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A. Progress on the Housing and Community Development Strategic Plan

This report covers the fourth program year of the State's 2006-2010 Consolidated Plan. Of the three major components in the Consolidated Plan (Needs, Strategic Plan, and Action Plan) the Action Plan must be updated and submitted to HUD annually. The Action Plan serves as the basis for distributing each program's funds (CDBG, ESG and HOME) in each program year. Below are the priority needs and objectives as presented in the Strategic Plan section of the Consolidated Plan for the State of New Hampshire, 2006-2010. A brief statement of progress follows each.

1. Priority Housing Needs

The following priorities were established based on the assessment of needs and market conditions. In general, needs are highest among very low income households.

Priority: Develop and preserve affordable rental housing for low and very low income (50% of median and below) families.

Objectives: Use the majority of the funds available for housing to develop or preserve affordable housing for families.

Develop affordable housing where supply does not correspond to the needs of the greater community.

Use tenant rental subsidies to create true affordability for very low and low income households.

Utilize existing properties for affordable housing through rehabilitation and redevelopment.

Progress: *The New Hampshire Housing's Directory of Assisted Housing indicates that by the end of 2009 there were 18,001 assisted units in the state. Over half of this total (10,094 units) is age-restricted (elderly) housing. Both competitive scoring criteria and an elderly housing set-aside are being utilized to promote better balance and encourage higher priority family housing projects.*

HOME-funded rental production projects completed during 2009 included 12 units of transitional housing in Manchester for youth aging out of foster care, 29 units of transitional and permanent supportive housing in Manchester for homeless single parents with children, 89 units of family housing in projects in Belmont and Manchester, and 150 units of elderly housing in Dover, Concord, and Manchester.

HOME commitments made during 2009 will contribute to projects that will add 118 units of affordable housing to New Hampshire's inventory. New commitments are for 8 units of special needs housing, 25 units of family housing and 85 units of age-restricted (elderly) housing. Low Income Housing Tax Credit multifamily commitments made during 2009 are expected to help develop 189 units of family and elderly rental housing. Recovery program resources also contributed to additional affordable housing development activity. The Tax Credit Assistance Program added \$8.2m which has been

reserved or committed to the development of 135 units of affordable housing throughout the state. The Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange (Section 1602) Program has allowed New Hampshire Housing to exchange \$27,713,062 of Low Income Housing Tax Credits for cash during this period of little investor interest in LIHTC. This entire sum has been committed or reserved for 9 projects that will produce 213 new affordable housing units throughout the state. HOME, Low Income Housing Tax Credit, and bond financing are typically utilized for the production of new affordable rental housing as well as the preservation of existing affordable housing. Support from the three programs is based upon competitive scoring which reflects the priorities for income targeting and housing for families. The addition of HOME units to projects developed substantially with other resources facilitates deeper income targeting.

The state's largest Housing Choice Voucher Program is administered by NHHFA, which was operating at 99% of financial capacity by the end of the year with 3,260 vouchers in use throughout the state not including those allocated to local housing authorities. They had a waiting list of 7,007 households at that time. Current income targeting requires that 70% of new Housing Choice Voucher Program participant households meet HUD extremely low income (30% of Median Area Income) guidelines. Over time, the very deep income targeting of the program combined with long waiting lists has made this rental assistance program less transitional and more permanent, leading to long-term voucher useage and a very low rate of turnover.

One of the larger projects receiving a HOME commitment this year involves the refinancing and rehabilitation of existing rental housing, and two other projects involve the adaptive reuse of old mill properties.

Priority: Serving very low income special needs populations is considered a high priority in any of the HUD defined categories.

Objectives: Use funds to develop housing with associated services based on the needs of the special needs populations.

Facilitate partnerships between housing and service providers at the local, regional, and state levels.

Progress: *New Hampshire Housing's Special Needs Housing Program, which utilizes HOME and other resources, was designed to encourage the development of service-enriched housing for low income special needs populations. This program has helped strengthen housing and service provider linkages by providing housing development expertise and assistance to organizations whose primary mission is service delivery. NHHFA participation in the Balance of State Continuum of Care work group and New Hampshire's Interagency Council on Homelessness has also contributed to better linkages between housing and service provider groups. New Hampshire Housing has contributed financing to most homeless supportive housing projects receiving competitive homeless funding from HUD, and all bonus permanent supportive housing projects awarded competitive funding. Completions of special needs housing projects during 2009 included The Family Willows in Manchester, developed by Families in Transition as a 29 unit service-enriched housing project for single parent families, and Manchester Transitional Living, a 12 unit project owned by Child and Family Services of New Hampshire which houses youth aging out of*

foster care. Dalianis House, a 40 unit service-enriched project of Harbor Homes, Inc. to house homeless veterans, is currently under construction in Nashua. Other projects receiving commitments during 2009 include a second phase of the Woods Edge Apartments at Rosewald Farm project adding 8 more units of service-enriched housing for individuals with developmental disabilities. A few other projects currently in the pipeline will utilize one-time Neighborhood Stabilization Program (HERA) funds in addition to the usual affordable housing financing resources.

2. Priority Homeless Needs

New Hampshire's current Balance of State Continuum of Care (BOSCO) for the homeless involves balancing responses in each of the following areas identified through the assessment of needs. In general, families and those with special needs (including those with mental illness, alcohol and drug addictions, dual diagnosis, HIV/AIDS, domestic violence and others) have critical, thus higher, priority needs.

Priority: Continue to expand outreach to chronically homeless individuals.

Objectives: Seek financial resources to increase the number of outreach workers available to conduct targeted outreach to chronically homeless individuals.

Continue to improve coordination between street outreach workers and the state's Homeless Hotline through creation of posters and marketing materials.

Sponsor a number of speaking engagements throughout the year (four per season) to educate public/businesses/service agencies about needs of chronically homeless individuals.

Compile client satisfaction surveys to learn barriers and successes to strong outreach to chronically homeless individuals.

Train funded and non-funded case managers to utilize the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) as a means to enhance data collection and an overall understanding of the needs of chronically homeless.

Continue to identify new strategies for conducting outreach and education to persons living with HIV/AIDS who are reluctant to disclose their HIV status and, therefore, not access available services.

Progress: *Two Homeless Outreach and Intervention Program (HOIP) programs have utilized Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding to add an outreach worker to their staff.*

The Homeless Hotline continues to be a primary referral source and service delivery is coordinated between the Homeless Hotline and statewide outreach workers. A Memorandum of Understanding has been established to allow for data sharing utilizing the HMIS, streamlining the referral process and improving communication and coordination between outreach workers and the Homeless Hotline.

A number of speaking engagements were sponsored in 2009 to educate the public about homelessness, including the chronically homeless. Presenters included the Bureau

Administrator of the Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services (BHHS), the Director of the NH Coalition to End Homelessness, and other homeless service providers.

A survey was developed to query stakeholders on their understanding and satisfaction with statewide outreach services. The survey was distributed to local welfare authorities, police and fire departments, hospitals, soup kitchens and other stakeholders. Results of the survey have enabled BHHS to better target education and information about homelessness and services to mainstream service providers who sometimes work with homeless individuals and families.

HMIS data reporting requirements continue to include data on the chronically homeless.

Statewide HOIP and Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) outreach workers participated in a Stages of Change and Motivational Interviewing training, the goal of which was to provide additional skill and/or resources that would assist them in their work with the chronically homeless and homeless people living with HIV/AIDS.

There continue to be quarterly meetings/trainings held for HOIP and PATH outreach workers to provide education and professional development training. These meetings have included open discussion on issues relating to chronic homelessness, veterans, HMIS, the Point-in-Time count, addressing barriers to accessing housing, and various presentations by outside presenters.

A one-day Point-in-Time count was conducted in January 2009 to count the number of homeless people in New Hampshire, including chronically homeless. The Point-in-Time count was done in conjunction with the Manchester and Nashua Continuums. It included questions related to the chronically homeless.

Priority: Increase services, including mainstream resources, available to chronically homeless individuals.

Objectives: Create a tri-fold directory of services to be made available to chronically homeless individuals.

Increase dissemination of information regarding available services (such as immunizations) to all outreach workers and other homeless providers.

Provide outreach workers with the opportunity to ride on the Healthcare for the Homeless van to provide mental health services.

Evaluate case management at homeless shelters to assess capacity and need.

Progress: *A resource guide has been developed by the Department of Health and Human Services containing data on homeless services and providers. This guide is available in hard copy through the Division of Family Assistance Food Stamp Program, and can also be accessed online on the DHHS website.*

The PATH and HOIP outreach workers that cover the geographic area where the Healthcare for the Homeless van operates have had opportunity to ride in the van, and are engaged in ongoing collaboration working with the homeless.

BHHS annually surveys staff at homeless shelters, as well as PATH and HOIP outreach workers, to assess their training priorities, including case management. Trainings were provided in 2009 on the following topics: SOAR, disability determination, accessing mental health care, suicide prevention and intervention, substance abuse, crisis prevention and intervention, overview of deaf and hard of hearing services, overview of domestic violence programs and services, overview of adolescent services, and overview of the NH Mental Health Court.

In the summer of 2009, the BHHS distributed deet to shelters as well as HOIP and PATH outreach workers to respond to the danger that the EEE/West Nile Virus imposed on the state, particularly the homeless, chronically homeless and unsheltered homeless population.

Priority: Reduce the number of chronically homeless individuals by 10% a year by developing appropriate housing.

