

**MOBILE URBAN COUNTY**  
**2021 YEAR TWO ACTION PLAN**  
**JULY 1, 2021 – JUNE 30, 2022**



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## **Executive Summary**

### **AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)**

#### **1. Introduction**

The Mobile County Commission serves as grantee and lead agency of the Urban County. The Urban County comprises of nine incorporated municipalities—Bayou La Batre, Chickasaw, Citronelle, Creola, Mount Vernon, Prichard, Saraland, Satsuma and Semmes—and all of the unincorporated area of Mobile County, Alabama. As lead agency, Mobile County is required to prepare an Action Plan for each year of the five-year planning period covered by the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (Plan). The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan was adopted on May 26, 2020. The Consolidated Plan includes strategies for addressing some of the identified community needs with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and HOME funds, and when allocated, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funds. This document, the Year Two PY21 Action Plan, outlines proposed activities to be undertaken with CDBG and HOME funds in Program Year (PY) 2021, it also serves as an application for the grants. HUD informed the County of the 2021 allocation on February 25, 2021. On May 17th, two days before the end of the 30-day comment period, HUD informed the County of an error in the calculation in CDBG funding allocation. The new allocation for PY2021 for the Urban County is \$1,713,521 in CDBG funds and \$604,335 in HOME funds. Prior year funds from completed or cancelled CDBG activities of \$242,238 are add to PY21 CDBG activities for a total of \$1,955,759. Program Income for the HOME program from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 of \$92,511 are added to PY21 HOME activities for a total of \$627,428. The small increase in the CDBG allocation did not trigger requirements for substantial amendment per Mobile County Citizen Participation Plan. Mobile County did not receive ESG for PY2021.

Mobile Urban County's Program Year starts on July 1st and ends June 31st.

The County will provide requested certifications of consistency with our Consolidated Plan in a fair and impartial manner for funding applications by other entities to address community needs consistent with the Consolidated Plan.

#### **2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan**

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The Consolidated Plan contains a range of goals, objectives, and outcomes formulated to address needs identified for homelessness, other special needs, affordable housing, non-housing community development, barriers to affordable housing, lead-based paint hazards, institutional structure, and coordination. These objectives include:

- Continue to collaborate with homeless providers to support Continuum of Care Services and HMIS System.
- Support services aimed at homeless prevention and the elimination of homelessness through rapid re-housing.
- Continue to plan, monitor and administer entitlement grant programs and ensure compliance with Federal Regulations.
- Improve the condition of housing for low-income homeowners.
- Increase development of units and affordability of housing for homeownership and rental housing opportunities.
- Increase the viability for potential homeownership and rental housing opportunities.
- Address community needs through community-based public service programs.
- Address community needs through improvements and expansion of public facilities and public infrastructure. These objectives are supported by a collection of associated strategies and performance goals. These strategies seek to work toward meeting the objectives stated, addressing the need for more affordable housing, housing rehabilitation, public facilities and infrastructure improvements, and public services.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The County has continued to carry out the actions and strategies outlined in its Consolidated Plan. Except for instances where federal funding programs are not available or where resources could not be procured, the County has stayed with established priorities and commitments.

Mobile County has a history of successful programs funded through the Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Program. Of particular importance to the health of the County have been programs that address the condition of the housing stock. The County has successfully funded construction of affordable senior and family housing. The County also operates a successful program that provides down payment and mortgage assistance to new homebuyers. The County has worked actively with local homeless services providers to expand both the stock of units/beds available to homeless persons and services aimed at helping those persons find employment, housing, health care services, and educational opportunities. Details of past performance are provided in the County's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

The County has 1) pursued all resources that it indicated it would pursue, 2) provided requested certifications of consistency with our Consolidated Plan in a fair and impartial manner for other entities to address community needs, and 3) not hindered Consolidated Plan implementation by action or willful inaction.

#### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Mobile County follows the process for public participation outlined in the county's Citizen Participation Plan, which complies with HUD's citizen participation requirements listed in federal regulation 24 CFR 91.105. The Citizen Participation Plan is designed to ensure resident involvement in planning for the County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs, including participation in development of Five-Year Consolidated Plans, Annual Action Plans, and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPERs).

Based on the Mobile County Citizen Participation Plan, outreach for the development of the Consolidated Plan included public forums, focus group meetings, an on-line survey, and consultation with public and private agencies and organizations to capture public input as to the priority needs for the next five years. Public Forums and Stakeholder Focus Group sessions were held. Supplemental interviews were conducted and information and input received. Attendees for the Focus Groups and Public Forums were gathered through invitations sent to select resident and community leaders, organizations, industry professionals and public officials, and a public meeting notice published in the local newspaper. Topics discussed in each Public Forum and Focus Group session included general issues related to the housing market, the condition of neighborhoods, community development needs, and concerns pertaining to fair housing choice in Mobile County. The Consolidated Plan format included discussions of the communities' priority needs for the next five years. Supplemental interviews were conducted with various community, social service, professional and industry representatives to obtain information from those unable to attend the sessions. Participants in the focus groups and public forums as well as the general public were given an opportunity to complete a Priority Needs Survey as part of the Consolidated Plan process. The survey was presented at each of the aforementioned sessions and also made available on the County's website for completion and submission online. Consultations were held with public and private agencies, elected and appointed officials, individual stakeholders and the general public. Such officials and agencies included Mayors and other Elected or Appointed City Officials, the Mobile County Commission and various public service agencies.

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handicapped accessible. At the November 17, 2020 hearings, the County received some generalized feedback/questions about the application process, but nothing substantive to the development of the Action Plan, other than the overwhelming need for additional funds.

## **5. Summary of public comments**

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

During the November 17, 2020 public hearing, general questions were asked about the types of activities that would be eligible for funding and the County's process for review of application; however, other than the need for additional funding, there were no substantive comments provided.

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

No comments were received that were not accepted.

## **7. Summary**

## PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

### 1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

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

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator		MOBILE COUNTY	Grants Department, Mobile County Commission
HOME Administrator		MOBILE COUNTY	Grants Department, Mobile County Commission

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### Narrative (optional)

#### Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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## **AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)**

### **1. Introduction**

Mobile County works with a wide variety of agencies, organizations, and service providers in an effort to bring various viewpoints to bear in the identification of local housing and service needs. Working with existing funding partners, advocacy organizations and others, the Mobile County Grants Department works diligently to foster ongoing relationships focused on specific needs. Working in tandem, the use of targeted meetings designed to solicit public input into the Consolidated Plan/Action Plan process allows the County to further utilize outside organizations in the consultation process. A few of these agencies are listed below, but others were invited and/or participated that were not found in the HUD database. These agencies include: The Rape Crisis Center of Mobile; Semmes Woman's Club; Boys and Girls Clubs of South Alabama, Inc.; the Prichard, Chickasaw, and Mobile County Housing Authorities; Habitat for Humanity of South Alabama; South Alabama Regional Planning Commission (SARPC); and the Alabama Department of Public Health.

### **Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I))**

Mobile County maintains relationships with a variety of local non-profit service providers, as well as health and mental health providers, through the Mobile City and County/Baldwin County Continuum of Care. The County also operates and financially supports the Mobile County Board of Health (MCBH) mobile medical unit, which makes routine health services available to residents living in publicly supported housing as well as other marginalized groups.

Housing providers and health and mental health service agencies participated in the development of this Plan. Specifically, representatives of the Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw, the Housing Authority of the City of Prichard, Habitat for Humanity of Southwest Alabama, Lifelines Mobile, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy, Franklin Primary Health Center, and the Mobile County Health Department provided input through interviews or surveys.

