

HOME-American Rescue Plan (ARP) Allocation Plan
Fort Bend County
Public Hearing Notice

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated \$3,322,057.00 to Fort Bend County in HOME-ARP program funds to provide housing, services, and shelter to specific qualifying populations (QPs). These four QPs are:

1. Homeless as defined in 24 CFR 91.5;
2. At risk of Homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 91.5;
3. Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking(referred herein as domestic violence/sexual assault/trafficking); and,
4. Other populations who do not qualify under any of the populations above, but meet one of the following criteria:
 - A. Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness; and,
 - B. Those At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability; or
5. Veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria in one of 1 – 4 above.

The HOME-ARP statute reflects Congress's intent that HOME-ARP activities benefit all four QPs to address housing instability and homelessness. In accordance with the HOME-ARP statute, the County must design and administer the HOME-ARP program to provide all four QPs with access to HOME-ARP projects or activities. The eligible HOME-ARP activities are:

Supportive Services
Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelter
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
Development of Affordable Rental Housing (Permanent Supportive Housing-PSH)
Non-Profit Operating
Non-Profit Capacity Building
Administration and Planning

The County must indicate the amount of HOME-ARP funding that is planned for each eligible HOME-ARP activity type in the allocation plan submitted to HUD.

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., Fort Bend County Commissioners Court, 2nd Floor, Fort Bend County Courthouse, 401 Jackson Street, Richmond, Texas to receive comments from the public regarding HOME-ARP qualifying populations and eligible activities.

Persons with vision or hearing impairments or other individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids and services may contact the department at (281) 341-4410 regarding reasonable accommodations for the meeting. This venue is accessible for persons with physical disabilities. Spanish language translators are available at the meeting for persons with Limited English

Proficiency. Persons requiring other language translators must contact the department at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (281) 341-4410 to request translation services for the meeting.