the most severe service needs and levels of vulnerability are prioritized for housing and homeless assistance before those with less severe service needs and lower levels of vulnerability.

Receiving agencies can apply the prioritization standards for their housing intervention type to the referrals received in HMIS and/or contact Coordinated Entry Planning Entity or assessor at an entry point to determine whom they need to contact to fill their availability.

### **Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-Housing**

1. Unsheltered Families w/ Children
2. Unsheltered Elderly/Disabled/Veterans
3. Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence Victims
4. Chronically Homeless
5. Unsheltered Individuals/Families

### **CoC Program-Funded Permanent Supportive Housing (Chronically Homeless)**

1. Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families with the longest history of homelessness and with the most severe service needs.
2. Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families with the longest history of homelessness.
3. Chronically Homeless Individuals and families with the most severe service needs.
4. All other Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families.

### **CoC Program-Funded Permanent Supportive Housing (Not Chronically Homeless)**

1. Literally homeless individuals and families with a disability with long periods of episodic homelessness and severe service needs.
2. Literally homeless individuals and families with a disability with severe service needs.
3. Literally homeless individuals and families with a disability coming from places not meant for human habitation, safe haven, or emergency shelter without severe service needs.
4. Individuals and families with a disability coming from Transitional Housing.

### **Tiebreakers**

If multiple individuals/families are identically prioritized for the next availability service priority will be given to the oldest enrollment.

### **Contacting Households**

The agencies must attempt to contact the individual/family at least five (5) times over the course of five (5) business days to offer housing and services. Agencies must utilize all the contact information provided by the individual/family including primary and secondary contacts, mailing addresses, and email addresses. Receiving agencies will notify a street outreach agency that they are looking for an individual/family and where they can most commonly be found, which is also captured as part of the contact information.

### **Case Conferences**

If the individual/family declines four (4) offers of assistance, the receiving project must contact the appropriate Assessor at the referring Entry Point within 5 business days to set up case

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conferencing with the receiving agency, participant individual/family, and appropriate assessor to discuss the options available. Case conferences will take place at the entry point main location or by phone. All case conferences will be documented in HMIS in Case Notes. Information about the Case Conferences must be submitted to Javier Garcia via email or fax; the information should include the HMIS number and a write up of the Case Conferencing, including the outcome. Mr. Garcia will file them in the CE binder. The individual/family will be notified of their ability to follow the appeal procedure, should they disagree with the outcome of the case conferencing.

#### **Anti-discrimination**

The local Coordinated Entry will be accessible to all individuals/families experiencing literal homelessness or attempting to flee domestic violence, regardless of national origin, race, religion, color, sex, age, familial status, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

### **DATA MANAGEMENT**

#### **Homeless Management Information System**

All participating agencies must use HMIS for collecting, using, storing, sharing, and reporting participant data associated with the Coordinated Entry process, with the exception of Domestic Violence Service Providers.

#### **Data Standards**

Participating agencies must adhere to the Coordinated Entry Data Standards outlined in the TX BoS CoC Coordinated Entry Data Guide.

#### **Timeliness Requirements**

Entry points must make every effort to do the coordinated entry process in real time or within 24 hours.

#### **Confidentiality**

In order to protect the safety and privacy of all program participants, all participating agencies will be required to ensure the security and confidentiality of all records containing personal identifying information of any individual/family who applies for services.

#### **Release of Information**

The TX BoS CoC Release of Information (ROI) governs the participant consent for the release of their information. Privacy protections and rights associated with collection, management, and reporting of participant data must be discussed with the household prior to asking them to indicate whether or not they want to share their information and sign the document. The ROI must be completed with every participant going through CE.

### **EVALUATION**

#### **Ongoing Feedback**

Entry points, receiving agencies, and current/former participants will be notified and encouraged to provide feedback in order to improve the Coordinated Entry process. Assessors will ask households for verbal feedback once the initial Coordinated Entry Assessment is completed. They will also notify them of the ability to provide written feedback via the Feedback Form (Exhibit D). Participants will be thanked for their household and notified of the process for reviewing the feedback. No follow up with happen for feedback.

Feedback must be must be submitted to Javier Garcia via email, javier@bethanyhouseofflaredo.org, or fax, (956) 791-1102, or in-person, 817 Hidalgo Street, Laredo, TX 78040. If the Assessors receives verbal feedback, they must email Mr. Garcia. Mr. Garcia will save feedback in the Coordinated Entry Binder. All feedback will be discussed in the monthly Coordinated Entry meeting.

### **Monthly Evaluation**

Bethany House of Laredo will be leading a monthly evaluation meeting regularly for one hour with all participating agencies to determine if the Coordinated Entry process is functioning as planned and to track the community's progress toward ending homelessness. An agenda and a sign in sheet will be provided to ensure attendance of all participating agencies. The Note Taker will be determined at each meeting. Minutes taken during the meeting will be sent to Javier Garcia to be saved in the Coordinated Entry Binder.

Important topics to be discussed during our monthly evaluation meeting are as follows:

- Reviewing data generated from HMIS Reports such as the data generated from the System Performance Measures, Coordinated Entry Housing Report, Post-VI Enrollment Report, VI-SPDAT Summary, F-VI-SPDAT Summary, and the VI-SPDAT List
- Reviewing feedback
- Making adjustments to the process based on data and feedback
- Addressing grievances and Assessment Review Requests
- Reviewing the Housing Priority List, which is an automatically generated list of everyone who has been through the CE system

### **Yearly Evaluation**

An evaluation will be conducted on a yearly basis. The TX BoS CoC will prompt the start of this process.

## **SERVING SURVIVORS**

### **Victim Service Providers, Survivors, and HMIS**

Victim Service Providers are statutorily prohibited from entering information into HMIS. Therefore, each CE process must follow this workaround for survivors that are served by Victim Service Providers:

- 1) Providers must review the TX BoS CoC ROI with the household, highlighting the household's rights, which include not having to share their information in HMIS, and that services cannot be withheld if they opt to not share their information;
- 2) Household is assessed by the local Victim Service Provider using a paper form;
- 3) Victim Service Provider contacts Bethany House of Laredo designated for entering information into HMIS; there is an equal expectation of real-time data entry for these households. The Victim Service Provider should call their partner agency who enters information into HMIS upon completing the assessment. However, should there be time or capacity issues and the information is not entered immediately, the information must be entered within 48 business hours.



