

Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care

CoC General Meeting

NOTES

December 8, 2021, 2:00-3:30 P.M.

Link to meeting recording: <https://thn.adobeconnect.com/pf8x42essjl6/>

Attendees: see attached list of attendees

I. **2:00-2:05 Welcome, Staff Photos & Map of Attendees**

THN staff welcomed attendees

II. **2:05-2:15 Data Snapshot – Housing gap in the TX BoS CoC**

Director of Systems Change Kyra Henderson presented a Gaps Analysis of 2020 PIT Data versus 2020 Permanent Housing Beds in the TX BoS CoC. This is also available to download as a template for communities to fill in with their local data.

III. **2:15-2:45 How we are Ending Homelessness – With HOME-ARP and the House America Initiative -- Tamara Wright, USICH Regional Representative**

Tamara Wright presented information about HOME-ARP, and the goals of the House America Initiative. HUD would like to work with local governments to use their HOME-ARP funding for housing and homelessness. Local officials can learn more and partner with HUD at the House America website: https://www.hud.gov/house_america

IV. **2:45-3:15 Community Conversation**

a. **How BoS Communities are Using HOME-ARP Funds**

- i. Director of Planning Jim Ward facilitated a conversation with Bob Salas, Director of Neighborhood and Family Services at the City of San Angelo, and Concho Valley Homeless Planning Coalition member. They discussed how San Angelo got public feedback and worked with local government to plan how to use their HOME-ARP funds.
- ii. How could THN help your community with planning for HOME-ARP funds? See HUD's "HOME-ARP Planning Process" webinar at <https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/home-arp-webinar-series-planning-process/>
- iii. Conduct a PIT Count and housing inventory count (HIC) for your community. For more information, check out the THN website: <https://www.thn.org/texas-balance-state-continuum-care/data/pit-count-and-hic/>

b. **Time for CoC general members to “address the CoC”**

Director of Data, Kristin Zakoor, opened the floor for any attendee to address the general members.



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V. 3:15-3:25 Announcements

- a. CoC Board Update for November – Daphné Adams, CoC Board Chair
 - i. FY22 CoC Project applications ranked
 - ii. FY22 CoC Project Consolidated Application approved
 - iii. HMIS Policies and Procedures update approved
 - iv. New CoC Board members for the 2021-2022 term attended orientation
 - v. New CoC Board officers for the 2021-2022 term elected
- b. VISTA Host Sites – Nick Thompson, Statewide Initiatives Manager at THN
 - i. VISTA member service is now no cost for organizations
 - ii. VISTAs are only available for indirect service (see attached materials for more information)
- c. Public Comment open on adding elections guidelines to the Board Requirements Policy and to the CoC Committees Policy – Margaret Hill, Governance Coordinator
 - i. To submit public comment, visit the Public Comment Portal:
<https://www.thn.org/texas-balance-state-continuum-care/join-us/texas-balance-of-state-public-comment-portal/>

VI. 3:25-3:30 Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting on February 9, 2022; watch the [website](#) and [BoS Newsletter](#) for more information
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Committee Updates

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Coordinated Entry Steering Committee (CESC)

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Data Committee -- The Data Committee did not meet in October or November.

Strategic Planning Committee (SPC)

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Victim Services Provider Committee (VSPC) -- The VSPC did not meet in October or November.

Performance Evaluation Committee (PEC)

The PEC is recruiting members; if interested, complete this form:

<https://forms.gle/ntoPDtYNjAZcVFCM8>

CoC Committees' information on THN's website: <https://www.thn.org/tx-bos-coc-committees/>

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October 4, 2021, CoC General Meeting -- Attendees

