



**Public Review Draft of the
City of Pascagoula
2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan**

If you have comments you would like the City to consider regarding this Public Review Draft of Pascagoula's CDBG Entitlement Program 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan, you must submit them in writing before 4 p.m., Thursday, November 19, 2020.

*Written comments may be delivered or mailed to:
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ES-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

Pursuant to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 91, this Five-Year Consolidated Plan serves as the City of Pascagoula's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program planning document, application for CDBG Entitlement Program funds, strategic plan for carrying out its CDBG Entitlement Program, and Program Year 2020 Action Plan that provides the basis for assessing performance.

The City of Pascagoula has developed its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan as a comprehensive document that focuses on a coordinated approach to addressing its housing and community development needs. This Consolidated Plan identifies and prioritizes the community's needs that are CDBG eligible and may be addressed during the next five years. For each of the five years, the City of Pascagoula will develop and submit to HUD an Annual Action Plan identifying how its CDBG resources will be invested in specific projects to address high priority community needs and achieve the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan goals.

The Consolidated Plan's goals and objectives were developed in consultation with residents, non-profit agencies and organizations, city leaders, regional and local social service agencies, the regional housing authority, senior citizens, residents of public housing, businesses, special interest groups and other stakeholders. The overarching goal of Pascagoula's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan is to invest its limited CDBG funds to assist in providing suitable living environments and necessary services for residents while supporting local economic opportunities, especially for low- to moderate-income households.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment

The City of Pascagoula's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan identifies four (4) broad goals and objectives to comprehensively address high priority unmet needs in the community.

Goal #1 Improve Access to Affordable Housing – prevent and address homelessness by improving access to affordable housing; implement actions identified in the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (A.I.) to reduce and eliminate local barriers to fair housing; encourage rehabilitation of existing housing stock to increase the inventory of affordable housing for special needs populations; encourage and support home ownership opportunities; and expand opportunities for homeless persons and families to transition successfully into permanent housing.

Goal #2 Enhance Economic Development Opportunities – support local and regional economic programs and activities to increase availability of jobs that pay a living wage; support efforts to promote long-term community viability; and empower low- and moderate-income persons to achieve self-sufficiency through expanded job training and diverse employment opportunities.

Goal #3 Provide Residents with Suitable Living Environments – improve residents' quality of life, especially in low- to moderate-income areas, through projects that address infrastructure inadequacies and gaps in service; improve/upgrade City facilities and resources to serve diverse community needs; enhance public safety; and provide CDBG-eligible ADA compliant improvements throughout the City.

Goal #4 Support Public Services that Address High Priority Needs- through CDBG-eligible public service activities, address the community's unmet high priority needs, including but not limited to emergency and transitional housing services; services for special needs populations; counseling for drug- or alcohol-addicted persons and those who have experienced domestic violence; housing assistance to address and prevent homelessness; job training and skills development; after school and summer educational programs; and improved access to affordable transportation and healthcare services.

3. Evaluation of past performance

At least once annually, the City formally assesses its performance implementing Pascagoula's CDBG Entitlement Program. The City reports past performance to HUD annually through its Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and conducts a public hearing to inform the public of its progress in completing CDBG-funded activities and goals achieved.

Although the City's annual CDBG goals historically are achieved, as reported in the CAPER, unmet community needs are so great that continued CDBG funding of public service and public facility improvement activities is warranted. Formal and informal public input provided during development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan affirms the continued need to invest CDBG resources to support these activities in Pascagoula.

For example, the City was successful in its past performance in terms of achieving annual goals for supporting public services that assisted homeless individuals and families in accessing affordable housing and also in terms of meeting all HUD compliance requirements. Based on this success and on continued community need, Pascagoula budgeted the maximum allowed by HUD in PY2020 to support CDBG-eligible public service activities including the prevention of homelessness.

Similarly, previous years' success in achieving goals for CDBG-funded public facilities improvements to comply with ADA requirements and the City's ADA Transition Plan support continued budgeting of CDBG funds during the five-year period of this Consolidated Plan to diversify recreational amenities and improve public parks and public facility/resource access for the benefit of disabled, elderly and frail elderly residents and low- to moderate-income residents.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

In compliance with HUD requirements, the City of Pascagoula consulted with residents, business owners and operators, public service providers, public and private organizations, City and State representatives, public housing residents, senior citizens, businesses, developers and other stakeholders identified by HUD to solicit a broad range of input into development of the Consolidated Plan. The City also consulted with other local units of government and regional agencies with a potential interest in, or knowledge of, Pascagoula's housing and non-housing community development issues.

Citizen participation was encouraged at two public hearings to identify and prioritize Pascagoula's unmet housing and development needs and priorities and the City established a 30-day comment period for submittal of written comments. The public also was invited to provide input through a community needs survey. All known public service agencies were invited to participate in an interagency meeting to help identify and prioritize community needs and numerous email invitations were sent to encourage input from a wide range of sources including businesses and churches.

A summary of the City's citizen participation process is provided in template PR-15 and a summary of the consultant process is included in template PR-10.

5. Summary of public comments

To be completed following the end of the formal 30-day comment period on November 19, 2020.

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

All comments were accepted and considered by the City.

7. Summary

The City of Pascagoula's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan was developed to identify and prioritize the community's high priority needs; projects to be funded through the Program Year 2020 CDBG allocation were developed and included in the Annual Action Plan to support achievement of four goals to improve local housing, economic development, quality of life and public services.

An approved Citizen Participation Plan guided the public input process and encouraged public participation to help identify and prioritize community needs. Input provided during public meetings and hearings, through a community needs survey, and formal 30-day written comment period supplemented information gathered through the consultation process. Input provided as part of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan development process also guided development of the City's PY2020 Annual Action Plan, which identifies how PY2020 CDBG resources will be used to help the City achieve its community goals for the benefit of residents, especially its low- to moderate-income families.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.200(b)

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

The following is the City department responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of the grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	Department of Economic and Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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PR-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.110, 91.200(b), 91.300(b), 91.215(I) and 91.315(I)

1. Introduction

In addition to the general public, nonprofits and for-profit organizations, and other stakeholders, the City of Pascagoula encouraged participation into development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan from the agencies and organizations it works with on an on-going basis to identify and address the community's high priority unmet needs. The City consulted with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care to update current, local homeless needs, including homelessness caused by institutions and systems of care that discharge persons into homelessness, and how best to address these needs in Pascagoula with limited resources. The City also consulted with the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII about public housing needs and unmet housing assistance needs in the City of Pascagoula. State and local health and welfare agencies also were contacted and invited to provide input into development of the CDBG planning documents, to attend the public hearings and submit written comments.

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)).

The City actively works to enhance coordination and collaboration among the regional housing authority, regional and local housing assistance providers, and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies through on-going communication and various meetings and activities. Regular communication among the City, the Regional Housing Authority VIII, local and regional housing assistance and social service agencies minimizes duplication of efforts; maximizes effective use of limited resources; improves efficient delivery of services and management of client data; and encourages consideration of collaborative community-wide solutions to better meet residents' housing and nonhousing needs.

On an on-going basis, the City of Pascagoula:

- Supports the efforts of the Regional Housing Authority VIII and other organizations to meet the housing needs of the elderly and others with special needs with HUD program funding and other public/private resources.
- Supports the efforts of local, regional and state public service agencies to address the full Continuum of Care.
- Encourages and considers citizen input regarding the use of CDBG resources, in compliance with its Citizen Participation Plan.
- Supports efforts to improve delivery methods and institute systematic improvements of the Salvation Army, Homes of Grace, Open Doors Homeless Coalition, Gulf Coast Center For

NonViolence, Boys and Girls Clubs, Public Housing Resident Councils, Stevens Center and other nonprofit agencies to meet the housing and nonhousing needs of the homeless, the elderly, the physically and mentally disabled, persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families, and individuals with drug and alcohol addiction who reside in the City of Pascagoula.

In compliance with the Pascagoula Citizen Participation Plan, all known nonprofit service agencies and organizations were invited by emails from the City and through public notices posted in public places as well as on the City's Facebook page and website, to participate in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan development process by attending public hearings, completing a community needs survey and submitting written comments during the formal 30-day comment period.

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

The City of Pascagoula does not receive an ESG annual allocation but it does partner with the local Continuum of Care (COC), Open Doors Homeless Coalition, to prevent and address homelessness and to support delivery of other public services to meet residents' needs. The City works collaboratively with Open Doors and its numerous member agencies to eliminate duplication of services and to provide comprehensive services on a case by case basis. This effort especially benefits the homeless, chronically homeless, families with children, veterans and unaccompanied youth populations in Pascagoula. The City generally budgets CDBG funds each year to support public service activities provided or coordinated by Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care and other public service 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 and evaluate outcomes, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the administration of HMIS

While the City does not receive an annual allocation of ESG funds, it provides input to the CoC about the emergency shelter needs of the community. The City also works on an on-going basis with the Continuum of Care to identify and respond to high priority unmet needs in the community for emergency shelter services. The City supports the comprehensive activities and services provided by the CoC and its member agencies by investing CDBG public services funds to help meet local needs.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Open Doors Homeless Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City consulted with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care on an on-going basis throughout development of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan. Through meetings, telephone conversations and emails, Open Doors updated the City with current information and supporting data about local homeless and near-homeless populations and shared input to improve case management and service delivery. As a result, the City is better prepared to invest limited CDBG resources to address and prevent homelessness in Pascagoula most efficiently and effectively.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Regional organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City consulted with the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII through discussions during an interagency meeting hosted at City Hall on August 26, 2020. In October, the City contacted the MRHA VIII in writing to request specific information required for the CDBG plans. MRHA VIII also was emailed notices regarding the two public hearings and 30-day comment period and was requested to share this information the residents of the three public housing developments located in Pascagoula. As a result of input from MRHA VIII, the City is researching public safety improvement projects for the areas around the three housing developments and is exploring other potential CDBG eligible projects to improve residents living environments.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Jackson County Civic Action Agency
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Service-Fair Housing Services – Victims Other government - County Regional organization Businesses Civic Leaders

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy Market Analysis Non-Housing Community Development Strategy Anti-poverty strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City consulted with the Jackson County Civic Action Agency during the August 26, 2020 interagency meeting hosted at City Hall; the City followed up in writing with its request for input regarding development of the Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan. The City also mailed and emailed notices to JCCAA about the two public hearings and 30-day comment period. Input from JCCAA emphasized the high priority need for public services and affordable housing assistance to improve residents' living environments and quality of life.

