

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2023 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

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

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

Lompoc's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) summarizes accomplishments made using Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds during Program Year 2023, which covers the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The following are a few highlights of the 2023 Program Year activities:

• The Lompoc City Council, through recommendations from the Lompoc Human Services Commission approved the allocation of CDBG

- Entitlement funds in the amount of \$75,893 to fund 4 public service activities.
- Annual monitoring of the 4 public service activities was conducted and technical assistance was provided to ensure compliance with CDBG program regulations that served a grand total of 4,418 low-income persons with 468 of the total classified as homeless.
- Residential Rehabilitation Program staff assisted the City's housing activities by providing housing rehabilitation loan counseling, processing and servicing. As of 6/30/2024, the City's total CDBG loan portfolio consisted of 17 loans and emergency grant repairs were completed on an additional 8 homes.
- Staff assisted the City's commercial/economic development activities by providing loan counseling, processing, and servicing to two business loans.
- Capital Project for ADA improvements of 2 public parks.
- Fair Housing Program served 26 households and provided 5 Fair Housing Seminars reaching persons citywide.

CDBG-CV:

The Lompoc City Council approved \$394,259 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Funds made possible through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) to conduct an Access Lompoc Program (Program) in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The Program is assisting in opening of Lompoc facilities and programs for public access with safety measures and improvements that deter the contraction of the coronavirus with safeguards to promote distancing that assist in the prevention, preparation and response to the COVID-9 Virus.

As of June 30, 2024, the program is continuing its efforts for audio and visual upgrades for public meetings. The program has completed purchases of online software for public access to city applications and for submission of required documents, two large monitors to provide visual and audio community information and relay city meetings in a public area and two industrial pressure washers for sanitizing parks and public facilities. This program benefits the Lompoc community that is mostly low income (IDIS Activity Number 671).

At the end of this program year, the Program expended a total of \$294,100.62 of the total project allocation of \$394,259. The total delivery costs for this program will not exceed 20% of the total project allocation. The program is still underway and will report accomplishment and beneficiary information once project is completed.

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)

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee's program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected - Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected - Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Assist Homeless and At-Risk of Homelessness	Homeless	CDBG: \$20,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	1000	1259	125.9%	510	468	91.76%
Assist Non- Homeless Special Needs Populations	Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$55,893	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	4375	11,065	253.91%	2250	3,950	176%
Emergency Repair Grants	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$50,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	50	34	68%	10	8	80%
Public Improvement / Parks / Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$524,493	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	19160	41865	218.5%	Project underway	Project underway	219%

Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date

Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

CDBG funds are limited nationwide. The City of Lompoc has recognized that they cannot meet the goals as described in the 5-year plan solely utilizing CDBG funding, and has provided additional funding through its General Fund, Community Donations, Affordable Housing Trust Fund and other private and public grants. The City of Lompoc's use of funds, particularly CDBG addressed the priorities adopted for the five-year period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 as follows:

Assist Homeless and At-Risk of Homelessness: The City provides funding to an Emergency Homeless Shelter that serve persons experiencing homelessness in Lompoc. The number of shelter beds between both shelters totals 109 beds. The number of persons experiencing homelessness in Lompoc was 155 (per the last Point In Time (PIT) count dated January 2024 for this CAPER in Year 2023). The demand for services to assist this population is beyond what can be done solely with CDBG funding. The City partnered with the Santa Barbara County Housing Authority and allocated its 2023 State HOME funds of \$123,933 a Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program. As of June 30, 2023, 2 households consisting of a total of 8 people were assisted. The city also provides "in-kind Contributions" of \$24,000 to New Beginnings Counseling Center to operate their overnight safe parking program in Lompoc by providing a city owned building and gated parking lot. The overnight safe parking program has 10 available parking spaces, where there is lighting, security camaras, ADA compliant restrooms, trash and recycle bins. Beneficiary Data from the program for this 2023 fiscal year reflects 18 vehicles and 24 unduplicated persons served with a total of 360 nights. In addition, 15 obtained permanent housing and 2 obtained benefits through counseling of this Lompoc program.

Assist Non-Homeless Special Needs: The City has provided funding to non-profit agencies and City Recreation Division to assist with food distribution, senior nutrition, counseling, after school childcare, summer childcare, youth, mental health, and community services during the five-year period. CDBG Funds in the amount of \$55,893 have allowed the assistance of 3,950 low moderate clientele in Lompoc.

CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted). 91.520(a)

Races and Ethnicities Chart Downloaded by IDIS	CDBG
White	3,574
Black or African American	258
Asian	49
American Indian or American Native	93
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	18
Total	3,992
Hispanic	2,583
Not Hispanic	1,409

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds

Narrative

Please note the table above, provide by HUD's Intergreated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) <u>does not reflect</u> the mix races totaling 426 additional persons that were served of which 94 were Hispanic and 332 were Non-Hispanic <u>nor</u> housholds served by the CDBG funded Fair Housing Program of 26 households and the Emergency Home Repair Program of 8 households.

The grand total of persons served through public services programs is 4,418 of which 2,677 were Hispanic and 1,740 were Non-Hispanic <u>in addition to</u> 34 households benefiting from the Fair Housing and Emergency Repair Programs.

CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	1,280,124.85	439,266.22

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

A total of \$1,280,124.85 in CDBG funds was available for various activities to achieve Consolidated Plan objectives, \$307,027 was CDBG prior year's program income and the balance was the current Fiscal Year entitlement of \$505,954 and balance of prior years \$467,143.85.

Additional resources available in the amount of \$210,862.60 are not reflected in the table above. The amount was the balance of the City of Lompoc's CDBG-CV3 allocation made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) signed on March 27, 2021. This funding was allocated to a City of Lompoc Access Lompoc Program that launched in FY 2021. The total end of fiscal year balance as of June 30, 2024 is \$100,158.38.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
Lompoc Citywide	100		
Lompoc Low/Mod Census			
Tracts	100		

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

The City of Lompoc allocated all CDBG funds within the City of Lompoc.

Leveraging

Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.

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CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be		
provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be		
provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be		
provided affordable housing units	10	8
Total	10	8

Table 5 - Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through		
Rental Assistance	0	0
Number of households supported through		
The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through		
Rehab of Existing Units	10	8
Number of households supported through		
Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
Total	10	8

Table 6 - Number of Households Supported

Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.

The Catholic Charities MERG/ERG Program assisted 8 low-income households/units with rehabilitation/emergency repairs.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

The number of households supported is currently at 68% of the five-year plan goals.

Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	2	0
Low-income	4	0
Moderate-income	2	0
Total	8	0

Table 7 – Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

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CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)

Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:

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

The City of Lompoc provided a total of \$67,730 in 2023-24 funding (\$43,730 in CDBG Funds and \$24,000 of 'in kind" contributions from general fund) to 3 local nonprofits (Catholic Charities, Good Samaritan Shelter, and New Beginnings). Agencies provide persons experiencing homelessness with services for shelter and safe parking, food, clothing, hygiene supplies, financial assistance, case management and non-financial assistance (such as assistance with application for services and obtaining required documents like identification and vehicle registration) and case management.

Agencies also connect persons experience homelessness with the County Department of Social Services, Mental Health Service Providers, County Public Health, Alcohol and Drug Detox Services among other community service providers to assist with either housing, reunification, and/or residential detoxification as needed.

Two of the three agencies provide outreach on a regular basis to unsheltered homeless in Lompoc. The outreach team includes a public health nurse, shelter services member and mental health worker.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City provides funding to an Emergency Homeless Shelter that serve persons experiencing homelessness in Lompoc. The number of shelter beds at the Lompoc shelters totals 109 beds. The number of persons experiencing homelessness in Lompoc (per the last Point In Time (PIT) count for this CAPER in January of 2024 was 155. The demand for services to assist this population is beyond what can be done solely with CDBG funding. The City partnered with the Santa Barbara County Housing Authority and allocated its 2023 State HOME funds of \$123,933 a Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program. As of June 30, 2023, 2 households consisting of a total of 8 people were assisted. The city also provides "inkind Contributions" of \$24,000 to New Beginnings Counseling Center to operate their overnight safe parking program in Lompoc by providing a city owned building and gated parking lot. The overnight safe parking program has 10 available parking spaces, where there is lighting, security camaras, ADA compliant restrooms, trash and recycle bins. Beneficiary Data from the program for this 2023 fiscal year reflects 18 vehicles and 24 unduplicated persons served with a total of 360 nights. In addition, 15 obtained permanent housing and 2 obtained benefits through counseling of this Lompoc program.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after 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); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

The City of Lompoc Community Development Program Manager was a governing board member of the County of Santa Barbara/City of Santa Maria Continuum of Care. The CoC oversees the Continuum of Care and Emergency Solutions Grant funding for the County of Santa Barbara. More recently, the CoC will be the administrative entity for new homeless initiative funding being distributed from the State of California. HEAP funding would be able to fund homelessness prevention services such as rental payments. By participating in this countywide effort, the HEAP funds would be allowed to be spent in the City of Lompoc to assist Lompoc residents.

In addition to participating at the policy level to increase funding for Homeless services in Lompoc, the City also provides CDBG funding for various human service activities that prevent homelessness such as utility payment assistance, childcare, food, clothing, counseling and fair housing services.

