

# 2022-2023 Weatherization Assistance Program State Plan

and

2022-2023 HUD Annual Action Plan

**PUBLIC HEARING** 

Wednesday April 6, 2022

#### **HEARING FORMAT**

#### Review and take comments on Weatherization Assistance Program Annual Plan

Presenter: Kathy Blodgett, ADOH Community Development and Revitalization Programs Administrator

### Review and take comments on FY2022 Annual Action Plan

Presenter: Martina Kuehl, Kuehl Enterprises LLC





# Weatherization Assistance Program Annual State Plan





Increases energy efficiency while ensuring health and safety of household.







- U.S. Department of Energy \$2.1 Million Annual Allocation Estimate (Actual Allocation has yet to be released from DOE) New Grant Agreement year no carryover from PY21.
  - Includes estimate of \$397K for Training & Technical Assistance split with Sub-grantees
  - Anticipate approximately 148 households assisted.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (LIHEAP) Estimate \$4.28 Million (Actual Allocation has yet to be released from DHHS)
  - Anticipate approximately 250 households assisted.
- Southwest Gas Corporation (SWG) \$427K
  - Anticipate approximately 120 households assisted.

#### WAP Annual State Plan



- Required by Department of Energy (DOE) for distribution of DOE grant funding only.
  - 4 main sections
    - Budget
    - Annual File determines Sub-grantee allocation amounts and numbers of households assisted.
    - Master File determines client eligibility, Program Management, Monitoring and Training and Technical Assistance.
    - Health and Safety Plan
- Annual Plan for LIHEAP is prepared by AzDES
  - In consultation with ADOH
  - Federal funds distributed to AzDES who funds ADOH through an Inter-governmental Agreement
- SWG funding directed by Az Corporation Commission.
  - Allocation has been set at \$427,000 for several years





Currently 10 Sub-grantee Weatherization Providers awarded by method of distribution that considers service area, populations and poverty statistics.

Community Action Human Resources Agency (CAHRA)	Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG
Foundation for Senior Living Home Improvement (FSL Tucson)	Phoenix, City of
Gila County	Pima County
Maricopa County	Southeastern Arizona Community Action Program (SEACAP)
Mesa Community Action Network (MesaCAN)	Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG)

- Maximum DOE allowable average investment per unit \$8,009
- Priority households are:
  - Elderly (at or above sixty (60) years of age)
  - Persons with disabilities
  - Households with Children at or below the age of 5 years.





- First (1st) Draft plan written in January 30, 2022 for internal WAP Staff review
- Subsequently distributed draft #2 on February 9, 2022 to WAP Technical Committee and WAP Sub-grantees requesting comments and input.
- Draft #3 was distributed to the WAP Policy Advisory Council on February 17, 2022 requesting comments and input.
- Held Policy Advisory Council Meeting March 4, 2022 to discuss plan and receive any recommendations
- Final Draft for public comment was posted to ADOH website on March 16, 2022.
  - Public Comment will be accepted through April 21, 2022.
- Final WAP Annual State Plan is due to DOE by May 3, 2022.

## COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

 Weatherization Assistance Program Annual Plan



#### FY2022 Annual Action Plan



- Addresses goals and objectives identified in the FY2020-FY2024
   Consolidated Plan
- Awaiting FY2022 Allocations (mid-May)
  - Expected funding is based on FY2021
  - Plan will be updated to reflect actual allocations when received
    - Increased allocations = proportionate increase in funding, unless otherwise noted
    - Decreased allocations = proportionate decrease in funding, unless otherwise noted
    - No additional public comment period or hearings
    - Updated plan with actual allocations will be noticed through Information Bulletin and posted to ADOH website
    - HUD will have 45 days to review and approve once submitted