Other agencies, organizations and groups will be added following receipt of additional input.

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

The City contacted all known agency types to invite and encourage participation in developing the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action 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	Open Doors Homeless Coalition	The City's goals for addressing and preventing local homelessness are based on information provided and maintained by Open Doors.
Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (A.I.)	City of Pascagoula	The Consolidated Plan/Strategy Plan goals include addressing the A.I. recommended actions.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(I))

The City has active working relationships with elected officials and staff at the state level, in Jackson County and with adjacent units of government as well as with Gulf Regional Planning Commission, the regional metropolitan transportation planning organization, and South Mississippi Planning and

Development District to enhance implementation of its Consolidated Plan. The City also works in coordination with the regional Continuum of Care and with housing, health, employment, education and youth services agencies. By working cooperatively and in coordination with these and other organizations, the City is more effective in accomplishing its goals to provide suitable living environments for its residents, support economic diversity and expanded employment opportunities, and to address high priority unmet needs.

PR-15 Citizen Participation – 91.105, 91.115, 91.200(c) and 91.300(c)

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

In compliance with its Citizen Participation Plan, the City encouraged citizen input throughout development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan. To encourage input from residents, particularly low, very low and extremely low income persons, information about the development process and availability of drafts for the CDBG planning documents was posted at City Hall, at the Community Development Department and in the Pascagoula Public Library; notices also were posted on the City's Facebook page and website to broaden outreach.

The housing and public services agencies that provide direct services to low, very low, and extremely low income persons, the homeless and those with special needs were emailed the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan development schedule and encouraged to share it with their clients. Public service announcements were sent to local and regional radio and television stations about public hearings and draft availability.

Copies of all public notices are attached to this document. Specific steps taken by the City to broaden community input into development of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan include:

- Posting on its Facebook page and website a Notice of Availability of Information as it pertains to the City of Pascagoula's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan;
- Emailing invitations to housing and social service agencies, civic organizations, churches and neighborhood associations to encourage attendance at the public hearings and to make them aware of the availability of information regarding the CDBG planning documents;
- Inviting residents, agencies and businesses to complete a community needs survey;
- Posting Notices of the Public Hearings on the City's Facebook page and website to invite the public to attend and provide input into development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan;
- On September 3, 2020 and October 20, 2020, conducting public hearings to provide citizens with opportunities to comment orally and in writing about the housing and non-housing community

development needs of the City and about the proposed use of CDBG funds during the 2020 Program Year;

- Posting a Notice of the Availability of the Public Review Draft of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan for review and comment during a 30-day comment period; and
- Sending public service announcements to local radio stations regarding the planning documents' development process and inviting residents to provide input at the public hearings.

Input provided through this citizen participation process provided the City with information to better identify and address the community's high priority unmet needs with limited CDBG funds.

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
1	Public Meeting	Public & private agencies	Six people representing four public services agencies attended the meeting and provided pertinent information.	There are considerable unmet needs throughout the community. A copy of the meeting summary and sign-in sheet are attached to the final document.	All comments were accepted and considered by the City.

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of Comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons
2	Public Hearings	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/ broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	One person, representing the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care, attended the September 3, 2020 public hearing. _____ people attended the October 20, 2020 public hearing.	While progress has been made in improving delivery of comprehensive services to address and prevent homelessness in Pascagoula, much remains to be accomplished and is limited by lack of adequate resources. A copy of the hearing minutes is attached to the final document. <u>To be inserted following 2nd hearing.</u>	All comments were accepted and considered by the City.

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

NA-05 Overview

As data included in the Needs Assessment documents, improved access to existing affordable housing and expanded inventory in all housing categories, for both renters and homeowners, is needed in Pascagoula. Housing cost burden has been and continues to be a problem for renters and homeowners, but especially for those in lower income households.

Programs for rent, utilities and deposit assistance, mortgage assistance and housing rehabilitation assistance are needed to provide and maintain suitable living environments for special needs populations and for those in households earning less than the average median income.

Lack of federal, state and local resources limits the ability of the City to provide residents with an adequate level of housing assistance and supportive services. The City generally budgets the maximum amount of CDBG funds allowed annually by HUD to support activities of various nonprofit agencies to directly benefit those most in need of housing, food and healthcare services.

NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment - 24 CFR 91.205 (a,b,c)

Summary of Housing Needs

Housing data for the City of Pascagoula's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan was prepopulated from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 CHAS data, HUD's MSA Data Base, the HUD User and The American Fact Finder – 2011-2015 and 2005-2009 American Community Surveys (ACS).

Demographic information for 2015, the most recent year, reflects a population of 22,235 (1% decrease since 2009); number of households was 8,610 (a 7% decrease since 2009); and the median income was \$36,797 (a decrease of 3% since 2009).

Demographics	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Population	22,392	22,235	-1%
Households	9,249	8,610	-7%
Median Income	\$37,781.00	\$36,797.00	-3%

Table 5 - Housing Needs Assessment Demographics

Data Source: 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Number of Households Table

	0-30% HAMFI	>30-50% HAMFI	>50-80% HAMFI	>80-100% HAMFI	>100% HAMFI
Total Households	1,755	1,150	1,345	720	3,630
Small Family Households	765	305	495	295	1,755
Large Family Households	90	49	40	30	175
Household contains at least one person 62-74 years of age	284	210	255	110	775
Household contains at least one person age 75 or older	84	245	145	79	279
Households with one or more children 6 years old or younger	270	113	174	35	255

Table 6 - Total Households Table

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Housing Needs Summary Tables

1. Housing Problems (Households with one of the listed needs)

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30- 50% AMI	>50- 80% AMI	>80- 100% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS										
Substandard Housing - Lacking complete plumbing or kitchen facilities	10	4	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
Severely Overcrowded - With >1.51 people per room (and complete kitchen and plumbing)	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10
Overcrowded - With 1.01-1.5 people per room (and none of the above problems)	15	10	10	0	35	10	0	4	10	24

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total
Housing cost burden greater than 50% of income (and none of the above problems)	845	295	25	0	1,165	225	115	50	4	394
Housing cost burden greater than 30% of income (and none of the above problems)	150	380	365	10	905	60	44	200	105	409
Zero/negative Income (and none of the above problems)	155	0	0	0	155	55	0	0	0	55

Table 7 – Housing Problems Table

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

2. Housing Problems 2 (Households with one or more Severe Housing Problems: Lacks kitchen or complete plumbing, severe overcrowding, severe cost burden)

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS										
Having 1 or more of four housing problems	870	310	35	0	1,215	240	115	55	20	430
Having none of four housing problems	260	460	635	325	1,680	175	260	625	370	1,430
Household has negative income, but none of the other housing problems	155	0	0	0	155	55	0	0	0	55

Table 8 – Housing Problems 2

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

3. Cost Burden > 30%

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS								
Small Related	510	210	160	880	55	40	109	204
Large Related	50	45	10	105	10	0	20	30
Elderly	140	164	58	362	125	62	22	209
Other	335	265	165	765	105	50	100	255
Total need by income	1,035	684	393	2,112	295	152	251	698

Table 9 – Cost Burden > 30%

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

4. Cost Burden > 50%

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS								
Small Related	475	70	0	545	45	20	24	89
Large Related	40	25	0	65	10	0	10	20
Elderly	130	80	8	218	115	38	4	157
Other	235	135	10	380	65	50	10	125
Total need by income	880	310	18	1,208	235	108	48	391

Table 10 – Cost Burden > 50%

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

5. Crowding (More than one person per room)

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS										
Single family households	0	10	10	0	20	20	0	4	0	24
Multiple, unrelated family households	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	10	10
Other, non-family households	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Renter					Owner				
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	>80-100% AMI	Total
Total need by income	15	10	10	0	35	20	0	4	10	34

Table 11 – Crowding Information – 1/2

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

	Renter				Owner			
	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total	0-30% AMI	>30-50% AMI	>50-80% AMI	Total
Households with Children Present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 12 – Crowding Information – 2/2

Data Source Comments:

Describe the number and type of single person households in need of housing assistance.

The "other" category in Tables 9 and 10 above includes single person households. And, according to Tables 9 and 10, there are more renters than owners who experience cost over burden in Pascagoula, especially among lower-income households. The most recent W.S. Loper & Associates Mississippi Gulf Coast Apartments Survey identifies that in 2019, there was a 12.5% vacancy rate among studio units, 9.1% vacancy rate among one-bedroom units and an 8.4% vacancy rate among two-bedroom units. Among the one-bedroom units surveyed, the average monthly rental rate increased 3.6% above the one-bedroom average monthly rental rate in the 2018 survey. The average monthly rental rate in 2019 for two-bedroom apartments surveyed increased 0.2% above the 2018 rate. The Loper Survey also concludes that Pascagoula housing market conditions remain "soft."

With rental rates increasing in spite of a higher than normal vacancy rate compared to other areas on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, it may be a lack of household income among single person households renting in Pascagoula that is the cause of housing cost burden in this category.

Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who are disabled or victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care and the Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence will be provided and inserted.

What are the most common housing problems?

The most common type of housing problem in Pascagoula is cost burden, with renters and homeowners in lower-income households suffering the most from lack of resources to pay for housing costs. Lack of adequate emergency and transitional housing facilities to shelter homeless individuals, homeless families with children, and others also is a serious problem in Pascagoula.

Are any populations/household types more affected than others by these problems?

Both renter and owner households are affected by cost burden, but households earning less than 80% of the average median family income are more affected by housing cost burden than households making more than that.