Data Element	Universal Data Element	Response
Name	3.1	First Name: Last Two Digits of the Year + hyphen + a unique four-digit number without space For example, 16-0000 Last Name: 2004 NOTE: This data element must be entered in the same way, with the same spelling by every user. Full name: 16-0000 607001
Social Security	3.2	Data Not Collected
Date of Birth	3.3	Data Not Collected
Race	3.4	Data Not Collected
Ethnicity	3.5	Data Not Collected
Gender	3.6	Data Not Collected
Veteran Status	3.7	Data Not Collected
Disabling Condition	3.8	Data Not Collected
Project Entry Date	3.10	Data Not Collected
Project Exit Date	3.11	Data Not Collected
Destination (upon getting housed, i.e., existing from Coordinated Entry)	3.12	Data Not Collected
Relationship to Head of Household	3.15	Data Not Collected
Living Situation	3.917B. Field1	Data Not Collected
Length of Stay in Prior Living Situation	3.917. Field 2	Data Not Collected
Did you stay less than 90?	3.917. Field 2A – for Institutional Situations	Data Not Collected
Did you stay less than 7 nights?	3.917. Field 2B – for Institutional Situations	Data Not Collected
On the night before, did you stay on the streets, Emergency Shelter (ES), or Safe Haven (SH)?	3.917. Field 2C – for yes to Field 2A or 2B	Data Not Collected
Approximately date homelessness started:	3.917. Field 3	Data Not Collected
Total number of times homeless on the streets, in ES, or SH in the past three years including today	3.917. Field 4	Data Not Collected
Total number of months homeless on the street, in ES, or SH in the past three years	3.917. Field	Data Not Collected
VI-SPDAT or F-VI-SPDAT		Total Score Only
What is the minimum number of bedrooms you need?		#
Phone Number		Phone number of the appropriate contact. E.g., Case Manager at the Victim Service Provider and/or the survivor, if they elect to share that information
Referrals	This information is critical linking the household to housing resources in the community	Service: Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, or Permanent Supportive House Provider Name: The name of the provider

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		who operates Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, or Permanent Supportive Housing
Unmet needs	This data elements assists with real-time gaps analysis and should be completed in the instance that the household cannot receive a referral to the housing intervention suggested on the VI-SPDAT or F-VI-SPDAT. Reasons for unmet needs include not meeting eligibility requirements or the resource does not exist in the community.	Unmet Permanent Supportive Housing Unmet Rapid Re-Housing Unmet Transitional Housing

- 4) Victim Service Provider provides specific data elements for the Head of Household.
- 5) The agency entering information into HMIS must provide the Victim Service Provider with the Client Track ID number for the participant. The Victim Service Provider will record with the Client Track ID Number to the Coordinated Entry HMIS Tracking Sheet (Exhibit E).  
  
This will ensure that no personal information about a household fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence is entered into HMIS, and households are being prioritized for housing.

**Non-Victim Services Providers, Survivors, and HMIS**

- 1) Providers must review the TX BoS CoC HMIS Release of Information (ROI) with the household highlighting the household’s rights, which include not having to share their information in HMIS, and that services cannot be withheld should they opt to protect their information by not sharing;
- 2) If the household opts to share their information, the Coordinated Entry Assessment process can be completed as they are for clients not fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence;
- 3) If the household opts not to share their information or wishes to remain anonymous, follow the procedure outlined in “Victim Service Providers, Survivors, and HMIS”.

**Exhibit A**

**Assessment Review Request**

Formal research and other data from existing communities has shown that the initial VI-SPDAT is accurate for 99% of clients. With that said, there are some limited situations in which a client’s current situation may differ from their initial assessment results. For these limited situations, it is possible to request that the results of an assessment be formally reviewed. Case Managers can only submit this form with the approval of their Program Manager. Completed forms must be submitted to the Coordinated Entry Planning Entity.

ClientTrack ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual requesting Assessment Review: \_\_\_\_\_

Role:  Case Manager  Intake Staff  Participant

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Which category below best describes the reason for this request (select more than one, if applicable):

- Client underreported or minimized vulnerability
- VI-SPDAT missed severity of an identified area of vulnerability
- Client has been identified as a “highest utilizer” of public services
- Client over reported or overstated vulnerability
- Client has experienced a significant change since first assessment that would increase their score
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Requestor Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Program Manager Signature (if applicable) Date

<b>Vulnerability Domains</b>	<b>Original Assessment Results Please indicate what was captured on the initial assessment</b>	<b>Necessary Updates Please indicate new information that would change the score in a domain or where the existing score does not capture the magnitude of the vulnerability</b>
General Information		
History of Housing and		

Homelessness		
Risks		
Socialization and Daily Functioning		
Wellness		
Family Unit (families only)		
Other Comments		

Original VI-SPDAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Predicted Vulnerability Score: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Original VI-SPDAT: \_\_\_\_\_

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Action Recommended (select more than one, if applicable):

- No additional steps recommended
- Additional VI-SPDAT

Results:

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Coordinated Entry Planning Entity Representative Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Exhibit B**

**LAREDO/WEBB COUNTY GRIEVANCE FORM**

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Grievance:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**LAREDO HOMELESS COALITION USE ONLY:**

HMIS No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Laredo Homeless Coalition Resolution & Method

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Laredo Homeless Coalition Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date Client Notified of Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_ Notified by: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Client wish to submit an appeal?     Yes     No

**Exhibit C**

**LAREDO/WEBB COUNTY APPEAL FORM**

For assistance in completing this form, please contact the Coordinated Entry Planning Entity at 817 Hidalgo Street, Laredo, TX 78040 or by phone at (956) 722-4152.

Please submit this form to the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care System Change Team by mail, email, or fax.

- Mail: Texas Homeless Network  
Attention: TX BoS CoC System Change Coordinator  
1713 Fortview Road  
Austin, Texas 78704
- Email: [CE@thn.org](mailto:CE@thn.org)
- Fax: (512) 478-9077

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Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
HMIS No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Appeal:

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Participant's Signature

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Date



**Exhibit D**

**LAREDO/WEBB COUNTY COORDINATED ENTRY FEEDBACK FORM**

The main purpose for this form is to ensure that the coordinated entry process is functioning as planned and to track the community's progress toward ending homelessness.

This form is to be completed in a voluntary basis no personal information has to be disclosed.