Name	Company Name
Clay Thomas	Abilene Hope Haven, Inc.
Leslie Hinkle	City of Killeen
Vicki Smith	Community Action Committee of Victoria, Texas
Daphne Jackson	A Servant's Heart-Texas Llc
Carla Lane	Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center
Jackie Clay	East Texas Human Needs Network
Marsha Wilson Rappaport	The Children's Center, Inc
Denita Jones	Texas Poor People's Campaign/NVMA
Susan Johnson	The Andrews Center
Heidi Mauldin	Community Healthcore
Vanessa Mangel	Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center
Tiffany Ross	Community Action Committee of Victoria, Texas
Perry Covington	Abilene Hope Haven
MECHELLE LINDSAY	Families In Crisis, Inc.
William Hall	Families In Crisis, Inc.
Nathaniel Dears	Denton County MHMR Center
Andrea Kovarik	NCMHID
Brittony McNaughton	Denton County Friends of the Family
Christy Plemons	The Salvation Army
Annette Vasquez	The Salvation Army
Rebecca Bromley	Neighborhood Development Corp
Chesley Knowles	Community Healthcore
Robert McCabe	Abilene Hope Haven
Paul Castaneda	Endeavors
Jenny Finley	TCHC
Azenneth Contreras	City of Laredo
Cinda Hayward	City of Killeen, Texas
Leticia Reeves	3254374577
Mary Essex	City of Port Arthur
Daphne Adams	Christian Community Action
R. D. Childers	R. D. Inc.
Daisy Lopez	Friendship of Women
Jade Bredenberg	Doorways- Mission Texarkana
Alice Law	City of Galveston
Linda Burris	Salvation Army
Leticia Kanmore	City of Corpus Christi
Rashawn Smith	City of Killeen
Debra Huffman	Neighborhood Development Corp

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Trevesia Chevis	The Salvation Army
Nicole Roberts	Denton County Friends of the Family
Alice Jewell	McKenna Foundation
Melinda Baker	Corpus Christi Hope House, Inc.
Tamara Wright	USICH
Valerie Bustos	Open Door Survivor Housing
Todd Shell	CORT

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Final Agenda

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Staff will be available on the webinar for 15 minutes after the meeting ends, for an open discussion on topics that attendees want to discuss.



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Give your feedback!

Please complete the anonymous survey you will receive after the meeting ends, to let us know what was helpful and what would could be better for the next meeting.

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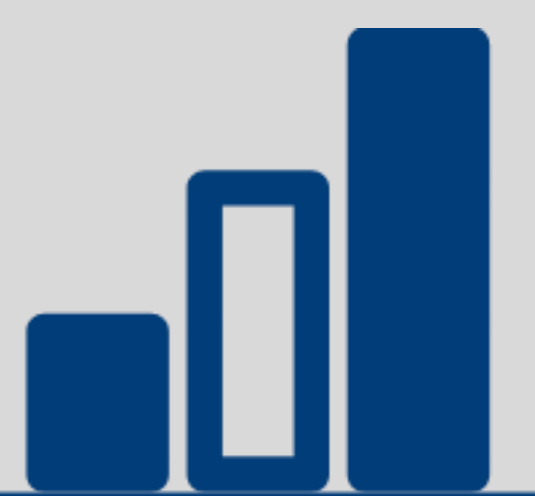






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Gaps Analysis: PIT Data Vs. Permanent Housing Inventory

This data snapshot is meant to demonstrate the gaps in housing to serve those identified as experiencing homelessness through the PIT count. The Housing Inventory Count was utilized to demonstrate the permanent housing inventory because it is the most comprehensive housing data-set we have across our geography. Permanent Housing beds include both Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing "beds". These permanent housing beds are not the beds available for housing, they are the ones that were filled on the night of 1/23/2020.

	 2020 PIT Data	 2020 Permanent Housing "Beds"	 Inventory Gap (Beds-PIT Data)
 Overall Data (Totals)	0	0	0
 General Population (Not DV or Veteran)	0	0	0
 Domestic Violence	0	0	0
 Veterans	0	0	0
 Individual Adults (Age 25+ without children)	0	0	0
 Persons in Families (Adults and children)	0	0	0
 Unaccompanied Youth (Age 0-24 without children)	0	0	0



House America and the American Rescue Plan: All-Hands-On-Deck Effort to Reduce and End Homelessness



Tamara Wright, Regional Coordinator,
U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

December 8, 2021



Agenda













- I. Welcome, USICH Introduction
- II. Current State of Homelessness
- III. American Rescue Plan
- IV. House America
- V. Implementation Support
- VI. Closing Remarks

USICH: Who We Are

The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness:

