

Unconventional: The Kansas HOME-ARP Program

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Introduction

In 2021, Congress created the HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) program as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. The program provides funding to support individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and survivors of domestic violence, referred to as Qualifying Populations (QPs). Funds are provided by HUD to eligible HOME Participating Jurisdictions (PJs), to carry out some or all of the eligible activities under the program, including supportive services, tenant based rental assistance, and the development of non-congregate shelter and affordable rental housing. The HOME-ARP program designed by Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC) presents a unique approach to this one-time source of funding, allowing for the development of a program that maximizes the effectiveness of the state's allocation.

HOME-ARP presents a rare opportunity to serve at-risk populations by funding an array of activities which are traditionally difficult to combine in a single project. KHRC took the approach that HOME-ARP creates space for unconventional projects for the most vulnerable, often overlooked populations. Housing providers and advocates have long understood the value of wrap-around services to vulnerable populations as a key to success. Integrating housing with supportive services is at the core of the HOME-ARP program. For this reason, KHRC intentionally identifies projects which provide an opportunity to combine housing resources with supportive services. KHRC believes that by collaborating with partners, working outside conventional methods, and utilizing non-traditional resources, our HOME-ARP program will create replicable, sustainable initiatives and achieve increased diversity among the at-risk populations served.

KHRC intentionally built a HOME-ARP program requiring new partnerships and systems, identifying the most effective projects in the state and discovering projects which did not fit the typical mold and could not be funded via traditional methods. KHRC's goals centered around 1) establishing an innovative approach to the application and technical assistance process, and 2) developing new partnerships to encourage thinking beyond formulaic project designs and stepping outside our comfort zones to develop a non-traditional program. Since the HOME-ARP program design process began in 2022, KHRC staff worked to accomplish each goal, with the hope that the work would culminate in a statewide distribution of application submissions. KHRC achieved the intended results at each stage of the process. Due to our unconventional approach, KHRC anticipates funding several diverse projects across the state that will serve the specific needs of each proposal. These projects will serve all identified QPs and provide needed resources to projects and organizations.

Responding to State Needs: Partnership Building

Prior to allowing them to initiate their HOME-ARP programs, HUD required PJs to write an Allocation Plan outlining the needs in their jurisdiction and their plans for the HOME-ARP funding. As part of that planning, [HUD instructed PJs to consult with a range of organizations](#) who could help inform the PJs' Allocation Plan. These organizations included Continuums of Care; homeless service providers; organizations addressing civil rights, fair housing, and needs of people with disabilities; public agencies addressing the needs of the qualifying populations including mainstream benefit systems; Public Housing Agencies veterans' groups; and victim services providers.

In the months leading up to the writing of the Allocation Plan, KHRC staff surveyed the state for potential partnerships. By compiling lists of KHRC's already-established partnerships and being deliberate about searching out unidentified agencies already serving QPs in Kansas, KHRC developed a list of 940 partners, stakeholders, and agencies across the State. The Visual Aids section of this

submission includes details regarding KHRC's community outreach. Data revealed in the allocation plan highlighted the need:

- 2021 HMIS data reported over 17,000 homeless individuals in the state.
- 21% of all renter households in Kansas meet the definition of at risk of homelessness.
- The average wait time for a HCV in Kansas is 22 months.
- The Corporation for Supportive Housing estimated that Kansas is in need of almost 10,000 supportive housing units.
- Kansas has emergency shelters in just 21 of 105 counties.

Innovative: Unconventional Projects and Applicant Support

Empowering applicants to propose unconventional projects for HOME-ARP necessitated the creation of an application process which supported applicants, encouraged proposal flexibility, and required application reviewers to focus on the overarching goals of the QPs as opposed to application technicalities. Instead of eliminating projects due to deficiencies, staff focus revolved around the question, "How can we get this project to 'yes'?" Kansas' smaller, rural communities need housing resources, but do not always have the capacity to prepare competitive applications. KHRC staff recognized the importance of focusing not solely on the cleanest proposals, but also on the proposals that would, with assistance, serve a need among the QPs or fill a gap in services. This required maintaining flexibility during application review and providing technical assistance. As the State PJ, KHRC wanted to ensure communities across Kansas could access HOME-ARP funds.

KHRC accepted applications in two phases: a preliminary round, and a full round. KHRC staff designed the evaluation in Phase 1 to focus on three criteria. The first two criteria were the needs in the applicant's area and the viability of their project. The third criterion was KHRC's goal to evaluate the experience and capacity of the applicant to implement their proposal. However, tied to this criterion was also the commitment to look beyond the applicant's existing capacity to what their capacity *could* be with assistance. HOME-ARP has the potential to *enhance* applicants' existing capacity to not only carry out their proposed HOME-ARP projects, but also to expand their reach across the state, so even after HOME-ARP funds were expended, awardees can continue serving at-risk populations. In Phase 2, KHRC staff focused on the technical details of the applications, such as the program's budget, potential impact, and funding request.

In the two months leading to the Phase 1 due date, KHRC staff created a HOME-ARP email address and hosted five virtual office hours sessions. Staff invited applicants to attend and pose questions about general HOME-ARP requirements or details specific to their proposal. KHRC understood no applicants would have HOME-ARP experience by default. The recognition that some applicants intended to propose projects outside their traditional menu of services compounded the lack of experience. Anticipating that developers and builders would request supportive service funding and service agencies would request development funding, KHRC staff set applicants up for success by providing virtual meetings for group discussions and easily accessible written resources.

Once KHRC staff selected Phase 1 applicants to invite to the Phase 2 round, KHRC provided all Phase 2 applicants with letters containing written feedback on their Phase 1 proposals as well as an invitation to meet directly with KHRC staff to discuss potential questions and concerns. Because KHRC staff maintained the goal of meeting the needs of the QPs and selecting the projects with the strongest potential over asking applicants to submit perfect applications, KHRC staff offered applicants an

opportunity to have candid conversations about their projects. This round of feedback allowed applicants to discuss their proposals in detail and benefit from technical assistance provided by KHRC staff.

The HOME-ARP application process was rigorous and required applicants to dedicate a great deal of time to their proposals. However, throughout the process, applicants expressed appreciation for the prompt feedback, support, and guidance of KHRC staff, particularly considering the complexity of the process. The virtual sessions in particular aided in mitigating several concerning issues KHRC identified in Phase 1 proposals, particularly a lack of understanding of the HOME-ARP program and its intended purpose.

Benefits that Outweigh Costs: Applications Received

Despite recognizing the value of the goals discussed, KHRC staff understood the investment of time needed to manage the program, provide personal outreach to partners, meet with applicants, and complete in-depth reviews of each proposal.

The benefits of designing such an intricate program and committing the time and effort of KHRC staff became apparent when applications were due. KHRC staff safely anticipated 15-18 applications but maintained a goal of receiving 30 applications with at least one application coming from each of the state's six regions. By the September 2023 deadline, KHRC received a total of 34 proposals and the application pool represented each region in the state (see page 5).