1. How did you hear about the services provided through the coordinated entry process?  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. How satisfied are you with the services provided?  
Very Satisfied      Satisfied      Not Satisfied

3. Would you refer someone in need of services to the coordinated entry process?  
Yes                  No

4. How would you rate the service delivery timeframe?  
Very Satisfied      Satisfied      Not Satisfied

5. What additional services would you like to see in our community that are not currently available? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. How satisfied are you with the overall experience of community coordinated entry process?  
Very Satisfied      Satisfied      Not Satisfied

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit E**

**Laredo Coordinated Entry Tracking Sheet**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Client's Name or Comparable Database ID Number</b>	<b>De-Identified Name</b>	<b>ClientTrack ID #</b>
#	Lucy Brown or 156876	16-0000 607001	156897
1			
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**APPENDIX G**  
**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**



# **City of Laredo, Texas**

## **Citizen Participation Plan**

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## CITY OF LAREDO

### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The City of Laredo is identified as an Entitlement City by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and consequently, receives funding annually through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the Emergency Shelter/Solutions Grant (ESG). The amount of each CDBG, HOME, and ESG entitlement is determined by statutory formula. Within the statutory constraints of each of the HUD programs, the City of Laredo is able to develop its own programs and funding priorities.

It is the policy of City of Laredo to ensure adequate citizen involvement in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of its housing and community development programs. The City of Laredo has developed this Citizen Participation Plan in an effort to encourage citizen participation for its HUD programs, specifically in the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.

In application for funding through these programs, the City of Laredo is required to develop and submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan which identifies the housing and non-housing funding priorities of the community and the specific activities to be carried out with CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. In developing the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, the City is charged with the responsibility of consulting with local citizens, community service organizations, and others as applicable in assessing needs and determining the best use of program funds.

The City of Laredo has amended its Citizen Participation Plan to adhere with 24 CFR Part 91.105 (pertaining to the Consolidated Submission for Community Planning and Development Programs) and 24 CFR Part 5 (the grantee's obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH)). Also, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 91.103 (3), the City will provide this Plan in a format that is accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request. The City's policies and procedures to encourage and allow for citizen participation in the development and submission of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, any substantial amendments to the plans and the performance report.

#### I. ENCOURAGEMENT OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- A. The City of Laredo shall take appropriate action to encourage the participation of all its citizens in the development of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and any substantial amendments to the plans, and on the performance report.

- B. Particular emphasis will be placed on encouraging the participation of protected classes, low-and moderate-income persons, and particularly those living in slum and blighted areas and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used. The City of Laredo will take whatever action is appropriate in the encouragement of the participation of all its citizens, including minorities and non-English speaking persons as well as persons with disabilities.

Consultations, direct mailings/emails and/or other contact will be made with local and regional organizations that serve those in protected classes, or that provide assisted housing, health services, and social services, including those focusing on services to children, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, and homeless persons.

- C. The City shall encourage, in conjunction with consultation with the Laredo Housing Authority, the participation of residents of public and assisted housing developments, in the process of developing and implementing the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, along with other low-income residents of targeted revitalization areas in which the developments are located. During the consultation process, coordinated emphasis will be made to achieve comprehensive community development goals and ensure strategies and actions are taken to affirmatively further fair housing. Moreover, local and regional fair housing organizations and enforcement agencies will be consulted with.
- D. The City shall provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the development and submission of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, any substantial amendments to the plans and the performance report. The citizen participation plan shall be in a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request.
- E. In the event of a local or national emergency, the City will undertake other steps feasible in order to encourage citizen participation.
- F. In the event of a local or national emergency, only if stated by HUD in each situation, ESG funds will not be subject to the citizen participation requirement. However, the City will publish on its website how the ESG funds will be utilized.

## II. DEVELOPMENT OF THE ASSESSMENT OF FAIR HOUSING, CONSOLIDATED PLAN, ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

- A. Before adopting the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, the City will make available to citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties information that includes the amount of assistance the City is expected to receive (including grant funds and program income) and the range of activities that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low-and moderate income.



B. City staff charged with the responsibility of preparing the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan will meet and request input from local citizens, service organizations, the Public Housing Authority, and other interested parties, when feasible, through:

1. Neighborhood meetings held in each of the City's regions (North, South, East, and West), will be scheduled in a timely fashion to allow for sufficient time for preparation of the plan. Social Media sources and/or online platforms may be used when necessary.
2. At least one public hearing will be held at a location easily accessible to all, prior to the development of the plan in order to obtain the views of citizens on housing and community development needs, including priority non-housing community development needs. Social Media sources and/or online platforms may be used when necessary.
3. Scheduled meetings with service organizations, the Public Housing Authority, and others as necessary. Social Media sources and/or online platforms may be used when necessary.

In case of a local and/or national emergency, the City will undertake other feasible steps to encourage citizen participation. These steps could include but are not subject to or limited to:

1. Online live meetings such as City Council meetings and/or department organized meetings, through social media or other online platforms.
2. Availability of an office land line and/or City e-mail account.
3. Availability of a Community Needs Survey via the City of Laredo website
4. Availability of receiving oral and/or written comments at the City of Laredo Community Development Department physical office located at:  
1301 Farragut, Transit Center Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing  
Laredo, TX 78042

C. At the time the proposed plan is made available for public comment, a summary of the proposed Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan will be published in the Laredo Morning Times or other local newspaper which maintains the greatest circulation.

D. Paper copies of the complete Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan will be made available at City Offices and local libraries, for public review for a 30 day period. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the comment period is reduced to not less than 5 days or as directed by HUD in each situation.

Notice will be given through the Laredo Morning Times or other newspaper of greatest circulation; the Public Access Channel, and/or TV regarding the comment period.

- E. A reasonable number of copies of the proposed Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan will be made available free of charge to citizens and groups who request it.
- F. A public hearing noting the proposed activities to be carried out with CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds will be held before a request is made for City Council authorization to submit the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan to HUD.
- G. In preparing the final Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, City staff will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at public hearings/meetings. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views and the reasons therefore, shall be made part of the final Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan.

### III. DISPLACEMENT OF PERSONS

The City of Laredo does not anticipate any displacement to occur as a result of any HUD funded activities. All programs will be carried out in such a manner as to safeguard that no displacement occurs. However, in the event that a project involving displacement is mandated in order to address a concern for the general public's health and welfare, the City will take the following steps:

- A. A public hearing will be held to allow interested citizens an opportunity to comment on the proposed project and voice any concerns regarding possible relocation. Notice of the public hearing/meeting will be made as per the procedure noted in a separate section of the Citizen Participation Plan.
- B. In the event that a project involving displacement is pursued, the Community Development or other City staff will contact each person/household/business in the project area and/or hold block meetings, depending on the project size; inform persons of the project and their rights under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and respond to any questions or concerns.
- C. Relocation assistance will be provided in adherence with the City's Project Relocation Plan and the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended.