Objectives: Conduct a thorough point-in-time street count/shelter count annually.

Create two new units of permanent housing specifically targeted to chronically homeless individuals.

Ensure that New Hampshire's BOSCOC two Shelter + Care programs conduct outreach to chronically homeless individuals and work to ensure access to these units by chronically homeless individuals.

Evaluate HUD's case management at homeless shelters to assess capacity and need.

Progress: *A one-day Point-in-Time count was conducted in January of 2009 to count the number of homeless people in New Hampshire, including chronically homeless. The Point-in-Time count was done in conjunction with the Manchester and Nashua Continuums of Care. It included questions related to the chronically homeless.*

The Nashua Continuum of Care added two new permanent housing beds for the chronically homeless through the bonus project last year awarded to Harbor Homes, both for chronically homeless.

Harbor Homes in Nashua added one unit of permanent housing for chronically homeless in one of their existing non-NOFA funded projects and identified 15 VASH units of permanent housing for chronically homeless.

In 2009 the BOSCOC increased the number of beds available to the chronically homeless by 2 through a reallocation of Support Services Only (SSO) funding to a permanent supportive housing project at Genesis House.

Priority: Create BOSCOC's first Safe Haven to specifically address unique needs of rural chronically homeless individuals.

Objectives: Research existing best practices and approaches regarding housing options for chronically homeless individuals in rural communities.

Seek financing from New Hampshire Housing through its Special Needs Program.

Obtain technical assistance from NH Housing through its special needs program.

Progress: *CDFA funding was received by Grafton County in 2007 for a feasibility study. The study was completed in 2008 and submitted to the Grafton County Commissioners. The study finding indicated that the project was “not feasible” at this time. There are no plans in place to develop a Safe Haven.*

Priority: Adopt formal Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Objectives: Distribute formal Plan and begin working on recommendations and strategies.

Increase buy-in from the media on the Plan.

Reach out to regional and national philanthropic organizations to begin implementing building of permanent supportive housing units.

Progress: *In December of 2006, an Executive Order establishing the Interagency Council on Homelessness was signed by the Governor recognizing the Council and the Ten-Year Plan.*

The ICH continued to work toward building 400-600 units of permanent supportive housing in NH as part of the Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness. Projected state budget deficits limited the state’s ability to contribute toward the building of these PSH units. However, recent federal legislation, including \$5 million in the Neighborhood Stabilization Plan, has provided NH new options in pursuing the funding needed to build permanent supportive housing for NH’s chronically homeless.

In 2009, the New Hampshire Coalition to End Homelessness, together with WMUR, filmed a Public Service Announcement spotlighting the NHCEH’s new website, Home4hope.com. The website is designed to connect individuals and families with both state and federal resources, shelter, healthcare, and educational supports.

Priority: Expand housing opportunities for homeless individuals and families.

Objectives: Continue to educate homeless families and property owners about the State’s Housing Security Guarantee Program (HSGP) and Rental Guarantee Program (RGP).

The BHHS is coordinating a meeting with the New Hampshire Association of Housing Authorities.

Progress: *There have been ongoing efforts to inform the general public and service providers about HSGP and RGP services through public speaking engagements by BHHS staff and widespread distribution of brochures containing information about these resources.*

\$400,000 was added to the BHHS budget, \$200,000 each in FY'08 and FY'09, for the establishment of a Homeless Housing and Access Revolving Loan Fund. This project provides assistance for low-income homeless families and individuals in the form of a loan which could be used for first month's rent or a security deposit. From its inception, through December 2009, 445 households were assisted by this program in moving from homelessness to permanent housing.

The BOSCOC Permanent and Transitional Housing Subcommittees, created in 2006, continue to focus on evaluation of housing needs in the state.

Priority: Maintain and expand existing affordable housing resources.

Objectives: Create 40 units of housing in Southwestern Community Services region for low-income families.

Create 6-8 shelter beds for single adults in the northern region of the BOSCOC.

Progress: *In June 2009 NH received \$19.6 million dollars through HUD's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). Three homeless assistance agencies were awarded funding through the NH Community Development Finance Authority to develop supportive housing. Those agencies are: Harbor Homes in Nashua, 2.09 million; Families in Transition in Manchester, 2.32 million; and The Way Home in Manchester, \$300,000.*

The Center for Life Management and the Tri-County Community Action Program applied for and received funding for four additional S+C vouchers. Two will be utilized in Derry, NH and two will be utilized in Northern NH.

Center For Life Management has also increased its original Shelter Plus Care program from 16 to 25 beds; Southwestern Community Services has increased its original Shelter Plus Care Program from 16 to 18 beds and is still growing.

The Belknap Merrimack Community Action Program, the Bow Glen Project, added three transitional housing beds to its existing program through a line item funding change.

Priority: Maintain and expand supportive services available to homeless individuals and families.

Objectives: Monitor budget and legislative priorities at the state and federal level.

Advocate with state legislators and the Governor to maintain mental health, substance abuse and related services available to homeless individuals and families.

Progress: *Discussion is held at BOSCOC meetings regularly regarding budget and legislative priorities on the state and federal level.*

The Administrator of the BHHS testifies at legislative hearings regarding legislation pertaining to homeless issues.

The Administrator of BHHS participates in a Community Support Subcommittee of the NH Mental Health Council. The Subcommittee is focused on identifying ways to expand supportive housing opportunities in NH.

In September 2009, Families in Transition received a \$500,000 matching grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation with an additional \$500,000 to be provided through local funding partners to offer an enhanced new approach to serving families and homeless children. These funds will create “The Family Place”, an innovative program designed specifically to serve homeless children and families facing multiple stressors, including trauma histories, substance abuse and mental health issues.

The Housing Forum monitors all relative budget and legislative priorities at the state and federal level, testifies at hearings, and reports to the New Hampshire Interagency Council on Homelessness.

Priority: Utilize homeless information to make changes to the state’s current system of providing services to the homeless.

Objectives: Increase outreach to legislators, the business community, and citizens so they understand the impact of homelessness on the state.

Continue to sponsor statewide conferences on homelessness and prevention of homelessness.

Develop an annual report on the state of homelessness and distribute to state legislative members and other key policy developers.

Progress: *The 2009 NH Homeless Service Providers Conference, co-sponsored by the NH Department of Health and Human Services and the New Hampshire Department of Education, gave state government, outreach workers, and providers an opportunity to come together and share ideas and critical issues involving the homeless. There were more than 200 registered participants representing homeless service providers, DOE homeless liaisons, state legislators, and advocates.*

The 2009 Emergency Shelter and Homeless Coordination Commission Report is scheduled to be released in late February 2010. The 2008 report covers the period July 1, 2008 –June 30, 2009. This report provides insight into homeless programs administered by the state and developments and initiatives underway to improve support to NH’s homeless population.

The report is distributed to the Governor, members of the General Court, the Executive Council, key commissioners, civic organizations, and the media. It will also be available to the public on the Department of Health and Human Services website. This report details all government-funded homeless assistance activities conducted during the specified reporting period.

The Administrator of BHHS participated in the legislative Task Force on Homeless Teenagers established in 2009. The Task Force is expected to reconvene and continue through the 2010 legislative session and is examining the issue of homeless teens and unaccompanied youth in NH.

Priority: Increase immediate opportunities for communities to increase shelter capacity in order to prevent turnaways.

Objectives: Create additional bed capacity based on local needs and subpopulation needs.

Progress: *Cross Roads House in Portsmouth opened a new facility on November 18, 2009. The new facility replaces an old motel building and will provide shelter for up to 48 individuals and 10 families. Over \$4 million has been raised to pay for the project, primarily through private donations.*

The First Congregational Church in Concord operates a seasonal winter emergency shelter, in response to the growing need for additional shelter beds during winter months.

Priority: Continue to refine a process for assessing gaps and needs.

Objectives: Continue the ongoing analysis of data in planning to meet gaps and needs.

Progress: *Data reporting requirements for HOIP now include data on the chronically homeless.*

The HMIS system that is now in place also includes data on the chronically homeless.

HMIS is currently utilized to generate weekly emergency shelter census reports providing essential data on shelter utilization and bed availability across the state.

The Housing Subcommittee of the BOSCOG has decided to provide technical assistance within the group in order to assist in the start-up of new projects and housing development.

In 2009 BHHS convened quarterly meetings of directors of emergency, transitional and specialty shelters in New Hampshire. These meetings provide a forum in which information can be shared, provide an opportunity for shelter directors to contribute their ideas and expertise on matters affecting shelters statewide, and allow BHHS to obtain input from shelter directors relative to direct service issues and trends as well as administrative rules and policies.

Priority: Increase access for wraparound services for people who are at risk of becoming homeless to prevent them from losing their homes, and to help people who are currently homeless to obtain housing.

Objectives: Prevent people who are at risk of homelessness from losing their homes.

Assist people who are currently homeless obtain housing.

Progress: *The state's Ten-Year Plan addresses the need for an implementation strategy to address wraparound services.*

In collaboration with the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration, NH Legal Assistance, and the Institute on Homelessness and Trauma, BHHS coordinated the launching of a technical assistance (TA) initiative to address legal barriers to housing experienced by people affected by poverty, mental health disorders, or other co-occurring conditions. During July and August 2008, the initiative was refined to increase access to consultation by those providing outreach and direct services to people who are homeless or who are at risk of losing their housing. This project was extended

through 2009, and has evolved into the TA provider working with a Local Service Delivery Area (LSDA) group, The Concord Coalition to End Homelessness, to provide targeted support combined with other coordinated efforts to reduce barriers to safe, permanent housing in that area.