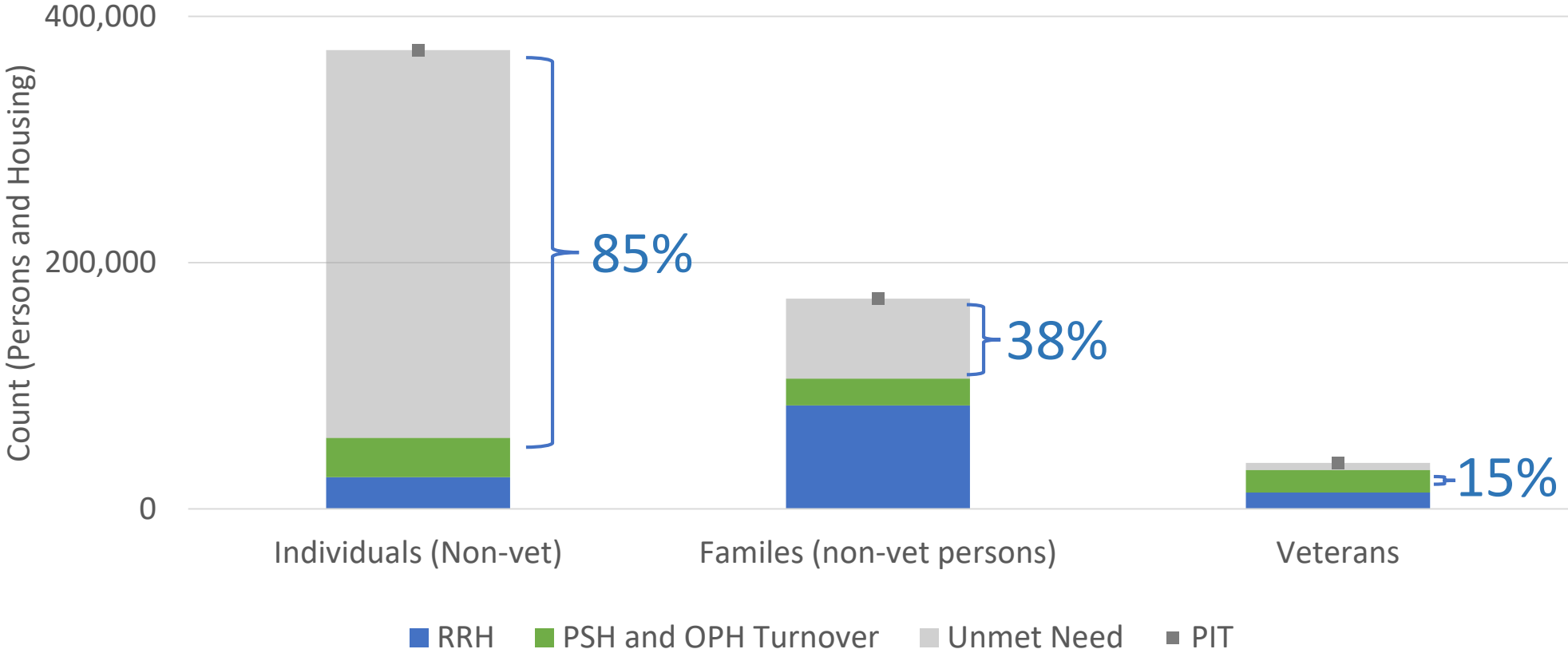
- **Coordinates the federal response** to homelessness
- **Creates partnerships** between national, state, local, and private stakeholders; and helps them use federal resources efficiently and effectively
- **Believes housing should be a right** – not a privilege

Homelessness Trends, 2010 – 2020

Homeless Population	2010 - 2015	2015 - 2020
Overall	 11%	 3%
Veterans	 36%	 22%
Families	 19%	 16%
Individuals	 9%	 14%
Chronic	 22%	 33%
Unsheltered	 26%	 30%

Progress Hampered by Severe Resource Scarcity

Permanent Housing Resources Compared to People Identified as Homeless in the 2020 PIT Count