#### IV. SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS

In the event that substantial amendments to the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan are found necessary a notice will be published by the same procedures indicated above for a thirty (30) day comment period and a public hearing. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the comment period is reduced to not less than 5 days or as directed by HUD in each situation. Any written or oral comments received will be considered and a summary will be attached to the substantial amendment of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan/ and or Annual Action Plan.

A substantial amendment shall be defined as any one or more of the following:

1. A change in the fair housing goals in the Assessment of Fair Housing Plan,
  2. Any addition or deletion of the established priorities or activities described in the Consolidated Plan/ and or Annual Action Plan,
  3. Any change in the purpose, location or beneficiaries of an identified CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds project or activity providing for the addition/deletion of a project including the purpose, scope, location or beneficiary of an activity,
  4. A change in the scope of an activity, such that an increase or transfer in the funding of a previously disclosed CDBG or HOME activity, if the additional allocation, increase or transfer equals or exceeds \$500,000; for ESG activities when increase or transfer equals or exceeds \$50,000. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the ESG allocation, increase or transfer must equal or exceed \$500,000 to trigger a substantial amendment.
  5. A change in allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds.
- A. City staff will insure that citizens and interested groups have an opportunity to comment on any substantial amendments to the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan.
1. Notice of the proposed substantial amendment and request for comment will be made through the Laredo Morning Times or other newspaper of greatest circulation.
  2. Citizens will be provided a 30 day comment period to express views regarding the substantial amendment before the amendment is implemented. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the comment period is reduced to not less than 5 days or as directed by HUD in each situation. Copies of the substantial amendment will be made available at the Dept. of Community Development, the office of the City Secretary, and at the public library.

3. In preparing the substantial amendment, City staff will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally. Comments can be addressed to :

Director:  
Department of Community Development  
1301 Farragut, Transit Center Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing  
Laredo, TX 78042

Or be mailed to:  
P.O. Box 1276  
Laredo, TX 78042

4. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, shall be made part of the substantial amendment to the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan.

#### V. PERFORMANCE REPORTS

The City will also will prepare a performance report for submission to HUD on an annual basis which is due within ninety (90) days of the close of the program year. This report, called the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), shall be made available at the Community Development Department, on the City's web page at [www.ci.laredo.tx.us](http://www.ci.laredo.tx.us), and made available at public buildings for review by the public for no less than fifteen (15) days before the City submits the report to HUD.

- A. Notice of each annual performance report and request for comment shall be made through the Laredo Morning Times or other newspaper of greatest circulation.
- B. Citizens will be provided a 15 day comment period to express views regarding the performance report before the report is submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Copies of the performance report will be made available at the Department of Community Development, at the office of the City Secretary, and at the Laredo Public Library.
- B. In preparing the performance report, City staff shall consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally. Comments can be addressed to:

Director  
Department of Community Development  
1301 Farragut, Transit Center Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, East Wing  
Laredo, TX 78042

Or be mailed to:

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## VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

Public hearings will be held at least twice per year at key stages of the process to obtain the public's views and to provide the public, to the greatest extent possible, with responses to their questions and comments. The City holds public hearings to obtain input regarding community needs during the development of the Assessment of Fair Housing and Consolidated Plan; to review proposed uses of the funds in each Annual Action Plan; and to review program performance in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.

The City will hold at least two public hearings prior to the submission of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan to HUD.

The initial public hearing will be held before the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan is published for comment. This will be both an informational session and an opportunity for citizens to comment on the housing and community development needs in the City.

In case of a local and/or national emergency, only one public hearing for amendments will be conducted to expedite the process.

Citizens will be provided with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information, and records relating to the Assessment of Fair Housing and Consolidated Plan, and Annual Action Plan, with the City's proposed and actual use of Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and Emergency Shelter/Solutions Grant funds, through the following actions:

### A. Schedule of Public Hearings/Meetings

1. The City will hold at least 2 public hearings each fiscal year to obtain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions to be conducted at a minimum of two different stages of the program year. In case of a local and/or national emergency, only one public hearing will be conducted to expedite the process. The hearings shall address:
  - a. Housing and community development needs. In order for the City to obtain views of citizens on housing and community development needs, including priority non-housing community development needs, the at least one of these hearings must be held before the proposed Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan is published for comment.
  - b. Development of proposed projects, and
  - c. Review of program performance.
2. If a hearing is scheduled as part of a City Council meeting, a notice of the public hearing will be included in the City Council agenda which will also be posted by the City Secretary 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

3. When feasible, public hearings will be held at times and location convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for persons with disabilities.
    - a. The City will insure that meeting locations are centrally located, accessible by both private and public transportation, and present no barriers to persons with disabilities.
    - b. Upon timely notice (at least 72 hours), City staff will make special arrangements for persons who are hearing impaired or have a special need.
    - c. The City shall ensure that non-English speaking residents be presented with an opportunity to participate and comment in public hearings by conducting, upon request, the hearing in Spanish.
  4. Additional public hearings can and will be held upon the request of City Council and/or concerned citizen requests to City Council.
  5. When feasible, the City shall ensure that public meetings be held in neighborhoods that are in CDBG target areas in order to obtain citizen's views and to respond to proposals and questions.
  6. Advertisement of public meetings shall be made both in English and Spanish in order to afford non-English speakers an opportunity to be aware of public meetings. When feasible, advertisements will be in the local newspaper of greatest circulation at least 2 weeks prior to the date of the meeting in order to provide timely notice to neighborhood residents. In case of a local and/or national emergency, a notification of no less than three days will be provided to neighborhood residents in order to expedite the process.
  7. As appropriate, press releases will be issued through TV, to announce special scheduled meetings.
  8. As appropriate, flyers noting a neighborhood meeting's purpose and scheduled time shall be distributed at locations frequented by affected residents (i.e. neighborhood schools, recreation centers, housing authority, etc...)
  9. The Public Access Channel shall be utilized to broadcast information about the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan meetings, etc... in both English and Spanish.
- B. When feasible, the intended use of the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and the Emergency Shelter/Solutions Grant and other applicable HUD program funds will be publicized by and through:

1. **Public Hearing.** Prior to the request by staff that City Council approve the proposed Consolidated Plan, a hearing will be held, and the specific projects proposed to be carried out will be identified.
  2. **Neighborhood meetings.** Residents will be encouraged to attend and learn of the proposed and ongoing activities of the City, including the projects/programs funded and proposed to be funded through CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs, at neighborhood meetings held prior to the start of the fiscal year.
  3. **City Council Budget Hearings.** Proposed CDBG, ESG, and HOME budgets are discussed at City Council Budget Hearings, which are held approximately 60 days prior to the start of the new fiscal year. They are open to the public.
- C. In case of a local and/or national emergency, or in the case where health authorities recommend social distancing and/or limit public gatherings for public health reasons, the City will undertake other feasible steps to conduct a public hearing and/or meeting. These steps could include but are not subject to or limited to:
1. Online live (real-time) public hearings and/or meetings such as City Council meetings and/or department organized meetings, through social media or other online platforms.
  2. Hosting only one public hearing at a City Council meeting and conducting a motion to approve the emergency item after the public hearing is closed if no substantial comments are received during the public hearing on that same day.

If online hearings and/or meetings are conducted, real-time responses and accommodations for persons with disabilities and/or with limited English proficiency will be made available to the greatest extent possible.

## VII. PUBLIC COMMENT/AVAILABILITY TO THE PUBLIC

The draft Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan will be made available for public comment for a minimum of thirty (30) days. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the comment period is reduced to not less than 5 days or as directed by HUD in each situation. A notice of the public comment period, the locations where the plan is available for review, and a summary of the plan will be published in a newspaper of general circulation and will also be posted at the City Office Building and in other places frequented by the public, especially low- and moderate-income persons and persons benefiting from or affected by proposed CDBG activities. The notice of the public comment period, as well as the draft, will be posted on the City's website at [www.ci.laredo.tx.us](http://www.ci.laredo.tx.us). Additionally, direct outreach to local and regional organizations that serve those in protected classes, assisted housing providers, public housing agencies, social service agencies, and advocacy groups, as well as their beneficiaries, will be utilized to broaden the efforts to notify all.

A reasonable number of free copies of the plan will be available upon request by calling or visiting the City's Community Development Department during regular business hours. During the comment period, at least one public hearing will be held. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the public hearing does not need to be held during the comment period; it can be held after the comment period is over.

A summary of the written and/or oral comments and the response to those comments will be included in the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan.

**A. Plan Approval:**

The draft Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan will be presented to the City Council for approval before it is submitted to HUD. The presentations will be made during regularly scheduled Board meetings which are open public meetings and broadcast live.

**B. Substantial Amendments Approval:** In case of a local and/or national emergency, a public hearing followed by an approval motion for submission to HUD will occur on the same day during the City Council meeting

City Council meetings will be aired through the Public Access Channel for the purpose of allowing all residents of the community to be informed of City Council Action.

1. The Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, and Annual Action Plan, as adopted, substantial amendments, and the annual performance report, shall be available to the public, including the availability of materials in a form accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request, at the offices of the Department of Community Development.
2. It is the City's policy that all information required to be made public by the Texas Open Records Act, be made available for public review in accordance with Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code. The City of Laredo will provide citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties with reasonable and timely access to information and records relating to the City's Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and the City's use of assistance under the programs covered by 24 CFR 91 during the preceding 5 years.

**IX. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

Technical Assistance shall be provided to groups representing persons of low and moderate income that request assistance in developing proposals, be it for CDBG, HOME, ESG or other projects covered under the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan.

**A** City staff shall meet with group representatives informally as well as formally, to discuss program needs and provide guidance as applicable.



B. City staff shall coordinate with other City Departments to ascertain information needed and/or requested by group representatives.

#### X. COMPLAINTS

- A. The City of Laredo maintains an Open Door Policy and encourages citizens to express their needs and issues of concern. All grievances shall be addressed in a courteous and timely manner.
- B. Oral complaints will be addressed by the staff person receiving the complaint. If the complaint is not addressed to the satisfaction of the complainant, then the concern will be referred to the staff person's supervisor. If the complainant is still not satisfied, then the concern will be addressed by the Community Development Director. The nature of the complaint will be documented for further reference in the 311 Customer Service system or other complaint documentation system, as appropriate.
- C. Written complaints will be addressed through a formal written response for the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, and Annual Action Plan, any amendments and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. Staff will respond to such complaints in writing within 15 working days after having received the complaint.

#### XI. NEEDS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING RESIDENTS

City staff will accommodate the needs of non-English speaking residents to insure their participation. If non-English speaking or hearing impaired residents request assistance to participate in a public hearing, the City will make arrangements to have an interpreter present given reasonable advanced notice. Instructions for making such request will be outlined in the public notice.

- A. Newspaper notices regarding all HUD funded activities administered by the City, substantial amendments, and performance reports will be published both in English and in Spanish.
- B. Depending on the needs of the residents in attendance, staff will insure that public hearings are conducted in English and/or Spanish, as appropriate.
- C. Public comments will be received both in English and in Spanish during City Council meetings where the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, substantial amendments, and the performance report are discussed.

## XI. OTHER

- A. The City of Laredo reserves the right to amend its Citizen Participation Plan as it relates to its HUD grants, as necessary, in order to meet the needs of citizens of the community and changes in program requirements.
- B. Following City Council's approval of the amended Citizen Participation Plan, the City of Laredo is responsible for adhering, to the greatest extent feasible, to the citizen participation policies and procedures, as noted, in regard to the development and submission of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Substantial Amendments, and Performance Report.
- C. In case of a local and/or national emergency, the City of Laredo will abide by the regulations provided by HUD and may utilize the waivers provided by HUD for each grant.
- D. The Citizen Participation Plan, as amended, does not restrict the responsibility or authority of the jurisdiction for the development and execution of the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan.