Priority: Implement a Discharge Plan for New Hampshire.

Objectives: Create changes to the state's current system of providing services to the homeless.

Progress: With the assistance of the DHHS, a Discharge Planning Committee was established to develop and implement a discharge plan for those citizens leaving institutions and systems of care who are at risk of being homeless. The plan was approved in December of 2006 by the Discharge Planning Committee. BHHS continues to monitor and review progress relative to adherence to the plan through semi annual meetings of the Committee.

3. Priority Non-Housing Community Development Needs

Priority: Assist Economic Development Activities

Objectives: Continue to provide technical and financial assistance to municipalities and their agents to foster the development of worthy projects that provide competitive wages and salaries and create permanent rather than temporary or seasonal jobs.

Continue to provide a significant portion of CDBG funds as an economic development set aside in order that the applications for projects may be processed year-round to take advantage of immediate opportunities.

Provide financial and technical assistance to organize and sustain non-profit development corporations at the regional level that are capable of creating and operating revolving loan funds on a continuing basis.

Coordinate CDBG activities with the efforts of state level economic development agencies, including the Department of Resources and Economic Development, the Business Finance Authority and federal level agencies, including EDA and USDA Rural Development.

Progress: *The CDBG program dedicates staff to provide technical and financial assistance to municipalities relative to economic development activities. The staff works on specific economic development projects and developing local economic development capacity to undertake such projects.*

CDFA continues to set aside 50% of its CDBG Program funds for Economic Development Activities. In 2009 six (6) projects totaling \$1,654,000 were allocated to economic development projects. (Total included reassigned previous year funds.)

CDFA continues to coordinate economic development activities at the state level with regular working contacts between CDFA and the Department of Resources and Economic Development. CDFA also continues to partner with EDA and USDA Rural Development on project specific issues.

CDFA used CDBG-R funds to make one economic development grant for \$500,000 in 2009 to a town to build water and sewer lines to a proposed commercial property/industrial park to create jobs for primarily low-income people.

Priority: Assist the Development, Improvement, and/or Expansion of Public Facilities.

Objectives: Continue to set-aside a portion of CDBG funds for emergency grants in order to respond year-round to problems that pose immediate threats to public health and welfare where no other funds are available.

Continue to set-aside a portion of CDBG funds for two feasibility grant-rounds per year that lead directly to addressing community needs.

Continue to coordinate infrastructure projects with the Department of Environmental Services and USDA Rural Development, principally to insure CDBG funds are used for high priority projects.

Continue to encourage infrastructure improvements that directly support economic development and job creation.

Continue to fund community center/facility projects that meet high priority local needs such as day care centers, homeless shelters and transitional facilities.

Progress: *The CDBG program dedicates staff to providing technical and financial assistance to municipalities relative to housing and public facility activities.*

CDFA also continues to set aside \$500,000 for emergency grants to alleviate serious and immediate threats to the public health and welfare. To this end, one (1) grant totaling \$500,000, was awarded under this set aside to renovate a blighted mill building in a downtown area that was historically significant but was posing a health and safety threat.

CDFA sets aside \$100,000 annually for feasibility studies. During 2009 seven (7) projects totaling \$84,000 were allocated to feasibility studies.

CDFA continues to set aside fifty percent (50%) of its CDBG funds for housing and public facility improvements. In the public facility category three (3) projects were funded in 2009 for a total of \$1,250,000. In the housing category \$3,298,500 was used to fund eight (8) projects. (Total does not include CDBG-R funded projects).

Additionally, CDFA awarded \$1,837,598 in CDBG-R funds to four projects. Those projects include energy efficiency upgrades to an alternative school and child care center, expansion of a nursing home, site work for affordable senior housing development in one of the least affordable housing markets in the state, and site work for affordable housing in the least affordable housing market in the state.

CDFA continues to hold semi-annual meetings with the Department of Environmental Services and with USDA Rural Development to review current grant applications for infrastructure related projects.

Priority: Assist with Other Locally Identified Community Development Activities.

Objectives: Continue to encourage handicapped improvements to public buildings.

Continue to support the cost of planning access to municipal facilities and programs (Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) with the administrative funds that accompany each grant.

Progress: CDFA continues to monitor for compliance under Section 504 and provides technical assistance for the Section 504 planning process. Municipalities are encouraged to use administration funds for this purpose.

4. Reduction of Barriers to Affordable Housing

Priority: Finance production of rental units to increase inventory

Progress: Between the HOME, Low Income Housing Tax Credit program, the Tax Credit Assistance Program, and the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange Program, commitments were made during 2009 to add 379 units to the state's rental housing inventory.

Priority: Increase non-development efforts to reduce barriers to affordable housing for low income tenants.

Progress: During SFY 2009, 858 Housing Security Guarantees were issued, and the Homeless Housing and Access Revolving Loan Fund assisted 232 households.

The Housing Awareness Program is an ongoing public information/education campaign focused upon improving public understanding of the state's housing needs and conditions and the actions necessary to address these needs, particularly community resistance to housing production. Throughout 2009, New Hampshire Housing continued to provide full-time staff to coordinate this statewide effort, and to coordinate the work of a series of regional workforce housing coalitions. New Hampshire Housing staff maintained the NH Workforce Housing Council website, the purpose of which is to serve as a vehicle for communication with the business community and the public at large, as well as to provide information to affordable housing advocates (www.workforcehousingnh.com).

One of the activities that the Housing Awareness Program supported was the hosting of three Workforce Housing Council forums that were presented to a diverse audience of 30 to 50 individuals representing area employers, housing advocates, planners and developers.

Highlights from 2009 forums included:

- *Legislative and housing market updates*
- *Developing "Green" housing that is affordable*
- *Small community water and sewer solutions to foster compact development in smaller communities*

The Housing Awareness Program continues to provide operational support for a series of regional housing coalitions in the form of direct grants and technical support. In 2009, NHHFA provided a total of \$40,000 to four workforce housing coalitions for direct operational support. They include: Upper Valley Housing Coalition, Greater Nashua Workforce Housing Coalition, Heading for Home and the Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater Seacoast.

New Hampshire Housing also continues to offer its mini-grant program that provides grants up to \$5,000 for eligible organizations. The purpose of this grant program is to make funds available to local leaders and organizations for the development of informational/educational materials, targeted advertising, limited locally-focused research activities or other innovative or unique methods of reducing community resistance to housing development.

In 2009, \$14,600 was provided to three organizations:

- 1. The Town of Deerfield: To engage a consultant and for the creation of materials as part of the outreach and education effort for workforce housing in order to help increase the opportunity for workforce housing in the Town of Deerfield.*
- 2. Mt. Washington Valley Housing Coalition: For comprehensive strategic planning and to present two housing themed community forums discussing the importance of a diverse housing supply. The forums are intended for the general public and for municipalities and local planning boards.*
- 3. Upper Valley Housing Coalition: To develop a targeted communications strategy aimed at the local housing development community. This will include a communications piece, an upgraded website and outreach and advocacy plan.*

For many years, New Hampshire Housing has maintained a steady presence in the state's Legislature, advocating for sensible changes to law and defending important positions on behalf of the housing needs of our low and moderate income families. In 2008, SB 342, New Hampshire's new workforce housing statute was passed by substantial majorities in both the house and senate and signed into law by Governor Lynch. The enactment of SB 342 is the culmination of more than two decades of advocacy and education efforts on the part of New Hampshire Housing and its partners and provides stronger ground for the development of workforce housing in the state. The law becomes effective on January 1, 2010

During 2009, New Hampshire Housing staff made 31 presentations to diverse audiences, with each presentation designed to target the interests of that particular group (see chart next page). Over the years, New Hampshire Housing has developed an extensive array of publications that address topics such as the impact of housing development on school costs, the impact of a tight housing market on economic growth, examples of strategies to reduce regulatory barriers and to encourage the development of a balanced supply of housing. As a result of the new workforce housing law, many presentations have been concentrated on helping towns to understand the impact of the law and provide tools to help them modify their zoning ordinances that will comply with the law. In response to increasing requests for assistance by municipalities, New Hampshire Housing provided project support for the creation of a resource guide that provides tools, resources and possible solutions that will enable a city or town to assess their zoning regulations and

determine if they support the new statute. At the close of 2009 this document is undergoing final revisions before release to local planning boards, regional planning commissions and housing organizations.

