

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 Pembroke Pines did not receive any specific private or public resources dedicated to preventing homelessness. However, the city remains committed to advancing the goals outlined in Broward County's 10-Year Strategic Plan to End Homelessness by actively participating in the Continuum of Care (CoC) process.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Pembroke Pines works closely with Broward County's Homeless Continuum of Care to address the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. However, the city does not receive funding through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) 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 supports Broward County's 10-Year Strategic Plan to end homelessness and actively works towards achieving the goals outlined through the Continuum of Care process. When the city receives inquiries related to homelessness and chronic homelessness, the program administrator is responsible for coordinating the referral process. This includes collaborating with private entities, non-profits, and public institutions to implement strategies aimed at preventing homelessness and connecting individuals with appropriate resources. Service providers listed in the Continuum of Care (CoC) will play a key role in strengthening the city's institutional support network.

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 collaborate with Broward County's nonprofit organizations to provide shelter and

transitional housing for homeless individuals, including those in Pembroke Pines. The city is committed to working closely with the County and homeless service providers to support a coordinated strategy for increasing shelter availability for families and individuals in need. Additionally, the city's Police Department plays a role in assisting homeless individuals and families encountered on city streets by directing them to emergency shelters and food resources. However, the department does not currently track these interactions.

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

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

The city does not offer project-based public housing. However, it provides information on public housing options, including Section 8, in response to inquiries. This information is primarily provided by the city's program administrator, who also refers clients to the Broward County 211 Help Line for additional support.

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

The city promotes homeownership by sharing information about available homebuyer assistance through its website and program administrator. Additionally, in collaboration with local housing authorities, the city provides outreach, public notices, workshops, and other opportunities to encourage participation in homeownership initiatives.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

The City of Pembroke Pines does not have its own public housing authority. However, it maintains ongoing coordination with the Broward County Housing Authority to address the needs of the county's public housing residents.

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)

The City of Pembroke Pines, as a recipient of State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds, established an Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) in 2008, in accordance with Florida Statute Section 420.9076. The AHAC is responsible for reviewing and evaluating local plans, policies, procedures, land development regulations, the Comprehensive Plan, and other housing activities that impact the production of affordable housing. The committee's work aims to identify and address land use controls, tax policies, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and other policies that could act as barriers to affordable housing.

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

To improve the quality of housing for its residents, the City of Pembroke Pines has implemented a Residential Rehabilitation Program. This program addresses code violations, health and safety repairs, and energy efficiency improvements in homes. The program is designed not only to address current repair needs but also to prevent the deferred maintenance of the city's affordable housing stock. Special needs households, including the elderly and disabled, are given priority for accessibility-related repairs under this initiative.

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

The City of Pembroke Pines actively works to identify and address lead-based paint hazards in housing. On an annual basis, the city contracts with the Broward County Public Health Department to evaluate potential lead-based paint hazards in local homes. If lead exposure is detected, the city provides funding for lead testing through its CDBG and SHIP housing rehabilitation programs.

Additionally, in response to increased federal emphasis on eliminating lead dust, new regulations regarding final clearance procedures have been established. For homes built before January 1, 1978, all lead-based paint must either be stabilized or removed, and dust testing must be conducted after any paint disturbance to ensure the home is lead-safe. To inform residents seeking rehabilitation assistance, the city distributes the pamphlet *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home*, which educates homeowners about the risks of lead exposure and its effects on both adults and children. All homes receiving CDBG funds that meet lead-based paint criteria are tested for lead hazards.

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

The City of Pembroke Pines employs a comprehensive anti-poverty strategy aimed at providing education, employment opportunities, and access to essential services for its residents. This strategy is carried out through the city's charter school system, coordinated community development programs, housing

initiatives, and local transportation services. By increasing access to education and resources, the city works to improve the quality of life and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income households.

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

During Program Year 2023, the city partnered with local non-profit housing and social service providers to develop and enhance the County's collective system.

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

The City of Pembroke Pines fosters strong partnerships with a variety of local non-profit organizations and public housing providers.

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 of Pembroke Pines undertook the following Fair Housing Activities in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to address the impediments identified in the jurisdiction's analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. These activities include:

- Maintained Fair Housing posters (in Spanish and English) displayed in City facilities, including the Community Services Department and the Community Redevelopment Associates of Florida, Inc. (CRAFLA) office.
- Educated the public on fair housing laws through the City's local newspaper and electronic platforms, such as social media. The Community Redevelopment Associates of Florida, Inc. (CRAFLA) also provided educational videos on their website.
- Provided Fair Housing information on the City's website for residents, including contact details for the Broward County Civil Rights Division and the HUD Miami Field Office - Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

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

The City of Pembroke Pines continues to oversee activities under its federal grant program and develops monitoring plans for new programs as they arise to ensure compliance with specific requirements. Key elements of the monitoring plan include:

1. **Contractor Selection and Agreement:** Selecting a contractor and negotiating a project-specific agreement that clearly identifies and quantifies the activities to be implemented, along with a budget detailing authorized expenditures.
2. **Monthly Status Reports:** Requiring monthly status reports from contractors and establishing an onsite monitoring schedule based on the nature and complexity of the activity and the amount of funding involved.
3. **Technical Assistance and Training:** Providing technical assistance and training when contractors request support, ensuring they have the resources necessary to meet the program requirements.
4. **Payment Review:** Reviewing requests for payment or reimbursement to ensure that proper documentation is provided, and expenditures comply with applicable rules, regulations, and the subrecipient agreement.
5. **Audit Compliance:** Ensuring that contractors meet federal single audit requirements and reviewing audit findings to address any concerns that may arise.
6. **Program Requirement Compliance:** Monitoring compliance with other program requirements, such as labor standards and fair housing laws, through thorough program reviews and ongoing oversight.

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.

During the public comment period, which is set from November 18, 2024, to December 3, 2024, citizens will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the PY 2023 CAPER. All comments received will be carefully considered and summarized accordingly.

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.

The city will continue to address the priority needs identified in the new Consolidated Plan through the approved activities for the 2025 Program Year. No changes have been made to the program objectives, and the city does not anticipate any changes at this time based on current experiences.

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

No, the city does not have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants.

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

Not applicable.

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	0	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.					
Held one or more job fairs.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.					
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.					
Assisted residents with finding child care.					
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.					
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