Every year, Mobile County invites its Urban County municipalities and local service providers to submit applications for capital and public service projects for CDBG funds. The Grants Department holds information meetings open to the municipalities, public service providers, and the public to review the application process.



**Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.**

Mobile County staff participate in meetings of the Mobile City and County/Baldwin County Continuum of Care (CoC) which coordinates the annual Point in Time Count of homeless individuals. Housing First, Inc. serves as the lead agency for the CoC and Housing First staff consulted in the development of this Plan. Other homeless housing and service providers that were consulted for this Plan include Legal Services, which runs a homelessness prevention project; Penelope House, which serves victims of domestic violence; and Salvation Army, which provides emergency shelter and other services. In 2021, the County will provide funding to serve local agencies serving victims of intimate partner violence and households at risk of homelessness.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS**

The County has not received ESG funds since 2016. However, the County continues to work with Housing First, Inc. the lead agency for the Continuum of Care, and other homeless service providers to support the goals of the CoC. Input from Housing First and other agencies serving people who are homeless were considered in developing priorities and goals for the use of the County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG (if ESG funds are received during the five-year planning period) funds over the next five years.

**2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities.**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Legal Services of Alabama
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Legal
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	PENELOPE HOUSE
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Families with children Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Boat People SOS-Bayou La Batre
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Immigrant/Refugee Services
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	OZANAM CHARITABLE PHARMACY, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview

5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HOUSING FIRST, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-homeless Continuum of Care
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF SOUTH ALABAMA, INC.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Youth
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview and Public meeting
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Center for Fair Housing, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Service-Fair Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview and Public meeting

8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Mobile
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Public meeting
9	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	CITY OF PRICHARD
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Public meeting
10	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	FRANKLIN PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Health Health Agency
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
11	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Habitat for Humanity of Southwest Alabama
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview

12	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
13	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Housing Authority of the City of Prichard
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview and Public meeting
14	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Lifelines Mobile
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Counseling
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview and Public meeting

15	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development Broadband and Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
16	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Mobile Area Interfaith Conference, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Offender Re-entry
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	interview
17	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	MOBILE COUNTY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
18	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Mobile County Health Department
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - County
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-housing community development strategy

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Public meeting
19	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
20	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Regions Mortgage
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Banking
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
21	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation for The Salvation Army of Costal Alabama
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
22	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Southwest Alabama Partnership for Training and Employment
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
23	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Success 4 the Future
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Youth and Civic Organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-housing community development strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Public meeting
24	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	University of South Alabama
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Market Analysis Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
25	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The WAVE Transit System
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Transportation
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Market Analysis



	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Interview
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**Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

No agency types or specific organizations were intentionally left out of the public participation process.

**Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan**

<b>Name of Plan</b>	<b>Lead Organization</b>	<b>How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?</b>
Continuum of Care	Housing First, Inc. as lead agency for the Continuum of Care Serving Mobile and Baldwin County	The Strategic Plan provides a set of goals for addressing homelessness, that are supported by the Mobile County Continuum of Care and its participating agencies. However the County did not receive ESG funding for PY21.

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

**Narrative (optional)**

The development of the Consolidated Plan and the component Strategic Plan and Annual Action Plans require the help of the local non-profit community and other organizations. Specific priorities are identified and ranked through that participation utilizing focus group sessions, forums, and surveys. The County relies on its ongoing relationships to ensure that these opinions and observations are incorporated into the Plans.

## **AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

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

**Consolidated Plan:** Based on the Mobile County Citizen Participation Plan, outreach for the development of the Consolidated Plan included public forums, focus group meetings, an on-line survey, and consultation with public and private agencies and organizations to capture public input as to the priority needs for the next five years. Public Forums and Stakeholder Focus Group sessions were held. Supplemental interviews were conducted and information and input received. Attendees for the Focus Groups and Public Forums were gathered through invitations sent to select resident and community leaders, organizations, industry professionals and public officials, and a public meeting notice published in the local newspaper. Topics discussed in each Public Forum and Focus Group session included general issues related to the housing market, the condition of neighborhoods, community development needs, and concerns pertaining to fair housing choice in Mobile County. The Consolidated Plan format included discussions of the communities' priority needs for the next five years. Supplemental interviews were conducted with various community, social service, professional and industry representatives to obtain information from those unable to attend the sessions. Participants in the focus groups and public forums as well as the general public were given an opportunity to complete a Priority Needs Survey as part of the Consolidated Plan process. The survey was presented at each of the aforementioned sessions and also made available on the County's website for completion and submission online. Consultations were held with public and private agencies, elected and appointed officials, individual stakeholders and the general public. Such officials and agencies included Mayors and other Elected or Appointed City Officials, the Mobile County Commission and various public service agencies.

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Pursuant to these hearings, the County received some generalized feedback/questions about the application process, but nothing substantive to the development of the Action Plan, other than the overwhelming need for additional funds. Public hearing locations are fully handicapped accessible.

## **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
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1	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Three Consolidated Plan Forums and Stakeholder Focus Group meetings were held. A wide variety of individuals and social service agencies were invited to participate in the events. Surveys from meetings and online were linked to the County website. Responses provided direction with prioritization. Three public meetings were held for the 2021 Action Plan and one specific hearing for all the Urban County member municipalities. A wide variety of individuals, elected officials, and agencies	Con Plan: The sessions identified a wide range of issues of concern to the attendees with regard to social and economic conditions, housing, public policy and awareness of fair housing, banking and mortgage lending issues, special needs housing, and public transportation. Action Plan: No comments were received.	All comments were accepted.	
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			participated in the meetings.			

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

For PY21, Mobile County is eligible to receive funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$1,713,521 and \$604,335 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program. Combined, the County will receive an anticipated \$2,317,856 in HUD grant funds. The County has prior

year CDBG funds of \$242,238 available and HOME Program Income of \$92,511. These funds will be used to operate a range of private and public services as described later in the Action Plan bringing the County's total 2021 resources to \$2,652,605 million.

\$170,000 of the \$242,238 prior fund is a cancelled PY2019 project - Rehab Senior/Community Center to be ADA compliant in Bayou La. By adding these funds to PY2021 projects, please consider this a substantial amendment to the PY2019 Action Plans. All other prior year funds are due to overages from completed projects.

### Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,713,521	0	242,238	1,955,759	4,126,212	
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	604,335	92,511	0	696,846	1,486,639	

**Table 4 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

**Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied**

HOME funds will be matched through in-kind or cash contributions. If the total revenue match is larger than the required match expense, the difference will be accumulated to be used to meet match requirements when needed. In-kind or cash match will be contributed from the accumulated cash.

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

Mobile County does not currently anticipate using publicly owned land or property to address needs identified in the plan, but will continue to evaluate opportunities to use public land for future development.

**Discussion**

N/A



## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Rental Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless	Countywide	Develop and Preserve Affordable Rental Housing	HOME: \$627,428	Rental units constructed: 4 Household Housing Unit
2	Homeowner Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Countywide	Homeowner Housing Repair Assistance	CDBG: \$100,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 8 Household Housing Unit
3	Public Services	2020	2024	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide CDBG Area Benefit	Homelessness Prevention Public Services Fair Housing	CDBG: \$230,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1041 Persons Assisted
4	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide CDBG Area Benefit	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$813,148	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 22045 Persons Assisted Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 48 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Spot Blight Clearance	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Demolition and Spot Blight Clearance	CDBG: \$450,000	Buildings Demolished: 53 Buildings
6	Program Administration	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide CDBG Area Benefit	Program Administration	CDBG: \$337,727 HOME: \$69,418	Other: 1 Other

**Table 5 – Goals Summary**

## Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Rental Housing
	Goal Description	Rental Housing
2	Goal Name	Homeowner Housing
	Goal Description	Homeowner Home Emergency Repair Assistance
3	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Public Services
4	Goal Name	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Goal Description	Public Facilities and Infrastructure

5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Spot Blight Clearance
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Spot Blight Clearance
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	Program Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Program Administration

## Projects

### AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

The projects listed below represent the activities Mobile County plans to undertake during the 2021 program year to address the goals of providing decent affordable housing, promoting a suitable living environment, and encouraging economic opportunity. Also listed below are CDBG-CV projects to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus.