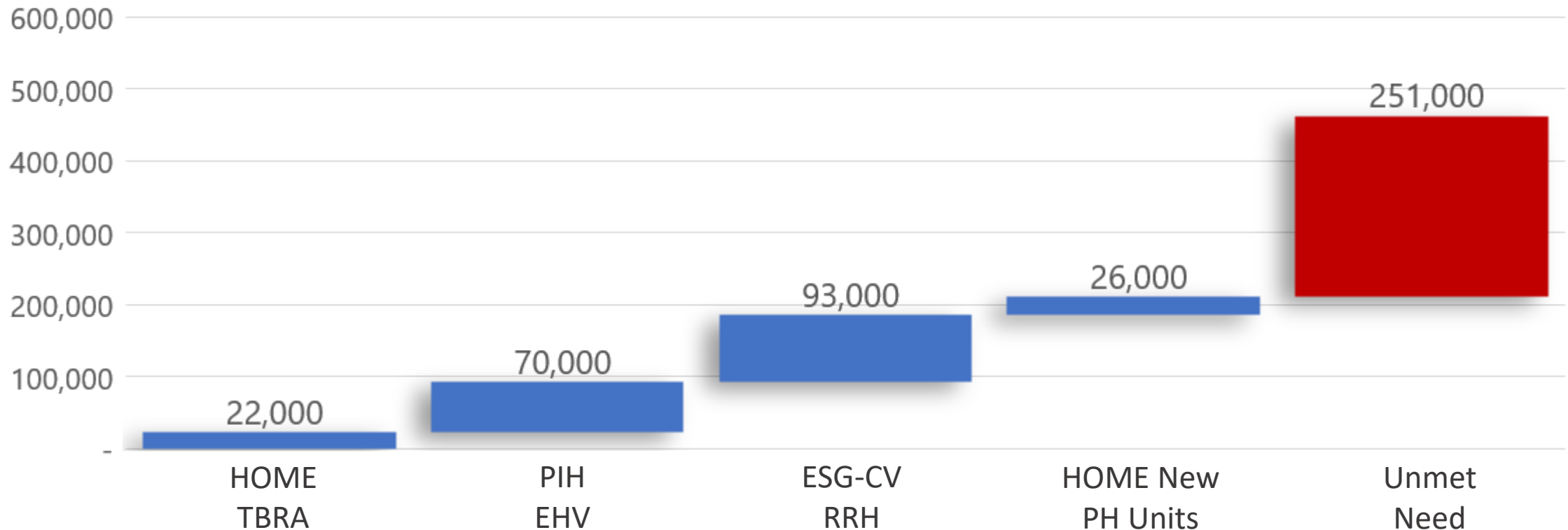
The American Rescue Plan Provides Significant New Resources to Address Homelessness

The American Rescue Plan provides significant new resources to immediately re-house and build additional housing for people experiencing homelessness:

- \$5 billion to provide 70,000 **Emergency Housing Vouchers** from HUD for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness
- \$5 billion in **HOME Investment Partnerships** grants from HUD to build supportive and affordable housing (including purchase of hotels/dormitories), rental assistance, and supportive services
- \$46 billion in **Emergency Rental Assistance** from Treasury to prevent evictions, as well as support re-housing of people evicted, displaced, at-risk of homelessness, or currently homeless
- \$350 billion in Treasury **State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds** to support the many needs communities face as they respond to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts, including homelessness and housing instability

Unprecedented Federal Resources from the American Rescue Plan and CARES Act

Potential Impact of CARES Act and ARP Funding on Homelessness



HOME TBRA – HOME Investment Partnership Program Tenant-based Rental Assistance (ARP funded)

PIH EHV – Public and Indian Housing Emergency Housing Voucher (ARP funded)

ESG-CV RRH – Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus Rapid Rehousing (CARES Act funded)

HOME New PH Units – HOME Investment Partnership Program new permanent housing units (ARP funded)

House America: An All-Hands-On-Deck Effort to Address the Nation's Homelessness Crisis



House America

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Re-house households experiencing homelessness through a Housing First approach



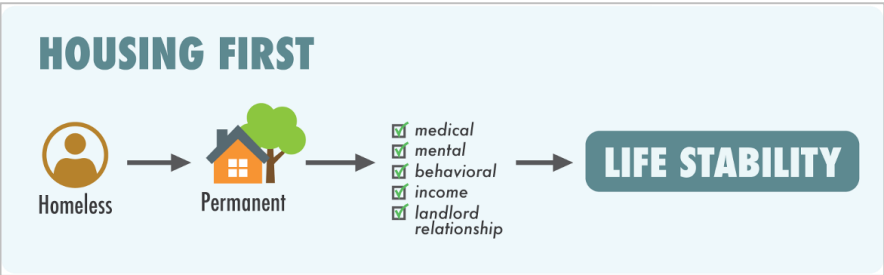
Add new units of affordable housing into the development pipeline

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House America will utilize the historic investments provided through the American Rescue Plan to address the crisis of homelessness through a Housing First approach.