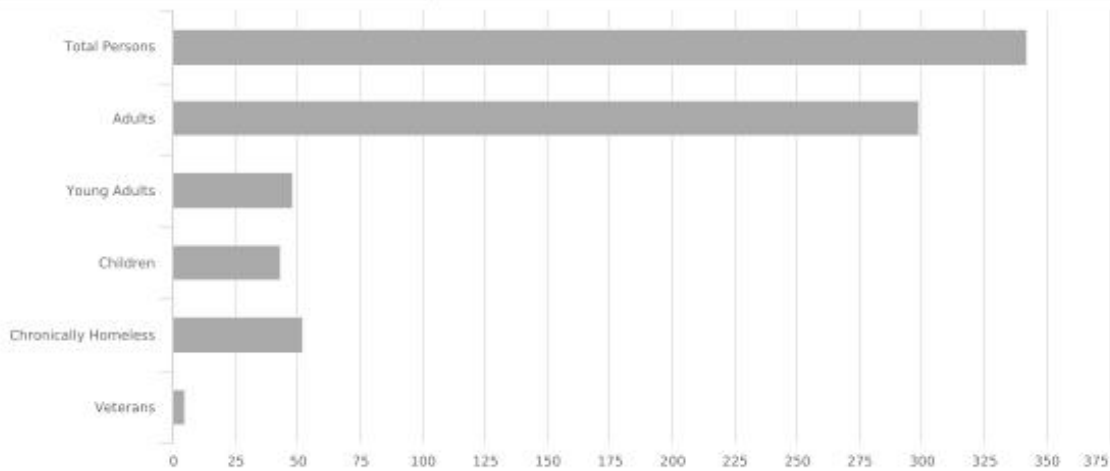
**APPENDIX K**  
**HIC AND PIT COUNT DATA**

## HUD Point in Time Report - Combined

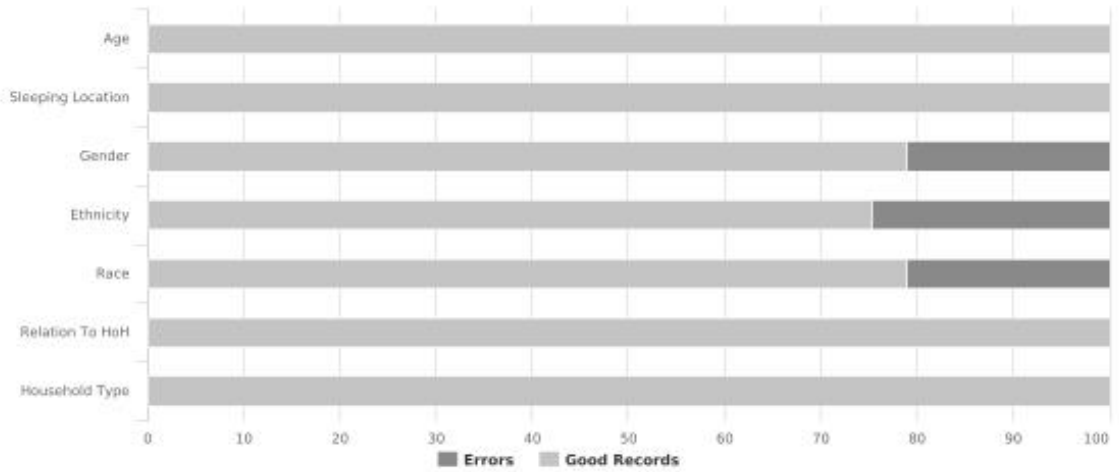
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Summary	
Total Persons	342
Adults (age 18 or older)	299
Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	48
Children (under age 18)	43
Unknown Age	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Adult	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Young Adult (18-24)	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Adult (25+)	0
Unknown Age - Believe to be Child	0
Chronically Homeless	52
Veterans	5



Data Quality Checks	
Persons Missing Age Information	0
Persons Missing Sleeping Location	0
Persons Missing Gender	72
Persons Missing Ethnicity	84
Persons Missing Race	72
Persons Missing Relation to HoH	0
Persons with Unknown Household Type	0



## All Households

### Households with at Least one Adult and One Child

#### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	19
Total Number of Persons	64
Number of Children (under age 18)	41
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	4
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	19

#### Gender

Female	33
Male	31
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

#### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	58

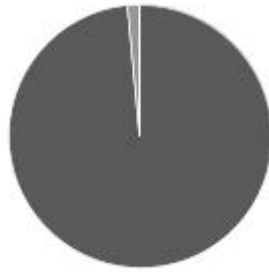
#### Race

White	63
Black, African American or African	1
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

#### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race



■ White ■ Black or African American ■ Asian  
■ American Indian ■ Native Hawaiian ■ Multiple

Gender



■ Female ■ Male ■ Transgender  
■ A gender other than singularly... ■ Questioning

## Households without Children

### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	274
Total Number of Persons	276
Number of Young Adults (age 18 to 24)	44
Number of Adults (age 25 or older)	232

### Gender

Female	113
Male	93
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	19
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	171

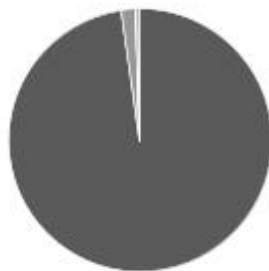
### Race

White	200
Black, African American or African	4
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1
Multiple Races	0

### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Persons	52
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Race



White
  Black or African American
  Asian
  American Indian
  Native Hawaiian
  Multiple

Gender



Female
  Male
  Transgender
  A gender other than singularly...
  Questioning



## Households with Only Children

### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	2
Total Number of Children	2

### Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

### Race

White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Persons	0
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Race

Gender

White
  Black or African American
  Asian
  Female
  Male
  Transgender
  American Indian
  Native Hawaiian
  Multiple
  A gender other than singularly...
  Questioning

## Veteran Households

### Veteran Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

#### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0
Total Number of Veterans	0

#### Gender

Female	0
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

#### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	0

#### Race

White	0
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

#### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race

Gender

White
  Black or African American
  Asian
  Female
  Male
  Transgender
  A gender other than singularly...
  Questioning
  American Indian
  Native Hawaiian
  Multiple

## Veteran Households without Children

### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Households	5
Total Number of Persons	5
Total Number of Veterans	5

### Gender

Female	0
Male	5
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	2
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	3

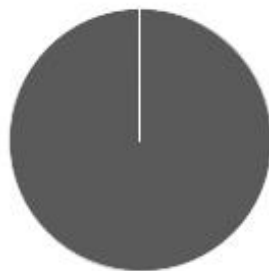
### Race

White	5
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Households	3
Total Number of Persons	3

Race



White
  Black or African American
  Asian
  American Indian
  Native Hawaiian
  Multiple