The technical assistance provided to applicants prior to submitting a Phase 2 application resulted in a substantial improvement in application quality between Phase 1 and Phase 2. Applicants demonstrated a better understanding of HOME-ARP eligible activities and the QPs and provided stronger data and arguments to support their requests.

Conclusion: Achieving Intended Results

KHRC's innovative approach to program design resulted in the receipt of a variety of creative and non-traditional HOME-ARP applications. The proposed activities will allow KHRC's HOME-ARP program to tackle a diverse range of complex housing and service needs across the State of Kansas. KHRC is excited not only to utilize HOME-ARP to fill long-existing gaps in resources for the QPs, but also to leverage this opportunity to expand existing partnerships and establish new partners so KHRC can continue filling gaps among the QPs once HOME-ARP funds are expended.

HOME-ARP allowed KHRC to test the boundaries of how the organization approaches new programs, which presented an inherent risk. KHRC embraced the challenge of intentionally building a program requiring substantial staff involvement and significant stakeholder engagement. The risk and effort KHRC invested in the program design proved rewarding based upon the success and replicability of the program's design.

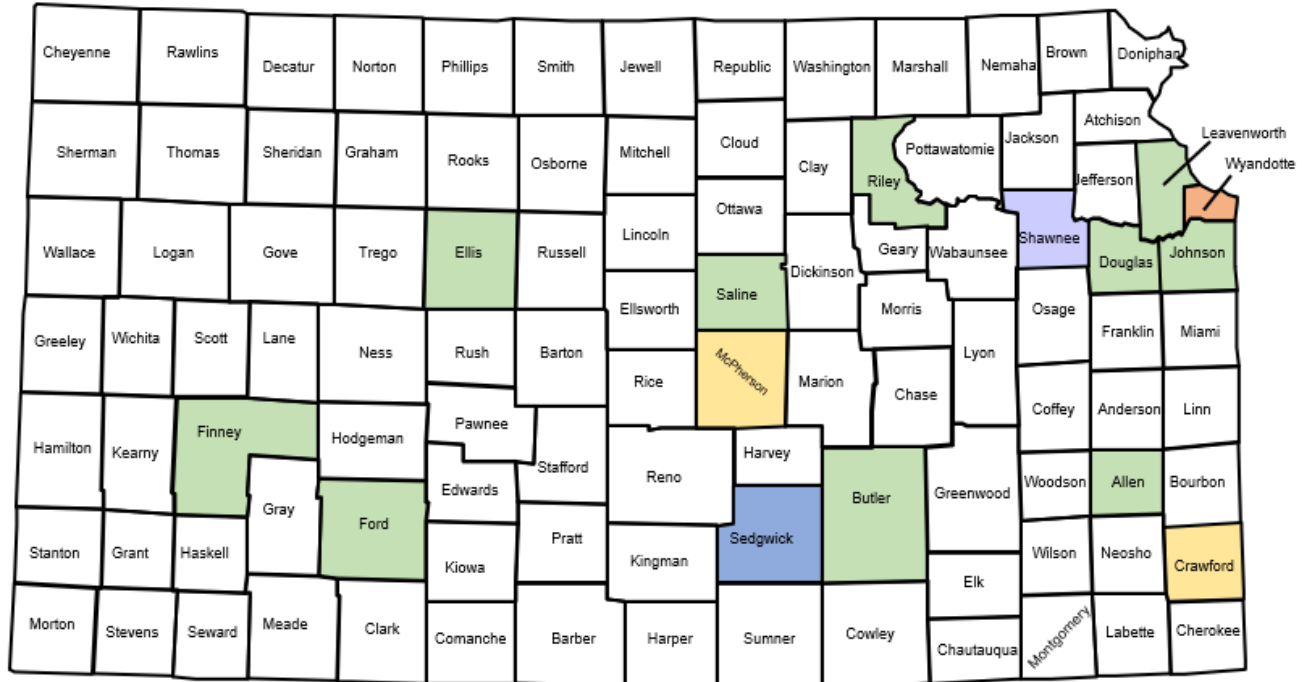
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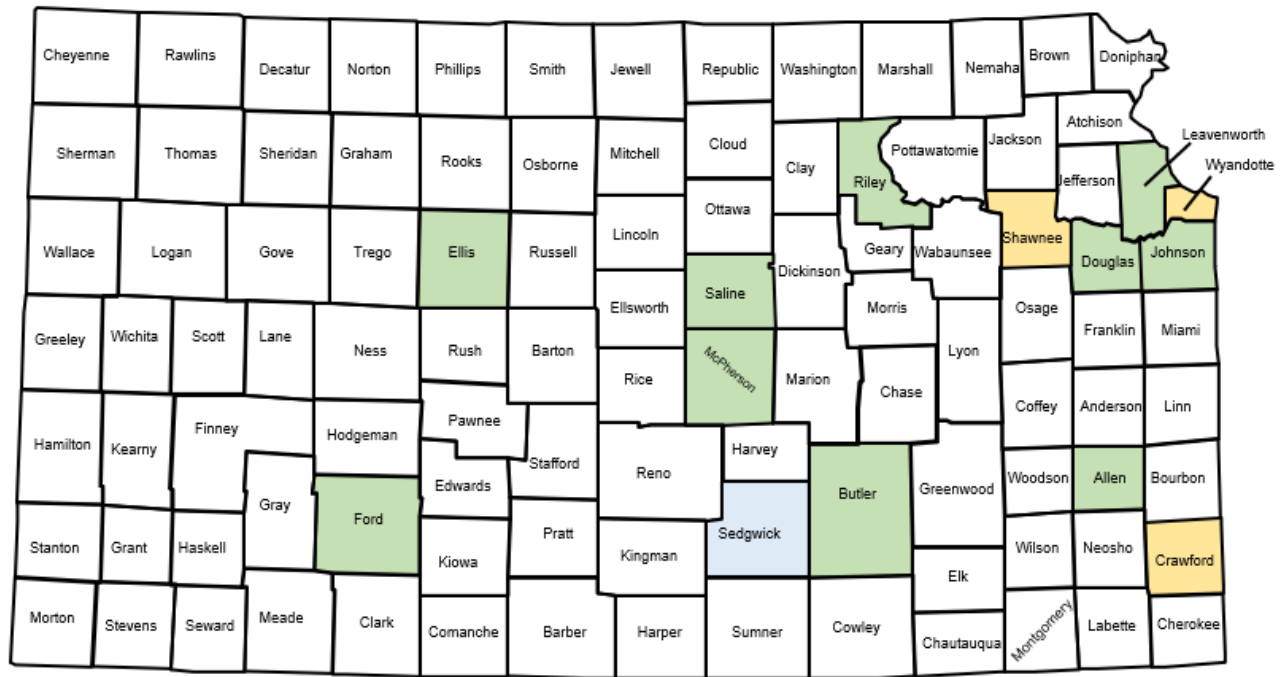
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Geographical Distribution of HOME-ARP Phase 1 Applications:



- 1 application (10)
- 2 applications (2)
- 4 applications (1)
- 6 applications (1)
- 10 applications (1)

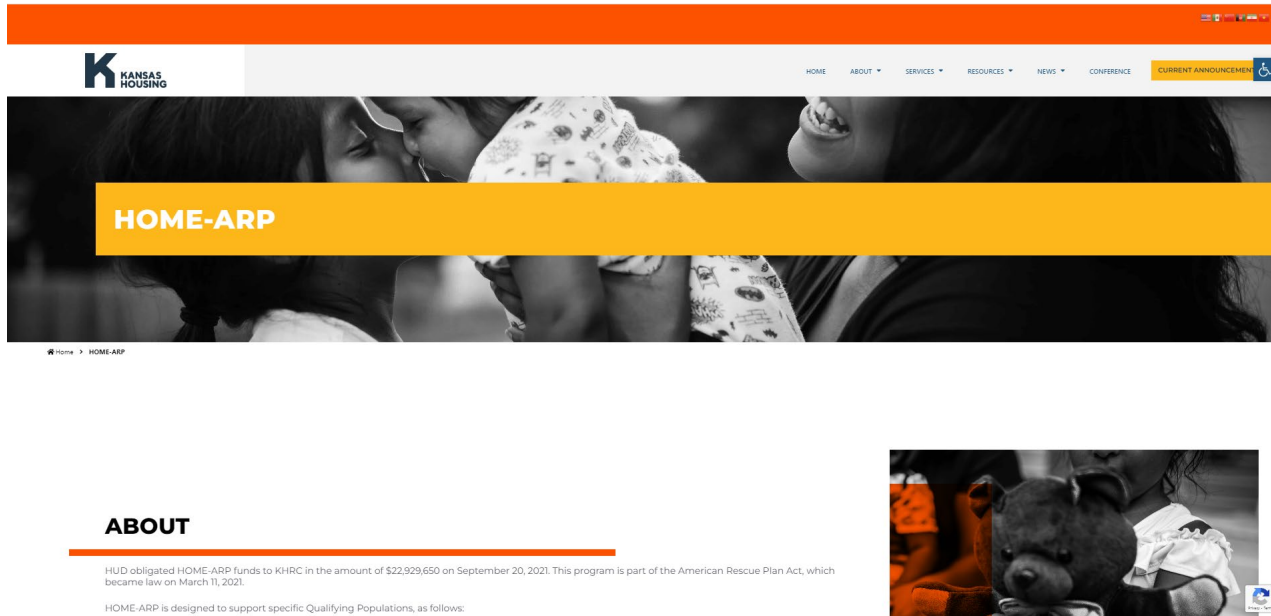
Geographical Distribution of HOME-ARP Phase 2 Applications:



- 1 application (10)
- 2 applications (3)
- 8 applications (1)

Stakeholder and Applicant Resources

Website: On April 18, 2022, [the HOME-ARP page](#) of KHRC’s website goes live and an email is sent to over 400 stakeholders with information and reminders about the HOME-ARP program.



Summary for Stakeholders: On February 28, 2022, KHRC provided information on HOME-ARP to stakeholders via email – this information included a program summary prepared by KHRC staff. The program summary is included on page 8.

Program Comparison: KHRC prepared a chart for applicants which compared HOME-ARP eligible activities (supportive services, tenant based rental assistance, and the development of affordable rental housing and Non-Congregate Shelter) with the programs upon which those activities were based (the Emergency Solutions Grant, HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance, and HOME, respectively – Non-Congregate Shelter does not have a comparative program). The comparison can be found on page 11.

Things to Consider: In 2022, as part of the stakeholder listening sessions, KHRC and M&L Associates (KHRC’s HOME-ARP consultants), created a “Things to Consider” chart for stakeholders to understand the complex and nuanced components of HOME-ARP. This chart was updated in 2023 and added to the HOME-ARP RFP. The updated version is included on page 14.



HOME-ARP Summary for Stakeholders

Guidance: HOME-ARP page on HUD Exchange: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/>

Background: The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 Billion to be allocated through the HOME formula to Participating Jurisdictions for the purpose of addressing the housing needs of the Qualifying Populations described below. Kansas has received allocations totaling \$39,338,964, as follows:

- **KCK:** \$3,197,903
- **Lawrence:** \$1,641,383
- **Topeka:** \$2,064,660
- **Wichita:** \$5,508,372
- **Johnson County Consortium:** \$3,997,106
- **Non-Entitlement** statewide (KHRC): \$22,929,540

Up to 15% of an allocation may be used for planning and administration. At least 85% of the above amounts will be available for eligible program costs. For KHRC, there will be slightly less than \$19,500,000 for programs. HOME-ARP funds must be expended by September 2030.

Qualifying Populations

- **Homeless**, as defined in 24 CFR 91.5.
- **At Risk of Homelessness** as defined in 24 CFR 91.5.
- **Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking** as defined by HUD in 24 CFR 5.2003.
- **Other Populations:**
 - Other families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness, as defined in HUD Notice CPD-21-10.
 - At greatest risk of housing instability as defined in HUD Notice CPD-21-10
- **Veterans and Families that Include a Veteran Family Member** meeting the criteria above.

Eligible Activities with HOME-ARP Funds

- **Non-Congregate Shelter (NCS):** Acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction or conversion.
 - Hotel/motel conversions are most often cited, but other types of structures may be converted to use as a Non-Congregate Shelter.
 - Provides private rooms or units as temporary shelter, with no lease or occupancy agreement, and no fees charged

- May be maintained as NCS after the initial restricted use period, or may be converted to permanent housing under HOME or CoC rules.
- HOME-ARP *cannot* pay for shelter operations.
 - Source of ongoing operating funds must be identified.
- **Rental Housing:** acquisition, construction and rehabilitation of rental housing for occupancy by persons meeting one of the Qualifying Populations.
 - May be single family or multifamily, transitional or permanent, group homes or SROs.
 - Generally follows HOME rules, with differences in income and affordability requirements.
 - In Rental Housing only, up to 30% of units may be occupied by Low Income households who are not Qualifying Populations.
 - Can be a stand-alone HOME-ARP development, or may be combined with other sources (LIHTC, HOME, HTF, etc.) with a portion of the units restricted to Qualifying Populations.
- **Supportive Services:** a range of eligible supportive services for Qualifying Populations.
 - McKinney-Vento Supportive Services adapted from the those in section 401(29) of McKinney-Vento.
 - Homeless Prevention Services: adapted from ESG regulations at 24 CFR Part 576.
 - Housing Counseling Services defined at 24 CFR 5.100 and 5.111 (homeowner assistance is *not* eligible).
- **TBRA:** for rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits and utility payments
 - Can pay up to 100% of rent and utilities.
 - Participating Jurisdiction determines term of assistance.
 - Sponsor: a nonprofit may facilitate the leasing of a unit and make payments on behalf of qualifying households.
 - Sponsor may be allowed to lease and sublease, or master-lease multiple units
- **Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building Assistance**
 - Up to 5% of a PJ's allocation may be used to pay general operating expenses of nonprofits carrying out HOME-ARP activities.
 - Up to 5% additional may pay cost related to cost of capacity building for nonprofits to successfully carry out HOME-ARP activities.