House America's Goals

Re-Housing



Communities set and achieve local goals for **the number of households to be transitioned from homelessness into stable, permanent housing** using ARP emergency housing vouchers, ESG-CV rapid re-housing, HOME TBRA, and other federal and local resources **by December 31, 2022.**

Unit Creation



Communities set and achieve goals for **the number of new affordable or supportive housing units serving households experiencing homelessness that are added to the pipeline** using HOME-ARP funds, Treasury State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, and other resources **by December 31, 2022.**

Collectively, HUD hopes that by the end of 2022, at least 100,000 households will be re-housed and at least 20,000 new units of affordable or supportive housing will be added to the pipeline.

Elected Officials' Participation in House America

Sign On and Set Goals

- Register interest through the House America webpage.
- Review “Packet” from HUD + USICH
- Convene Local Partners to set Numeric Goals
- Respond to the HA Goals Survey
- Announce commitment via proclamation, press release, or letter to Secretary Fudge

Work Toward Goals

- Maintain collaboration with the local team: CoC, PHA, etc.
- Join House America monthly “All Hands” call and office hours
- Request additional TA as needed

Track and Recognize Progress

- Monitor local progress and update constituents and the general public
- Highlight milestones and stories behind the numbers.
- Approaching December 2022, join the federal House America team to celebrate national successes.

Implementation Support


- **Tools and resources** – HUD, USICH, and other agencies will develop and share written tools and resources that provide information on how to achieve House America’s goals. This includes USICH’s ARP guide and 10 Strategies “playbook” (https://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset_library/10_Strategies_to_Reduce_Homelessness_Updated.pdf) and HUD’s regularly updated FAQ.
- **Monthly “all hands on deck” webinars/calls** – Starting October, HUD, USICH, and other federal agencies will hold an all hands on deck call to discuss strategies/innovations, facilitate peer-to-peer sharing, and identify common challenges.
- **Office hours** – HUD staff will also convene regular “office hours” to respond to questions and challenges from House America leaders.
- **Individual technical assistance** – HUD will provide responses to inquiries as well as hold individualized TA sessions.

August 2021



Making the Most of the American Rescue Plan:
A Guide to the Funding That Impacts People Experiencing Homelessness

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**10 Strategies to Reduce Homelessness
With the American Rescue Plan**

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The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was signed by President Biden on March 11, 2021, in response to the economic crisis catalyzed by the COVID-19 pandemic. The \$1.9 trillion relief legislation includes an **unprecedented \$10 billion investment in ending homelessness** through the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) [Emergency Housing Voucher \(EHV\)](#) and [HOME Investment Partnerships \(HOME-ARP\)](#) programs. This provides a **once-in-a-generation opportunity** to significantly reduce homelessness in some communities and end it in others if we simultaneously strengthen the rehousing system and expand the supply of affordable housing, especially for the lowest-income renters.

HUD Secretary Marcia Fudge’s [House America](#) initiative provides communities with the focus, resolve, and technical know-how needed to deploy these resources to maximize impact. Through *House America*, **HUD and USICH are inviting state, local, and tribal leaders to join a national partnership** to use this historic investment to address the homelessness crisis.

The path forward must be guided by equity and evidence, particularly the Housing First approach that’s proven to lower not only returns to homelessness but also costs associated with emergency services. The pandemic amplified the systemic racism that’s embedded in our housing and health institutions. People of color are overrepresented in the homeless population and more likely to contract and die from coronavirus. To reduce homelessness, we must address these deep-rooted inequities and ensure that everyone has access to housing.

USICH urges communities to **prioritize these resources for the most vulnerable**, including people living unsheltered. For the first time since this data collection began, more people are living on the streets than in shelters.

The following 10 strategies provide **practical guidance for leaders at all levels of government** to maximize the housing resources in the American Rescue Plan—as well as other federal, state, and local resources. At USICH, we work across the federal government to prevent homelessness when possible and ensure that it’s a rare, brief, and one-time experience when it happens. *We know how to end homelessness in this country. Together, we can make it happen.*

Local and State Leaders Who Have Joined to Date

Community	Leader	Title
Austin, TX	Adler, Steve	Mayor
Birmingham, AL	Woodfin, Randall	Mayor
California	Newsom, Gavin	Governor
Cherokee Nation	Chuck Hoskin, Jr.	Principal Chief
Columbus, OH	Ginther, Andrew	Mayor
Denver, CO	Hancock, Michael	Mayor
Kansas City, MO	Lucas, Quinton	Mayor
Los Angeles County, CA	Mitchell, Holly	County Supervisor
Los Angeles, CA	Garcetti, Eric	Mayor
Maine	Mills, Janet	Governor
Mesa, AZ	Giles, John	Mayor
Miami-Dade, Florida	Levine Cava	Mayor