Housing Awareness Program Presentations 2009

January 22	Brewster Academy	Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition: Workforce Housing Law	Ben Frost
January 26	Chichester	Chichester Planning Board	Ben Frost
February 2	Salisbury	Salisbury Planning Board	Ben Frost
February 3	Conway	Sustainability Network--Workforce Housing & New housing statute	George Reagan
February 8	Wilton	Communities & Consequences Presentation	Ben Frost
February 11	Concord	NH BIA Economic Development Committee	Ben Frost
March 19	Loudon	Loudon Planning Board	Ben Frost
April 1	Durham	Daniel Webster Inn of Court	Ben Frost
April 10	Wolfeboro	Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition Forum	Ben Frost/ George Reagan
April 11	Madison	Madison Planning Board	Ben Frost
April 14	Salem	Salem Planning Board	Ben Frost
April 21	Concord	Concord Housing Commission:Housing/Econ Dev. WHCoalitions & Law	George Reagan
May 2		OEP Spring Planning & Zoning Conference	Ben Frost
May 4	Gilford	Gilford Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
May 5	Bennington	Bennington Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
May 19	New Durham	New Durham PB: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
May 26	Nashua	Presentation to Nashua Telegraph Editorial Board	George Reagan
June 2	Manchester	Manchester Chamber Green Committee: New WFH statute	George Reagan
July 16	Sanbornton	Sanbornton Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
July 22	Dunbarton	Dunbarton Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
July 23	New Boston	New Boston Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost/ George Reagan
July 28	Bradford	Presentation of WFH Statute to PB	Ben Frost/ George Reagan
July 29	Franconia	Franconia Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
August 6	Dublin	Dublin Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
September 10	Chichester	Chichester PB: WFH Statute	Ben Frost
September 22	Canterbury	Compact Design Conference Pros& Cons-Panels	Ben Frost
September 23	Londonderry	Planning & Comm.Development Staff: Long Term Affordability	Ben Frost
October 22	Springfield	Springfield Planning Board: Workforce Housing Statute	Ben Frost
October 26	Jackson	MWV Coalition: C&C Screening: WFHousing Statute	Ben Frost

November 3	Manchester	NHHFA Housing Conference: Workforce Housing Update	George Reagan
December 16	Bedford	Presentation to Legislative Staff: Housing Issues/Activity	Ben Frost

5. Lead-Based Paint Hazards

Priority: Continue to help all New Hampshire organizations administering federal housing assistance to build the capacity necessary for compliance with 24 CFR 35, Requirements For Notification, Evaluation, and Reduction of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Federally Owned Residential Property and Housing Receiving Federal Assistance.

Progress: The year 2009 was the tenth full year that 24 CFR 35 was in effect. This regulation provides the framework for lead-based paint hazard control that is required in virtually all federally-funded housing activities ranging from Tenant-Based Rental Assistance to substantial rehabs. New Hampshire Housing was at the forefront of building statewide capacity to comply with this regulation by carrying out a Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program grant from HUD several years ago. Trainings in Lead-Safe Work Practices were conducted throughout the state as part of the grant-funded activities, and supplemental trainings were arranged through the National Center for Lead-Safe Housing (now known as the National Center for Healthy Homes). Due to renewed interest on the part of many partners, New Hampshire Housing applied for and has received another \$3 m Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program grant. Through the collaborative efforts of many partners this grant will provide lead hazard control funding for a target of 240 units of privately-owned housing statewide, and will also help the state improve lead safety on the part of contractors and maintenance workers by offering training required by the new EPA Rehabilitation, Repair and Painting rule. The New Hampshire Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program plans to switch from organizing Lead-Safe Renovator training and instead offer RRP training once enough certified trainers are available in the state.

New Hampshire Housing's Construction Standards are more protective than the HUD lead regulation, requiring full abatement of lead-based paint in any rehab work they finance. The recent trend in affordable housing development projects has involved less rehab of existing properties and more new construction. NHHFA has remained the liason between the state's public housing authorities and the NH Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program for HUD lead regulation compliance purposes, receiving information on lead poisonings by address and relaying it to the other PHAs so they can take appropriate steps if they have a Housing Choice Voucher in use at a property under state abatement order. NHHFA remains an active member of the NH Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program's Advisory Group, and has participated in broader Healthy Homes planning for New Hampshire. NHHFA has been active as a member of both the Asthma Regional Council of New England and the New Hampshire Asthma Program Advisory Council. In partnership with these two groups, the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, and the National Center for Healthy Housing, NHHFA co-sponsored an Essentials of Healthy Housing refresher course and credentialing exam in June of 2009. The course was attended by 27 housing and health professionals, with over half taking the exam and becoming certified as Healthy Homes Specialists.

6. Anti-Poverty Strategy

Priority: Reduce the number of households living in poverty and those living in poverty-like conditions.

Objectives: Increase the number of opportunities for decent and affordable housing for very low income households through new development of affordable housing, rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable rental housing.

Provide assistance to very low income homeowners for rehabilitation of their properties.

Continue and improve upon mechanisms to increase the incomes of very low income households through job creation and retention.

Increase opportunities for transitional housing programs.

Emphasize homeless prevention activities to break the cycle of homelessness or prevent it altogether.

Progress: Parts of these objectives are addressed by all three of the HUD Consolidated Plan resources, and are addressed quantitatively elsewhere in this document.

New Hampshire Housing's rental housing production programs and single-family rehab program preserve and add to the inventory of decent, affordable housing (see HOME Funds Committed).

The New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority supports economic development activities throughout the state with CDBG funding, creating 338 jobs during this reporting period, 234 of which are held by low-moderate income people. NHCDFFA also funds housing rehab activities and activities such as sewer and water projects that support neighborhood housing (see CDBG Funds Committed).

Both New Hampshire Housing and HUD through the State Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services contribute to the bulk of transitional housing efforts within the state (see ESG and HOME Funds committed).

7. Institutional Structure

Priority: Improve the technical skills of the nonprofit sector.

Objectives: Facilitate the development of staff skills to meet the challenges of organization missions through the provision of training or financial assistance for attending training programs.

Improve communication on programs and resources available from resource providers.

Facilitate peer technical assistance networks.

Progress: See Below

Priority: Coordinate the use of public and private operating assistance resources for non-profits and improve the reliability of these resources to support technical and capacity development.

Objectives: Coordinate the goals of the various operating assistance programs.

Provide a stable source of operating funds for non-profits.

Progress: *The NHHFA continues to operate a program of production-based financial assistance to the non-profit housing developers in the state. In place of direct operating support, the Technical Assistance Program offers deferred loans at 0% interest to non-profit developers as a source of pre-development assistance. Third party services and non-profit staff time on a specific project are eligible costs to be covered by the loans. The loans are repaid or rolled into a permanent loan when permanent financing is obtained. If a project is found infeasible, the pre-development loan is forgiven. During this reporting period, HOME funds were not used for this purpose. At the early stages of development it is often not known whether or not HOME funds will be the best source of financing for a project, so this decision is made later. The Technical Assistance awards for the reporting period are shown in the next table.*

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE LOANS

<i>January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009</i>			
Project Name	Location	Borrower	Amount
Dalianis House	Nashua	Harbor Homes, Inc.	\$30,000
Spruce Keys	Manchester	The Way Home	\$30,000
Parmenter Road	Concord	Concord Housing Authority	\$30,000
Brock Street Apartments	Rochester	Rochester Housing Authority	\$30,000
Unity Village	Unity	Monadnock Developmental Services	\$30,000
City Side Family Housing	Keene	Southwestern Community Services	\$30,000
Lochmere Meadows	Tilton	Laconia Area Community Land Trust	\$30,000
Woods Edge Apartments Phase III	Hillsboro	Farmsteads of New England, Inc.	\$30,000
Somerville Street Project	Nashua	Harbor Homes, Inc.	\$30,000
Theatre Street Project	Concord	CATCH Neighborhood Housing	\$30,000
Total			\$300,000

Priority: Facilitate creative partnerships between public and private, for-profit and nonprofit entities.

Objectives: Provide opportunities for discussion of common goals and areas of expertise.

Facilitate the development of partnerships through education, training and resource coordination.

Enhance coordination among the various delivery networks.

Progress: NHHFA provided \$25,000 in grant funds for the purpose of non-profit capacity building through a contract with the New Hampshire Community Loan Fund. The CLF holds bi-monthly “network” meetings of the non-profit housing developers. Training is provided by the CLF staff as well as state and federal development partners and consultants. Training for the boards of the non-profit groups is also provided.

NHHFA and NHCDFFA each contributed \$75,000 this year to the Housing Futures Fund. The Housing Futures Fund supports operating and technical assistance activities for local non-profit housing organizations, providing a total of \$385,000 in grants.

NHHFA contributed \$10,000 to Heritage United Way to help support the continuation of the 2-1-1 statewide information and referral program operated by the United Ways of New Hampshire.

There are multiple efforts undertaken by the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority, the Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services, and New Hampshire Housing to coordinate resources and efforts, starting with the State’s planning effort in the form of the Housing and Community Development Planning Council upon which representatives from all three organizations serve as staff. Additionally, NHHFA is an active member of the Balance of State Continuum of Care Coordinating Council, serves on a project scoring panel for the Manchester Continuum of Care, and is a long time member of the Governor’s Interagency Council on Homelessness. NHHFA also has a seat on the Emergency Shelter and Homeless Coordination Commission.

8. Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Use

Priority: Enhance the coordination and use of LIHTC.

Objectives: Update the LIHTC Allocation Plan as necessary to reflect the assessment of needs and establishment of priorities for assistance as determined in the Consolidated Plan.

Provide a single application for multiple NHHFA-administered development resources in electronic format.

Enhance opportunities for use of LIHTC in small projects.

Progress: The Tax Credit Qualified Allocation Plan substantially reflects the priorities in the State Consolidated Plan, therefore efforts are made to synchronize changes in priorities so they are reflected similarly in the application scoring systems used for both the LIHTC and HOME programs. Also, the application cycles of both the HOME Rental Production Program and LIHTC Program are the same, enhancing the compatibility of these two important affordable housing production resources. Special Needs Housing has a different cycle.

Changes to the Qualified Allocation Plan for 2008 included a substantial increase in potential project scoring points for Green development, and an increase in maximum credits awarded to projects.

New Hampshire Housing's multi-family development application in electronic format is available for download on the Authority's web site.