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan – Next Steps

- **Identifying Unmet Needs and Gaps** in housing and services for Qualifying Populations – To develop a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, KHRC must consult with stakeholders, including CoCs, service providers and other agencies/organizations serving Qualifying Populations.
- **Consultant:** KHRC plans to engage an outside consultant to assist in the Needs Assessment and development of the Allocation Plan.
- **Priorities and Activities:** A HOME-ARP Allocation Plan must describe the input process, identify needs, gaps and priorities, and describe the activities to be funded with the State's allocation of HOME-ARP funds.
- **Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis:**
 - KHRC must evaluate:
 - Size, demographics, and unmet needs of Qualifying Populations
 - Identify gaps in current shelter and housing inventory

- Identify gaps in service delivery system
- Identify characteristics of housing associated with instability and risk of homelessness
- Identify priority needs for Qualifying Populations

What KHRC Will Do with This Information

- Determine priority activities for HOME-ARP funds
- Determine how funds will be distributed and on what timeline
- Determine amount of funding for each priority activity
- Set production goals for each activity
- Identify preferences, if any, among Qualifying Populations and subpopulations for each activity
- Develop program structure and determine staffing needs for each activity
- Complete the Allocation Plan and submit to HUD
- Implement the program and begin funding activities



ATTACHMENT E: PROGRAM COMPARISON

HOME Rental Development	HOME-ARP Rental Development
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HOME has per-unit cost limits (42 U.S.C. 12742(e)). 2. HOME and ESG have match requirements (42 U.S.C. 12750). 3. HOME has set-aside for housing developed, sponsored, or owned by community housing development organizations (CHDOs) (42 U.S.C. 12771). 4. The HOME program targets HOME-assisted rental units based on tenant income (24 CFR 92.252). 5. The HOME program requires that HOME-assisted units in a rental housing project must be available to low-income households at rents that do not exceed the published HOME rents, including an allowance for utilities (24 CFR 92.252). 6. HOME allows a property with project based rental assistance to exceed the HOME rent limit if the PBRA contract rent is higher. This does not apply to voucher holders or TBRA recipients. 7. HOME rental units have a minimum compliance period of 5-15 years for acquisition and/or rehab, and 20 years for new construction 8. For HOME rental development projects, funding ongoing operating expenses or pre-funding an operating reserve is not an eligible HOME expense. 9. The Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104(d) requirements apply to all HOME-assisted developments. 10. A lease between the owner and tenant is required. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HOME-ARP does not have per-unit subsidy limits and can pay up to the full amount of eligible costs(CPD 21-10, 3). 2. HOME-ARP does not have match requirements (CPD 21-10, 3). 3. HOME does not have a set-aside for CHDOs (CPD 21-10, 3). 4. HOME-ARP targets Qualifying Populations without regard to income, except that a) up to 30% of rental units may be rented to Low Income non-QP households in accordance with the requirements at 24CFR 92.252, and b) if other funding sources have income requirements, those requirements may apply. 5. The PJ must determine that each qualifying household’s contribution to rent is affordable to the household based on a determination of the household’s income (CPD 21-10, 31). Tenant rent plus utilities is generally limited to 30% of the household’s income. 6. HOME-ARP allows a property with either project based rental assistance (PBRA) <u>or</u> tenant based rental assistance (e.g. TBRA or vouchers) to accept rent up to the rental assistance program’s rent standard. 7. HOME-ARP has a minimum compliance period of 15 years for all HOME-ARP rental units irrespective of the amount of subsidy per unit or whether the units are acquired, rehabilitated, and/or newly constructed (CPD 21-10, 21). 8. HOME-ARP funds may be used to provide ongoing operating cost assistance or capitalize a project operating cost assistance reserve to address operating deficits of the HOME-ARP units restricted for qualifying households during the compliance period (CPD 21-10, 21). 9. The Uniform Relocation Act requirements apply to HOME-ARP rental developments. The one-for-one replacement housing requirements of section 104(d)(does not include single-room occupancy (SRO) units or residential hotel or motel units in jurisdictions where those units are considered dwelling units under state or local law. All other section 104(d) requirements, apply. 10. Master leasing is eligible.

TBRA	HOME-ARP TBRA
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tenant Selection: based on income of the household. Grantee may select to serve only special needs groups. 2. Utility Allowance: Grantee may adopt the utility allowance schedule that the PHA uses for Section 8 or establish their own schedule based on a survey of typical utility costs in the area 3. Homebuyer programs: HOME TBRA may assist a tenant who has been identified as a potential low-income homebuyer under a lease purchase program 4. Term of Rental Assistance contract: the term must be at least one year, unless both agree otherwise 5. HOME TBRA income targeting requirements: 212(a)(3)(A)(ii) of NAHA (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)(3)(A)(ii)) and 24 CFR 92.216 6. Maximum Subsidy: 24 CFR 92.209(h) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tenant Selection: only individuals and families in the qualifying populations may receive assistance. Not income-limited, but would be of minimal benefit to higher income households. 2. Utility Allowance: HOME_ ARP may provide up to 100% subsidy for utility bills. 3. Homebuyer programs: HOME-ARP TBRA may not be used to pay for the homebuyer programs defined at 24 CFR92.209(c)(2)(iv). 4. Term of Rental Assistance contract: The requirement at 24 CFR 92.209(e) defining the term of the rental assistance contract for providing assistance with HOME funds are waived for HOME-ARP TBRA 5. HOME TBRA income targeting requirements: 212(a)(3)(A)(ii) of NAHA (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)(3)(A)(ii)) and 24 CFR 92.216 are waived 6. Maximum subsidy: PJ must establish policies for the allowable maximum subsidy, which may differ from the maximum subsidy requirements at 24 CFR 92.209(h).