Gender



Female
  Male
  Transgender
  A gender other than singularly...
  Questioning

## Youth Households

### Unaccompanied Youth Households

#### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth Households	48
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth	48
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (under age 18)	2
Total Number of Unaccompanied Youth (18 to 24)	44

#### Gender

Female	37
Male	5
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

#### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	40

#### Race

White	40
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1
Multiple Races	0

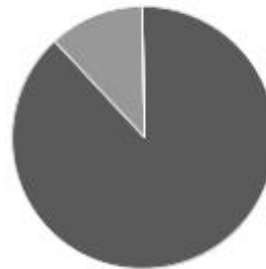
#### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Persons	1
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Race



Gender



White
  Black or African American
  Asian
  American Indian
  Native Hawaiian
  Multiple

Female
  Male
  Transgender
  A gender other than singularly...
  Questioning

## Parenting Youth

### Household and Person Breakdown

Total Number of Parenting Youth Households	3
Total Number of Persons in Parenting Youth Households	6
Total Parenting Youth	3
Total Children in Parenting Youth Households	3
Number of Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Children in Households with Parenting Youth Under 18	0
Number of Parenting Youth 18 to 24	3
Children in Households with Parenting Youth 18 to 24	3

### Gender

Female	3
Male	0
Transgender	0
A gender other than singularly female or male (e.g., nonbinary, genderfluid, agender, culturally specific gender)	0
Questioning	0

### Ethnicity

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	0
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	3

### Race

White	3
Black, African American or African	0
Asian	0
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	0
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0
Multiple Races	0

### Chronically Homeless

Total Number of Households	0
Total Number of Persons	0

Race



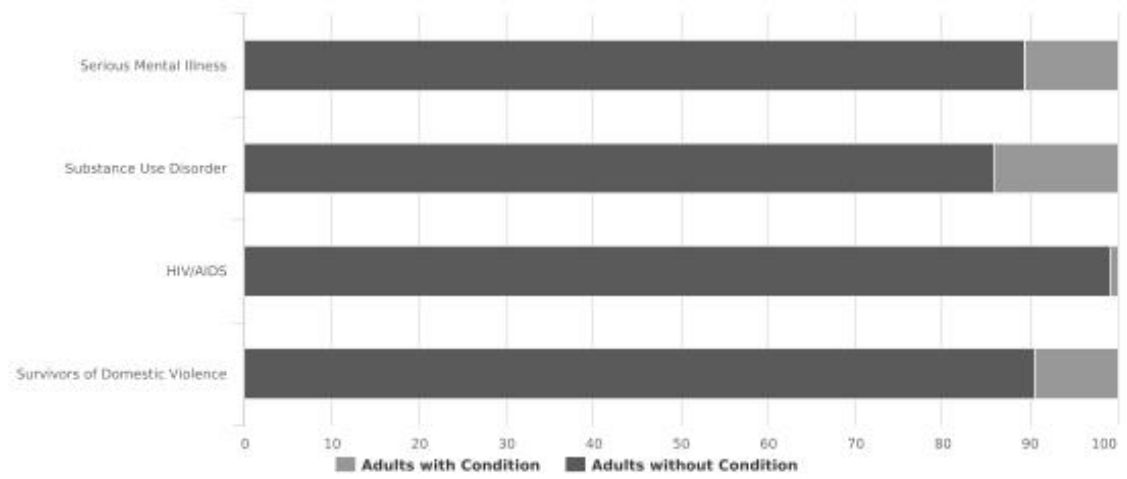
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Gender



■ Female   ■ Male   ■ Transgender  
 ■ A gender other than singularly...   ■ Questioning

Additional Homeless Populations (Adults Only)	
Serious Mental Illness	32
Substance Use Disorder	42
HIV/AIDS	2
Survivors of Domestic Violence (optional)	28





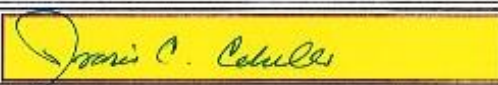


**Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)**

**APPENDIX A  
SF424 AND SF424D FORMS**

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<b>State Use Only:</b>			
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>		7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
<b>8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:</b>			
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="City of Laredo, Texas"/>			
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="74-0801573"/>		* c. UER: <input type="text" value="YS201910-0215"/>	
<b>d. Address:</b>			
* Street1: <input type="text" value="130 Pannekat St. (Transit Center 3rd Floor)"/>			
Street2: <input type="text"/>			
* City: <input type="text" value="Laredo"/>			
County/Parish: <input type="text"/>			
* State: <input type="text" value="TX - Texas"/>			
Province: <input type="text"/>			
* Country: <input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/>			
* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text" value="78040"/>			
<b>e. Organizational Unit:</b>			
Department Name: <input type="text" value="Community Development"/>		Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
<b>f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:</b>			
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mrs."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Maria"/>		
Middle Name: <input type="text" value="E"/>			
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Martinez"/>			
Suffix: <input type="text"/>			
Title: <input type="text" value="Community Development Director"/>			
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>			
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="(956) 795-2575"/>		Fax Number: <input type="text" value="(956) 795-2589"/>	
* Email: <input type="text" value="mmartinez23@ci.laredo.tx.us"/>			

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<b>* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:</b> <input type="text" value="City or Township Government"/> <b>Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:</b> <input type="text"/> <b>Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:</b> <input type="text"/> <b>* Other (specify):</b> <input type="text"/>	
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<b>* Title</b> <input type="text" value=""/>	
<b>13. Competition Identification Number:</b> <input type="text"/> <b>Title:</b> <input type="text"/>	
<b>14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</b> <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>	
<b>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</b> <input type="text" value="Administration, Housing Rehabilitation, Code Enforcement, Rental Rehabilitation, Public Facilities, Public Improvements, and Public Services including Graffiti Removal."/>	
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<b>16. Congressional Districts Of:</b>	
* a. Applicant: <input type="text" value="28"/>	* b. Program/Project: <input type="text" value="0380"/>
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>
<b>17. Proposed Project:</b>	
* a. Start Date: <input type="text" value="10/01/2022"/>	* b. End Date: <input type="text" value="09/30/2023"/>
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* a. Federal:	<input type="text" value="3,503,899.00"/>
* b. Applicant:	<input type="text"/>
* c. State:	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local:	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other:	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income:	<input type="text" value="100,000.00"/>
* g. TOTAL:	<input type="text" value="3,503,899.00"/>
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
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If "Yes", provide explanation and attach	
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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
<b>Authorized Representative:</b>	
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Bonnie"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text" value="C"/>	
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Cabell"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
* Title: <input type="text" value="Interim City Manager"/>	
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="(956) 781-4132"/>	Fax Number: <input type="text" value="(956) 751-7458"/>
* Email: <input type="text" value="bcabell@ci.laredo.tx.us"/>	
* Signature of Authorized Representative: 	* Date Signed: <input type="text" value="8/25/22"/>