#### Projects

#	Project Name
1	CDBG Program Administration
2	Spot/ Blight Clearance
3	Semmes Senior Center Walking Trail
4	Home Emergency Repair Assistance Program
5	Whistler Bike Trail Improvements
6	Hurst Street Improvement, Creola
7	Sewer Improvements, Saraland
8	Prescription Drug Assistance
9	Child Abuse Victim Assistance
10	Senior Services
11	Legal Services
12	Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy
13	Summer Youth Program
14	Rape Crisis Victim Service Assistance
15	Financial Homebuyer Counseling
16	HOME Program Administration
17	Rental Housing

**Table 6 - Project Information**

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

**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

1	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG Program Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Program Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Program Administration
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$342,704
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funding for general administration, planning, and staff costs for CDBG and, if needed, HOME programs. Provide funding for fair housing outreach and preparation of HUD required reports.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Not applicable; General program administration with no direct benefit
	<b>Location Description</b>	Mobile County offices
2	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Develop, administer, revise, implement, and evaluate the day-to-day operation of the entitlement program. Activities include program design, grants administration, compliance monitoring, program and fair housing outreach, public relations, training, staff costs, and preparation of HUD required reports.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Spot/ Blight Clearance
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Spot Blight Clearance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Demolition and Spot Blight Clearance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$450,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funding for spot blight clearance to eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay on a spot basis not located in a designated slum or blighted area specifically in the City of Bayou LA Batre, City of Prichard and other Countywide.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2023

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Estimated 53 structures demolished
	<b>Location Description</b>	Locations in the City of Bayou La Batre, City of Prichard, and other parts of the County. Specific structures will be identified during the program year.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide funding for Spot Blight Clearance to eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay on a spot basis not located in a designated slum or blighted area. \$200,000 is earmarked for City of Prichard, \$100,000 for City of Bayou La Batre and \$150,000 for the rest of the County.
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Semmes Senior Center Walking Trail
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$200,000
	<b>Description</b>	Construction of a walking trail for the Semmes Senior Center
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 300 seniors will benefit from the proposed activity
	<b>Location Description</b>	9635 Moffett Rd., Semmes, AL 36575
<b>4</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Construct a walking trail to provide outdoor exercise facility for seniors
	<b>Project Name</b>	Home Emergency Repair Assistance Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeowner Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homeowner Housing Repair Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$100,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide a home emergency repair assistance program for owner-occupied homes, targeting low income families/households .

	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	A minimum of 8 homes of low income families/households
	<b>Location Description</b>	Possible locations throughout Mobile County. Specific properties will be identified during the program year
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provision of emergency home repair for a minimum of 8 homes occupied by low income owner families/households
5	<b>Project Name</b>	Whistler Bike Trail Improvements
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$200,000
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This is a popular park in Prichard. Estimated 21,745 persons will benefit from this project
	<b>Location Description</b>	Prichard
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Improvement to include but not limited to security features such as installation of security lights and other security features. If funds are available improvements may also include signage, benches, water fountains, landscaping.
6	<b>Project Name</b>	Hurst Street Improvement, Creola
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$333,055



	<b>Description</b>	Hurst Drive is an existing unpaved road in the City of Creola that is approximately 1100 feet long. It connects on the north end to Ducey Road, which is a paved road, and to Lyon Drive on the south end, which is also unpaved. The paving of this road may include clearing & grubbing the right-of-way; grading, adding base material & paving the roadbed; shoulder construction; drainage improvements, grassing; right-of-way and/or easement acquisitions; and other incidental work necessary for the completion of the project.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 10 households will benefit from this project
	<b>Location Description</b>	Creola
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Hurst Drive is an existing unpaved road in the City of Creola that is approximately 1100 feet long. It connects on the north end to Ducey Road, which is a paved road, and to Lyon Drive on the south end, which is also unpaved. The paving of this road may include clearing & grubbing the right-of-way; grading, adding base material & paving the roadbed; shoulder construction; drainage improvements, grassing; right-of-way and/or easement acquisitions; and other incidental work necessary for the completion of the project.
7	<b>Project Name</b>	Sewer Improvements, Saraland
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$100,000
	<b>Description</b>	The project will install cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP) for approximately 1,855 linear feet of 8-inch sewer lines and 600 feet of 5-inch sewer laterals.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2023

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 30 households will benefit from this project.
	<b>Location Description</b>	International Drive and Scott Drive in Shelton Beach Estate, Saraland
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Install cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP) for approximately 1,855 linear feet of 8-inch sewer lines and 600 feet of 5-inch sewer laterals at International Drive and Scott Drive in Shelton Beach Estates in Saraland,
<b>8</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Prescription Drug Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$35,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds for a prescription drug assistance program, which provides pharmaceutical services at no cost to eligible low/moderate-income persons
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 160 persons will benefit from this project
	<b>Location Description</b>	Countywide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	provide prescription medication at no cost to chronically ill patients who do not qualify for other programs and are unable to pay for discounted medication, which alleviates unnecessary emergency room visits for prescription refills. Grant Funds will be used for purchase of generic prescription drugs, pharmacy software, and pharmacy supplies.
<b>9</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Child Abuse Victim Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services

	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$25,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds to assist with services that provide counseling and transportation for child sexual abuse victims and their non-offending families living in Mobile County.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimate of 87 persons will be assisted with this program
	<b>Location Description</b>	Non-profit agency location for countywide service
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide child victims of sexual abuse, and their non-offending family members, one central location for healing. It prevents their being forced to go from agency to agency, having to tell their sad stories over and over again. Eight different agencies collaborate on safety, counseling, prosecution, forensic medicine, and any other needs presented. Grant Funds will be used for paying contract counseling fees.
10	<b>Project Name</b>	Senior Services
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$60,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide \$50,000 for staff cost at a Semmes Senior Center. The staff is responsible for programming, scheduling, and coordination of activities that will be geared to the interests of the senior community plus designed to accommodate different ability levels. Provide \$10,000 towards home-delivered meals for seniors in the Grand Bay/Irvington area.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 107 (from Semmes) and 92 (from Grand Bay and St. Elmo) low/moderate income seniors
	<b>Location Description</b>	City of Semmes and unincorporated areas of Grand Bay and St. Elmo