Emergency Solutions Grant	HOME-ARP Supportive Services*
24 CFR 576	CPD 21-10
<p>ESG funds can be used to provide a range of supportive services under the five program components: Street outreach, Emergency shelter, Homeless Prevention, Rapid-Rehousing and HMIS.</p>	<p>There are three categories included as supportive services under HOME-ARP: McKinney-Vento Supportive Services, Homeless Prevention and Housing Counseling</p>
<p>ESG Program Components:</p> <p>ESG-funded street outreach includes activities to engage individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness, provide support for basic needs, and connect individuals to services and housing. Services consist of engagement, case management, emergency health services, emergency mental health services, specific transportation costs, and services for special populations. Eligible activity under ESG (§ 576.101)</p>	<p>Home-ARP Supportive Services</p> <p>Outreach services are eligible in HOME-ARP as a supportive service VI.D.4.J. Covered costs include staffing (salaries, travel, and cellphones); direct services such as crisis management, information and referral, and the cost of food, blankets, and hygiene kits. Supportive services under HOME-ARP also includes mental health services under VI.D.4.H and outpatient health services under VI.D.4.I</p>
<p>Emergency shelter is a short-term shelter for literally homeless individuals and families to meet their urgent safety needs. Emergency shelter can be congregate or non-congregate. Domestic violence shelters are short-term interim shelter options designed to meet the additional needs of persons fleeing an abusive situation. Eligible activity under ESG (§ 576.102).</p>	<p>Home-ARP Non-congregate shelter is one or more buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter to individuals and families and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement. HOME-ARP funds may not be used for the operating costs of Home-ARP non congregate shelters.</p>

<p>As defined in the ESG regulations, homeless prevention activities are designed to prevent an individual or family from becoming homeless. Eligible services and assistance include short-term and medium-term tenant-based or project-based rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of last month's rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair.</p>	<p>HOME-ARP funds may be used to provide a broad range of supportive services to qualifying individuals or families as a separate activity or in combination with other HOME-ARP projects and activities.</p> <p>The HOME-ARP Supportive Services eligible activity combines and adapts support services concepts and eligible activities from the ESG and CoC regulations, including HOME-ARP Homelessness Prevention Services that were adapted from eligible homelessness prevention services under the ESG regulations at 24 CFR 576.102, 24 CFR 576.103, 24 CFR 576.105, and 24 CFR 576.106 and were revised, supplemented, and streamlined in Section VI.D.4.c.i of CPD21-10.</p>
<p>ESG Rapid rehousing activities are designed to move homeless people quickly to permanent housing through housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance.</p> <p>Eligible services and assistance include short-term and medium-term tenant-based or project-based rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of last month's rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair.</p>	<p>McKinney-Vento Supportive Services under HOME-ARP were adapted from the services listed in Section 401(29) of McKinney-Vento. These eligible services include housing-related services: (1) short-term and medium-term financial assistance for rent, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of first and last months' rent, utility deposits and payments, and moving costs; (2) housing support including landlord/tenant liaison costs, mediation, legal services, and credit repair; (3) income stabilization services including life skills training, child care, transportation, food, employment assistance and job training, and education services; and (4) health services including mental health, outpatient, and substance abuse treatment.</p> <p>HOME-ARP supportive services also include services for special populations if the cost of providing the services is eligible under section VI.D of CPD-21-10.</p>
<p>HMIS activities are designed to fund ESG recipients and subrecipients' participation in the Homeless Management Information System, data collection and analyses of data on individuals and families who are homeless and at-risk of becoming homeless.</p>	<p>Not found in HOME-ARP Supportive Services</p>
<p>Not found in ESG</p>	<p>Housing Counseling Services – Housing Counseling services under HOME-ARP are those consistent with the definition of housing counseling and housing counseling services defined at 24 CFR 5.100 and 5.11</p>

*HOME-ARP Eligible Activities CoC/ESG Housing and Services Crosswalk
[HOME-ARP Eligible Activities CoC/ESG Housing and Services Crosswalk \(hudexchange.info\)](https://hudexchange.info)

ATTACHMENT F: HOME-ARP “THINGS TO CONSIDER” CHART

Kansas Housing Resources Corporation HOME-ARP Program

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES & IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER

This chart contains information on the five eligible activities under HOME-ARP for your consideration. Proposals for the use of HOME-ARP funds may include one or more of the five eligible activities included below are a number of issues to consider when determining if an eligible activity could assist in addressing the unmet needs of your constituents.

NEW RENTAL PRODUCTION (acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of rental housing units)	
<p>ELIGIBLE COSTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entire project cost is eligible • Occupants are eligible for HOME-ARP TBRA assistance. TBRA assistance, however, is portable, and a TBRA recipient may not be required to live in a HOME-ARP assisted unit. • Acquisition of vacant land or demolition is eligible if construction is expected to start within 12 months of commitment • 100% of eligible development costs including acquisition, construction, relocation and related soft costs may be paid by HOME-ARP funds • Operating costs assistance can be capitalized for: (1) ongoing operating costs for assistance OR (2) operating reserve during compliance period (if provided, KHRC will pre-fund an operating reserve rather than paying ongoing costs directly). 	<p>IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The level and degree of developer capacity to undertake a complex project • No more than 30% of total HOME-ARP assisted rental units may be occupied by Low Income (LI) households (distinct from Qualifying Population households). • Tenant-paid rent plus utilities for QPs cannot exceed 30% of household income . Rents for non-QP Low-Income households are governed by HOME requirements at 24 CFR 92.252. • Not less than 70% of total HOME-ARP units must be QP households • Repayment of HOME-ARP funds is required if a project is not completed within four years of commitment, not rented to eligible households within 12 months of project completion or terminated before completion, or not in compliance with HOME-ARP • QP households remain eligible as tenants regardless of income increases during tenancy, but rent must be calculated to income annually • Minimum 15-year compliance period regardless of amount of HOME-ARP funding or type of development (new construction, acquisition or rehab). If a HAP contract is in place, the compliance period will be at least the term of that contract. • Master leasing is permitted

TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE	
<p>ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rental assistance, security deposit assistance and utility payments • Utility deposits (only if rental assistance or security deposit is paid) • A HOME-ARP sponsor organization may facilitate leasing of a HOME-ARP unit, make rental subsidy payments and pay security deposit on behalf of QP households 	<p>IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households receiving HOME-ARP TBRA can port out without losing assistance • PJ must determine rent reasonableness • PJ determines maximum term and whether or not it's renewable—all funds must be spent by 2030 • If a PHA receives HOME-ARP for tenant based rental assistance, then the PHA may need to revise its tenant preferences to include one or more of the QPs • May be difficult in tight rental market and in a market with few participating landlords

NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER (acquisition, rehabilitation or construction of NCS units)	
<p>ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved or unimproved real property • Demolition of existing structures to develop NCS units • Improvements to the project site including utilities, utility connections, laundry facilities, community facilities, on-site management, supportive service offices • Reasonable and necessary related soft costs • Capitalization of a replacement reserve to cover reasonable and necessary replacement costs of major systems 	<p>IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot fund operating costs of the facility but can apply for HOME-ARP funds for supportive services to individuals and households sheltering in the NCS • Occupants cannot be charged rent or a fee and no lease is required • Units can be converted to permanent housing after restricted use period • Cannot use HOME-ARP to fund conversion of NCS units to permanent or transitional housing (although conversion can occur with other sources of funds) • Must operate according to ESG shelter guidelines

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	
<p>ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited to McKinney-Vento Supportive Services, Homelessness Prevention Services and Housing Counseling Services Under McKinney-Vento: childcare, basic education, employment assistance, job training, providing meals/groceries, securing housing, certain legal services, teaching critical life management skills, financial assistance such as rental application fees, security deposits, utility deposits, rental arrears Homelessness Prevention Services limited to regaining stability in current permanent housing or moving to other permanent housing to achieve stability Housing Counseling Services include only services provided by HUD-certified housing counselors and organizations, including costs associated with prepurchase homebuying counseling 	<p>IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supportive services have quarterly reporting requirements Cannot duplicate existing supportive services Consider how funding of supportive services would be continued after 2030 Can be combined with other HOME-ARP activities What is the level of capacity within organizations to provide services?