Sponsors of Tax Credit projects are eligible for the Technical Assistance Loans referred to elsewhere in this document.

For detail on LIHTC commitments, please see Section C. Part 2 of this report.

9. Other Special Needs Populations

There are a variety of populations with special needs including but not limited to:

- developmentally disabled
- mentally ill
- persons with HIV/AIDS
- frail elderly
- persons recovering from alcohol and/or drug abuse
- physically handicapped
- those with multiple diagnoses

In addition to these populations, other elderly and non-elderly households including families at risk of homelessness, individuals and households escaping domestic violence, and others can benefit from services linked to housing. Services can range from assistance with budgeting to health-related services.

Priority: Provide opportunities for affordable, permanent housing and transitional housing with appropriate services for special needs populations.

Continue support of developmentally disabled persons living in subsidized or other independent housing with services through Medicaid Home and Community-Based Waiver Program.

Continue support of community residences, intensive supported housing, supportive housing and other facilities serving the needs of the mentally ill.

Continue support of community based housing and other facilities serving the needs of the mentally ill.

Continue support of community-based housing services for those with acquired brain disorder.

Continue to support congregate and other housing models with services to serve the needs of the low-income elderly and frail elderly.

Meet the needs of persons with HIV/AIDS for supportive housing through development of specific supportive housing or through programs linking housing assistance with appropriate services.

Encourage the delivery of services linked to community or affordable housing development to populations at risk of homelessness or displacement including elderly and non-elderly households.

Encourage the development of home ownership opportunities for special needs households.

Develop home modification and single-family rehabilitation opportunities to assist people with special needs.

Facilitate the development of linkages between housing developers and service providers.

Progress: The Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services administers several HUD Supportive Housing Program grants which provide specific service-enriched housing for populations including those with mental illness, developmental disabilities, acquired brain syndrome, and substance abuse issues. For a comprehensive list of providers funded and the number of persons served by BHHS during the year, see Appendix III.

The New Hampshire Housing has collaborated with BHHS and service providers to assist with the financing of many HUD-funded Supportive Housing programs and service-enriched housing efforts serving non-homeless populations. Although there were no new commitments to special needs projects during 2008, there are several projects in the pipeline which will serve the housing needs of a variety of populations once they move forward to commitment phase.

There have been multiple areas of collaboration between New Hampshire Division of Elderly and Adult Services and NHHFA, one of which currently provides needed alternatives to institutionalization for frail seniors and the potential for collaboration on additional cost-effective options to provide community based long term care is great. New Hampshire Housing currently serves on the Community Supports Subcommittee of the New Hampshire Mental Health Council, assisting this group of professionals and consumer advocates in planning how to best meet the housing needs of people living with mental illness.

There are presently three HOPWA programs operating in the state, assisting with the integration of housing and services for families living with HIV/AIDS.

B. Progress on Action Plan

1. Resources Available to the State and Other Entities

The 2009 Action Plan was submitted to HUD in November of 2008. It was amended on May 6, 2009 once the final FFY 2009 grant amounts were determined. It was the effective guiding document for federal funds received between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009. The 2009 Action Plan was not intended to apply to jurisdictions having a local Consolidated Plan, therefore CDBG, HOME, or ESG funds awarded directly from HUD to entitlement communities are not discussed herein. New Hampshire's entitlement communities include Manchester, Nashua, Portsmouth, Dover and Rochester.

This report provides information regarding program activities as well as information about the households benefiting from investments during the reporting period including those resources received in prior periods.

Table A illustrates major resources that became available during the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

TABLE A

**Resources Newly Available to the State and Other Entities
During the Period January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009**

(Does not include awards of federal resources made directly to CDBG-entitlement communities or local public housing authorities)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	FFY 09 Allocation to NHCDFR: \$9,216,873
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM	FFY 09 Allocation to NHHFA: \$5,232,253
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT	FFY 09 Allocation to OHHTS: \$494,457
STATE OF NH – GRANT IN AID	SFY 09 Allocation: \$3,966,664
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR HOMELESS	See Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Awards
PROJECTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN TRANSITION FROM HOMELESSNESS (PATH)	\$300,000
HOUSING FOR LOW-INCOME ELDERLY (SECTION 202)	Due to delays in the award process, no FFY 09 section 202 awards have been made yet.
HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (SECTION 811)	Due to delays in the award process, no FFY 09 section 811 awards have been announced yet.

HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS	The HOPWA project serving the Greater Manchester area received a renewal grant of \$716,221 in 2009.										
SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER	By the end of 2009, NHHFA had a baseline program capacity of 3,326 Housing Choice Vouchers.										
CONTINUUM OF CARE HOMELESS ASSISTANCE AWARDS	\$2,643,371 in FFY 2009 HUD funds were awarded competitively to fund renewal of 21 existing projects and two new projects to assist homeless disabled individuals and families.										
LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS	<table> <tr> <td>2009 Credit Authority</td> <td>\$3,026,361</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carry forward from 2008</td> <td>\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2006 Returned Credits</td> <td>\$220</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2008 National Pool</td> <td>\$29,448</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Available</td> <td>\$3,056,029</td> </tr> </table>	2009 Credit Authority	\$3,026,361	Carry forward from 2008	\$0	2006 Returned Credits	\$220	2008 National Pool	\$29,448	Total Available	\$3,056,029
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NHHFA ADMINISTERED STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$1,500,000										
NHHFA – SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS	\$63,429,311 in bond proceeds was used to purchase 421 first time homebuyer mortgages.										
NHHFA – MULTIFAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS	\$24,500,000 annually and carry forward.										
FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION – MULTIFAMILY RISK SHARING	Non-limited resource										
FINANCING ADJUSTING FACTOR	\$300,000										

2. Commitments Made to Programs, Projects and Activities During the Period

Table B provides information about commitments made to housing and housing related projects and activities.

Table B
Resources Committed to Housing Projects and Related Activities
During the Period January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

(Does not include activities undertaken with resources administered by CDBG-entitlement communities or local public housing authorities)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)	A total of 8 localities received funding commitments totaling \$3,298,500 for housing projects which will directly assist housing units within target areas (greater than 51% of families below low-mod income levels). 3 municipalities received \$1,250,000 for Public Facilities. 6 municipalities received \$1,654,000 for Economic Development Projects. 7 municipalities received \$84,000 for Feasibility Studies.
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS	During this period a total of \$4,253,565 in HOME funds was committed to new affordable housing projects. A total of 118 rental housing units will be provided to low and very low income households as a result of these commitments. An additional 34 homes committed for rehabilitation under the Single Family Rehabilitation Program will increase affordable housing in New Hampshire.
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT	During the reporting period a total of \$469,743 was committed to 13 homeless service provider organizations in the state. The balance of funds (\$24,723) was used for administration.
STATE OF NH – GRANT IN AID	There were 42 homeless programs funded: 12 domestic violence programs; 18 emergency shelters; 6 transitional shelter programs, and 6 specialty shelters. These programs provided temporary shelter to 4,956 persons. Of those sheltered: 3,328 were single adults, 788 were adults in 670 families with 840 children and 196 were individual adults in families without children. Of those persons sheltered 1,228 had diagnosed mental illness, 1,098 alcohol abuse, 879 substance abuse, 706 were dual diagnosed with mental illness and substance abuse, 176 had a developmental disability, 593 had a physical disability, 664 were victims of domestic violence, 14 reported HIV/AIDS, 880 were chronically homeless, and 293 were military veterans. The funds were geographically distributed throughout the state with facilities in each of the ten counties.
PERMANENT HOUSING FOR THE HANDICAPPED HOMELESS	Nine service providers received funds for specialized permanent housing programs.
PROJECTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN TRANSITION FROM HOMELESSNESS	Nine service providers received funds. See the ESHCC Annual Report for specifics on numbers served and funding to providers.

