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# City of Goldsboro HOME-ARP Supportive Services

Community Relations and Development Department

# What Are “Supportive Services?”

HOME-ARP funds may be used to provide a broad range of supportive services to qualifying individuals or families as a separate activity or in combination with other HOME-ARP activities. Supportive services include a) services listed in section 401(29) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (“**McKinney-Vento Supportive Services**”)1 (42 U.S.C. 11360(29)); b) homelessness prevention services , as described in Section VI.D.3. and D.4 below; and c) housing counseling services.

# Who is Qualified (Eligible) to Receive Supportive Services?

ARP **requires** that funds be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in the following specified “qualifying populations.” Any individual or family who meets the criteria for these populations is eligible to receive assistance or services funded through HOME-ARP without meeting additional criteria (e.g., additional income criteria). All income calculations to meet income criteria of a qualifying population or required for income determinations in HOME-ARP eligible activities must use the annual income definition in 24 CFR 5.609 in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR 92.203(a)(1).

- **Homeless**
- **At Risk of Homelessness**
- **Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking or Human Trafficking**

# Qualifying Populations: Homeless

## **(1) An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:**

- (i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
- (ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or (iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

## **(2) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:**

- (i) The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
- (ii) No subsequent residence has been identified; and
- (iii) The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks needed to obtain other permanent housing;

## **(3) Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:**

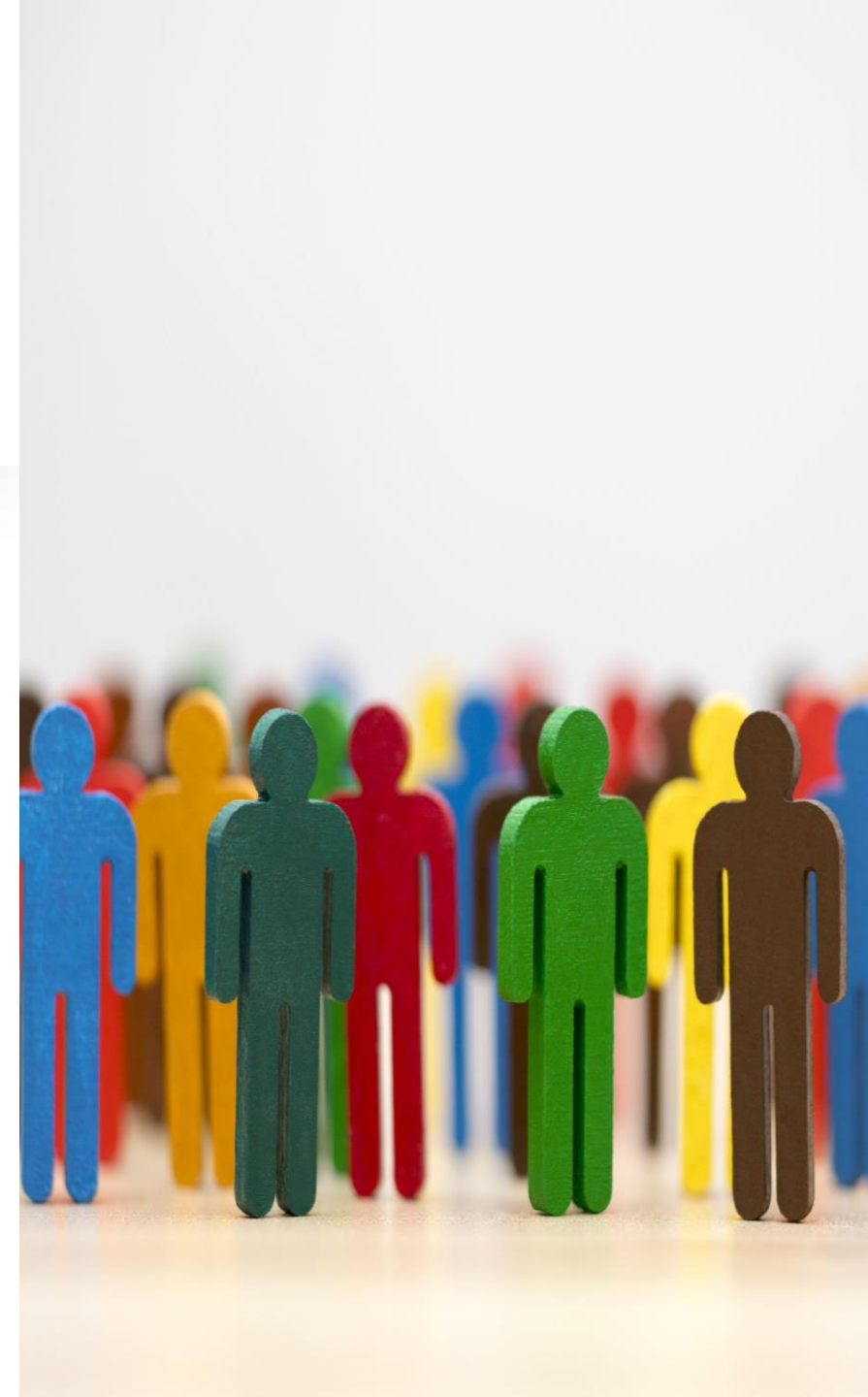
- (i) Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act