Describe the characteristics and needs of Low-income individuals and families with children (especially extremely low-income) who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered 91.205(c)/91.305(c)). Also discuss the needs of formerly homeless families and individuals who are receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance

Information provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

If a jurisdiction provides estimates of the at-risk population(s), it should also include a description of the operational definition of the at-risk group and the methodology used to generate the estimates:

This information will be provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

Specify particular housing characteristics that have been linked with instability and an increased risk of homelessness

This information will be provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

0%-30% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	1,330	225	210
White	375	100	79
Black / African American	730	119	70
Asian	19	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	4
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	180	0	50

Table 13 - Disproportionately Greater Need 0 - 30% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4. Cost Burden greater than 30%

30%-50% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	855	295	0
White	305	210	0
Black / African American	425	65	0
Asian	0	10	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	99	0	0

Table 14 - Disproportionately Greater Need 30 - 50% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4. Cost Burden greater than 30%

50%-80% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	655	690	0
White	335	400	0
Black / African American	250	215	0
Asian	0	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	55	49	0

Table 15 - Disproportionally Greater Need 50 - 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4. Cost Burden greater than 30%

80%-100% of Area Median Income

Housing Problems	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	135	580	0
White	105	335	0
Black / African American	35	175	0
Asian	0	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	0	75	0

Table 16 - Disproportionally Greater Need 80 - 100% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than one person per room, 4. Cost Burden greater than 30%

**NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems – 91.205
(b)(2)**

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

0%-30% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	1,110	435	210
White	315	150	79
Black / African American	585	275	70
Asian	19	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	4
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	180	0	50

Table 17 – Severe Housing Problems 0 - 30% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four severe housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

30%-50% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	425	720	0
White	179	345	0
Black / African American	185	310	0
Asian	0	10	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	59	35	0

Table 18 – Severe Housing Problems 30 - 50% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four severe housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

50%-80% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	90	1,260	0
White	59	675	0
Black / African American	20	450	0
Asian	0	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	4	94	0

Table 19 – Severe Housing Problems 50 - 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four severe housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

80%-100% of Area Median Income

Severe Housing Problems*	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
Jurisdiction as a whole	20	695	0
White	20	420	0
Black / African American	0	205	0
Asian	0	0	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Hispanic	0	75	0

Table 20 – Severe Housing Problems 80 - 100% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

*The four severe housing problems are: 1. Lacks complete kitchen facilities, 2. Lacks complete plumbing facilities, 3. More than 1.5 persons per room, 4. Cost Burden over 50%

NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

Housing Cost Burden

Housing Cost Burden	<=30%	30-50%	>50%	No / negative income (not computed)
Jurisdiction as a whole	5,260	1,485	1,634	220
White	3,550	690	580	79
Black / African American	1,195	680	775	70
Asian	25	0	19	0
American Indian, Alaska Native	25	0	0	4
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
Hispanic	440	85	239	60

Table 21 – Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

NA-30 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion – 91.205(b)(2)

Are there any Income categories in which a racial or ethnic group has disproportionately greater need than the needs of that income category as a whole?

In the lower income categories, racial and ethnic groups experience disproportionately greater housing needs than those in higher income categories. In the extremely low-income category and low-income category, there are instances of disproportionate need for Black/African American and White populations and some for the Hispanic population. In terms of severe housing problems, Hispanic and Black/African American households have disproportionately greater needs in most income categories.

If they have needs not identified above, what are those needs?

Identified above

Are any of those racial or ethnic groups located in specific areas or neighborhoods in your community?

The percentage of American Indian, Alaska Native and Asian households in the City of Pascagoula is small and these populations are not concentrated in any specific area of the City. However, the

Black/African American population is concentrated in north central, west central, the east end and in central Pascagoula. The Hispanic population generally is concentrated in the City's east central area.

NA-35 Public Housing – 91.205(b)

Information to update this section is being provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII. HUD has prepopulated the tables in this template with information from the Public and Indian Housing Information Center (PIC).

Totals in Use

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
# of units vouchers in use	0	0	756	5,911	293	5,567	13	0	0

Table 22 - Public Housing by Program Type

*includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

Characteristics of Residents

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	
Average Annual Income	0	0	10,774	11,251	9,606	11,300	8,912	0	
Average length of stay	0	0	4	3	1	3	0	0	
Average Household size	0	0	2	2	2	2	1	0	

	Program Type							
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher	
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program
# Homeless at admission	0	0	5	1	0	1	0	0
# of Elderly Program Participants (>62)	0	0	106	759	54	703	1	0
# of Disabled Families	0	0	169	1,495	60	1,416	7	0
# of Families requesting accessibility features	0	0	756	5,911	293	5,567	13	0
# of HIV/AIDS program participants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# of DV victims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 23 – Characteristics of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

Race of Residents

Race	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers			Special Purpose Voucher		
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
White	0	0	165	1,399	80	1,307	4	0	0
Black/African American	0	0	589	4,467	211	4,218	8	0	0
Asian	0	0	2	26	0	25	1	0	0

Program Type									
Race	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	0	18	1	17	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition

Table 24 – Race of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

Ethnicity of Residents

Program Type									
Ethnicity	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project - based	Tenant - based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
Hispanic	0	0	40	56	9	47	0	0	0
Not Hispanic	0	0	716	5,855	284	5,520	13	0	0

*includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition

Table 25 – Ethnicity of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

Section 504 Needs Assessment: Describe the needs of public housing tenants and applicants on the waiting list for accessible units:

Information will be inserted upon receipt from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

Most immediate needs of residents of Public Housing and Housing Choice voucher holders

Information will be inserted upon receipt from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

How do these needs compare to the housing needs of the population at large

Information will be inserted upon receipt from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment – 91.205(c)

The City of Pascagoula is an active partner with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care (CoC), a multi-county agency that works to address the full continuum of care for homeless populations in South Mississippi. The CoC coordinates housing assistance and supportive services provided by a range of public and private agencies, organizations and local units of government. The City will continue to actively work with the CoC and its member agencies during the five-year period of this Consolidated Plan to secure additional HUD funding and other federal, state and local resources necessary to address and prevent homelessness.

Information to complete this section is being provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

If data is not available for the categories "number of persons becoming and exiting homelessness each year," and "number of days that persons experience homelessness," describe these categories for each homeless population type (including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth):

Information to complete this section is being provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition.

Nature and Extent of Homelessness: (Optional)

Race:	Sheltered:	Unsheltered (optional)
White	0	0
Black or African American	0	0
Asian	0	0

Race:	Sheltered:	Unsheltered (optional)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0
Pacific Islander	0	0
Ethnicity:	Sheltered:	Unsheltered (optional)
Hispanic	0	0
Not Hispanic	0	0

Data Source Comments:

Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance for families with children and the families of veterans.

Information to complete this section is being provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

Describe the Nature and Extent of Homelessness by Racial and Ethnic Group.

Information to complete this section is being provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition.

Describe the Nature and Extent of Unsheltered and Sheltered Homelessness.

Information to complete this section is being provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

Discussion:

Open Doors Homeless Coalition serves as the HMIS lead for in the six southern-most counties of Mississippi: Harrison County, **Jackson County**, Hancock County, Stone County, George County, and Pearl River County. AWARDS by Foothold Technology functions as the HMIS database used by member agencies in the community to document housing and services activities. There are 126 users of the database. The database maintains confidentiality of the recipient of services while ensuring that no duplication of services occurs in the area. The data measure client-level progress through the homelessness services system, program level performance, and system effectiveness.

NA-45 Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment - 91.205 (b,d)

Describe the characteristics of special needs populations in your community:

Information will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies and organizations.

What are the housing and supportive service needs of these populations and how are these needs determined?

Information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies and organizations.

Discuss the size and characteristics of the population with HIV/AIDS and their families within the Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area:

Information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies and organizations.

NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs – 91.215 (f)

Describe the jurisdiction’s need for Public Facilities:

The City of Pascagoula has identified the need to upgrade and expand existing parks and recreational areas to better accommodate the diverse recreational and athletic needs of its residents and to insure the safety of residents while visiting these public facilities; and upgrading/modernizing community centers and fire stations.

How were these needs determined?

The public facilities needs were identified during the citizen participation process for development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan including community surveys and oral comments provided on an on-going basis to City officials. These needs also were identified during the City's budget process that includes evaluating and updating the capital projects budget.

Describe the jurisdiction’s need for Public Improvements:

Pascagoula's Public Improvement needs include street construction and installation of sidewalks, lighting and other streetscape improvements throughout the City; water, sewer and stormwater

management system improvements in low- to moderate-income areas; and providing ADA access to all public facilities and resources.

How were these needs determined?

The public facilities needs were identified during the citizen participation process for development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan including community surveys and oral comments provided on an on-going basis to City officials. These needs also were identified during the City's budget process that includes evaluating and updating the capital projects budget.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:

The Public Services needs in Pascagoula are considerable and include addressing and preventing homelessness; assisting residents access emergency shelters, transitional housing and maintain permanent housing; home buyer education and maintenance programs; job skills and employment training services; educational programs for school age children after school and during summer breaks; affordable public transportation services; affordable daycare programs for children and elderly adults; services for those who have experienced domestic violence; expanded services for special needs populations including the mentally and physical disabled; improved access to physical and mental health services and supplies for the homeless; and services for those transitional out of institutional care.

How were these needs determined?

Pascagoula's public services needs were identified during the citizen participation process for development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan including community surveys and oral comments provided on an on-going basis to City officials. These needs also were identified during the City's budget process that includes evaluating and updating the capital projects budget.

Housing Market Analysis

MA-05 Overview

Housing Market Analysis Overview:

During recent years, the City of Pascagoula has significantly improved collaboration and coordination with regional and local public service agencies to better meet residents' needs for affordable housing assistance and community development services and programs. Efforts have focused on eliminating duplication of efforts to maximize use of limited public resources, improving communication among agencies regarding use of "best practices", and developing community-wide solutions to address basic housing and community development needs.