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Semmes Senior Center, which by responding to the diverse needs and interests of seniors, enhances dignity, supports independence, prevents isolation, and encourages involvement in the community. Grant funds will be used for staff cost. The SARPC home-delivered meal program feeds homebound seniors in Grand Bay and St. Elmo. The service aids seniors in maintaining their independence as well as their ability to remain in their own homes. Grant funds will be used for driver wages and payroll taxes as well as vehicle expenses.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Legal Services
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness Prevention Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds to deliver civil legal representation to low- and moderate-income individuals.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 450 persons at-risk of homelessness
	<b>Location Description</b>	Non-profit agency location for countywide service
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Legal Services Alabama facilitates a Homelessness Prevention Project by providing free high-quality legal services toward alleviating civil legal issues that cause homelessness, including special needs and circumstances affecting Domestic Violence victims. Grant funds will be used for staff attorney salary and benefits
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness Prevention Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$15,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy Program will serve victims of intimate partner violence in Mobile County. Advocates will provide support and assistance to victims of intimate partner violence as they navigate throughout the court system. Also, this program assists victims in developing a safety plan and offer referrals to other services and community resources
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Estimated 87 persons will benefit
	<b>Location Description</b>	Non-profit agency location for countywide services
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy Program will serve victims of intimate partner violence in Mobile County. Advocates will provide support and assistance to victims of intimate partner violence as they navigate throughout the court system. Also, this program assists victims in developing a safety plan and offer referrals to other services and community resources. Funds will be used to support project staffing expenses.
13	<b>Project Name</b>	Summer Youth Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	CDBG Area Benefit
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$30,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funding for a seven-week summer enrichment program for youth in north Mobile County, inclusive of the Town of Mt. Vernon and City of Citronelle. The program will focus on youth development to include assistance with skills necessary for building good character / citizenship, achieving academic success and living a healthy lifestyle
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2022

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	128 youth will benefit from this program
	<b>Location Description</b>	Town of Mt. Vernon and City of Citronelle
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	BGCSA serves youth ages 6 - 14 in its summer enrichment program held in Citronelle and Mt. Vernon for six weeks of full days. A focus on five Core Program Areas: Arts, Education, Health & Wellness, Leadership & Service, and Sports & Recreation, instills character, citizenship, and healthy lifestyle, guiding toward a responsible and productive adulthood. Grant Funds will be used for staff salaries and payroll taxes as well as operating expenses.
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Rape Crisis Victim Service Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$5,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds to assist with direct services to sexual assault victims and their families
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 24 persons will benefit from this program
	<b>Location Description</b>	Non-profit agency location for countywide services
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Offer individual counseling sessions to sexual assault victims and their loved ones. Service will include crisis counseling via phone and face-to-face, support groups and case management
<b>15</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Financial Homebuyer Counseling
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeowner Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homebuyer Assistance
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$10,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds to a nonprofit organization that has an established framework of communication and outreach to low/moderate-income persons to conduct financial and housing counseling, Homebuyer Training classes and to provide affirmative marketing of the program. Homebuyer counseling provides low/moderate-income homebuyers a guide to the home buying process as well as good financial management practices for both pre and post purchase of a home, including foreclosure prevention. Homebuyer Training classes are offered to provide equal access to all residents of the County to the Down Payment Assistance program and the Construction of Affordable Homes Program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2023
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	An estimated 75 households will benefit from this program
	<b>Location Description</b>	Non-profit agency location for countywide services
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide funds to a nonprofit organization that has an established framework of communication and outreach to low/moderate-income persons to conduct financial and housing counseling, Homebuyer Training classes and to provide affirmative marketing of the program. Homebuyer counseling provides low/moderate-income homebuyers a guide to the home buying process as well as good financial management practices for both pre and post purchase of a home, including foreclosure prevention. Homebuyer Training classes are offered to provide equal access to all residents of the County to the Down Payment Assistance program and the Construction of Affordable Homes Program
<b>16</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HOME Program Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Program Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Program Administration
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$69,418

	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds for planning, underwriting, homebuyer counseling and program administration.
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	General Program administration, no direct benefit
	<b>Location Description</b>	County Offices
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide funds for planning, underwriting, staff and program administration.
17	<b>Project Name</b>	Rental Housing
	<b>Target Area</b>	Countywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rental Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Develop and Preserve Affordable Rental Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$627,428
	<b>Description</b>	Provide funds acquisition/development/construction of rental housing
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2024
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Estimate 4 households will be assisted with acquisition/development/construction of rental housing
	<b>Location Description</b>	TBD
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Acquisition/Development/construction of rental housing. A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be issued for Development of rental housing. Any funding award(s) will be based on analysis and underwriting of proposals. The RFP will at a minimum be published on the County's web site. Should the developer be designated a CHDO funding may include operating funds.



## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)**

### **Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed**

Mobile County will fund six projects with a CDBG Area Benefit in the 2021 program year, with the total amount allocated to these projects at about \$923,055. Each of these areas qualifies as eligible because more than 51% of residents are low- or moderate-income. Areas to receive funding include:

- Citronelle –for a summer youth enrichment program
- Creola – Improvements to Hurst Street
- Grand Bay – for a senior meals program.
- Prichard – for improvements to whistler Bike trail and for removal of dilapidated buildings.
- Saraland – Improvements to sewer lines
- Semmes – Construction of a walking trail and staffing at the Semmes Senior Center
- Mount Vernon – for a summer youth enrichment program

Of Mobile County’s \$1,955,759 of CDBG funding in the 2021 program year (not including program administration funding), about 57% will be used in one of the CDBG Area Benefit geographies noted above. The remaining 43% will be for use countywide.

### **Geographic Distribution**

<b>Target Area</b>	<b>Percentage of Funds</b>
Countywide	43
CDBG Area Benefit	57

**Table 7 - Geographic Distribution**

### **Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically**

The Mobile County Grants Department requested applications from potential CDBG subrecipients for capital and public service projects. Following a review of the applications, the County allocated investments to best meet priority needs based on project eligibility, availability of funds, readiness to proceed, and responsiveness to the application.

### **Discussion**

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

Over the 2021 program year, Mobile County will fund construction of 4 new affordable rental units and 8 emergency repair of homeowner units.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	12
Special-Needs	0
Total	12

**Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	4
Rehab of Existing Units	8
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	12

**Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type**

#### Discussion

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

Public housing in Mobile County is operated by the Housing Authority of the City of Prichard (HACP), the Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw and the Mobile County Housing Authority.

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

Chickasaw Housing Authority plans to save money with the installation of new carbon monoxide detectors and the reduction of trip hazards on sidewalks. Both the Chickasaw Housing Authority and the HACP are participating in RAD conversions which may address some physical needs for their traditional public housing structures in the coming year.

The Mobile County Housing Authority plans to continue replacing roofs on its public housing units, which are done on a yearly basis.

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

HACP held a meeting for the Consolidated Planning process at its William “Bill” Clark Family Life Center. HACP staff coordinated and attended the meeting and invited residents. Fourteen people (who were not all HACP staff and residents) attended the meeting and provided input for this Plan.

The HACP offers two Family Self-Sufficiency programs, one for traditional public housing residents and one for housing choice voucher residents. The HACP has certified housing counselors on staff to help prepare tenants who are interested in homeownership. Staff members offer classes on financial literacy, budgeting, credit scores, down payment assistance and other steps in the homebuying process.

### **If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance**

Not applicable – None of the housing authorities in Mobile County are designated as “troubled.”

### **Discussion**

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

### **Introduction**

Mobile County is covered by the Mobile City and County/ Baldwin County Continuum of Care, a network of service providers covering Mobile and Baldwin counties. The Continuum of Care brings together housing and service providers to meet the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Mobile County will continue to partner with the Continuum of Care and local homelessness service providers to achieve the County's homelessness goals.

### **Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including**

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

Over the next year, members of the Mobile City and County/ Baldwin County Continuum of Care and other homeless housing and service providers in Mobile County will continue reaching out to homeless persons, including unsheltered persons, through street outreach and emergency shelter services. Housing First, Inc., AltaPointe Health, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will continue to provide outreach to people experiencing homelessness with the goal of getting individuals and families into permanent housing.

#### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

During the program year, Christ N Us Ministry, Family Promise of Coastal Alabama, McKemie Place, Penelope House, Salvation Army of Coastal Alabama, The Lighthouse, and Waterfront Rescue Mission will continue to provide emergency shelter in Mobile County. AIDS Alabama South, Dumas Wesley Community Center, Mobile Area Interfaith Conference, Penelope House, The Lighthouse, and Volunteers of America Southeast will continue to provide transitional housing for people experiencing homelessness.

#### **Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again**

During the program year, Mobile County will work to increase the availability of affordable housing by using HOME funds to support the development of affordable rental housing.

The County will also continue to support the Continuum of Care, members of which provide supportive

services and housing search assistance for individuals and families consistent with a Housing First approach. AltaPointe Health Systems, Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System, and Housing First, Inc. will continue to provide permanent supportive housing.

Finally, the County will take steps to implement the strategies in its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, which includes strategies to support housing affordability in the county.

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.**

Over the next year, housing and service providers in Mobile County will continue to work together to prevent homelessness in populations who are vulnerable to or at risk of homelessness. The County will continue funding housing rehabilitation to support residents affording needed home repairs and remaining in their homes. Funding will also be provided for a homelessness prevention program which provides legal services to assist individuals with matters related to premature discharge or those associated with eviction/foreclosure. Dumas Wesley Community Center, Family Promise of Coastal Alabama, Housing First, Inc., and Mobile Area Interfaith Conference will continue to fund Rapid Re-Housing in the county.

## **Discussion**

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

### **Introduction:**

In conjunction with the development of this Consolidated Plan, Mobile County also developed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) covering the unincorporated County and the municipalities of Bayou La Batre, Chickasaw, Citronelle, Creola, Mount Vernon, Prichard, Saraland, Satsuma, and Semmes. In its assessment of fair housing barriers, the AI considered the impact of local land use and zoning policies on residential investment and affordable housing development. While Mobile County does not develop a comprehensive plan or having zoning power, municipalities within the county have adopted local zoning ordinances, with the exception of Semmes, which (along with Mobile County) has adopted subdivision regulations and requires building permits in conformity with adopted codes. A review of these ordinances found that “...there is more that the County jurisdictions can do to use zoning and land use policies to further remove artificial barriers to development of and access to affordable housing across all residential zones.” Examples include allowing attached housing types in single-family districts; permitting conversion of large single-family dwellings in high-opportunity neighborhoods to 2-family, 3-family, or multifamily dwellings compatible with the neighborhood character; decreasing minimum lot size requirements; allowing for subdivision of large lots in low density districts; allowing zero lot line, patio homes, or cottage communities on small or shared lots with no minimum floor area; or allowing accessory dwelling units. As a Dillon rule state, approval of State legislation for municipalities in Mobile County would be required in order to provide inclusionary zoning. If this was approved, inclusionary zoning could be an additional tool for incentivizing the development of affordable housing by providing density bonuses or other development concessions for developments where a portion of units are kept affordable.

In addition to local land use policy, affordable housing development is also impacted by policies at the state level. In 2018, the State of Alabama adjusted its formula for tax valuations on affordable multifamily properties. Under Addendum P in the state’s Property Tax Plan for Equalization, those properties receiving subsidies such as “grants, below market financing, direct rental assistance and low income housing tax credits” either through USDA or HUD, will be subject to the same rules as used for assessment of market-rate multifamily properties (Alabama Department of Revenue Property Tax Division. (2018, April 27). *Property Tax Plan for Equalization*). Addendum P would allow local tax assessors to value subsidized multifamily housing using one of the three standard appraisal approaches (sales, income or cost) based on the Alabama Appraisal Manual. While responsibility for determining how to best assess properties in Mobile County is the responsibility of the Revenue Commissioner, property owners are allowed an appellate process and can appeal an assessment by providing data (such as income and expenses) to justify an adjustment to the assessed value. Accordingly, the changes in valuation are not anticipated to have a significant impact on affordable multifamily properties in Mobile County and throughout the state.

**Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the**

## **return on residential investment**

The potential barriers to affordable housing discussed above are all at the municipal or state level and not within the immediate purview of Mobile County. However, as participants in the Urban County, municipalities in Mobile County are called upon to affirmatively further fair housing, which may include taking steps to ensure that barriers to affordable housing development are reduced. Mobile County can encourage jurisdictions that participate in the Urban County to review their zoning codes for potential opportunities to reduce restrictions and encourage access to affordable housing in their residential districts.

The County can also review the State of Alabama's Low Income Housing Tax Credit allocation plan and work with developers applying for LIHTCs to make their applications as competitive as possible so as to increase the available supply of affordable housing even as these tax valuation on such properties changed.

## **Discussion:**

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

This section details Mobile County's actions planned to ensure safe and affordable housing for its residents, along with plans to meet underserved needs, reduce poverty, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private sector housing and community development agencies.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

Lack of sufficient funding and high costs for new development are two of the biggest obstacles to meeting underserved needs in Mobile County. In order to develop additional resources to meet affordable housing and homeless housing and service needs, Mobile County will fund a variety of public services to address needs of low-income residents, including summer enrichment programs for children; housing counseling; legal services to prevent homelessness; access to no-cost prescription medication; assistance for victims of child abuse, domestic violence and/or rape; senior services; and home meal delivery.

The County will also work to identify and develop partnerships with private agencies with the goal of increasing the supply of affordable housing. These may include LIHTC or other developers considering housing projects in the county. The County will also look at using funding or grants that can be leveraged to bring new dollars for affordable housing or homelessness into the community. Additionally, the County will work with incorporated cities to review their zoning codes for possible changes that would decrease costs or risk for multifamily developments, including identifying zones where denser multifamily construction may be built as-of-right.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

To maintain and expand the current affordable housing stock, Mobile County will fund construction of affordable rental housing, development of new affordable housing by Community Housing Development Organizations, home repair/rehabilitation assistance, and counseling services for homeownership. In addition to specific programs designed to foster and maintain affordable housing, the County will work with incorporated cities to review their zoning ordinances for prospective barriers to affordable housing development and make amendments as needed. The County has also recently updated its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. As a result of this study, the County will undertake additional approaches to fostering fair and affordable housing.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

An important initiative emanating from HUD in the last decade is the reduction of lead-based paint hazards, and many jurisdictions around the country have focused on reaching this goal. The federal Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community



Development Act of 1992) amends the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act of 1971, which is the law covering lead-based paint in federally funded housing. These laws and subsequent regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (24 CFR part 35) protect young children from lead-based paint hazards in housing that is financially assisted or being sold by the federal government.

In property repair/rehabilitation projects involving Mobile County, the County will follow the regulations found at 24 CFR Part 35 relative to lead based paint poisoning prevention in certain residential structures.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

Mobile County's anti-poverty strategy focuses on helping all low-income households improve their economic status and remain above the poverty level. Current programs to reduce poverty through access to education and jobs are provided by the Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council and other local workforce development organizations, as well as through the County's nonprofit grantees. Specifically, the County will fund summer enrichment programs for children; housing counseling; legal services for homelessness prevention; access to no-cost prescription medication; assistance for victims of child abuse, domestic violence and/or rape; senior services; and home meal delivery. Emergency assistance is also provided by several nonprofit housing and service agencies in the county.

