

HOME-ARP American Rescue Plan Overview

Community Planning &
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Vision

The City of Minneapolis funds the production and preservation of permanent supportive housing units, collaborates with key public and private partners, and invests in programs and services to prevent and end homelessness.

Background

HOME-American Rescue Plan (ARP) is:

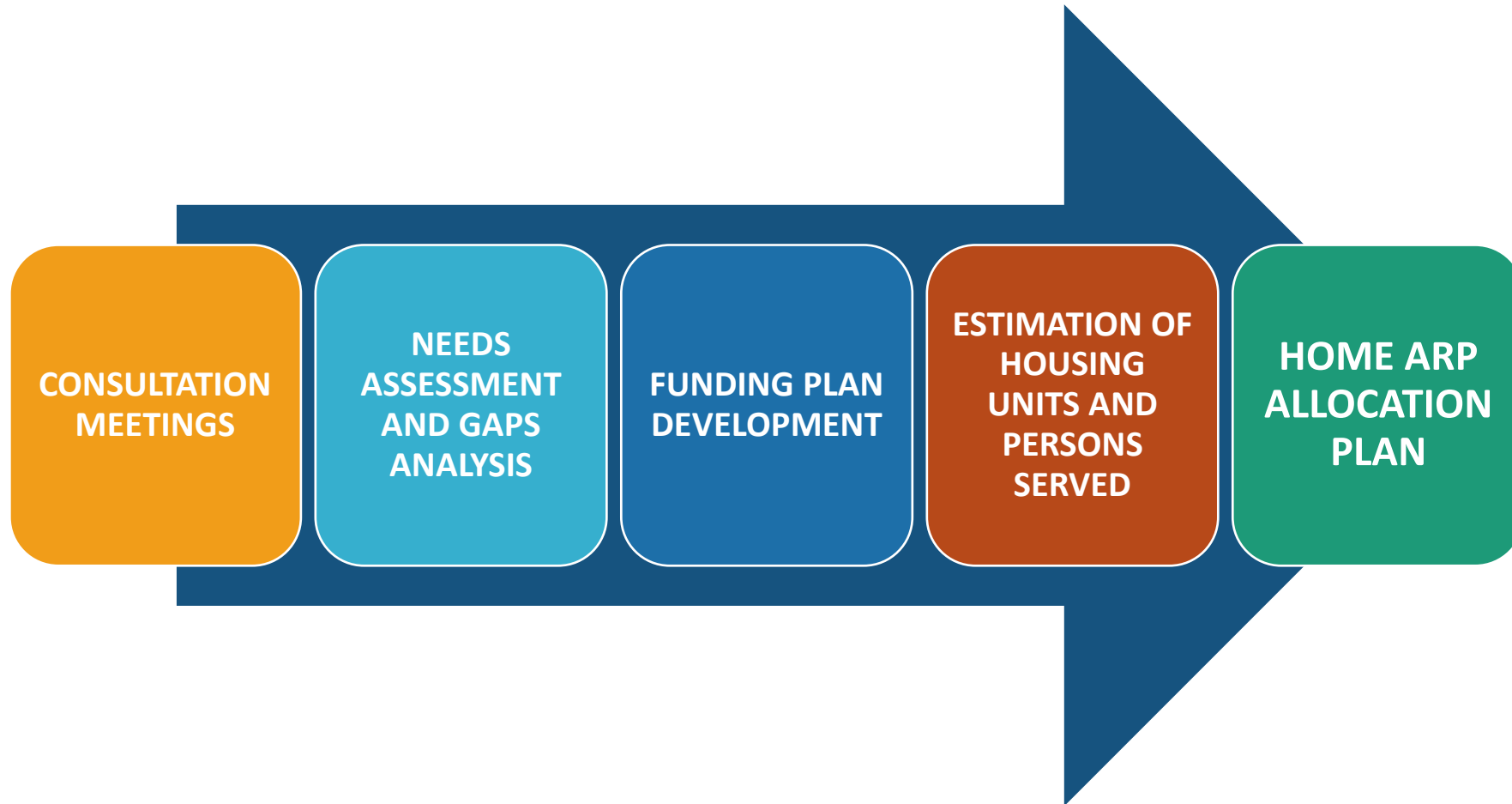
- A federal stimulus program established in 2021
- Intended to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability
- Allocated to Participating Jurisdictions (PJs)
- A one-time award available until 2030