NON-PROFIT OPERATING & CAPACITY-BUILDING ASSISTANCE	
<p>ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> General operating costs Provision of capacity building assistance that will result in expansion or improvement in organization’s ability to carry out an eligible HOME-ARP activity 	<p>IMPORTANT THINGS TO CONSIDER:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only available to nonprofit organizations that will carry-out other HOME-ARP activities Operating assistance cannot exceed the greater of 50% of general operating expenses of the organization for a year, or \$50,000 Capacity building assistance may not exceed the greater of 50% of general operating expenses for a year, or \$50,000 If an organization receives both, the aggregate amount cannot exceed the greater of 50% of the organization’s total operating expenses or \$75,000

Applicant Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance Letters: As part of Phase 2 of the application process, KHRC provided HOME-ARP applicants with Technical Assistance letters. These letters provided both general information all applicants needed to be aware of regarding HOME-ARP proposals, followed by specific feedback regarding each individual application. An example of one applicant's Technical Assistance letters for a combined HOME-ARP rental, Non-Congregate Shelter, and Supportive Services application are provided on the following pages.



December 19, 2023

[REDACTED]

Re: HOME-ARP Preliminary Application Technical Assistance Notes

Dear [REDACTED]:

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HOME-ARP Preliminary Application Technical Assistance Notes

General

- For the preliminary applications, applicants were advised to request the amount of funds necessary to make the projects sustainable, without a cap on that request. KHRC received a large number of preliminary applications, requesting more than \$65,000,000 in HOME-ARP funds. As this is significantly more than the amount available, the final round of applications will be highly competitive, and not all proposals will be funded. Please keep this in mind when considering the final scope of your proposal and the amount of KHRC funding necessary to have a viable project.
- KHRC's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan does not contemplate expanded Coordinated Entry (CE) as a sole referral method, and in accordance with the guidance in CPD Notice 21-10, a Continuum of Care (CoC) CE may refer qualified households to a chronological waiting list for a project or activity.
- If projects do not have a preference or limitation among the Qualifying Populations, the project is required to use a chronological waiting list and serve households in the order they were placed on the list.
- Any limitations or preferences in QPs served by a project will require an amendment to the Allocation Plan. The application must clearly identify any proposed limitations (e.g., domestic violence or trafficking victims) or preferences (e.g., a preference for homeless households over other 'at risk' populations, or a preference for a subpopulation), and must include a compelling rationale for implementing that limitation or preference. A requested limitation or preference may not be approved by HUD as an amendment to the AP.
- Limiting an NCS shelter to QP 3 (DV survivors) is permissible, based upon the legal protections for that population, subject to approval by HUD of an amendment to the Allocation Plan. However, restricting shelter or services based on gender or sexual orientation is not consistent with the protections of the Fair Housing Act Proposals for Non-Congregate Shelter, then, must contemplate how otherwise eligible persons can be served in that facility regardless of gender or sexual identity (i.e., a women-only shelter facility is not an allowable limitation). It is understood that this may present particular challenges related to shelter design and programming.
- A project may propose a preference or limitation for persons with disabilities who can benefit from the services provided. Such proposals may require a request to HUD to amend the Allocation Plan. If services are targeted to persons with a specific disability or category of disability (e.g., mental illness), the housing and services must be available to otherwise-eligible disabled persons on a waiting list who can benefit from the services provided.
- Participation in services cannot be required as a condition of occupancy of a unit for which a person or household is otherwise eligible, except for certain services that may be part of a transitional housing program.

- Awarded projects will be required to comply with HUD's Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing requirements. This will require awardees to identify populations that might not otherwise be served if awardees were not specifically reaching out to them. These are individuals and households who may not be connected through traditional channels.
- Environmental Review: HOME-ARP activities are subject to a HUD Part 58 Environmental Review and, in the case of rental development or non-congregate shelter, may require obtaining the Authority to Use Grant Funds from HUD before a project can begin. As you have declared the intention to use Federal funds in this project, you are advised not to take any 'choice limiting actions', including but not limited to acquisition of real property, contracting for construction activities, or any ground disturbing activities until you have received written confirmation from KHRC that its Environmental Review is complete and that you are authorized to proceed.
- Eligible HOME-ARP expenses for both Rental and NCS projects include pre-funding an operating reserve.
- Rental application ONLY may request funds to pre-fund an operating reserve to be used only when QP tenants cannot afford rent needed to cover expenses.
- Based on KHRC's reading of Wichita's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, it appears that HumanKind Ministries would be eligible to apply for local HOME-ARP funds only if the City's own planned HOME-ARP development does not identify adequate funding sources within a year. If this is a correct interpretation, HumanKind may need to consider this when defining the scope and resources available for its proposal.

HOME-ARP Rental Housing

- Local HOME-ARP at \$2.5M is contingent on City RFP.
- Complete the Development Budget correctly.
 - Note that \$6.9M Rental is available for the entire state.

Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter

- Local HOME-ARP at \$2.5M is contingent on City RFP.
- Complete the Development Budget correctly.
 - Note that \$2.3M NCS is available for the entire state.
- Supportive Services salary should not be included in NCS operating budget.