#### FY2022 Annual Action Plan



- Describes methods of distribution for and establishes annual goals and objectives for HUD Community Planning and Development resources
  - Arizona Department of Housing
    - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY2021 \$9,799,245
    - HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) FY2021 \$5,844,026
    - Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) FY2021 \$442,224
    - National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF) FY2021 \$11,477,467
  - Arizona Department of Economic Security
    - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) FY2021 \$1,552,059





- Housing
  - State Housing Trust Fund
  - Section 811 Project Rental Assistance for people with developmental disabilities
  - ► Low-income Housing Tax Credits federal and state
  - Arizona Industrial Development Authority HOME PLUS mortgage program
  - Local and Private financing, equity, local donations, in-kind contributions, etc.
- Homelessness
  - Continuum of Care funding
  - Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers for rent subsidies to Veterans experiencing homelessness.
  - State Housing Trust Fund
  - Arizona Lottery
  - General fund appropriations
- Leverage resources are not included in Annual Action Plan goals and objectives

#### CDBG Method of Distribution, Funding & Goals



#### Method of Distribution

- Administration
  - 2% + \$100,000/year and 1% for technical assistance
- 10% Colonias Set Aside
  - Competitive applications
    - Every 2 years combined funding
- Remaining Funds
  - 85% Regional Account
    - Noncompetitive based on regional method of distribution
    - Two applications if one is for a public service or planning
  - 15% State Special Projects
    - Competitive applications
      - Infrastructure & housing
      - \$500,000 maximum

#### **Funding and Goals**

- Community Facilities & Improvements
  - 69% \$6.7M
    - 20,000 people (non-housing)
    - 30 households (housing)
    - Demolish 1 building
- Public Services
  - 1% \$100,000
    - 1,250 people
- Decent Affordable Housing
  - 26% \$2.5M
    - Rehabilitate 50 owner-occupied units

#### **HOME Method of Distribution and Funding Goals**



#### Method of Distribution

- 10% Administration
- 15% CHDO set-aside
  - Rental Housing Development
- Not less than \$2.5M for Owner-occupied Housing Rehabilitation
  - Priority to rural areas
- Remaining funds for Rental Housing Development
  - Acquisition and/or rehabilitation
  - New construction
- Notice of Funds Availability
  - Stand-alone or LIHTC gap financing
  - May be combined with NHTF, State Housing Trust Fund, NSP program income

- Owner-occupied Housing Rehabilitation
  - 50 units
- Rental Housing
  - Acquisition/Rehabilitation
    - 5 units
  - New Construction
    - 5 units





#### Method of Distribution

- 10% Administration
- 90% for Rental Housing for extremely low-income households
  - New construction
  - Acquisition and/or rehabilitation
- Notice of Funds Availability
  - Stand-alone or LIHTC gap financing
  - May be combined with HOME, State Housing Trust Fund, NSP program income

- Rental Housing Construction
  - 15 units
- Rental Housing Acquisition and/or Rehabilitation
  - 5 units

#### **HOPWA Method of Distribution and Funding Goals**



#### **Method of Distribution**

- 3% ADOH Administration
- Up to 7% Project Sponsor
   Administration
- Remaining funds for housing and services for people with HIV/AIDS and their families
- Project Sponsors reviewed annually

- Essential Services and
   Permanent Housing Placement
  - 50 people
- Homelessness Prevention –
  Short-term Rent, Mortgage &
  Utility Assistance
  - 45 households
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
  - 30 households

#### ESG Method of Distribution and Funding Goals



#### Method of Distribution

- 7.5% Administration
- Remaining funds for shelter and services
- Competitive Request for Proposals
  - Combined with other homelessness funding
  - Grantees must participate in a Continuum of Care

- Street Outreach & Services
  - 200 people
- Rapid Rehousing
  - 100 households
- Homelessness Prevention
  - 100 households
- Shelter Operating
  - 200 people
- Shelter Improvements & Development
  - 5 shelter beds added

## COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

• FY2022 Annual Action Plan



## ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT

- Accepting written comments through April 30, 2022
  - Submit written comments to:
    - publiccomment@azhousing.gov



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