Use of HOME-ARP is informed by:

- Community partners across the region
- Local needs and gaps in housing, shelter, and services

City of Minneapolis' HOME ARP allocation is \$9,626,335

Planning Process



Planned Consultations

- Minneapolis/Hennepin County CoC
- People with Lived Experience
- Homelessness Service Providers
- Domestic Violence Service Providers
- Minneapolis Public Housing Authority
- Veterans Groups
- Organizations that Address Fair Housing and Civil Rights
- Organizations that Serve or Advocate for People with Disabilities
- Housing Developers
- Human Trafficking Survivors Service Providers and Advocacy Groups
- Native American Groups

Overview

HOME-ARP funds can:

- Provide a broad range of housing and supportive services
- Create new standalone projects
- Be used in combination with other HOME-ARP projects and funding programs

Today we will identify:

- Gaps and needs in your community
- Those most in need of HOME ARP services
- Opportunities for addressing needs with HOME ARP funding

Qualifying Populations

Qualifying populations (QPs) include:

- Individuals and families experiencing homelessness (24 CFR 91.5)
- Individuals and families at risk of homelessness (24 CFR 91.5)
- Individuals and families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking (as defined by HUD)
- Other populations for whom supportive services or assistance would prevent homelessness or who are at greatest risk of housing instability

Eligible Activities

- Affordable rental housing
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA)
- Supportive services
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter
- Nonprofit operating and capacity building assistance

Affordable Rental Housing: Acquisition, Construction, and Rehabilitation

Housing types include:

- Single or multifamily
- Transitional
- Permanent
- Group homes
- Single room occupancy (SRO)
- Manufactured homes

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance

- Minneapolis may provide:
 - Rental assistance
 - Security deposit assistance
 - Up to two months' rent
 - Loan or grant
 - Rental assistance is not required
 - Utility deposit assistance
 - With rental assistance or security deposit assistance

Project Delivery Costs Include:

- Inspecting housing units
- Determining eligibility

Supportive Services

Combines and modifies services from three existing programs:

1. Continuum of Care (CoC)
2. Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Homelessness Prevention Services
3. Housing counseling
 - Provided by a HUD-certified counselor

Supportive Services projects can operate as standalone programs or in conjunction with other services (such as rental assistance or emergency shelter).

Non-Congregate Shelter (NCS)

Funding:

- Intended to expand and update emergency shelter stock
- Shelter operating costs are not an eligible use of HOME-ARP funds
- Requires Minneapolis to plan for long-term viability of NCS facility
- Ongoing operating costs are not eligible

NCS Eligible Activities and Costs

Acquisition of structures to be converted to NCS

New construction, with or without land acquisition

Rehabilitation of existing structures (such as nursing homes, motels, etc.)

Development hard and soft costs

Replacement reserves (for costs identified in capital needs assessment)

Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building Assistance

Two Categories of Eligible Costs

Operating Expense Assistance

Reasonable and necessary operating costs, including salaries, training for staff, rent, utilities, insurance, etc.

Capacity Building Assistance

Reasonable and necessary costs used to expand or improve the ability to carry out HOME-ARP activities.

NOTE: Funding for operating and capacity building is capped at 5% of the HOME-ARP allocation.

Preferences

Minneapolis may establish reasonable preferences for HOME-ARP assistance based on:

- Local housing needs
- Priorities identified in the Minneapolis HOME-ARP Allocation Plan

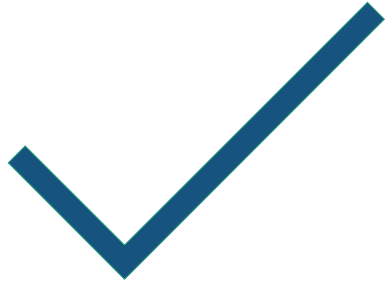
Preferences prioritize a QP or subpopulations' admission to HOME-ARP projects or programs

Referral Method Requirements

Referral methods include:

- Expanded coordinated entry*
 - Must accept all HOME-ARP qualifying populations
- Coordinated entry with other referral methods (such as 211 Call Center)
- Project/activity waiting list

*Coordinated entry is a process by which homeless assistance is allocated as effectively as possible and is a requirement of HUD's CoC and ESG Programs.



Thank you!