Community	Leader	Title
Newark, NJ	Baraka, Ras	Mayor
Oakland, CA	Schaaf, Libby	Mayor
Philadelphia, PA	Kenney, Jim	Mayor
Phoenix, AZ	Gallego, Kate	Mayor
Sacramento, CA	Steinberg, Darrell	Mayor
San Diego, CA	Gloria, Todd	Mayor
San Francisco, CA	Breed, London	Mayor
San Jose, CA	Liccardo, Sam	Mayor
Seattle, WA	Durkan, Jenny	Mayor
St. Louis, MO	Jones, Tishaura	Mayor
Washington, DC	Bowser, Muriel	Mayor
Charlotte, NC	Lyles, Vi	Mayor
Shelby County, TN	Turner, Van D., Jr.	County Commissioner

For More Information

The screenshot shows the homepage of the House America initiative. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development logo and various links like 'Press Room', 'Program Offices', 'Resources', 'Find Shelter', 'State Info', 'Contact Us', and 'Información en Español'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features a large banner with the text 'House America' and the URL 'www.hud.gov/house_america'. The banner also includes two icons: one representing a family and another representing a house, with text below them: 'Re-house households experiencing homelessness through a Housing First approach' and 'Add new units of affordable housing into the development pipeline'. Below the banner, there is a paragraph of text explaining the initiative: 'House America: An All-Hands-on-Deck Effort to Address the Nation's Homelessness Crisis is a federal initiative in which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) are inviting mayors, city and county leaders, tribal nation leaders, and governors into a national partnership. House America will utilize the historic investments provided through the American Rescue Plan to address the crisis of homelessness through a Housing First approach. Through the American Rescue Plan, communities now have historic resources—70,000 emergency housing vouchers and \$5 billion in HOME Investment Partnership grants—to help more Americans obtain the safety of a stable home. Communities also have resources through the CARES Act, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, and other state, tribal, and local resources to re-house people experiencing homelessness and create additional dedicated housing units to address homelessness. House America provides communities with the focus, resolve, and technical know-how needed to deploy these resources to maximize impact.' At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with 'Agency' links (About HUD, Secretary of HUD, Program Offices, No Fear Act, Press Room), 'Resources' links (Resources, A-2 Index, Customer Experience, FOIA, PDF Reader), and contact information for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20480, 1-202-755-9222, TTY: 202-755-1425). There are also social media icons and links for Privacy Policy, Web Policies, Accessibility, and Sitemap.

Visit:

https://www.hud.gov/house_america

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Email: tamara.wright@usich.gov

Questions

TX BoS CoC HOME Participating Jurisdictions, HOME-ARP Allocations, and Local Homeless Coalitions (LHCs)

	HOME-ARP Participating Jurisdiction	CPD Field Office	Continuum of Care Grantee	CDBG Grantee	ESG Grantee	HOME-ARP Allocation	Local Homeless Coalition (LHC)
1	Abilene	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Abilene	N/A	\$1,595,072	West Texas Homeless Network
2	Beaumont	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Beaumont	N/A	\$1,865,394	Southeast Texas Coalition for the Homeless
3	Brazoria County	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Brazoria County	Brazoria County	\$1,874,707	Homeless Coalition of Brazoria County
4	Brownsville	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Brownsville	Brownsville	\$3,324,820	Cameron County Homeless Coalition
5	Corpus Christi	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Corpus Christi	Corpus Christi	\$4,213,937	Homeless Issues Partnership
6	Denton	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Denton	N/A	\$1,763,622	Denton County Homeless Coalition
7	Galveston	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Galveston	N/A	\$893,274	Gulf Coast Homeless Coalition
8	Harlingen	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Harlingen	N/A	\$1,210,837	Cameron County Homeless Coalition
9	Hidalgo County	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Hidalgo County	Hidalgo County	\$7,461,494	No coalition
10	Killeen	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Killeen	N/A	\$1,778,641	Central Texas Homeless Coalition
11	Laredo	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Laredo	Laredo	\$4,199,095	Laredo Homeless Coalition
12	Longview	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Longview	N/A	\$1,077,488	North East Texas Homeless Coalition (NET)
13	Lubbock	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Lubbock	Lubbock	\$3,615,530	South Plains Homeless Consortium
14	McAllen	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	McAllen	N/A	\$2,126,569	No coalition
15	Odessa	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Odessa	N/A	\$996,215	Odessa Homeless Coalition
16	Port Arthur	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Port Arthur	N/A	\$1,000,453	Southeast Texas Coalition for the Homeless
17	San Angelo	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	San Angelo	N/A	\$1,110,165	Concho Valley Homeless Planning Coalition
18	Tyler	Fort Worth	TX-607 - Texas Balance of State CoC	Tyler	N/A	\$1,312,072	East Texas Human Needs Network
					BoS TOTAL	\$41,419,385	