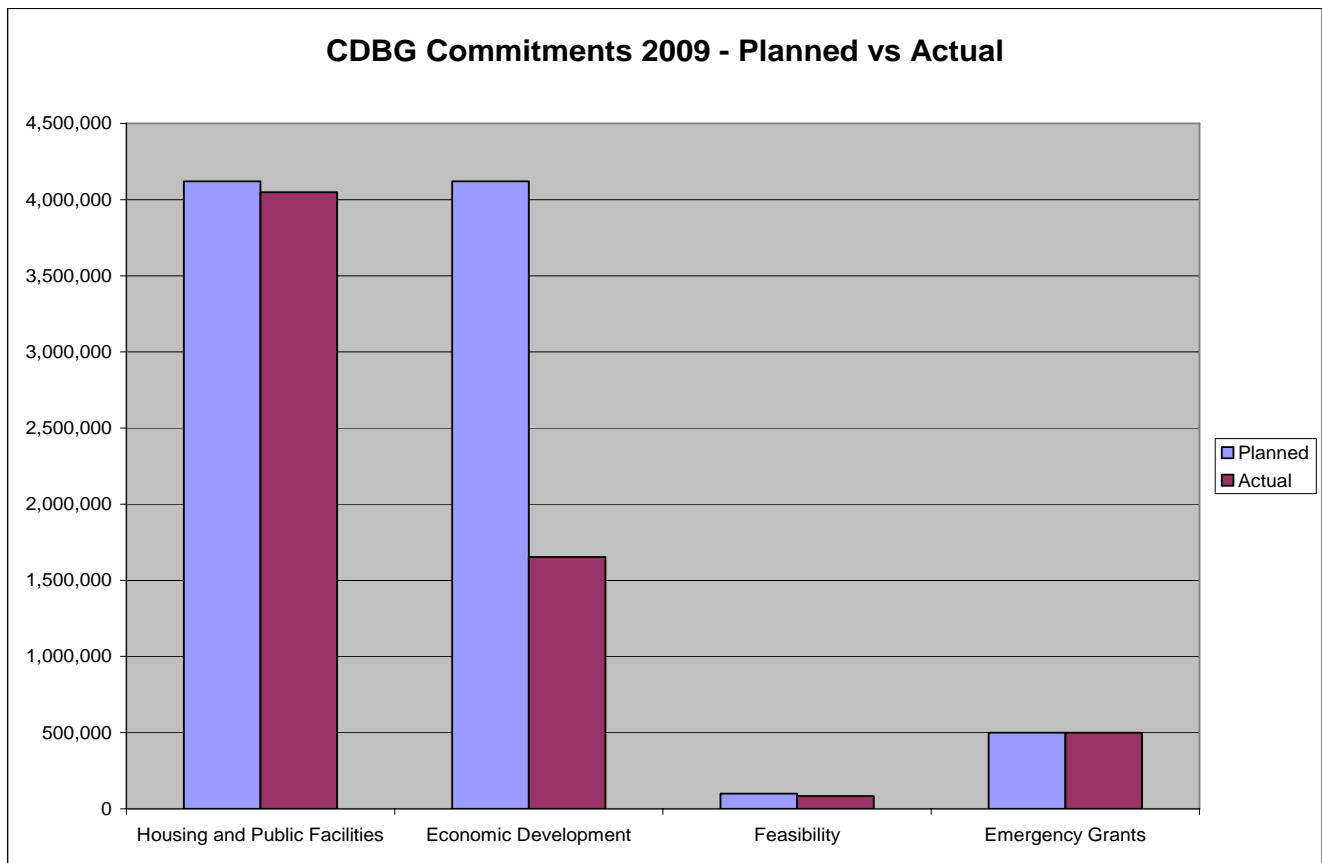
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS	Nine service providers received funds. See the ESHCC Annual Report for specifics on numbers served and funding to providers.
SHELTER + CARE	Two Shelter+Care projects operated in New Hampshire during 2009.
HUD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM	See ESHCC Annual Report for specifics on numbers served and funding to providers.
SECTION 8 MODERATE REHAB	At the end of the period 128 units were available for use by very low income households.
LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS	During the reporting period \$2,852,089 in Tax Credits were reserved for eight projects contributing to 189 units of affordable housing.
NHHFA – SINGLE FAMILY BONDS	\$63,429,311 in bond proceeds was used to purchase 421 first time homebuyer mortgages.
NHHFA – MULTIFAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS	No activity during 2009.
FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION – MULTIFAMILY RISK SHARING	No activity during 2009.

3. Planned vs. Actual Commitments

The charts and tables below indicate the planned commitments from the 2009 Action Plan portion of the Consolidated Plan and the actual commitment made. Geographic information is also given.

a) Community Development Block Grant

The 2009 allocation for the CDBG Program in New Hampshire was \$9,216,873. The charts and tables below reflect only the funds which were committed to applicant municipalities and do not include administrative funds. The term “committed” means under contract. Please note that reported commitments are higher than the 2009 allocation due to the reallocation of unexpended funds from previous years’ grants.



2009 Community Development Project Commitments

Economic Development

Municipality	Amount
Barnstead	\$ 500,000
Carroll County	\$ 200,000
Colebrook	\$ 170,000
Enfield	\$ 180,000
Grafton County	\$ 409,000
Peterborough	<u>\$ 195,000</u>

Total \$1,654,000

Public Facility

Municipality	Amount
Charlestown	\$ 250,000
Farmington	\$ 500,000
Claremont EG	<u>\$ 500,000</u>

Total \$1,250,000

Housing

Municipality	Amount
Berlin	\$ 500,000
Cheshire County	\$ 500,000
Hillsborough	\$ 368,500
Keene	\$ 500,000
Lebanon	\$ 130,000
Merrimack County	\$ 500,000
Rindge	\$ 500,000
Somersworth	<u>\$ 300,000</u>

Total \$ 3,298,500

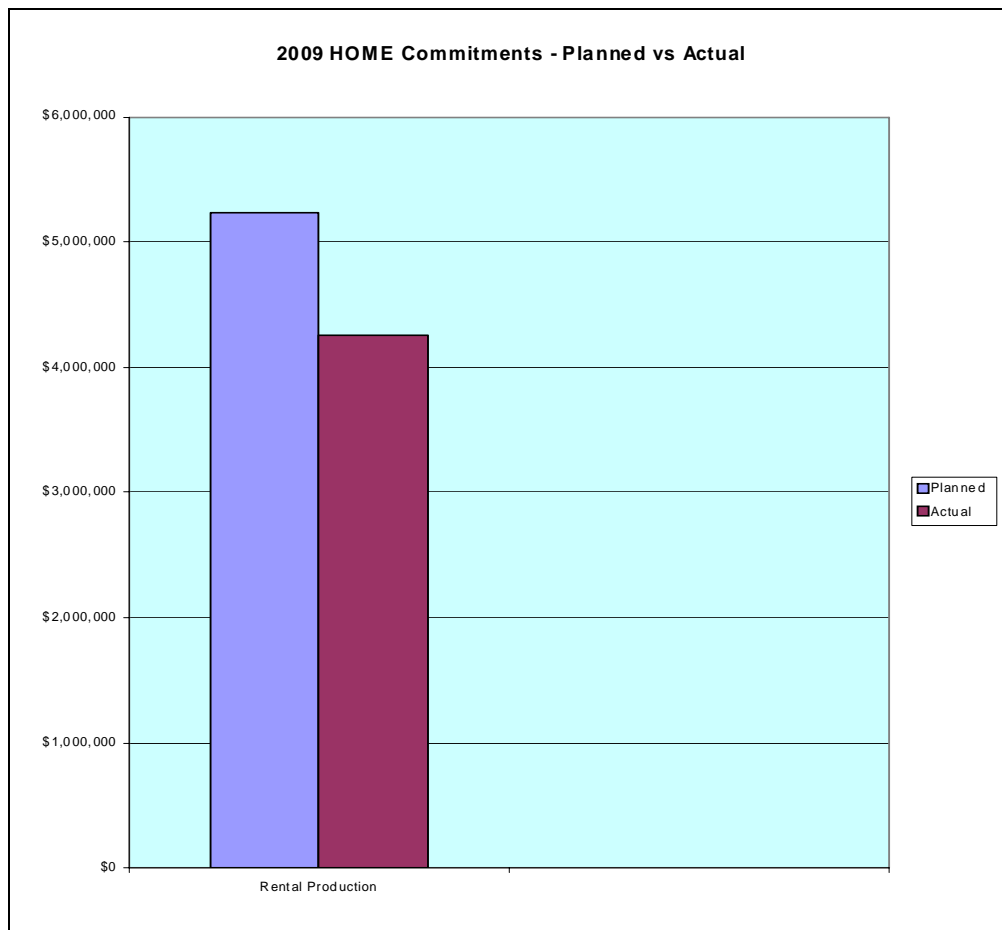
Planning

Municipality	Amount
Deering	\$ 12,000
Gorham	\$ 12,000
Hinsdale	\$ 12,000
Keene	\$ 12,000
Pittsburgh	\$ 12,000
Stewartstown	\$ 12,000
Tamworth	<u>\$ 12,000</u>

Total \$ 84,000

b) HOME

New Hampshire's 2009 formula allocation for HOME was \$5,232,253. In accordance with the allocation of HOME funds as stated in the 2009 Action Plan, all new funds were committed to both multifamily rental production and single-family rehabilitation. Funds approved for single-family rehabilitation during 2008 were committed in 2009. The ADDI HOME allocation of 2008 has been fully disbursed and the final ADDI project completed in 2009. The American Dream Downpayment Initiative is no longer funded by HUD, but other first time homebuyer assistance remains available at New Hampshire Housing. During any program year several years of HUD funding may be available for commitment. In order to prevent an increase in unexpended funds, planned commitments approximate the available new funding each year. The information below reflects only the funds, which were committed to projects and does not include administrative funds. HOME funding commitments normally fluctuate from year to year, as the flow of project commitments does not always relate well to a single calendar year. It should therefore be noted that what might appear as low or high commitments in a particular year generally balances out with the previous or next year.



These commitments include funds from prior years' grants and program income

HOME Single Family Rehabilitation

The HOME Single Family Rehabilitation program was approved for and awarded \$2,600,000 in 2008. New Hampshire's Community Action Agencies consisting of Belknap-Merrimack Community Action Program Agency, Inc., Southern New Hampshire Services, Inc., Rockingham Community Action Program, Inc., Southwestern Community Services, Inc., Strafford County Community Action Program, Inc. and Tri-County Community Action Program, Inc. will carryout the program delivery. Seventy-five households were anticipated to be served by this program. By the end of the 2009 program year, project commitments had been made to 34 households with approximately 25 households remaining to be assisted in 2010.