MA-10 Number of Housing Units – 91.210(a)&(b)(2)

All residential properties by number of units

Property Type	Number	%
1-unit detached structure	6,480	60%
1-unit, attached structure	140	1%
2-4 units	1,140	10%
5-19 units	2,415	22%
20 or more units	410	4%
Mobile Home, boat, RV, van, etc	305	3%
Total	10,890	100%

Table 26 – Residential Properties by Unit Number

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Unit Size by Tenure

	Owners		Renters	
	Number	%	Number	%
No bedroom	20	0%	125	3%
1 bedroom	45	1%	635	15%
2 bedrooms	725	16%	1,900	46%
3 or more bedrooms	3,723	83%	1,435	35%
Total	4,513	100%	4,095	99%

Table 27 – Unit Size by Tenure

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Describe the number and targeting (income level/type of family served) of units assisted with federal, state, and local programs.

Information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies.

Provide an assessment of units expected to be lost from the affordable housing inventory for any reason, such as expiration of Section 8 contracts.

Information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies.

Does the availability of housing units meet the needs of the population?

No, existing housing inventory is inadequate to meet residents' current needs.

Additional information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies.

Describe the need for specific types of housing:

Information to complete this section will be inserted upon receipt from applicable agencies.

MA-15 Housing Market Analysis: Cost of Housing - 91.210(a)

Cost of Housing

	Base Year: 2009	Most Recent Year: 2015	% Change
Median Home Value	108,000	104,400	(3%)
Median Contract Rent	515	577	12%

Table 28 – Cost of Housing

Data Source: 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Rent Paid	Number	%
Less than \$500	1,318	32.1%
\$500-999	2,690	65.4%
\$1,000-1,499	100	2.4%
\$1,500-1,999	4	0.1%
\$2,000 or more	0	0.0%
Total	4,112	100.0%

Table 29 - Rent Paid

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Housing Affordability

% Units affordable to Households earning	Renter	Owner
30% HAMFI	385	No Data
50% HAMFI	1,625	615
80% HAMFI	3,520	1,463
100% HAMFI	No Data	1,887
Total	5,530	3,965

Table 30 – Housing Affordability

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Monthly Rent

Monthly Rent (\$)	Efficiency (no bedroom)	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
Fair Market Rent					
High HOME Rent					
Low HOME Rent					

Table 31 – Monthly Rent

Data Source: HUD FMR and HOME Rents

The City does not receive HOME funds and does not have information to complete Table 36, above.

Is there sufficient housing for households at all income levels?

No, suitable housing in the City of Pascagoula does not meet residents’ current needs for adequate housing, especially not for households earning less than the average median income.

How is affordability of housing likely to change considering changes to home values and/or rents?

Affordability of housing in Pascagoula is likely to decrease with generally increasing rent rates; home values are generally stable.

How do HOME rents / Fair Market Rent compare to Area Median Rent? How might this impact your strategy to produce or preserve affordable housing?

The City does not receive HOME funds and does not have the necessary information to answer this question.

MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing – 91.210(a)

Definitions

The City of Pascagoula defines any housing condition that violates code as substandard.

Condition of Units

Condition of Units	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
With one selected Condition	1,025	23%	2,115	51%
With two selected Conditions	8	0%	45	1%
With three selected Conditions	0	0%	0	0%
With four selected Conditions	0	0%	0	0%
No selected Conditions	3,475	77%	1,950	47%
Total	4,508	100%	4,110	99%

Table 32 - Condition of Units

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Year Unit Built

Year Unit Built	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
2000 or later	490	11%	649	16%
1980-1999	415	9%	850	21%
1950-1979	2,913	65%	2,330	57%
Before 1950	690	15%	275	7%
Total	4,508	100%	4,104	101%

Table 33 – Year Unit Built

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard

Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard	Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied	
	Number	%	Number	%
Total Number of Units Built Before 1980	3,603	80%	2,605	63%
Housing Units build before 1980 with children present	358	8%	84	2%

Table 34 – Risk of Lead-Based Paint

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Total Units) 2011-2015 CHAS (Units with Children present)

Vacant Units

	Suitable for Rehabilitation	Not Suitable for Rehabilitation	Total
Vacant Units			
Abandoned Vacant Units			
REO Properties			
Abandoned REO Properties			

Table 35 - Vacant Units

Need for Owner and Rental Rehabilitation

Based on information in Table 37, which identifies the condition of 23% of owner-occupied housing units and the condition of 51% of renter-occupied housing units as substandard, there is significant need for rehabilitation of housing in Pascagoula.

Estimated Number of Housing Units Occupied by Low or Moderate Income Families with LBP Hazards

According to Table 39, 358 or 8% of owner-occupied and 84 or 2% of renter-occupied housing units have children present in the household and are at risk of lead-based paint poisoning.

MA-25 Public and Assisted Housing – 91.210(b)

The Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII serves as the local public housing agency in Pascagoula, administering the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program in the city. There are three public housing complexes in Pascagoula, which have a total of 198 units. They are: Bayou Cassotte Homes, Frank E. Lewis Homes and Haywood Brook. The Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII is considered a High Performing Public Housing Authority that serves a variety of tenants including the elderly, disabled, veteran and families with children populations.

In Pascagoula, there are also six Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) properties, which provide an additional 589 assisted rental units. They are: Brooks Manor, Morrison Village, Bartlett Bayou, Taylor Heights, Cambridge Park and Edenwood Apartments.

Information to update this template will be provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

Totals Number of Units – to be update with information from the MRHA VIII

	Program Type								
	Certificate	Mod-Rehab	Public Housing	Vouchers					
				Total	Project-based	Tenant-based	Special Purpose Voucher		
							Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing	Family Unification Program	Disabled *
# of units vouchers available	0	0	799	6,678	299	6,379	60	0	0
# of accessible units									

***includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-year, and Nursing Home Transition**

Table 36 – Total Number of Units by Program Type

Data Source: PIC (PIH Information Center)

Describe the supply of public housing developments:

Information will be provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

Describe the number and physical condition of public housing units in the jurisdiction, including those that are participating in an approved Public Housing Agency Plan:

Information will be provided by the MRHA VIII.

Bayou Cassotte Homes (65) Units

- 6-1BR units
- 24-2BR units
- 30-3Br Units
- 4-4BR Units
- 1-5BR Unit

Frank E. Lewis Homes (24 Units)

- 4-1BR Units
- 10-2BR Units
- 8-3BR Units
- 2-4BR Units

Haywood Brook (109 Units)

- 36-1BR Units
- 42-2BR Units
- 22-3BR Units
- 8-4BR Units
- 1-5BR Unit

The units are available for families with incomes less than 80% of the median income for the area; and for families with incomes that are less than 50% of median income for the area. All of the public housing units in Pascagoula meet the federal standard with regard to safe, decent and sanitary housing.

Public Housing Condition

Public Housing Development	Average Inspection Score
Bayou Cassotte Homes	Pass
Frank E. Lewis Homes	Pass
Haywood Brook	Pass

Table 37 - Public Housing Condition

Describe the restoration and revitalization needs of public housing units in the jurisdiction:

Information will be provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII.

Although the public housing units are dated, the current condition of the public housing stock meets federal standards and local code requirements.

Describe the public housing agency's strategy for improving the living environment of low- and moderate-income families residing in public housing:

Information will be provided by the MRHA VIII.

The Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII has implemented the following strategies to enhance the living environment of public housing residents: support for Resident Initiatives such as Resident Councils; support for Head Start Initiatives; implementation of programs to improve security and to eliminate drugs and drug related criminal activity; operation of boys and girls clubs; eviction of residents who participate in illegal drug activities; eviction of residents who participate in gang activities; and eviction of lease offenders.

Discussion:

MA-30 Homeless Facilities and Services – 91.210(c)

Introduction

Information will be provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

Facilities and Housing Targeted to Homeless Households

	Emergency Shelter Beds		Transitional Housing Beds	Permanent Supportive Housing Beds	
	Year Round Beds (Current & New)	Voucher / Seasonal / Overflow Beds	Current & New	Current & New	Under Development
Households with Adult(s) and Child(ren)	0	0	0	0	0
Households with Only Adults	0	0	0	0	0
Chronically Homeless Households	0	0	0	0	0
Veterans	0	0	0	0	0
Unaccompanied Youth	0	0	0	0	0

Table 38 - Facilities and Housing Targeted to Homeless Households

Data Source
Comments:

Describe mainstream services, such as health, mental health, and employment services to the extent those services are used to complement services targeted to homeless persons

In Pascagoula, Singing River Mental Health Center provides health and mental health services to the homeless who are addicted to drugs and alcohol. The Salvation Army provides employment services to Pascagoula's homeless and the Jackson County Civic Action Committee provides counseling and job training to Pascagoula's homeless population.

List and describe services and facilities that meet the needs of homeless persons, particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth. If the services and facilities are listed on screen SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure or screen MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services, describe how these facilities and services specifically address the needs of these populations.

The homeless, chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth populations in Pascagoula are served by Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care and its member agencies. Based on current needs and availability of

resources, the City supports CDBG-eligible services provided by these agencies with CDBG public services funds.

Emergency Shelters/Facilities: *the following information is in the process of being updated*

Salvation Army – provides comprehensive services and shelter for up to 30 homeless people at a time. It also provides utility assistance to low- and moderate-income families as funds are available. Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence – provides emergency shelter housing for adults and children who have experienced domestic violence. The shelter services include meals and supplies.

Transitional Housing: *the following information is in the process of being updated*

Homes of Grace – provides housing, meals, counseling, medical, drug and alcohol services to homeless individuals and families. One of its two facilities houses up to 84 men for three months and the other facility houses up to 40 women for three months. South Mississippi AIDS Task Force – is in a transitional stage but historically has provided transitional housing facilities for individuals with HIV/AIDS and their families. Their facility offers transitional housing for a period of up to two (2) years.

Permanent Housing: *the following information is in the process of being updated*

Open Doors Homeless Coalition – provides permanent housing and rental assistance to Pascagoula's homeless population. Open Doors maintains case management data and coordinates services provided by several public services agencies to assist the homeless.

Other Mainstream Services

Elderly/Frail Elderly: *the following information is in the process of being updated*

Our Daily Bread – delivers meals to homebound individuals; Jackson County Civic Action Agency – provides Weatherization, LIHEAP and transportation services; Jackson County Health Department – provides home health care services.

Persons with Disabilities: *the following information is in the process of being updated*

Singing River Mental Health – provides/operates a men's group mental health home; Singing River Industries – provides employment for the developmentally disabled.