January 11, 2024

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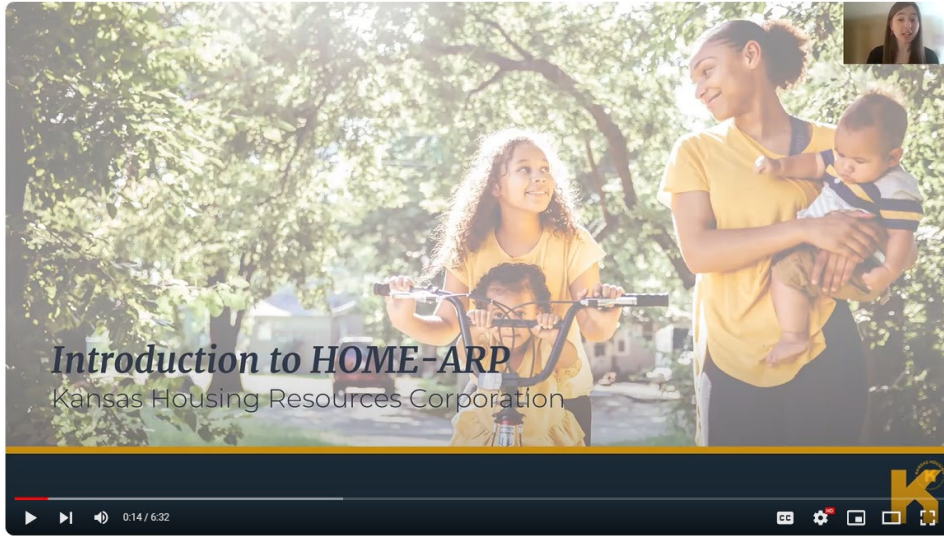
Supportive Services

- Requesting over 40% of total statewide allocation for housing counseling services.
- If the rental portion of the project is not funded, will supportive services stand alone? Can the applicant scale back the request if KHRC does not fully fund supportive services?
- Describe the waiting list/prioritization process in more detail.
- Provide additional details on the supportive services that will be provided. What are the eligible costs that will be offered? Will that include rent assistance and other financial assistance? How long will the services be offered?
- What is the proposed project period?
- The Preliminary Application lists all Supportive Services funds under Housing Counseling services. Clarify.
- The application did not adequately describe fiscal oversight.
- The application did not describe how it will avoid duplicating efforts.
- Describe if the clients served will be entered into HMIS.



Presentations

HOME-ARP Program Overview: On February 25, 2022, KHRC released a recorded presentation for stakeholders, providing an overview of the HOME-ARP program. The recording received over 220 views.




Introduction to HOME-ARP
Kansas Housing Resources Corporation

HOME-ARP Program Overview
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222 views Feb 25, 2022
This presentation is a general introduction to the HOME-ARP program, and will provide a background of how the program was developed and who it is designed to serve.

HOME-ARP Regulations and Requirements: On March 7, 2022, KHRC and M&L hosted a virtual presentation on HOME-ARP regulations. The recording received over 190 views.



M&L ASSOCIATES HOME-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

HOME-ARP Regulations and Requirements
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192 views Mar 8, 2022
This recorded presentation by KHRC's consultant M&L will give stakeholders a general understanding of the regulations and requirements of the HOME-ARP Program.

HOME-ARP Public Hearing: On November 7, 2022, KHRC held a Public Hearing for the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. Slides containing stakeholder data are included beginning on page 27.



HOME-ARP Public Hearing

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25 views Nov 7, 2022

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HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN

PUBLIC HEARING
NOVEMBER 1, 2022



NEEDS IDENTIFIED BY STAKEHOLDERS

STAKEHOLDER IDENTIFIED NEEDS

Inadequate housing at all price points, but especially affordable units that are accessible and organizations with capacity to develop

Permanent Supportive Housing

Tenant-based Rental Assistance with case management and risk mitigation fund for landlords

Non-congregate shelter

Housing for difficult-to-house: released offenders, sexual offenders

STAKEHOLDER IDENTIFIED NEEDS

Supportive services such as basic life skills training, financial counseling, housing navigators, eviction diversion, childcare, employment training, case management, rent/utility deposits

Transitional Housing for veterans, persons exiting institutions

Emergency Shelter housing in rural areas

Homeless prevention services

Increased capacity among service providers

NEEDS
IDENTIFIED
THROUGH DATA
ANALYSIS

DATA ANALYSIS: QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

20%

Of homeless remain in system for 6+ months; higher rates in Wyandotte County (38%) and Johnson County (31%)

147,000

Renter households paying more than 50% of income on rent

12,068

Households experienced homelessness during 2021 Point in Time

1,409

Individuals moved to temporary housing = greater risk to return to homelessness; highest in Wichita and Johnson County

21,070

Survivors served by Kansas Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence in 2020 (19,815 were new survivors)

UNMET NEEDS: HOMELESS QP

4,131

Supportive housing beds for adults with a disabling condition

2,254

+

2,660

Family shelter beds plus family rapid rehousing beds

3,642

Rapid rehousing units for non-family households

UNMET NEEDS: AT RISK OF HOMELESS QP

74,923

Persons behind on their housing payments from March 30-April 11, 2022

32,782

Persons who had no confidence in their ability to pay for housing in May 2022

18,207

Persons who thought they were “somewhat” or “very likely” to leave their home due to eviction or foreclosure

UNMET NEEDS: FLEEING OR ATTEMPTING TO FLEE QP

2,006

Total unmet requests for shelter by individuals fleeing domestic violence or survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking due to lack of shelter capacity

612

Individuals identified in HMIS who were fleeing domestic violence; only 18 rapid rehousing units were available

UNMET NEEDS:
OTHER
POPULATIONS
REQUIRING
SERVICES/HOUSING
TO PREVENT
HOMELESSNESS

443

Persons who likely qualify
(Balance of State, Johnson Co
and Wichita CoCs)

998

Persons with a disabling
condition and length of stays
longer than six months

9,701

Supportive housing units
estimated in pre-pandemic
Kansas by Corporation for
Supportive Housing

HOME-ARP BUDGET

Eligible Activities	Funding Amount
Supportive Services	\$ 5,732,412.50
Acquisition & Development of Non-Congregate Shelters	\$ 2,292,965.00
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$ 2,292,965.00
Development of Affordable Rental Housing*	\$ 6,878,895.00
Non-Profit Operating Expenses**	\$ 1,146,482.50
Non-Profit Capacity Building**	\$ 1,146,482.50
Administration & Planning	\$ 3,439,447.50
TOTAL HOME-ARP ALLOCATION	\$ 22,929,650.00

* Proposing 20 new affordable rental units

** Limited to 15% of total grant; limited to non-profit organizations that are awarded HOME-ARP funding for another eligible activity

QUESTIONS?

FOR MORE
INFORMATION

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Flyers

Listening Session: A flyer created to promote Round 2 listening sessions is included on page 41.

Civil Rights Consultation: On September 8, 2022, KHRC announced a stakeholder consultation for civil rights partners. The flyer created to promote the consultation is included on page 42.



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HOME-ARP Stakeholder Discussions

Join us to hear a summary of the unmet housing and supportive service needs identified for Kansas's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. Stakeholders will be asked how these funds might address community housing needs and gaps in supportive services for the Qualifying Populations and their capacity to assist in the implementation of eligible activities.

For additional details about HOME-ARP, [view this video](#).