Further, Mobile County's housing programs and activities that support development of and access to affordable housing inherently address poverty by creating housing opportunities for low-income households. Specifically, the County will use grant funds to support emergency home repair for low-income households. Without these housing opportunities, many low-income households would not be able to afford housing rehabilitation costs.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The unmet needs of housing affordable to low-income residents and social services for individuals and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness present an opportunity for the County to connect with organizations, affordable housing developers, and agencies working to address these needs in Mobile County. The County will also continue to work within existing partnerships and coalitions, such as the Continuum of Care, to work toward meeting local housing and service needs. Mobile County will continue to work closely with state and local agencies and governments, nonprofit organizations, and other service providers to coordinate delivery of services to county residents. The Grants Department will continue to consult with various housing, homelessness, social service, elderly and disability resource agencies to gather data and identify service gaps.

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

Mobile County will continue to be an active participant in the Mobile City and County/ Baldwin County Continuum of Care. The Continuum of Care brings together nonprofit, government, and business leaders to provide a shared approach to goals of ending homelessness. Planned activities include emergency,

transitional, and permanent housing providers; nonprofit social service organizations; and government agencies.

**Discussion:**

The actions detailed in this section will support Mobile County in increasing access to safe and affordable housing for its residents, meeting underserved needs, reducing poverty, developing institutional structure, and enhancing coordination between public and private sector housing and community development agencies.

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction:

Projects planned with CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>0</b>

#### Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	70.00%

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**  
**Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)**

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The County will continue to support the many efforts of the non-profit and social service provider agencies in the community in their efforts to obtain funding from various sources for their programs. Many of these organizations receive private donations to sustain their programs, and most apply for funding on the federal, state, and local level.

The availability of increased federal funds would enhance any of the listed programs and would mean that more services and housing could be provided. Because of the scarcity of any type of funding, the County has been working with various organizations to try to develop programs that would increase the leveraging capacity of federal funding mechanisms so that more money would be available for other needed endeavors. Better utilization of the existing resources is a main concern of everyone.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The Urban County uses the recapture provisions of 24 CFR 92.254 (a)(5)(ii)(A)(2) and (4). Recapture net of proceeds; Owner investment returned first. In the event of a voluntary or involuntary transfer of title of the purchased home during the applicable period of affordability, the County will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer.

If there are no net proceeds from the voluntary or involuntary transfer, repayment is not required, and HOME requirements are considered to be satisfied. The term net proceeds is defined as sales price less payment of any superior loan and special liens due thereunder, expenses of sale, and the value of the homebuyer's initial investment in the purchased home.

Direct subsidy is the amount of HOME assistance that enabled the homebuyer to purchase the home at an affordable price. It includes any HOME funds provided as down payment assistance, closing costs assistance, or direct financing to the buyer. If HOME funds were used for the cost of developing a home which is sold below fair market value, direct subsidy also includes the difference between the fair market value and the purchase price.

Direct subsidy will be in the form of a deferred loan or loans, each secured by a promissory note and mortgage. The loan(s) will be forgiven pro rata, in equal monthly increments over the period of affordability, as set out in the promissory note(s), mortgage(s), and required HOME written agreement(s) (collectively, the loan documents) as long as the home remains the principal residence of the homebuyer and no other events of default, as are also set out in the loan documents, occur. The HOME program establishes the following period of affordability based upon the amount of

assistance (direct subsidy) provided to the homebuyer:

- Direct subsidy of under \$15,000 will be forgiven in equal amounts on a monthly basis over a period of 5 years.
  - Direct subsidy of \$15,000 to \$40,000 will be forgiven in equal amounts on a monthly basis over a period of 10 years.
  - Direct subsidy of over \$40,000 will be forgiven in equal amounts on a monthly basis over a period of 15 years.
3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

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- Direct subsidy of over \$40,000 will be forgiven in equal amounts on a monthly basis over a period of 15 years.

If the homebuyer ceases to occupy the home; leases the home; converts the home to non-residential use; or should the home be destroyed by fire or other cause; or should the homebuyer refinance the first mortgage for any purpose other than 1) reducing the interest rate and/or 2) reducing the term of the mortgage; or “cash out” equity in the home, the homebuyer will be required to repay the County the entire amount of direct HOME-assistance provided.

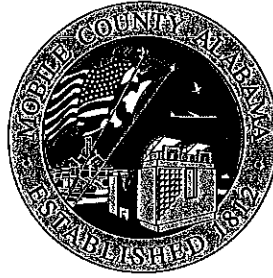
4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The County does not intend to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME funds. In addition, the funds will not be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program. The County is aware the HOME funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.

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## CERTIFICATION CONCERNING WRITTEN COMMENTS

May 20, 2021

### Year Two 2021 Action Plan

I, Nayyer Mahdi, do hereby certify as Director of Grants Management of the Mobile County Commission that there were no written citizen comments submitted during the comment period April 19, 2021 through 5:00 p.m. on May 19, 2021 concerning Year Two 2021 Action Plan.

  
Nayyer Mahdi, Director of Grants Management  
Mobile County Commission

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
HUD COMMUNITY PLANNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT FUNDS  
AND THE PY2021 APPLICATION PROCESS

The Mobile County Grants Department will hold a public hearing on November 17, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at Mobile Government Plaza, 205 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments regarding community needs and priorities for planning purposes in preparation of the 2021 Action Plan. The Action Plan dictates the use of funds received from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD). The hearing will provide a brief overview about HUD CPD Funds to include Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME funds, including information on eligibility and the application process for these funds. CDBG funds can be used to address a broad range of local housing and community development needs and to provide public services for low and moderate-income persons as defined by HUD. ESG funds can be used for activities to address homelessness and homeless prevention activities. HOME funds address housing needs for low and moderate-income persons.

Applications will be available at the hearing and by written request to:  
Mobile County Commission,  
Attn: Grants Department,  
P. O. Box 1443, Mobile, AL 36633 or  
Kathy.McHugh@mobilecountyal.gov.  
Applications will be available to download on November 17, 2020 at <https://www.mobilecountyal.gov/grants/requests-for-proposalsapplications/>.  
Application responses must be received by the Grants Department on or before 12:00 p.m. on January 22, 2021, as specified in the application.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and provide comment. Mobile Government Plaza is ADA compliant. Those with disabilities requiring special accommodations or request for translators or related services for non-English speaking persons should contact Kathy McHugh at (251) 574-5075 four days in advance of the meeting for assistance.

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<b>Facilitator:</b>	Mobile County Grants Department	<b>Place:</b> Mobile Government Plaza

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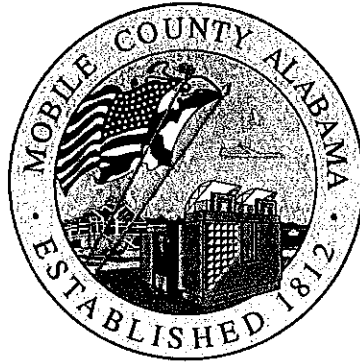
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November 4, 2020

The Honorable Barry Broadhead  
City of Chickasaw  
P.O. Box 11307  
Chickasaw, AL 36611

Dear Mayor Broadhead:

The County is beginning preparation of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program Year 2021 Action Plan for the Mobile Urban County. The Action Plan details activities to be undertaken with 2021 CDBG, HOME, including ESG, and any other funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County is interested in receiving your input as to the types of projects that are important to you and your community. In order to provide a better understanding of the types of eligible projects that can be funded and the application process, the Grants Department will hold a meeting for those involved with your application on November 17, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at Mobile Government Plaza in the Multipurpose Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Attendance is recommended. The County Grants Department will provide a brief overview of the HUD programs and of the CDBG Application package. CDBG application packages for project funding will be available at the meeting and on the County's website that same day at <https://www.mobilecountyal.gov/grants/requests-for-proposalsapplications/>. The meeting should not last more than an hour and a half.