Persons with Alcohol or Other Drug Addictions: *the following is in the process of being updated*

Stevens Center – provides a men's facility to treat drug and alcohol addictions and related problems; Three Quarter House – provides a facility to treat individuals with alcohol and drug addiction problems; Homes Of Grace – provides support and counseling for individuals with alcohol and drug addiction problems.

MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services – 91.210(d)

Introduction

This information will be provided by the MRHA VIII, Open Doors Homeless Coalition and other agencies that provide special needs services and facilities in Pascagoula.

Including the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with alcohol or other drug addictions, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, public housing residents and any other categories the jurisdiction may specify, and describe their supportive housing needs

This information will be provided by the MRHA VIII, Open Doors Homeless Coalition and other agencies that provide special needs services and facilities in Pascagoula.

Describe programs for ensuring that persons returning from mental and physical health institutions receive appropriate supportive housing

This information will be provided by the MRHA VIII, Open Doors Homeless Coalition and other agencies that provide special needs services and facilities in Pascagoula.

Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. 91.315(e)

The City of Pascagoula will continue to actively work with the CoC and its member agencies to address the housing and supportive needs of those who are not homeless but who have other special needs. In keeping with its Five-Year Consolidated Plan goal to support high priority public services, the City has budgeted the maximum amount of PY2020 CDBG funds allowed by HUD for public services to address community needs, which includes services for Pascagoula's special needs populations.

For entitlement/consortia grantees: Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. (91.220(2))

The City has budgeted the maximum amount of PY2020 CDBG funds allowed by HUD for public services to address community needs, which includes services for Pascagoula’s special needs populations.

MA-40 Barriers to Affordable Housing – 91.210(e)

Negative Effects of Public Policies on Affordable Housing and Residential Investment

Pascagoula residents have faced significant barriers to affordable housing for numerous years because of the reduced number of housing units due to Hurricane Katrina and other storms and the increased cost of land and property insurance. City officials continue to work with federal and state elected officials to address the high cost of residential property insurance, which is disproportionately high compared to other areas of Mississippi and the United States that have suffered damage from natural disasters.

Lack of federal, state and local housing assistance is a barrier to affordable housing in Pascagoula. During 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan period, the City will continue to implement its fair housing and predatory lending public education outreach efforts and also will support grant applications prepared by local nonprofit agencies to access:

- local housing rehabilitation loan, grant and tax credit programs;
- emergency shelter and transitional housing services and programs; and
- various programs to expand homebuyer education programs; to assist first-time homebuyers with down payment assistance; and to provide funding assistance for rehabilitation of rental units.

MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets – 91.215 (f)

Economic Development Market Analysis

Business Activity

Business by Sector	Number of Workers	Number of Jobs	Share of Workers %	Share of Jobs %	Jobs less workers %
Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction	76	10	1	0	-1
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	966	938	13	8	-5
Construction	783	743	11	6	-5
Education and Health Care Services	770	939	10	8	-3
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	334	588	4	5	0
Information	81	67	1	1	-1
Manufacturing	1,647	3,842	22	31	9
Other Services	204	386	3	3	0
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	474	1,490	6	12	6
Public Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	1,038	1,736	14	14	0
Transportation and Warehousing	175	308	2	2	0
Wholesale Trade	117	196	2	2	0
Total	6,665	11,243	--	--	--

Table 39 - Business Activity

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

Labor Force

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	10,106
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over	9,045
Unemployment Rate	10.63
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	37.15
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	5.62

Table 40 - Labor Force

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Occupations by Sector	Number of People
Management, business and financial	1,480
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	420
Service	925
Sales and office	2,185
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair	1,068
Production, transportation and material moving	525

Table 41 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Travel Time

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	7,254	83%
30-59 Minutes	1,165	13%
60 or More Minutes	330	4%
Total	8,749	100%

Table 42 - Travel Time

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Education:

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Less than high school graduate	625	120	1,010
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,079	290	1,340
Some college or Associate's degree	3,110	215	1,249

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Bachelor's degree or higher	1,685	54	260

Table 43 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18–24 yrs	25–34 yrs	35–44 yrs	45–65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	55	50	143	310	260
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	485	450	155	645	350
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	670	954	850	1,905	805
Some college, no degree	760	1,099	485	1,525	595
Associate's degree	300	425	309	730	115
Bachelor's degree	65	440	315	600	450
Graduate or professional degree	0	130	155	355	165

Table 44 - Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	\$45,420
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	\$47,453
Some college or Associate's degree	\$58,775
Bachelor's degree	\$84,575
Graduate or professional degree	\$91,855

Table 45 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

Based on information in Table 45, Manufacturing is by far the largest employment sector in the City of Pascagoula with a 22% share of workers, followed by the next largest sector, Retail Trade, with a 14% share.

Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:

The City of Pascagoula’s workforce is increasingly taking advantage of educational and work force training opportunities locally and in the region. The City is experiencing growth in small business, retail shopping sectors and the cultural arts, but it is impossible to predict the long-term impacts the COVID-19 pandemic will have on the local business community and workforce.

There continues to be high demand and citywide need for a public transportation system to provide reliable and affordable transportation services on fixed routes to major employers, healthcare providers and to Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

To be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

MA-60 Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income Households - 91.210(a)(4), 91.310(a)(2)

Describe the need for broadband wiring and connections for households, including low- and moderate-income households and neighborhoods.

In the City of Pascagoula, there continues to be need for broadband wiring and connections to households for low- and moderate-income households. Services for broadband are available citywide.

Describe the need for increased competition by having more than one broadband Internet service provider serve the jurisdiction.

Costs associated with accessing broadband Internet services typically are more competitive when there is competition among providers. The diversity of services and programs available also tend to be broader when there is more than one Internet service provider in a community.

MA-65 Hazard Mitigation - 91.210(a)(5), 91.310(a)(3)

Describe the jurisdiction’s increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

The City of Pascagoula is bound to the south by the Mississippi Sound on the Gulf of Mexico and the Pascagoula River defines its western boundary. As such, climate change projections for more frequent and higher intensity storms and hurricanes pose a serious concern for the City and its residents. Local code limits development in velocity and areas with frequent flooding; compliance with floodplain damage protection codes helps decrease property damage risks.

Describe the vulnerability to these risks of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households based on an analysis of data, findings, and methods.

This section will be completed upon receipt of applicable information.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

The Strategy Plan portion of Pascagoula's Consolidated Plan prioritizes the housing, supportive housing and non-housing community development needs of the City and identifies how available CDBG and other resources may be invested to address high priority community needs to improve the overall quality of life of residents, especially low- to moderate-income households.

Through input provided during its citizen participation process and community needs survey, evaluation of how the City addressed high priority community needs identified in its 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, and consideration of available resources anticipated to be available during the 2020-2024 period, the City of Pascagoula identified the following high priority community needs:

- Improve access to affordable housing, especially to address and prevent homelessness; implement actions recommended in the City’s Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice;

- Support high priority public service activities to better meet residents' needs, especially underserved special needs and limited clientele populations;
- Support economic growth opportunities by encouraging economic diversity and redevelopment projects; and by supporting improved access to job training and workforce development programs; and
- Provide suitable living environments for all residents through public facility, public resources and public safety improvements

SP-10 Geographic Priorities – 91.215 (a)(1)

Not applicable - The City of Pascagoula does not allocate its limited CDBG resources based on geographic priorities. Rather, it invests its CDBG funds to address high priority community needs that benefit the greatest number of low- to moderate-income residents possible regardless of where they live in the City.

SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.215(a)(2)

Table 46 – Priority Needs Summary

Priority Need Name	Address and Prevent Homelessness
Priority Level	High
Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Chronic Homelessness Individuals Families with Children Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of Domestic Violence Unaccompanied Youth Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
Geographic Areas Affected	Not applicable
Associated Goals	Improve Access to Affordable Housing Support Public Services in pandemics & emergencies Support Public Services - Housing Services
Description	Support public service activities that provide rent and utility assistance to prevent and address homelessness and support agencies and projects that provide emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent housing for qualified residents, including those with special needs or who are transitioning out of institutions. Fair housing education outreach efforts of the City, in compliance with its Analysis of Impediments, will help improve access to affordable housing for all residents.

	Basis for Relative Priority	Addressing and preventing homelessness is a high priority for the City of Pascagoula, based on citizen input provided during the past five years and during development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. On-going input provided by residents to City officials also consistently identifies homelessness as a serious concern that warrants investment of public resources so all residents may have suitable living conditions.
2	Priority Need Name	Provide services to meet community needs
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Chronic Homelessness Individuals Families with Children Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of Domestic Violence Unaccompanied Youth Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence
	Geographic Areas Affected	Not applicable
	Associated Goals	Support Public Services Other than Low/Mod Housing Improve Public Safety Support Public Services - Housing Services Administration & Planning

	Description	Through its citizen participation process and input provided to City officials on an on-going basis, the City of Pascagoula has identified numerous unmet community needs that compromise the quality of life of certain residents, including the elderly, victims of domestic violence, mentally and physically disabled and other populations. By investing CDBG funds to support existing agencies in providing eligible services, the City maximizes benefits while eliminating duplication of services.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Nonhousing public services consistently are identified as a high priority by Pascagoula residents as local funds are inadequate to meet numerous community needs. The experienced agencies that work in partnership with the City have a successful track record of managing public programs/activities in compliance with rules of applicable federal, state and local funding sources. By working collaboratively with these agencies, the City is able to support delivery of needed services while avoiding duplication of staffing and related costs necessary to provide benefits more efficiently.
3	Priority Need Name	Expand Economic Opportunities
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Other
	Geographic Areas Affected	Not applicable
	Associated Goals	Improve Economic Opportunities
	Description	The City of Pascagoula has identified the need to expand economic opportunities so that more of its residents may secure jobs that provide a living wage, that offer economic diversity to support market stability and that require a wide range of skill levels and access to job training. Throughout development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and development of the last several Annual Action Plans, expanding economic opportunities is discussed consistently as a high priority need. Investing CDBG funds to encourage and support local business startups and expansions, the City may invest CDBG resources to help retain and create jobs or expand job training programs for qualified residents.