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

The City continues to fund agencies who are direct service providers for homeless persons and/or at risk of becoming homeless.

CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

While the City of Lompoc did not utilize any CDBG funding to assist any public housing during the program year, the City continues to work with the local housing authority in ensuring public housing is maintained for low-income families and individuals.

In addition, the city partnered with the Santa Barbara County Housing Authority and allocated its 2023 State HOME funds of \$123,933 a Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program. As of June 30, 2023, 2 households consisting of a total of 8 people were assisted.

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

CDBG funds have not been allocated to this City priority, but utilizing Affordable Housing Trust Funds the City has assisted 12 low to moderate income, first-time homebuyers with the purchase of their first home in Lompoc with \$1,468,053.43 in financial assistance during this year of the Consolidate Plan period. Program information is provided to local housing authority residents to encourage participation.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

The City has no troubled PHAs identified in the City.

CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)

Actions taken 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. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)

Housing supply and costs continue to be a challenge for providing affordable housing in Lompoc. They are affected by the amount of land designated for residential use and the density at which development is permitted. In order to address barriers to affordable housing, the City provides cost reductions to development through density bonuses and other incentives when low-income units are being produced.

Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The major obstacles include the high and sustained demand for public services, as well as the lack of financial resources. To address the obstacles the City provided additional funding for public services through an annual contribution of the Human Services Commission that conducts an annual fundraiser that raises approximately \$14,000 annually.

To address the lack of housing units, the City has adopted Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) standards. Lots zoned to allow single-family or multi-family use can add a separate unit with a maximum of 1,200 square feet to be built.

Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City implemented HUD Lead Based Paint Regulations (Title X), which requires federally funded rehabilitation projects to address lead hazards. Lead-based paint abatement is part of the City's Residential Rehabilitation Loan Program and Emergency Repair Grant Program.

Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of Lompoc's anti-poverty strategy includes both policy initiative that address structural causes of poverty, and the funding of economic and social programs that enable low-income clients to move towards self-sufficiency and end the cycle of poverty. This enabled through funding and management of the City's public service activity grants. Activities funded through this program include: food pantry, homeless shelters, social services, emergency legal services, counseling programs, childcare and mental health services.

Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

In the City of Lompoc, there is a large network of experienced non-profit organizations that deliver a full

range of services to residents. As a member of the County of Santa Barbara, the City is able to draw on other services that serve the County as a whole.

Through its federal entitlement and other resources, the City of Lompoc has interacted with various non-profit agencies and public service groups in the delivery of services and programs.

Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

Coordination between public agencies providing housing resources, assisted housing providers, private and governmental health, mental health and human service agencies are critical to the delivery of viable products and services.

As stated earlier, in an effort to enhance coordination, the City participates in the Home for Good collaborative and Continuum of Care Board.

Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)

The City provides funds for fair housing and emergency legal services through the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements

Community Development Division staff monitor project activities on a regular basis. Staff are well informed and stay up to date in regard to HUD regulations, and program requirements, such as Davis-Bacon Wage, Section 3, and Title X. Such requirements are also incorporated into all CDBG subrecipient agreements including programs funded with CDBG-CV funding.

Annual monitoring of 4 public service activities, Access Lompoc Program, Fair Housing Program and Emergency Home Repair Program was conducted, and technical assistance was provided to ensure compliance with CDBG program regulations.

Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)

Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.

A Copy of the 2023 Consolidate Annual Performance and Evaluation Report were made available to the public and interested parties beginning August 29, 2024, for a 15-day period. The report is available for public review on the City of Lompoc Website at www.cityoflompoc.com. Public notice of such is posted on the City of Lompoc Website's Homepage and Community Development Division Section of the city website in a Press-Release dated Thursday, August 29, 2024 in both English and Spanish. Notice was was also published in the local newpaper on September 4, 2024.

Please note, the city's website has the capability to translate website in many languages including that of English and Spanish (our area's most spoken languages). There were no public comments received during or after the comment period.

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.

N/A

Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?

No

[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.

CR-58 - Section 3

Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance provided

Total Labor Hours	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Total Number of Activities	9	0	0	0	0
Total Labor Hours					
Total Section 3 Worker Hours					
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours					

Table 8 – Total Labor Hours

Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing					
Targeted Workers					
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding					
Targeted Workers.					
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).					
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).					
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.					
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment including: drafting resumes,preparing for interviews, finding job opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.	1				
Held one or more job fairs.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.	7				
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.	7				
Assisted residents with finding child care.	7				
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.					
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.	3				
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online technologies.					
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.					
Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.					
Other.					

Table 9 – Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program

Narrative

Please see summary above.