As a prelude to the meeting, you may want to start thinking of projects that are of interest keeping in mind the approximate cost and the approximate number of persons who will be benefited. Listed as follows are some HUD requirements that must apply to any potential project:

1. At least 51% of all persons to benefit must qualify as low and moderate-income persons as defined by the HUD adjusted Census data.
2. Any infrastructure to be constructed or rehabilitated with public funds must be owned by a unit of local government, (the county, a municipality or a public utility board).
3. Each applicant must demonstrate the ability to operate and maintain any facility to be constructed.

# MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

## 2021 Action Plan

## Public Hearing – Municipalities

**Meeting Date:** November 17, 2020  
10:30 a.m.

**Facilitator:** Mobile County Grants Department

**Place:** Mobile Government Plaza

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Eric Peoples	Mayor	Ut. Vernon	251-295-1053	ericpeoples1114@yahoo
JASON SKELTON	COUNCIL MEMBER	SATSUMA	251-422-6115	JSKELTON@CITYOF SATSUMA.COM
Edwina Batts	City Clerk	Bayside, La.	251-824-2171	cityclerk@cityofbayside.com
JASON STRINGER	MAYOR	CITRONELLE	251-209-1658	mayor@cityofcitronelle.com
Mary Calhoun	Finance Director	Seminole	251-544-6639	Marycalhoun@cityofseminole.com
Kathy McHugh	Grants	Mobile County	251-574-3075	Kathy.McHugh@mobilecounty.com

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
 HUD COMMUNITY PLANNING  
 AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDS  
 AND THE PROPOSED PY2021 ACTION PLAN

The Mobile County Grants Department will hold a second public hearing on April 14, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room at Mobile Government Plaza, 205 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama. The purpose of the second public hearing is to review and receive comments regarding the draft PY2021 Action Plan (Plan) prior to publication of the Plan for a 30-day comment period as required by 24 CFR 91.105 (b)(3). The draft Plan was developed pursuant to the first public hearing held on November 17, 2020 and applications received. The Plan details the use of program funds received provided by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD). The first hearing provided information regarding the County's application process along with an overview of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs, noting that the County does not currently receive ESG funds.

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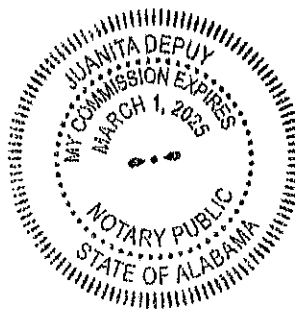
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MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
DRAFT PY2021 YEAR TWO ACTION PLAN  
The Mobile County Commission, as the lead agency of the Mobile County Urban County (MCUC), invites the public to review and offer comments on its draft 2021 Year Two Action Plan. This plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive funds through HUD's Community Planning and Development (CPD) formula grant programs. CPD formula grants available to the Mobile County Commission are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME).  
The PY2021 Year Two Action Plan serves as the basis for applying for annual funding from HUD's CPD formula grant programs and outlines proposed activities to be undertaken with CDBG and HOME funds. For PY2021, the County will receive allocations of \$1,688,637 in CDBG funds and \$604,335 in HOME funds. Additionally, the County has \$242,238 in unused CDBG funds from prior years and HOME Program income of \$92,511 that are included in its 2021 budget. PY2021 Community Development Block Grant Budget is as follows:

- Blight Removal
1. Spot/Blight Clearance - Prichard \$200,000
  2. Spot/Blight Clearance - Bayou La Batre \$100,000
  3. Spot/Blight Clearance - County \$150,000
- Capital Projects
4. Semmes Senior Center Walking Trail Improvements - Semmes \$200,000
  5. Homeowner Home Emergency Repair Assistance Program - Countywide \$100,000
  6. Whistler Bike Trail Improvements - Prichard \$200,000
  7. Street Improvements - Hurst Street - Creola \$313,148
  8. Sanitary Sewer Improvements - Saraland \$100,000
- Public Services
9. Prescription Drug Assistance - Countywide \$35,000
  10. Child Abuse Victim Assistance - Countywide \$25,000
  11. Senior Services Activities - Semmes, Grand Bay/St. Elmo \$60,000
  12. Legal Services Homelessness Prevention Program - Countywide \$50,000
  13. Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy - Countywide \$15,000

14. Youth Program - Mount Vernon, Citronelle \$30,000
  15. Rape Crisis Victim Service Assistance - Countywide \$5,000
  16. Financial and Homebuyer Counseling \$10,000
- Planning and Administration
17. CDBG Program Administration \$337,727
- Total CDBG Budget \$1,930,875
- PY2021 HOME Budget
1. Rental Housing Program - Acquisition/Development/Construction \$536,778
  2. CHDO Rental Housing Operating Funds/Acquisition/Development/Construction \$90,650
  3. HOME Program Administration -EN and PI \$69,418
- Total HOME Budget \$696,846
- The draft 2021 Year Two Action Plan is available for public inspection from Monday April 19, 2021 on the County website at: <https://www.mobilecountyal.gov/grants/plans-policies-amendments/>. In an attempt to foster additional outreach efforts, Mobile County will request that public libraries and city/town halls within the County share this information via their websites also. Comments or suggestions concerning the plan can be submitted during the 30-day public comment period in writing by 4 pm on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. After consideration of comments received, the County will consider to adopt and submit the Action Plan to HUD. Comments may be sent to Nayyer Mahdi, Director of Grants Management, by email to [nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov](mailto:nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov) or mail to Nayyer Mahdi, Mobile County Commission, P.O. Box 1443, Mobile AL 36633.
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

## DRAFT PY2021 YEAR TWO ACTION PLAN

The Mobile County Commission, as the lead agency of the Mobile County Urban County (MCUC), invites the public to review and offer comments on its draft 2021 Year Two Action Plan. This plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive funds through HUD's Community Planning and Development (CPD) formula grant programs. CPD formula grants available to the Mobile County Commission are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME).

The PY2021 Year Two Action Plan serves as the basis for applying for annual funding from HUD's CPD formula grant programs and outlines proposed activities to be undertaken with CDBG and HOME funds. For PY2021, the County will receive allocations of \$1,688,637 in CDBG funds and \$604,335 in HOME funds. Additionally, the County has \$242,238 in unused CDBG funds from prior years and HOME Program income of \$92,511 that are included in its 2021 budget. PY2021 Community Development Block Grant Budget is as follows:

## Blight Removal

1. Spot/Blight Clearance – Prichard  
\$200,000
2. Spot/Blight Clearance – Bayou La Batre  
\$100,000
3. Spot/Blight Clearance – County  
\$150,000

## Capital Projects

4. Semmes Senior Center Walking Trail Improvements – Semmes \$200,000
5. Homeowner Home Emergency Repair Assistance Program – Countywide  
\$100,000
6. Whistler Bike Trail Improvements - Prichard \$200,000
7. Street Improvements – Hurst Street – Creola \$313,148
8. Sanitary Sewer Improvements - Saraland \$100,000
- Public Services
9. Prescription Drug Assistance – Countywide \$35,000
10. Child Abuse Victim Assistance – Countywide \$25,000
11. Senior Services Activities – Semmes, Grand Bay/St. Elmo \$60,000
12. Legal Services Homelessness Prevention Program – Countywide \$50,000
13. Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy – Countywide \$15,000
14. Youth Program – Mount Vernon, Citronelle \$30,000
15. Rape Crisis Victim Service Assistance – Countywide \$5,000
16. Financial and Homebuyer Counseling \$10,000
- Planning and Administration
17. CDBG Program Administration \$337,727

TOTAL CDBG Budget

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Total CDBG Budget

\$1,930,875

PY2021 HOME Budget

1. Rental Housing Program -  
Acquisition/Development/Construction  
\$536,778

2. CHDO Rental Housing Operating  
Funds/Acquisition/Development/Constructi  
on \$90,650

3. HOME Program Administration -EN and PI  
\$69,418

Total HOME Budget \$696,846

The draft 2021 Year Two Action Plan is available for public inspection from Monday April 19, 2021 on the County website at: <https://www.mobilecountyal.gov/grants/plans-policies-amendments/>. In an attempt to foster additional outreach efforts, Mobile County will request that public libraries and city/town halls within the County share this information via their websites also.