	Basis for Relative Priority	Historically identified as a high priority community need by a wide range of residents and organizations, the City recognizes that expanding economic opportunities in Pascagoula is necessary to improving the health and viability of the community. Residents who have jobs earning a living wage are better able to address their households' needs and maintain permanent housing.
4	Priority Need Name	Improve Public Facilities and Resources
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	Not applicable
	Associated Goals	Improve Public Facilities and Resources
	Description	The City may invest CDBG funds to upgrade, expand and otherwise improve public facilities and resources, including parks and recreational areas, to improve residents' living environments and quality of life. improvements may include construction and rehabilitation activities to comply with ADA requirements and to better meet the needs of Pascagoula's diverse population including special needs populations.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Based on citizen input provided during development of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan, as well as on-going citizen input provided to City officials, the City has identified the high priority need to upgrade and improve available public facilities and resources that directly benefit the quality of life of and suitable living environments for all residents.
5	Priority Need Name	Improved Public Safety
	Priority Level	High

Population	<p>Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development</p>
Geographic Areas Affected	Not applicable
Associated Goals	Improve Public Safety
Description	<p>The City recognizes the need for public safety improvements to safeguard residents of and visitors to the City. Through strategically located lighting, fencing and other CDBG-eligible public safety improvement measures, residents will have expanded opportunity to access and enjoy the local public facilities, parks and recreational areas.</p>
Basis for Relative Priority	<p>Considerable public input has been provided to City officials and staff regarding the need for enhanced public safety measures throughout the City, but especially in the vicinity of parks, recreational areas, schools and other public facilities. A relatively small investment of CDBG resources in public safety improvements will benefit many residents, especially those living in primarily low- to moderate-income areas.</p>

SP-30 Influence of Market Conditions – 91.215 (b)

Influence of Market Conditions

Affordable Housing Type	Market Characteristics that will influence the use of funds available for housing type
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	<p>The City of Pascagoula does not invest its limited CDBG resources for TBRA. However, availability of residential rental units of all sizes currently is good in the Pascagoula area with an 11.5% vacancy rate, according to the 2019 MS Gulf Coast Apartment Survey. Although rents continue to increase, prospective renters should be able to find lower rental rates than in 2018 when vacancy rate was 7.8%.</p> <p>The assisted apartment market in the Pascagoula area has returned to a market balance and, as of July 2019, only 33 or 5% of 621 LIHTC units were vacant and of the area's 750 Long Term Work Force Housing Program units, only 26 or 3% were vacant.</p>
TBRA for Non-Homeless Special Needs	The City of Pascagoula does not invest its limited CDBG resources for TBRA for Non-Homeless Special Needs. The need for TBRA for non-homeless special needs generally is met by other local resources.
New Unit Production	With limited CDBG funding allocated to it annually, new unit production is not feasible for the City through its CDBG Program. However, the City continues to research the viability of applying for HOME funds and for seeking funding through other state and federal housing grant programs to meet residents' need for affordable housing.
Rehabilitation	The real estate market is favorable in the Pascagoula area for rehabilitation of rental units with availability of a large inventory of older rental units and a high vacancy rate. However, the area's slow rate of growth and low average median income rate indicates that projects to rehabilitate existing units will not receive a high rate of return on investment during the short run.
Acquisition, including preservation	With limited funding, acquisition, including preservation, is not a high priority for use of the City's CDBG funds. However, the market is favorable for acquisition and preservation of units.

Table 47 – Influence of Market Conditions

SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Anticipated CDBG resources identified below assume that future funding levels will remain basically consistent for the 2020-2024 planning period. The City projects that it will receive an annual CDBG Entitlement Program allocation of approximately \$180,000 or about \$900,000 for the five-year planning period.

Anticipated Resources

Pro-gram	Source of Funds	Use 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	184,520	0	19,700	204,220	720,000	The City received a PY2020 CDBG allocation of \$184,520 and it projects it will receive a CDBG allocation of approximately \$180,000 for each of the following four program years.

Table 48 - Anticipated Resources

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 CDBG Entitlement Program does not require leveraging of additional funds. However, to maximize resources available to address high priority, unmet community needs, the City will continue to pursue funding from other local, state and federal sources.

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

City rights-of-way and other City-owned property may be used to address needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure – 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role
Open Doors Homeless Coalition	Regional organization	Homelessness Rental assistance public services
MS Regional Housing Authority VIII	PHA	Public Housing Rental

Table 49 - Institutional Delivery Structure

Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

The most significant gap in the City of Pascagoula's institutional delivery system is the lack of resources available to address considerable community needs to ensure that all residents' basic needs are met including shelter and food. The most significant strength of this system is the quality of people who work at area agencies, organizations and the City; their experience and commitment to meeting residents' needs is extraordinary. During the past five years, the system has become much more effective in coordinating services, reducing duplication of services and meeting high priority, unmet community needs.

On-going efforts to address emergency, transitional and permanent housing needs for individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of becoming homeless or are in a special needs population are successful within the constraints imposed by inadequate resources. The City historically annually budgets the maximum amount of CDBG funds allowed to support public services provided by these non-profit agencies. Coordination provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care supports more efficient use of local resources and elimination in duplication of services by member agencies.

Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services

The following table will continue to be updated as additional information is received.

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Homelessness Prevention Services			
Counseling/Advocacy	X	X	X
Legal Assistance	X	X	
Mortgage Assistance	X		

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Homelessness Prevention Services			
Rental Assistance	X	X	
Utilities Assistance	X	X	
Street Outreach Services			
Law Enforcement	X	X	
Mobile Clinics			
Other Street Outreach Services	X		
Supportive Services			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	X		
Child Care	X		
Education	X		
Employment and Employment Training	X		
Healthcare	X		
HIV/AIDS	X		
Life Skills			
Mental Health Counseling	X		
Transportation	X		
Other			

Table 50 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)

This section will be completed with information provided by public service agencies and applicable state and regional agencies serving residents of Pascagoula.

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above

This section will be completed with information provided by public service agencies and applicable state and regional agencies serving residents of Pascagoula.

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs

This section will be completed with information provided by public service agencies and applicable state and regional agencies serving residents of Pascagoula.

SP-45 Goals Summary – 91.215(a)(4)

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Support Public Services Other than Low/Mod Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Provide services to meet community needs	CDBG: \$110,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted
2	Improve Access to Affordable Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Address and Prevent Homelessness	CDBG: \$30,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: Households Assisted
3	Improve Economic Opportunities	2020	2024	Expand Economic Opportunities	Expand Economic Opportunities	CDBG: \$75,000	Businesses assisted: 2 on average, annually
4	Improve Public Facilities and Resources	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Improve Public Facilities and Resources	CDBG: \$284,220	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Support Public Services in pandemics & emergencies	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public services in response to natural disaster/emergency	Address and Prevent Homelessness	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities for LMI Housing Benefit & other than LMI Housing Benefit (Other): Persons Assisted
6	Improve Public Safety	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Provide services to meet community needs Improved Public Safety	CDBG: \$200,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted
7	Administration & Planning	2020	2024	Administration	Provide services to meet community needs	CDBG: \$175,000	Not applicable

Table 51 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Support Public Services Other than Low/Mod Housing
	Goal Description	Through CDBG-eligible public services activities, the City will support agencies working to meet the needs of limited clientele, special needs populations and low-to moderate-income persons. This includes, but is not limited to, providing services for the elderly; mentally and physically disabled; victims of domestic violence; those transitioning out of institutions; homeless individuals and those at-risk of becoming homeless, veterans and families with children; educational programs for school age children; access to employment and job training services; and healthcare services. Subrecipients of these CDBG funds also shall share fair housing education information with beneficiaries of public services.
2	Goal Name	Improve Access to Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	The City may invest CDBG public services funds to improve access to affordable housing on Pascagoula through rent and utility assistance, especially to address and prevent homelessness. Subrecipients of these CDBG funds also shall share fair housing education information with beneficiaries of public services.
3	Goal Name	Improve Economic Opportunities
	Goal Description	The City may invest CDBG resources to improve the local economy by supporting projects that help diversify the economy, provide a living wage, create or retain jobs, encourage redevelopment and expand economic opportunities. Job training and small business assistance projects also may be supported to help achieve this goal.
4	Goal Name	Improve Public Facilities and Resources
	Goal Description	<p>The City of Pascagoula may invest CDBG funds to improve public facilities on a citywide basis to improve residents' quality of life and provide suitable living environments. Projects may include upgrading and expanding public parks and recreation areas; implementing drainage, street, water/sewer, sidewalks, streetscapes and other public improvements in eligible low/mod areas; improving public safety through installation of exterior lighting, fencing and other security measures at publicly-owned facilities and resources; and installing improvements to bring the City into ADA compliance as identified in its ADA Transition Plan.</p> <p>The City also may budget CDBG funds to construct, rehabilitate and renovate City-owned public facilities to plan for, prevent and respond to nationally declared pandemics, emergencies and natural disasters eligible through the CDBG Entitlement Program.</p>

5	Goal Name	Support Public Services in pandemics & emergencies
	Goal Description	The City of Pascagoula may use CDBG resources to support provision of CDBG-eligible public services during nationally designated pandemics/healthcare crisis and other nationally declared emergencies and natural disasters, in compliance with CDBG regulations, policies and procedures. CDBG-CV funds allocated to the City from the CARES Act will be budgeted to respond to, prevent and contain the COVID-19 virus, especially for low- to moderate-income households, through CDBG-eligible activities that may include rent and utility assistance; provision of healthcare services and supplies; and affordable transportation services for special needs populations.
6	Goal Name	Improve Public Safety
	Goal Description	To improve public safety, especially in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods, CDBG funds may be used to install CDBG-eligible security improvements, including but not limited to exterior lighting, security alarms, fencing and other measures and to improve public safety through installation of lighted crosswalks and other safety enhancements.
7	Goal Name	Administration & Planning
	Goal Description	The City may use CDBG funds for CDBG-eligible costs associated with administering its CDBG Entitlement Program in compliance with applicable federal regulations, policies and procedures. These costs may include staff support, legal services, consultant fees, project plans and design, environmental reviews and assessments, publication costs, supplies, fair housing activities including educational outreach, and lead-based paint hazard education.