HOME SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION PROGRAM 2009 COMMITMENTS			
CAP – Town	Total Persons	Percent of Median Area Income	
		<50%	<80%
BM CAP – Gilford	2	X	
BM CAP – Franklin	4	X	
BM CAP – Loudon	2	X	
BM CAP – Concord	5	X	
BM CAP – Northfield	1	X	
BM CAP – Epsom	1	X	
BM CAP – Laconia	6	X	
BM CAP – Alton	1	X	
BM CAP – Gilford	2	X	
BM CAP – Loudon	5		X
BM CAP – Gilmanton	3		X
RCAP – Salem	1	X	
RCAP – East Kingston	7	X	
RCAP – Plaistow	6	X	
RCAP – Chester	3	X	
SNHS – Goffstown	6	X	
SNHS – Nashua	2	X	
SNHS – Merrimack	2		X
SNHS – Manchester	1	X	
SNHS – Manchester	1	X	
SNHS – Merrimack	1	X	
SCS – Jaffrey	8		X
SCS – Fitzwilliam	2	X	

SCCAP – Milton	4		X
SCCAP – Somersworth	1	X	
SCCAP – Somersworth	1	X	
SCCAP – Rochester	4	X	
SCCAP – Rochester	1	X	
SCCAP – Rochester	2	X	
SCCAP – Rollinsford	4	X	
TRICAP – Sanbornville	4		X
TRICAP – Colebrook	1	X	
TRICAP – Littleton	3		X
TRICAP – Whitefield	3		X
TOTALS	106	26	8

HOME Multi-Family

2009 HOME dollars were committed to the production of affordable rental housing as noted below. This year's commitments have been made to family, elderly and special needs housing projects.

HOME PROGRAM MULTIFAMILY COMMITMENTS 2009				
Project Name	Location	HOME Funds	Total Units	HOME Units
The Townhomes at Abingdon Square	Goffstown	\$974,000	25	25
Woods Edge Apartments/ Rosewald Farm Phase II	Hillsborough	\$700,000	8	8
Meeting Place at Exeter	Exeter	\$960,000	32	6
South Porter Senior Housing	Manchester	\$969,565	31	10
Rye Airfield	Rye	\$650,000	22	5
	Totals	\$4,253,565	118	54

c) Emergency Shelter Grant

The table below indicates that the 2009 allocation for the Emergency Shelter Grant program in New Hampshire was \$494,457. The entire allocation was committed during the reporting period.

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT COMMITMENTS 2009 (McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Funds)

Subrecipient	Award
Belknap-Merrimack CAP, Inc.	\$ 39,408
Bridge House, Inc.	\$ 20,248
Child and Family Services of NH	\$ 42,809
Community Services Council of NH	\$ 22,404
Cross Roads House, Inc.	\$ 76,342
Families in Transition, Inc. Willows	\$ 30,274
Harbor Homes, Inc.	\$ 20,248
Helping Hands Outreach Ministries	\$ 36,140
My Friend's Place	\$ 40,302
Nashua Pastoral Care Center, Inc.	\$ 24,329
New Hampshire Legal Assistance	\$ 25,261
Salvation Army (McKenna House)	\$ 25,928
Tri-County CAP, Inc.	\$ 66,041
NH DHHS Administration	\$ 24,723
Total	\$494,457

4. Completions By Program/Families and Persons Assisted

The tables that follow show the projects completed during the reporting period and beneficiary data for those projects. For the CDBG program this includes projects which were “closed” during the reporting period. Except for the Emergency Shelter Grant Program, none of the completions include 2009 funds. In contrast, all of the ESG projects which were committed in 2009 are shown as completed and thus include 2009 funds.

a) Community Development Block Grant

CDBG GRANTS CLOSED IN 2009 PROGRAM YEAR

Municipality/County	Grant #	Project	Budget
Barrington	07207FSHS	Barrington Oaks Coop	12,000
Bristol	06079CDPF	Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade	250,000
Campton	06080FSPF	Beebe River District Study	12,000
Carroll County	08402CDCA	RDC Capacity Building	200,000
Claremont	02222CDHS	Oscar D. Brown Block	500,000
Claremont	03222CDHS	Joint Sullivan/Pleasant Valley Coop	650,000
Concord	07150CDHS	Friedman Court II	500,000
Epsom	08153EGHS	Family Estates Cooperative Emergency	77,000
Exeter	08180FSHS	Meeting Place Senior Housing	12,000
Franklin	07154CDED	D W Ray Commons	320,000
Franklin	07154FSPF	Municipal Water Supply Study	12,000
Goffstown	08119EGHS	Medvil Cooperative Emergency Septic	266,820
Grafton County	07405CDED2	GCEDC/DRTC-Adimab	420,000
Grafton County	07405CDPF	Littleton Area Learning Center	400,000
Grafton County	08405CDED	NHCLF/Microenterprise	400,000
Greenfield	06120CDHS	CMRC Wastewater System Upgrade	500,000
Hudson	06125CDPF	Otarnic Pond Infrastructure Inprov.	358,600
Jaffrey	06037CDHS	Jaffrey Mill Apts Affordable Housing	500,000
Laconia	07007FSHS	PEMACO Building Feasibility Study	8,750
Laconia	08007CDHS	LACLT/McIntyre Affordable Housing	500,000
Littleton	08097CDED	Food Co-op	500,000
Londonderry	05188EGHS	Wagon Wheel Coop Infrastructure	250,000
Merrimack County	05407CDPF	McKenna House Improvement	86,500
Merrimack County	07407CDPF	Merrimack Valley Child Care	363,002
Merrimack County	07407FSHS	Concord Housing Auth Housing Stdy	12,000
Newport	06229CDHS	Meadow Road Senior Housing	500,000
Northwood	06195EGHS	Emergency Septic System Replacement	65,500
Raymond	07199CDPF	Lamprey River Co-op Water Connection	418,603
Raymond	07199EGHS	Lilac Drive Co-op Emergency Septic	140,000
Rockingham County	06408CDED	CEDC/CCC	300,000
TOTAL			\$9,124,275

CDBG GRANTS CLOSED IN 2009 PROGRAM YEAR - WITH BENEFICIARIES

Grantee/Grant No.	Activity	Budget	Units	Persons	Low/Mod	White	Native				Female Head	Elderly	Handi cap
							Black	Amer	Hisp.	Asian	House		
Bristol 06079CDPF	Sewer Facility Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 225,000 \$ 25,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 250,000	0	719	485	714	0	0	0	5	16	36	130
Carroll County 08402CDCA	Econ Dev- Nonprofit Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 193,000 \$ 7,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 200,000	0	264	168	264	0	0	0	0	12	5	0
Claremont 02222CDHS	Relocation Rehab-Residential Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$ 27,225 \$ 439,712 \$ 33,063											
	Subtotal	\$ 500,000	6	6	6	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claremont 03222CDHS	Rehab-Residential Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 600,000 \$ 50,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 650,000	97	0	83	97	0	0	0	0	15	42	39
Concord 07150CDHS	Rehab-Residential Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 475,000 \$ 25,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 500,000	41	0	41	40	1	0	0	0	26	41	0
Epsom 08153EGHS	Rehab Residential Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 67,000 \$ 10,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 77,000	15	0	12	15	0	0	0	0	2	3	2
Franklin 07154CDED	Econ Dev-Nonprofit Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 308,000 \$ 12,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 320,000	0	21	14	21	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
Goffstown 08119EGHS	Rehab- Residential Admin, Plan, Mgmt.	\$ 246,820 \$ 20,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 266,820	49	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	13
Grafton County 07405CDED2	Econ Dev-Nonprofit Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$ 395,000 \$ 25,000											
	Subtotal	\$ 420,000	0	29	18	24	0	0	0	5	5	0	0

Grafton County 07405CDPF	Center/Facility	\$	387,500											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	12,500											
	Subtotal	\$	400,000	0	100	97	93	2	0	0	5	15	2	0
Grafton County 08405CDED	Econ Dev-Nonprofit	\$	390,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	10,000											
	Subtotal	\$	400,000	0	80	80	79	1	0	0	0	9	2	11
Greenfield 06120CDHS	Rehab-Residential	\$	478,398											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	21,602											
	Subtotal	\$	500,000	175	0	158	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	143
Hudson 06125CDPF	Water Facility	\$	90,072											
	Sewer Facility	\$	249,728											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	18,800											
	Subtotal	\$	358,600	0	51	43	51	0	0	0	0	13	6	10
Jaffrey 06037CDHS	Rehab-Residential	\$	490,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	10,000											
	Subtotal	\$	500,000	30	0	30	69	0	0	0	0	12	5	2
Littleton 08097CDED	Econ Dev- Nonprofit	\$	470,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	30,000											
	Subtotal	\$	500,000	0	43	36	42	0	1	0	0	4	1	1
Londonderry 05188EGHS	Rehab-Residential	\$	225,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	25,000											
	Subtotal	\$	250,000	35	0	29	35	0	0	0	0	2	10	14
Merrimack County 05407CDPF	Center/Facility	\$	76,500											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	10,000											
	Subtotal	\$	86,500	0	28	28	28	0	0	0	0	14	9	1
Merrimack County 07407CDPF	Center/Facility	\$	348,527											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	14,475											
	Subtotal	\$	363,002	0	43	43	39	4	0	0	0	8	0	0