Comments or suggestions concerning the plan can be submitted during the 30-day public comment period in writing by 4 pm on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. After consideration of comments received, the County will consider to adopt and submit the Action Plan to HUD. Comments may be sent to Nayyer Mahdi, Director of Grants Management, by email to [nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov](mailto:nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov) or mail to Nayyer Mahdi, Mobile County Commission, P.O. Box 1443, Mobile AL 36633.

Spanish translation and/or clarification will be provided upon request, please email Nayyer Mahdi at [nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov](mailto:nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov) or call 251-574-5086. La traduccion y/o la clarificacion Espanola seran dados si hay solicitud. Email por favor Nayyer Mahdi at [nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov](mailto:nayyer.mahdi@mobilecountyal.gov) o llamar 251-574-5086.

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PRESS REGISTER

April 18, 2021

CDBG and HOME

SF-424s and SF-424Ds

# Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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AL 19097 Mobile County (UOG)

**5a. Federal Entity Identifier:**

**5b. Federal Award Identifier:**

M-21-UC-01-0206

**State Use Only:**

**6. Date Received by State:**

**7. State Application Identifier:**

**8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

\* a. Legal Name: Mobile County Commission

\* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

63-6001644

\* c. UEK: DUNS #

040671521

**d. Address:**

\* Street1: 205 Government Street

Street2:

\* City: Mobile

County/Parish:

\* State: AL: Alabama

Province:

\* Country: USA: UNITED STATES

\* Zip / Postal Code: 36644-0001

**e. Organizational Unit:**

Department Name:

Grants Department

Division Name:

**f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:**

Prefix: Ms.

\* First Name: Nayyer

Middle Name:

\* Last Name: Mahdi

Suffix:

Title:

Organizational Affiliation:

\* Telephone Number: 251-574-5086

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Department of Housing and Urban Development

### 11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

### CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnership Program

### \* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

N/A

### \* Title:

N/A

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N/A

### Title:

N/A

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Proposed HOME activities to be undertaken: Rental Housing construction, Acquisition and/or rehabilitation and Program Administration

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\* a. Start Date:

07/01/2021

\* b. End Date:

06/30/2022

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	604,335.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
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**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix: Ms. \* First Name: Merceria  
Middle Name:  
\* Last Name: Ludgood  
Suffix:

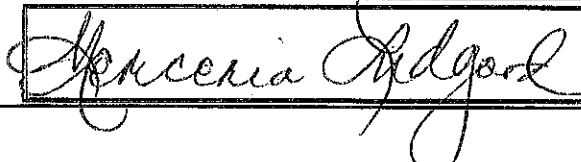
\* Title: President, Mobile County Commission

\* Telephone Number: 251-574-1000

Fax Number:

\* Email: District1web@mobilecountyal.gov

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:



\* Date Signed:

5/24/2021



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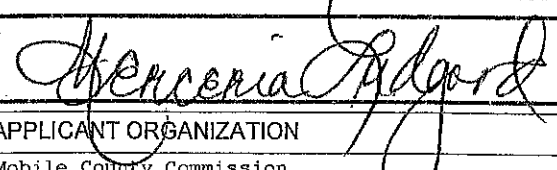
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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
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20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE President, Mobile County Commission
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Mobile County Commission	DATE SUBMITTED 5/24/21

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63-6001644

**\* c. U.S. DUNS #**

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14.218

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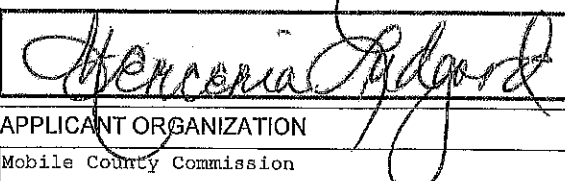
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20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	President, Mobile County Commission
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
Mobile County Commission	5/24/21

## Certifications

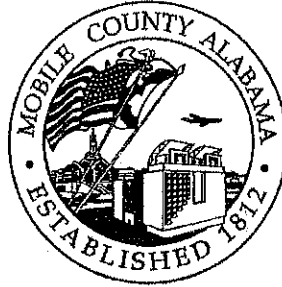


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May 28, 2021

Merceria Ludgood, President  
Mobile County Commission

RE: Certification Relating to the Urban County Grant  
Application

Dear Commissioner Ludgood:

Urban County grant applications require certification that the County has adopted policies which:

- (1) Prohibit the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
- (2) Enforce applicable state and local laws which prohibit physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of any such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

As you know, Mobile County has no law enforcement authority whatsoever; law enforcement is entrusted to the Sheriff of Mobile County, a constitutional officer.

The County has no authority over the Sheriff's operations. Additionally, each of the municipalities within Mobile County maintains its own law enforcement agency over which the County has no authority. These law enforcement agencies have standard operating procedures that govern the use of excessive force.

The County's authority under Alabama law is prescribed by statute. The County cannot lawfully undertake a function, absent specific statutory authority.

For the reasons set out herein, this certification does not apply to Mobile County.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. ADAMS, JR.  
County Staff Attorney

## CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

**Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

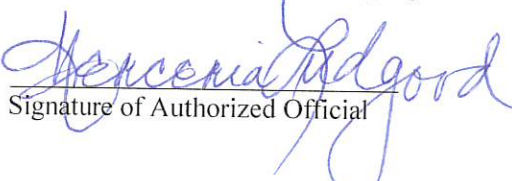
**Anti-Lobbying** --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**Authority of Jurisdiction** --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

**Consistency with plan** --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

**Section 3** -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

  
Signature of Authorized Official

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## Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

**Citizen Participation** -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

**Community Development Plan** -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

**Following a Plan** -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

**Use of Funds** -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2021, 2022, 2023 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

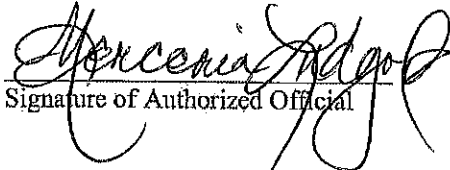
**Excessive Force** -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

**Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws** -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

**Lead-Based Paint** -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

**Compliance with Laws** -- It will comply with applicable laws.

  
Signature of Authorized Official

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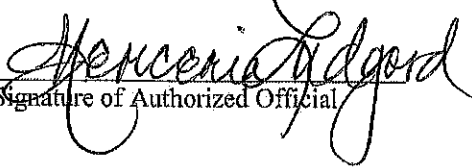
### Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance** -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

**Eligible Activities and Costs** -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

**Subsidy layering** -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

  
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## **APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS**

### **INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:**

#### **Lobbying Certification**

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.