# Qualifying Populations: At Risk of Homelessness

## **(1) An individual or family who:**

- (i) Has an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD;
- (ii) Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the “Homeless” definition in this section; and
- (iii) Meets one of the following conditions:
  - (A) Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
  - (B) Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
  - (C) Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
  - (D) Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
  - (E) Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
  - (F) Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
  - (G) Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient's approved consolidated plan;

**(2) A child or youth who does not qualify as “homeless” under this section, but qualifies as “homeless” under section 387(3) of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act and 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act**



# Qualifying Populations: Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking

For HOME-ARP, this population includes any individual or family who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. This population includes cases where an individual or family reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence due to dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return or remain within the same dwelling unit. In the case of sexual assault, this also includes cases where an individual reasonably believes there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the individual remains within the same dwelling unit that the individual is currently occupying, or the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-day period preceding the date of the request for transfer.



# Qualifying Populations: “Other Populations”

**Other Populations:** Focuses on providing Supportive Services that would prevent the family’s homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability. HUD defines these populations as individuals and households who do not qualify under any of the populations above but meet one of the following criteria:

- **Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness**
- **At Great Risk of Housing Instability**
- **Veterans and Families that Include a Veteran Family Member**



# Eligible Costs Rules

All supportive service costs paid for by HOME-ARP **must comply** with the requirements of these Guidelines and the Notice including requirements in 2 CFR part 200 (E):

- Cost Principles (Rules) that require costs to be **necessary and reasonable**.
- The project owner is responsible for establishing requirements that allow a program participant to receive only the HOME-ARP services needed so there is **no duplication of services or assistance** in the use of HOME-ARP funds for supportive services. This may include the use of systems such as Homeless Management Information Systems in coordination with local supportive service providers, CoCs, and other nonprofit organizations.



# Eligible Costs



- Childcare
- Education Services
- Employment Assistance and Job Training
- Food
- Housing Search and Counseling Services
- Services for Special Populations
- Credit Repair Services
- Life Skills Training
- Mental Health Service
- Outpatient Health Services
- Substance Abuse Treatment
- Transportation
- Case Management
- Financial Assistance(Utility Deposits, Utility Payments, Security Deposits, Application Fees)

# In-Eligible Costs



Financial assistance cannot be provided to a program participant who is receiving the same type of assistance through other public sources. Financial assistance also cannot be provided to a program participant who has been provided with replacement housing payments under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 USC 4601 et seq.)

# Termination of Services/Assistance

**Termination of Assistance:** Assistance may be terminated to a program participant who violates program requirements or conditions of occupancy or no longer needs the services as determined by the project owner and/or the Fund. Termination under this section does not bar the project owner and/or the Fund from providing further assistance at a later date to the same individual or family under the Notice.

**Due process:** Project Owners must establish policies and procedures for termination of assistance to program participants. The project owner will submit said policies and procedures to the Fund for review and acceptability. In terminating assistance to a program participant, the project owner must provide a formal process that recognizes the rights of individuals receiving assistance under the due process of law. This process, at a minimum, must consist of:

- i. Providing the program participant with a written copy of the program rules and the termination process before the participant begins to receive assistance;
- ii. Written notice to the program participant containing a clear statement of the reasons for termination;
- iii. A review of the decision, in which the program participant is given the opportunity to present written or oral objections before a person other than the person (or a subordinate of that person) who made or approved the termination decision; and
- iv. Prompt written notice of the final decision to the program participant.