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2)

The City of Pascagoula does not receive HOME funds.

Because its CDBG resources are limited and community needs are extensive, the City does not budget its CDBG funds to provide, construct, rehabilitate or renovate housing. However, the City plans to continue budgeting public service funds to support agencies that provide housing rent and utility assistance for residents to improve access to affordable housing and to prevent homelessness.

SP-50 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement – 91.215(c)

Need to Increase the Number of Accessible Units (if Required by a Section 504 Voluntary Compliance Agreement)

Information being provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

Activities to Increase Resident Involvements

Information being provided by the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

Is the public housing agency designated as troubled under 24 CFR part 902?

No

Plan to remove the ‘troubled’ designation

Not applicable

SP-55 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.215(h)

Barriers to Affordable Housing

Information from the City’s recently updated Analysis of Impediments shall be inserted into this section.

Pascagoula’s 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and current Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice identify the need for additional federal, state and local funding for rent assistance to low- and moderate-income households and to support rehabilitation/renovation of existing housing located in various neighborhoods throughout the City.

The City will continue to explore funding to support planning for and implementing a diverse housing program to address the needs of tenants and homeowners to access and maintain affordable housing in a location of their choice.

During the five-year period of the Consolidated Plan, the City will continue to implement its fair housing and predatory lending public education outreach efforts and will support grant applications of local nonprofit agencies to access:

- local housing rehabilitation loan, grant and tax credit programs;
- emergency shelter and transitional housing services and programs; and
- various programs to expand homebuyer education programs; to assist first-time homebuyers with down payment assistance; and to provide funding assistance for rehabilitation of rental units.

Strategy to Remove or Ameliorate the Barriers to Affordable Housing

Recommended actions identified in the City's Analysis of Impediments shall be inserted into this section.

The City has identified the following ways to continue removing or ameliorating barriers to affordable housing in Pascagoula:

- The City will continue to support the Mississippi HOME Corporation in the effort to provide residents with down payment assistance and homebuyer education.
- It will work with housing developers to build affordable workforce development housing units.
- It will continue to support the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII in its efforts to improve the three public housing complexes located in the City.
- It will continue to support the Jackson County Civic Action Agency and other nonprofit agencies and organizations in their efforts to provide weatherization, LIHEAP and other types of housing support to Pascagoula residents.

SP-60 Homelessness Strategy – 91.215(d)

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

The City of Pascagoula works on an on-going basis with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care and its member agencies to address and prevent homelessness in the City. In addition to providing case management services, Open Doors takes the lead in reaching out to and assessing the needs of Pascagoula's homeless individuals and those at-risk of becoming homeless. Effective outreach efforts allow Open Doors and its member agencies to efficiently deliver comprehensive services to the homeless and at-risk populations.

The City historically has budgeted CDBG public services funds to address and prevent homelessness through services provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition, and its member agencies, including the Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence, the Singing River Health System and SRHS Foundation and others.

Addressing the emergency and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City's strategic goals of supporting public service activities to address and prevent homelessness and improving residents' living environments through improved access to affordable housing will support efforts of the Open Doors Homeless Coalition CoC, the City and other supportive service agencies to address the emergency and transitional housing needs of local homeless populations.

Additional information from applicable public service agencies will be inserted upon receipt.

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.

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition and other applicable public service agencies will be inserted upon receipt.

Help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families who are likely to become homeless after being discharged from a publicly funded institution or system of care, or who are receiving assistance from public and private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education or youth needs

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition and other applicable public service agencies will be inserted upon receipt.

SP-65 Lead based paint Hazards – 91.215(i)

Actions to address LBP hazards and increase access to housing without LBP hazards

The City of Pascagoula will continue to work with the various housing providers in the city to reduce lead-based paint hazards in the homes of its residents. It will continue to require that all homes being rehabilitated in the City, and particularly if CDBG funds are utilized in the project, comply with EPA lead-based paint testing and abatement regulations.

The City will work with Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII to provide lead-based paint hazard educational programs for public housing families with children aged 6 years and younger.

The Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will continue to inspect housing units in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and will require owners to conduct appropriate testing, repair and abatement in compliance with EPA regulations in residential units where lead-based paint is chipping or peeling.

How are the actions listed above related to the extent of lead poisoning and hazards?

The age of housing is a strong indicator of the likelihood of the existence of lead-based paint in residential units. U.S. Census Bureau data was analyzed to estimate the number of housing units in the City of Pascagoula with lead-based paint hazards; is estimated that approximately 4,465 homes were built before 1975 and may contain lead-based paint.

2009-2013 U.S. Census Bureau data indicates that 5,953 of the City of Pascagoula's homes were built before 1979 and account for approximately 55% of the City's existing housing stock. Assuming that 75% of those pre-1979 homes could have lead-based paint, an estimated 4,465 homes built prior to 1979 are likely to have lead-based paint.

The City of Pascagoula is located in Jackson County and, according to the Mississippi Department of Health, data indicates that Jackson County is not included among the high-risk counties for elevated levels of lead-based poisoning. However, the Mississippi Department of Health no longer discloses the number of documented lead-based paint poisoning cases by City.

How are the actions listed above integrated into housing policies and procedures?

The City of Pascagoula will continue to require residential units constructed before 1979 be tested for lead-based paint prior to rehabilitation or demolition so that lead-based paint hazards will be properly contained and disposed of in compliance with EPA requirements.

SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy – 91.215(j)

Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families

Information from applicable agencies will be inserted upon receipt.

How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan

Information from applicable agencies will be inserted upon receipt.

SP-80 Monitoring – 91.230

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

To ensure the long-term compliance with CDBG requirements for use of funds, the City of Pascagoula will document eligibility of each funded project and public service activity as well as seek guidance from the HUD Field Office on an on-going basis during development of each annual action plan.

In each subrecipient agreement it enters with a funded public service agency, the City will specifically identify the standards and procedures for use of CDBG funds (including applicable minority business outreach and Section 3 requirements) and each agreement will specifically identify approved uses of funds to achieve specific, written goals and objectives. Each agreement will be monitored for compliance through review of monthly progress reports and use of funds as part of the reimbursement request approval process and through on-site monitoring visits. The City also will review annual audits of each funded agency.

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

Pascagoula’s anticipated Program Year 2020 CDBG resources are identified below as are the projected use of funds, which will primarily benefit low- to moderate-income households.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2020				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	184,520	0	19,700	204,220	720,000	The City received a PY2020 CDBG allocation of \$184,520 and projects it will receive a CDBG allocation of approximately \$180,000 for each of the following four program years.

Table 52 - 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 CDBG Entitlement Program does not require leveraging of additional funds. However, to maximize resources available to address high priority, unmet community needs, the City will continue to pursue funding from other local, state and federal sources.

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

City rights-of-way and other City-owned property may be used to address needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Support Public Services Other than Low/Mod Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Provide services to meet community needs	CDBG: \$16,426	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 192 Persons Assisted
2	Support Public Services - Housing Services	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless	Address and Prevent Homelessness	CDBG: \$11,252	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 70 Households Assisted
3	Improve Public Safety	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Improved Public Safety	CDBG: \$49,542	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Mod Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted tbd
4	Improve Public Facilities and Resources	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Improved Public Facilities and Resources	CDBG: \$100,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Mod Income Housing Benefit: Persons Assisted tbd
5	Administration & Planning	2020	2024	Administration	Not applicable	CDBG: \$27,000	Not applicable

Table 53 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Support Public Services - Other than Low/Mod Housing
	Goal Description	<p>To support efforts by nonprofit public services agencies and organizations to provide high priority, unmet community needs on a citywide basis, the City is budgeting \$16,426 as follows:</p> <p><u>Anchored Hearts Community Resources</u> \$3,000 – services to disabled, income-qualified residents applying for healthcare and disability assistance/benefits;</p> <p><u>New Beginnings Domestic Violence Program</u> \$3,000 – services for homeless domestic violence victims including case management, transportation, counseling and follow up;</p> <p><u>Singing River Health Transportation Services</u> \$5,626 – transportation services for income-qualified elderly (+62) to and from healthcare appointments in Pascagoula; and</p> <p><u>Singing River Health Foundation</u> \$4,800 – provide income-qualified residents with medical equipment and home oxygen. Through these activities, subrecipient agencies also will support the City's fair housing education outreach efforts by sharing information with beneficiaries about tenants' rights and other aspects of the Fair Housing Act.</p>
2	Goal Name	Support Public Services – Low/Mod Housing Assistance Services
	Goal Description	<p>To address and prevent homelessness in Pascagoula through rent and utility assistance during PY2020, the City is budgeting \$5,626 for the <u>Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care</u> and also is budgeting \$5626 for the <u>Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence</u> to provide shelter to assist residents facing possible homelessness due to domestic violence.</p> <p>Through these housing assistance activities, Open Doors and GCCN also will support the City's fair housing education outreach efforts by sharing information with beneficiaries about tenants' rights and other aspects of the Fair Housing Act.</p>
3	Goal Name	Improve Public Safety
	Goal Description	<p>The City of Pascagoula is budgeting \$49,542 to provide improve the living environment of residents in the primarily low- to moderate-income area of Victor Street/Durden Street through design and installation of public safety improvements. These public safety improvements may include street/security lights, sidewalks and drainage improvements. This City will coordinate this project with the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII to maximum benefits to residents of and visitors to its nearby housing development.</p>

4	Goal Name	Improve Public Facilities and Resources
	Goal Description	To provide a suitable living environment for primarily low- to moderate-income households in the Brooks Street area, the City is budgeting \$100,000 in PY2020 CDBG resources to design and develop a neighborhood park on the former site of a condemned apartment complex. Redeveloping what once was a blighted eyesore and public health concern into a neighborhood amenity will considerably enhance residents' living environment and will address the neighborhood's need for an easily accessible, safe public place where all generations may gather.
5	Goal Name	Administration & Planning
	Goal Description	Effectively and efficiently administered Pascagoula's CDBG Entitlement Program in compliance with applicable federal, state and local regulations, policies and procedures.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Pascagoula's 2020 Action Plan projects were identified during the citizen participation process for planning and developing the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan. Residents' on-going input regarding community needs and priorities, provided to City officials throughout Program Year 2019, also was considered. The City is budgeting the maximum amount allowed by HUD for high priority public services to be provided by six nonprofit agencies.

