



## City of Lake Charles

2019 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

**DRAFT for Public Comment**

## **Executive Summary**

In accordance with the federal regulations found in 24 CFR 570, the City of Lake Charles has prepared this Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER presents the City's progress in carrying out projects and activities pursuant to the Program Year (PY) 2019 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds it received from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to principally benefit low-to-moderate-income individuals in the City.

The 2019 CAPER describes and evaluates how the City invested formula funds from HUD to meet affordable housing, homeless, and community development needs. This annual report also provides a general assessment of the progress the County has made in addressing the priorities and objectives contained in its Five-Year 2015–2019 Consolidated Plan (Con Plan).

The City collaborated with non-profit organizations to ensure it could target their most vulnerable populations. These activities included a wide range of services and programs such as public services, infrastructure improvements, operational support for non-profits, and supportive services for the homeless.

During Program Year 2019, the City of Lake Charles expended \$564,768 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and \$116,998 in HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds that directly impacted 8,867 clients.

## **CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes**

### **Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)**

The City has successfully utilized CDBG and HOME funds by increasing housing assistance for low and moderate income persons and allocating funds to public infrastructure improvements, public services to local non-profit organizations to provide essential social services for the homeless, LMI persons, and non-homeless special needs population, affordable housing initiative and at-risk of homelessness activities.

The City of Lake Charles' Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the period FY 2015-2019, identified several strategies to address the City's affordable housing, community development, and homelessness needs. In order to address the highest priority needs, the City identified the following goals in the Strategic Plan: (1) provide public services, (2) improve public infrastructure, (3) affordable housing for homeownership, (4) affordable rental housing, (5) CHDO Set-Aside, (6) homeless prevention, (7) housing reconstruction, and (8) program administration.

For PY 19/20, the fifth year of the Consolidated Plan period. The City of Lake Charles made strides in meeting the strategic plan objectives but was negatively impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic. The City of Lake Charles expended an estimated \$681,755.21, in CDBG and HOME funding on activities meeting its strategic plan goals and assisted approximately 170 persons through public services, 4 households (6 beneficiaries) with housing reconstruction, public infrastructure projects also had an area wide benefit of over 8,667 persons in the targeted areas.

The City has successfully utilized CDBG and HOME funds by increasing housing assistance for low and moderate income persons and allocating funds to public infrastructure improvements, public services to local non-profit organizations to provide essential social services for the homeless, LMI persons, and non-homeless special needs population, affordable housing initiative and at-risk of homelessness activities.

The City of Lake Charles' Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the period FY 2015-2019, identified several strategies to address the City's affordable housing, community development, and homelessness needs. In order to address the highest priority needs, the City identified the following goals in the Strategic Plan: (1) provide public services, (2) improve public infrastructure, (3) affordable housing for homeownership, (4) affordable rental housing, (5) CHDO Set-Aside, (6) homeless prevention, (7) housing reconstruction and (8) program administration.

### **Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)**