Stakeholder Session #1

June 28, 2022 | 10:00 - 11:30 AM CST

Meeting link: <https://meet.goto.com/453041613>

Join via phone: +1 (646) 749-3122

Access code: 453-041-613

Stakeholder Session #2

June 29, 2022 | 10:00 - 11:30 AM CST

Meeting link: <https://meet.goto.com/267993997>

Join via phone: +1 (786) 535-3211

Access code: 267-993-997

For more information, contact:
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HOME-ARP Stakeholder Discussion

As an organization dedicated to the protection of civil rights, KHRC is inviting you to participate in a 90-minute stakeholder consultation session on the HOME-ARP Program. This new program focuses on the housing and supportive needs of the homeless and those at risk for homelessness. Specifically, the purpose of this session is to learn from participants how individuals and families who are homeless or at risk for homelessness are being discriminated against in their attempts to find and keep housing.

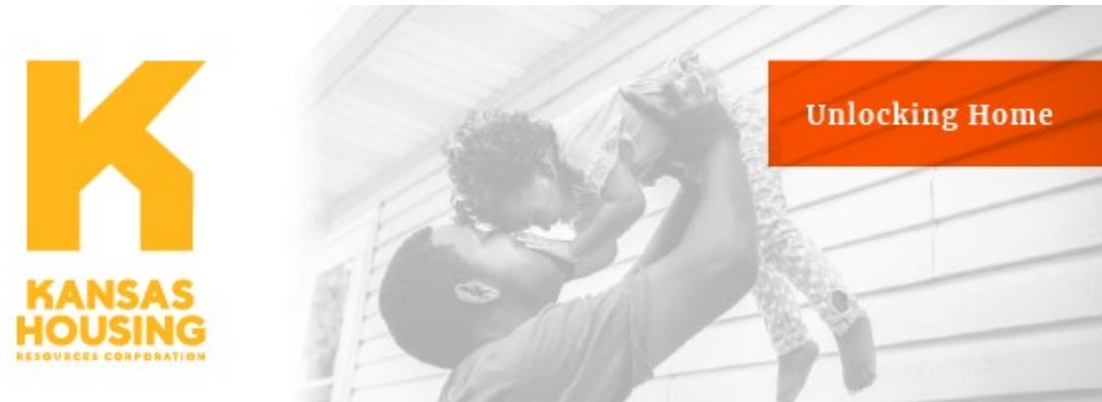
What are their priority needs in the context of civil rights? What barriers do they encounter when applying for rental assistance? What has been your experience when investigating fair housing complaints?

Please join our discussion and provide insight into this issue as KHRC develops its plan for \$22,929,650 in new funding to meet the unmet housing and supportive service needs of these populations.

Civil Rights Stakeholder Consultation
September 15, 2022 | 1:00 - 2:30 PM
Meeting link: <https://meet.goto.com/251847253>
Join via phone: +1 (408) 650-3123
Access code: 251-847-253

For more information, contact:
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Outreach



HOME-ARP Listening Sessions

Kansas Housing Resources Corporation's (KHRC) Housing Development Team is working to implement the HOME-ARP program. This program is part of the American Rescue Plan Act, which became law on Mar. 11, 2021.

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If you serve these populations and are willing to share information about their housing needs, we encourage you to attend one of the listening sessions listed on [our website](#). Checklists have been provided, which will specify the type of data and information KHRC is looking for.

[VISIT OUR PUBLIC NOTICE](#)

Questions? Email HOME-ARP Program Manager Abigail Phillips at aphillips@kshousingcorp.org.





Greetings from Kansas Housing!

Thank you for your assistance to KHRC regarding the HOME-ARP Program during the past several months. If you have participated in the listening sessions, provided data, or offered comments, KHRC greatly appreciates your participation and involvement.

As you may know, the [2022 Kansas Housing Conference](#) is next week, and we are excited to announce that KHRC will be holding a session on HOME-ARP during the conference! During the session, we will dive into the initial findings of the HOME-ARP Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis that KHRC will release later this year. Following the presentation, we will have a panel discussion with the following members of the KHRC team:

- Alissa Ice, *Director of Housing Development*
- Barry McMurphy, *Housing Development Manager*
- Doug Wallace, *CSBG / ESG Program Manager*

Part of the panel conversation will involve an interactive discussion between panel members and the audience. **If you plan to attend the conference and are considering requesting funding for a HOME-ARP activity, we encourage you to attend this session and bring your questions and comments. The session will be held on the first day of the conference (August 30) at 10:45am and is titled “HOME-ARP: Examining the Needs of Qualifying Populations.”**

If you have concerns in advance, please feel free to send me an email at aphillips@kshousingcorp.org. If you have questions about how to select your sessions, please see the instructions below. Thanks!

How to select your sessions:

1. Visit our conference website, kshousingconference.org.
2. **Click the white 'Already Registered?'** link beneath the 'Register Now' button.
3. Enter your email address and the confirmation number you received when you registered.

4. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click the **Modify Registration** button.
5. Select sessions from the dropdown menu for each time slot on each of the three days.
6. Click Next to review your summary.
7. Click **Submit!**
8. **You'll receive an automated email summary of your selections. You can always log back in to modify the sessions you'd like to attend.**

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HOME-ARP Public Hearing

KHRC has spent the last several months hosting listening sessions and gathering data in support of the development of KHRC's HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. HOME-ARP is designed to serve individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or vulnerable to housing instability by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter.

KHRC has released the draft Allocation Plan ahead of schedule and has made the plan available on our [HOME-ARP page](#). KHRC will host a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 1 at 10:00am to discuss the draft Allocation Plan. The draft Allocation Plan will be available for public comment from Tuesday, November 1 at 12:00pm through Wednesday, November 16 at 12:00pm. Please plan to join us to discuss this important resource for Kansans.

• **Tuesday, November 1, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. | [Register Now](#)**

The following resources are available on [KHRC'S website](#):

- [HOME-ARP Allocation Plan](#)
- [HOME-ARP Public Hearing slides](#)
- [Review of the HOME-ARP Qualifying Populations and Eligible Activities webinar](#)

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If you were unable to attend the Public Hearing, the recording is now available on KHRC's website, along with the following resources:

- [HOME-ARP Public Hearing](#)
- [HOME-ARP Draft Allocation Plan](#)
- [HOME-ARP Public Hearing slides](#)
- [HOME-ARP "Things to Consider" Chart](#) – a resource for organizations who are considering applying for HOME-ARP funding.



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Additional Resources:

- [CPD Notice 21-10](#) – this is the HOME-ARP implementing notice that provides further information on HOME-ARP requirements, Qualifying Populations, and Eligible Activities.
- [McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act](#) – some of the requirements in this Act apply to HOME-ARP.

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HOME-ARP RFP and Preliminary Application Released

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HOME-ARP Request for Proposal, preliminary application webinar, and office hours announced!

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**Webinar for RFP and Preliminary
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July 5 | 11:00 a.m.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

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