A Public Safety Improvement Project will be partially funded with \$49,542 in PY2020 CDBG funds and \$100,000 is budgeted for a Public Facilities Improvement Project to redevelop the site of a condemned apartment complex into a neighborhood park in a primarily low- to moderate-income area. These two projects will address the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan goals of improving public safety and improving public facilities and resources. These projects will address the high priority need to provide suitable living environments for residents.

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

The primary obstacle to addressing underserved needs is lack of necessary resources because community needs of Pascagoula residents are considerable. Allocation priorities were based on citizen input, community needs survey input, and City concerns about complying with HUD's timeliness policies for project implementation. The current COVID-19 pandemic has impacted City staff and the local workforce, resulting in unavoidable project implementation delays citywide. Consideration of PY2020 CDBG projects to be funded took into consideration each project's complexity and estimated schedule for implementation.

AP-38 Project Summary

1	Project Name	Public Services – Other than Low/Mod Income Housing
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Address High Priority Needs for Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Provide services to meet community needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$16,426
	Description	The City will support the following four agencies in their efforts to provide public services that address residents’ high priority needs: Singing River Health System \$5,626 Singing River Health Foundation \$4,800 Anchored Hearts Community Resources \$3,000 New Beginnings Domestic Violence Program \$3,000 These agencies also will share tenants’ rights information with each beneficiary to support the City’s fair housing outreach efforts.
	Target Date	9/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated number of low- to moderate-income persons who will benefit from PY2020 CDBG-funded public service nonhousing activities by activity is: Singing River Health System – 50 people Singing River Health Foundation – 15 people Anchored Hearts Community Resources – 75 people New Beginnings Domestic Violence Program – 52 people
	Location Description	citywide
	Planned Activities	By agency, planned public services to be provided in PY2020 are: <u>Singing River Health System</u> – provide roundtrip transportation services to income-qualified elderly residents to healthcare appointments in Pascagoula; <u>Singing River Health Foundation</u> – provide income-qualified residents with medical equipment and home oxygen; <u>Anchored Hearts Community Resources</u> – provide services for homeless domestic violence victims including case management, transportation, counseling and follow up; <u>New Beginnings Domestic Violence Program</u> – provide supportive services to income-qualified individuals and families who have experienced domestic violence. Information about tenants’ rights also will be share with CDBG beneficiaries in support of the City’s fair housing education outreach efforts.
2	Project Name	Public Services – Low/Mod Income Housing Assistance Services

	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Address High Priority Needs for Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Address and prevent homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$11,252 (\$5,626 to each of two agencies)
	Description	Open Doors Homeless Coalition to provide rent and utility assistance to address and prevent homelessness; Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence to provide shelter for households facing possible homelessness due to domestic violence
	Target Date	9/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Open Doors Homeless Coalition 30 low-to- moderate income households estimated to benefit Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence 40 low-to- moderate income households estimated to benefit
	Location Description	citywide
	Planned Activities	Open Doors Homeless Coalition will provide rent and utility assistance to homeless and near-homeless households to improve access to affordable housing. Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence will provide shelter for households facing possible homelessness due to domestic violence. Both agencies also will support the City’s fair housing education outreach efforts by sharing information with beneficiaries about tenants’ rights and other aspects of the Fair Housing Act.
3	Project Name	Public Safety Improvements
	Target Area	To be determined
	Goals Supported	Provide residents with suitable living environments
	Needs Addressed	Public safety improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$49,542
	Description	Public safety improvements will be planned, designed and implemented in a low- to moderate-income neighborhood to provide residents with street lighting and other public improvements to enhance safety.

	Target Date	9/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	To be determined
	Location Description	Victor and Durden Streets area
	Planned Activities	CDBG funds may be used to plan, design and implement public safety improvements, such as street lighting and other exterior lighting, to enhance public safety in a primarily low- to moderate-income neighborhood.
4	Project Name	Brooks Street Park Design/Development
	Target Area	To be determined
	Goals Supported	Provide residents with suitable living environments
	Needs Addressed	Improve Public Facilities and Resources
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
	Description	This project involves redeveloping the former site of a condemned apartment complex into a neighborhood park to improve the living environment for residents in an area where the majority of households qualify as low- to moderate-income.
	Target Date	9/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	To be determined
	Location Description	Brooks Street area
	Planned Activities	CDBG funds will be used for activities required to plan, design and develop a neighborhood park on the former site of a condemned apartment complex. Activities may include design and preliminary engineering; environmental review; site preparation; installation of infrastructure systems to support restrooms and water fountain(s); fencing; lighting; ADA compliant sidewalks; shade pavilion(s); landscaping; playground equipment; parking and park amenities such as trash receptacles, signage and fixed benches.

5	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	Not applicable
	Goals Supported	Not applicable
	Needs Addressed	Not applicable
	Funding	CDBG: \$27,000
	Description	Funds will be used to administer the City's CDBG Entitlement Program and to implement its Analysis of Impediments fair housing education outreach efforts. This may include staff costs, legal services, consultant services, supplies and equipment and fair housing education and lead-based paint hazard public information.
	Target Date	9/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	630 Delmas Avenue Pascagoula
	Planned Activities	Administer the CDBG Entitlement Program and implement CDBG-funded projects and recommended actions identified in the A.I.

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

Not applicable

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Not applicable

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City does not receive HOME funds however, it is investing \$5,626 of its PY2020 CDBG funds

to support services provided by the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care to address and prevent homelessness in Pascagoula through rent, utility and case management assistance. This activity is estimated to benefit 30 low- to moderate-income households during PY2020, as identified in Table 56 below.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 54 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	30
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	30

Table 55 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Information received from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

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

Information received from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

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

Information received from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be

provided or other assistance

Information received from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

Discussion

Information received from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII will be inserted upon receipt.

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

Introduction

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

The Open Doors Continuum of Care is a multi-county agency that coordinates full continuum of care services to meet the house and meet other needs of the homeless and near homeless. The City will continue to participate as an active member of Open Doors and will continue to support its efforts to secure HUD funding and other sources of funds necessary to address and prevent homelessness in South Mississippi.

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

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

The City's one-year goal is to prevent and address homelessness in Pascagoula by working with and supporting the Open Doors Homeless Coalition. Actions to be taken by the City to achieve this goal include budgeting PY2020 CDBG resources to assist in funding services provide by Open Doors, especially homeless case management, Point in Time counts and coordination of housing and supportive services provided by other agencies.

Other working partners in the effort to prevent and address homelessness include: Salvation Army, Homes of Grace, the Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence and the South Mississippi Mental Health Association. These partners provide a range of services that include providing access to emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent housing.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

The City's one-year goal to address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons in Pascagoula is to continue working as an active partner in support of the agencies, such as the Open Doors Homeless Coalition, Salvation Army and American Red Cross, that provide emergency shelter and transitional housing to homeless populations. The City will continue to provide letters of support for grant applications submitted by these agencies to cover operating and capital costs.

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

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

The one-year goal of the City is to help all of Pascagoula's homeless persons transition to permanent housing and independent living. This will be accomplished by continuing to work with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care, state agencies and local public service agencies during PY2020. As resources and CDBG public services funding limits allow, the City will budget a portion of its CDBG public services funds to achieve this goal.

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

Information from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care will be inserted.

The City's one-year goal to help 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 in Pascagoula is to continue working as an active partner with the Open Doors Homeless Coalition and its member agencies in spite of the significant City staff shortage.

The City also will make every effort to continue working with state agencies, the South Mississippi Mental Health Association, the Mississippi Center for Justice, Homes of Grace, Anchored Hearts Community Resources, New Beginnings Domestic Violence Program, and other supportive services

providers to meet Pascagoula residents' basic housing needs and prevent homelessness.

Actions to be taken by the City to achieve this goal include providing letters of support for grant applications submitted by housing and supportive services agencies and continuing to support other public agencies in their efforts to develop education and employment training programs for the homeless.

Discussion

Awarded a \$2 million HUD grant in 2019 to combat youth homelessness, the Open Doors Housing Coalition is working with 16 case workers from different agencies to help homeless youth in the six county Mississippi Coast area. During 2019 they helped house 127 young people, ages 16 to 25, which includes those aging out of the fostercare program. Implementation of this grant is on-going with the goal of finding real housing solutions to eliminate youth homelessness in this area.

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

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

The City of Pascagoula's recently updated Analysis of Impediments (A.I.) does not identify any public policies of the City that serve as barriers to affordable housing. However, City zoning regulations encourage and allow a variety of single family, duplex, multifamily and mixed-use housing to be built on a variety of lot sizes throughout the City. Local zoning, building, and development regulations have been updated to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act, the Fair Housing Act and other federal regulations that protect the rights of renters as well as homeowners.

City fees periodically are updated to cover the cost for providing certain requested services and records and are reviewed for reasonableness by the City Manager, Mayor and City Council.

Discussion:

(Optional)

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Pascagoula has budgeted the maximum allowed by HUD to support local and regional agencies that provide high priority public services to meet the underserved needs of residents. In PY2020, the City budgeted 15%, the maximum allowed, of its CDBG annual allocation to support these agencies.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

To be completed with information requested from the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII and other agencies providing affordable housing services assistance in Pascagoula.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to work collaboratively with the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII to educate all residents and those rehabilitating pre-1979 residential units about the hazards of lead-based paint

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

To be completed with information requested from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care and other agencies.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

To be completed with information requested from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care.

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

To be completed with information requested from the Open Doors Homeless Coalition Continuum of Care, the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority VIII and other agencies that provide housing assistance services in the City of Pascagoula.

Discussion:

(Optional)

Program Specific Requirements

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

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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
Total Program Income:	0

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%

For purposes of determining the minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds used to benefit low-to moderate-income residents, the City of Pascagoula will use the two-year consecutive period of PY2020 and PY2021.

Attachments to the final document will include:

Citizen Participation Documentation

Maps

Executed HUD Forms & Certifications