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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 86-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1695-1696), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§489a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1986 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

Dtw	SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
		Intexia City Manager
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED	
City of Laredo	7/21/22	

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State Use Only:		
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* b. Employer/Taxpayer identification number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text"/> 74-0631573	* c. UEI: <input type="text"/> Y5WH3L4H2P5	
d. Address:		
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Street2: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
* City: <input type="text"/> Laredo	<input type="text"/>	
County/Parish: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
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* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text"/> 78040	<input type="text"/>	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text"/> Community Development	Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text"/> Mrs.	* First Name: <input type="text"/> Maria	
Middle Name: <input type="text"/> E	<input type="text"/>	
* Last Name: <input type="text"/> MARTINEZ	<input type="text"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text"/> Community Development Director		
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>		
* Telephone Number: <input type="text"/> (956) 795-2675	Fax Number: <input type="text"/> (956) 795-2688	
* Email: <input type="text"/> martinez28@ci.laredo.tx.us		



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<p><b>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</b></p> <input type="text" value="Administration, Emergency Shelter - Shelter Operations, Emergency Shelter - Essential Services, Street Outreach, Rapid Rehousing, Homelessness Prevention, and Homeless Management Information System."/>	
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\* a. Applicant:  \* b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed

**17. Proposed Project:**

\* a. Start Date:  \* b. End Date:

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal:	<input type="text" value="315,100.00"/>
* b. Applicant:	<input type="text" value=""/>
* c. State:	<input type="text" value=""/>
* d. Local:	<input type="text" value=""/>
* e. Other:	<input type="text" value=""/>
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\*\* I AGREE

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**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix:  \* First Name:

Middle Name:


\* Last Name:

Suffix:

\* Title:

\* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:

\* Email:

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:  \* Date Signed:

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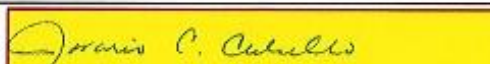
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/>
* 3. Date Received: <input type="text"/>	4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>	5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text"/> City of Laredo, Texas		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text"/> 74-6001573	* c. UEI: <input type="text"/> Y5HT0N1G8205	
d. Address:		
* Street1: <input type="text"/> 1301 Farragut St. (Transit Center Job Expo)	Street2: <input type="text"/>	
* City: <input type="text"/> Laredo	County/Parish: <input type="text"/>	
* State: <input type="text"/> TX: Texas	Province: <input type="text"/>	
* Country: <input type="text"/> USA: UNITED STATES	* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text"/> 78040	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text"/> Community Development	Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text"/> Mrs.	* First Name: <input type="text"/> Maria	
Middle Name: <input type="text"/> E	* Last Name: <input type="text"/> Martinez	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	Title: <input type="text"/> Community Development Director	
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>		
* Telephone Number: <input type="text"/> (506) 795-2675	Fax Number: <input type="text"/> (506) 795-2689	
* Email: <input type="text"/> mmartinez2@ci.laredo.tx.us		

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:			
<input type="text" value="City or Township Government"/>			
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:			
<input type="text"/>			
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:			
<input type="text"/>			
* Other (specify):			
<input type="text"/>			
* 10. Name of Federal Agency:			
<input type="text" value="U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development"/>			
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:			
<input type="text" value="14.239"/>			
CFDA Title:			
<input type="text" value="HOME Investment Partnership Program"/>			
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:			
<input type="text"/>			
* Title:			
<input type="text"/>			
13. Competition Identification Number:			
<input type="text"/>			
Title:			
<input type="text"/>			
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/>	<input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:			
<input type="text" value="Administration, Down Payment Assistance, Tenant Based Rental Assistance, Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), Homeowner Reconstruction Program, and Affordable Rental Housing."/>			
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions			
<input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/>	<input type="button" value="View Attachments"/>	

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15. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant: <input type="text" value="26"/>	* b. Program/Project: <input type="text" value="ECNE"/>
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
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17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date: <input type="text" value="10/01/2022"/>	* b. End Date: <input type="text" value="09/30/2023"/>
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="1,239,355.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value=""/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value=""/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value=""/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value=""/>
* f. Program income	<input type="text" value="206,080.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="1,438,355.00"/>
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
<input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.	
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* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
If "Yes", provide explanation and attach	
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21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications" and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances" and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Rocario"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text" value="C"/>	
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Ceballos"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
* Title: <input type="text" value="Interim City Manager"/>	
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="(950) 751-7302"/>	Fax Number: <input type="text" value="(950) 751-7198"/>
* Email: <input type="text" value="rceballos@ci.lubbock.tx.us"/>	
* Signature of Authorized Representative	* Date Signed: <input type="text" value="8/28/22"/>
	

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**APPENDIX B**  
**CERTIFICATIONS**

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In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

**Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

**Anti-Lobbying** --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

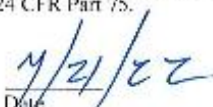
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3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**Authority of Jurisdiction** --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

**Consistency with plan** --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

**Section 3** -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

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Signature of Authorized Official

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### Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

**Citizen Participation** -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

**Community Development Plan** -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

**Following a Plan** -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

**Use of Funds** -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. **Maximum Feasible Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2022 - 2023 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. **Special Assessments.** It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

**Excessive Force** -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
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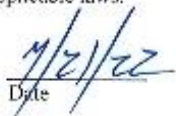
**Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws** -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

**Lead-Based Paint** -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R,

**Compliance with Laws** -- It will comply with applicable laws.

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**APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS**

**INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:**

**Lobbying Certification**

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

**Specific HOME Certifications**

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance** -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

**Eligible Activities and Costs** -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

**Subsidy layering** -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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## **Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications**

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

**Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation** – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

**Essential Services and Operating Costs** – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

**Renovation** – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

**Supportive Services** – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

**Matching Funds** – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

**Confidentiality** – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

**Homeless Persons Involvement** – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

**Consolidated Plan** – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

**Discharge Policy** – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

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Signature of Authorized Official Date

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**OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification**

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

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