Texas Non-Entitlement	\$132,969,147
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HOME-ARP Resources for Local Homeless Coalitions (LHCs) and HOME Participating Jurisdictions (PJs)

1. COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Introduction to HOME-ARP for CoCs --
<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6539/covid19-homeless-system-response-introduction-to-home-arp-for-cocs/>
2. "HOME-ARP Webinar Series: Planning Process" by HUD --
<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/home-arp-webinar-series-planning-process/>
3. Discussion Guide for HOME-ARP Consultation Meetings by HUD --
<https://files.hudexchange.info/course-content/home-arp-webinar-series-planning-process/Discussion-Guide-for-HOME-ARP-Consultation-Meetings.pdf>
4. "HOME-ARP and Supportive Housing: A Great Pairing" by CSH --
<https://www.csh.org/2021/10/home-arp-and-supportive-housing-a-great-pairing/>
5. HOME-ARP Implementation Notice Fact Sheets
 - [HOME-ARP Allocation Plan](#) -- consultation and public participation requirements
 - [Allocation Plan Template](#) -- template that jurisdictions may use to describe their plan for using HOME-ARP funds
 - [HOME-ARP Non-congregate Shelter](#)
 - [HOME-ARP Nonprofit Operating & Capacity Building Assistance](#)
 - [HOME-ARP Rental Housing](#)
 - [HOME-ARP Supportive Services](#)
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6. HOME-ARP section of HUD Exchange website --
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https://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset_library/10_Strategies_to_Reduce_Homelessness_Updated.pdf
8. "Making the Most of the American Rescue Plan: A Guide to the Funding that Impacts People Experiencing Homelessness by USICH --
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Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care

Available ARPA funds that can be used for housing and services

	Housing and Urban Development		Treasury		Health and Human Services	
	HOME-ARP	Emergency Housing Vouchers	Emergency Rental Assistance Program	State and Fiscal Local Recovery Funds	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration	Medicaid Home and Community Based Services
Develop New Units	✓			✓		
Housing Navigation Services	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supportive Services	✓			✓	✓	✓
Behavioral Health Services				✓	✓	✓
Housing Support Services					✓	✓
Acquire, Develop, Convert, Rehab Units to Supportive Housing	✓			✓		
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Security Deposit Assistance		✓	✓	✓		
Utility Assistance		✓	✓	✓		
Flexible Housing Pool	✓			✓		
Operating Reserves	✓					
Data and Evaluation	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Tenants' Rights	✓			✓		

From "Policy Brief: Leveraging the American Rescue Plan's Housing Resources to Help Families" by CSH – <https://www.csh.org/resources/policy-brief-leveraging-the-american-rescue-plans-housing-resources-to-help-families/>



THN is offering a VISTA member at **no cost** to organizations

- Must be able to supervise a full-time VISTA member for a minimum of 1 year
- Organizations will lead the recruitment of candidate(s)
- Can be flexible, virtual, or in-person (must be local applicants)
- The organization must be located within the TX BoS CoC

VISTA members focus on indirect service

- What is indirect service?
 - Examples include capacity building, asset mapping, landlord engagement, communications, grant writing
- Examples of projects
 - Coalition and Cross-Sector Homeless Services Coordinator VISTA
 - Landlord Engagement Coordinator VISTA
 - Coalition and Coordinated Entry VISTA
 - Communications and Community Engagement VISTA

VISTA members cannot provide direct service

- What is direct service? Tutoring, client intake, case management, etc
- Participate in any advocacy or partisan activities (including voter engagement and outreach)

Interested? Email nick@thn.org to set up an introductory meeting