Newport 06229CDHS	Acquis, Disposition	\$	185,000											
	Rehab-Residential	\$	285,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	30,000											
	Subtotal	\$	500,000	50	52	50	52	0	0	0	0	40	52	4
Northwood 06195EGHS	Rehab-Residential	\$	57,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	8,500											
	Subtotal	\$	65,500	20	0	14	59	0	0	0	0	3	3	5
Raymond 07199CDPF	Water Facility	\$	396,603											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	22,000											
	Subtotal	\$	418,603	0	34	32	34	0	0	0	0	1	3	5
Raymond 07199EGHS	Rehab-Residential	\$	130,000											
	Admin, Plan, Mgmt	\$	10,000											
	Subtotal	\$	140,000	10	0	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
TOTAL				528	1470	1505	1778	9	1	0	15	200	274	382

b) HOME

HOME Single Family Rehab Completions 2009																
CAP Agency	Town	0-30% MAI	30-50% MAI	50-60% MAI	60-80% MAI	White	Black	Native American	Hispanic	Asian	Female Head	Elderly	Family	Single/non-elderly	Persons in Household	Grant Amount
BMCAP	Franklin	X				X							X		4	\$45,000.00
BMCAP	Loudon			X		X					X				2	\$18,207.28
BMCAP	Concord		X			X						X			5	\$41,341.15
BMCAP	Epsom		X			X		X						X	1	\$37,894.79
BMCAP	Gilford			X		X						X			2	\$41,959.78
BMCAP	Loudon				X	X							X		4	\$44,006.00
BMCAP	Gilmanton				X	X							X		3	\$48,905.00
RCAP	Raymond		X			X							X		3	\$50,000.00
	TOTALS	1	3	2	2	8	0	1	0	0	1	2	4	1	25	\$327,314.00

American Dream Downpayment Initiative Completions 2009

Although the American Dream Downpayment Initiative was de-funded for FFY 2009, one household was assisted with a small amount of funding remaining from FFY 2008. This single parent household, with an income slightly below 50% of Median Area Income, received \$9,327 of downpayment assistance, without which they would not have been able to purchase a home.

HOME Multi Family Rental Completions 2009

HOME Multi-Family Rehab Completions 2009																					
Project Name	Location	HOME \$	Total Units	HOME Units	0 – 30% MAI	31 – 50% MAI	51 – 60% MAI	61-80% MAI	Vacant	0 Bedrooms	1 Bedroom	2 Bedrooms	3 Bedrooms	4 Bedrooms	White	Hispanic	Other mixed race	Black	Units		
																			Family	Elderly	Special Needs
Maple Hill Acres	Belmont	\$459,000	32	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	5	0	1	0	6	0	0
Coheco Park	Dover	\$1,000,000	75	75	0	24	50	0	1	0	75	0	0	0	73	0	1	0	0	75	0
Manchester Transitional Living	Manchester	\$699,758.00	12	12	10	0	2	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	8	0	0	4	0	0	12
Friedman Court II	Concord	\$650,000.00	41	22	0	6	16	0	0	0	18	4	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	22	0
Family Willows	Manchester	\$650,000.00	29	15	14	1	0	0	0	2	0	11	2	0	14	0	0	1	15	0	0
Brown School Apartments	Manchester	\$767,321.00	34	8	6	2	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	0
Silver Mill Apartments	Manchester	\$1,000,000.00	57	29	9	18	1	1	0	0	3	19	6	1	16	10	11	2	29	0	0
	TOTALS	\$5,226,079.00	280	167	39	57	69	1	1	2	112	41	11	1	146	10	13	7	50	105	12

c) Emergency Shelter Grant

During the reporting period organizations were funded to assist with operations and to provide prevention and essential services. Per program rules, funds are completely committed within the year they are received.

Emergency Shelter Grant (McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Funds) Uses 2009

Provider	Award	Prevention	Essential Services	Operations
Belknap-Merrimack CAP, Inc.	\$ 39,408.00	\$ 29,079.00	\$ 10,329.00	
Bridge House, Inc.	\$ 20,248.00			\$ 20,248.00
Child and Family Services of NH	\$ 42,809.00	\$ 42,809.00		
Community Services Council of NH	\$ 22,404.00	\$ 22,404.00		
Cross Roads House, Inc.	\$ 76,342.00		\$ 43,486.00	\$ 32,856.00
Families in Transition, Inc.	\$ 30,274.00			\$ 30,274.00
Harbor Homes, Inc.	\$ 20,248.00		\$ 14,055.00	\$ 6,193.00
Helping Hands Outreach Ministries	\$ 36,140.00			\$ 36,140.00
My Friend's Place	\$ 40,302.00		\$ 3,742.00	\$ 36,560.00
Nashua Pastoral Care Center, Inc.	\$ 24,329.00	\$ 24,329.00		
New Hampshire Legal Assistance	\$ 25,261.00		\$ 25,261.00	
Salvation Army (McKenna House)	\$ 25,928.00		\$ 25,928.00	
Tri-County CAP, Inc.	\$ 66,041.00	\$ 22,299.00	\$ 16,780.00	\$ 26,962.00
Subtotals	\$469,734.00	\$140,920.00	\$139,581.00	\$189,233.00
NH DHHS Admin	\$ 24,723.00			
Grand Total	\$494,457.00			

Emergency Shelter Grant (McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Funds) Match 2009

Agency	United Way	Resident Fees	Fundraising	Other Local	Volunteers	Donated Goods	Total
Belknap-Merrimack CAP, Inc.		\$ 28,108.00		\$ 1,300.00		\$10,000.00	\$ 39,408.00
Bridge House, Inc.	\$11,352.00	\$ 11,800.00					\$ 23,152.00
Child and Family Services of NH		\$ 2,809.00		\$ 40,000.00			\$ 42,809.00
Community Services Council of NH			\$ 7,404.00	\$ 15,000.00			\$ 22,404.00
Cross Roads House, Inc.			\$ 76,342.00				\$ 76,342.00
Families in Transition, Inc.			\$ 10,000.00		\$10,000.00	\$10,274.00	\$ 30,274.00
Harbor Homes, Inc.		\$ 5,000.00		\$ 15,248.00			\$ 20,248.00
Helping Hands Outreach Ministries	\$13,341.00	\$ 35,263.00				\$30,000.00	\$ 78,604.00
My Friend's Place	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 28,602.00		\$ 5,200.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 40,302.00
Nashua Pastoral Care Center, Inc.	\$15,000.00			\$ 9,329.00			\$ 24,329.00
New Hampshire Legal Assistance				\$ 80,000.00			\$ 80,000.00
Salvation Army (McKenna House)		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,828.00	\$ 25,928.00
Tri-County CAP, Inc.	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 21,541.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$ 66,041.00
Totals	\$45,693.00	\$100,480.00	\$152,348.00	\$184,518.00	\$22,200.00	\$64,602.00	\$569,841.00

Emergency Shelter Grant (McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Funds) Beneficiaries 2009

McKinney-Vento Eligible Programs	Ethnic Composition				Race Composition							
	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Unknown	Total	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Other Multi Race	Unknown	White	Total
BMCAP (New Start)	5	115	0	120	0	1	5	0	12	1	101	120
BMCAP (Prevention)	16	96	0	112	0	13	8	1	3	1	86	112
Bridge House, Inc.	1	122	3	126	0	2	2	2	0	0	120	126
Child & Family Services	3	70	0	73	0	0	16	0	3	0	54	73
Community Services Council	10	2,644	103	2,757	3	2	8	0	10	17	2,717	2,757
Cross Roads House	32	671	0	703	14	5	47	0	0	3	634	703
Families in Transition	10	86	0	96	0	1	8	0	0	0	87	96
Harbor Homes Emergency Shelter	3	127	0	130	3	0	6	0	2	9	110	130
Helping Hands	4	33	0	37	1	0	0	0	2	0	34	37
My Friends Place	0	59	0	59	0	1	3	0	0	0	55	59
Nashua Pastoral Care	2	26	0	28	0	0	4	0	1	0	23	28
N.H. Legal Assistance	3	8	95	106	0	0	2	0	0	26	78	106
Salvation Army (McKenna House)	9	134	0	143	4	2	5	0	5	8	119	143
Tri-County (Community Contract)	4	706	431	1,141	0	3	12	0	8	446	672	1,141
Tri-County (Tyler Blain)	4	106	0	110	0	1	2	0	3	0	104	110
Total	106	5,003	632	5,741	25	31	128	3	49	511	4,994	5,741

5. Annual Numeric Goals

a) Community Development Block Grant

Goal: 112 jobs created or retained

Actual: A total of 93 jobs created or retained benefiting 72 persons of LMI.

b) HOME

Rental Housing Development Goal: 70 units committed

Actual: 118 units committed

Discussion: This number fluctuates year to year given the flow of applications and the nature of the development pipeline.

Home Buyer Assistance Goal: 4

Actual: 1

Discussion: The American Dream Downpayment Initiative was eliminated from the FFY 2009 HUD budget, but there was a small amount of last year's grant available which assisted a New Hampshire household during 2009.

It should be noted that New Hampshire Housing operates a much larger-scale first time homebuyer program using non-HUD resources.

c) Emergency Shelter Grant

Sheltered Persons Goal: 6,000 Persons

Actual: 4,956 Persons

Discussion: This figure reflects the number of persons receiving shelter services during 2009 from shelters receiving state Emergency Shelter Grant in Aid and federal Emergency Shelter Grant funds. There has been an overall decline in annual numbers of individuals sheltered since 2004, when 6,672 individuals were reported as sheltered. The recent implementation of a Homeless Management Information System is reducing duplication in head counts to some degree, but the extent of this is unknown. Once this system has been in place a little longer it should be possible to make better year to year comparisons.

Shelter Stay Goal: Stabilize the average length of stay at shelters.

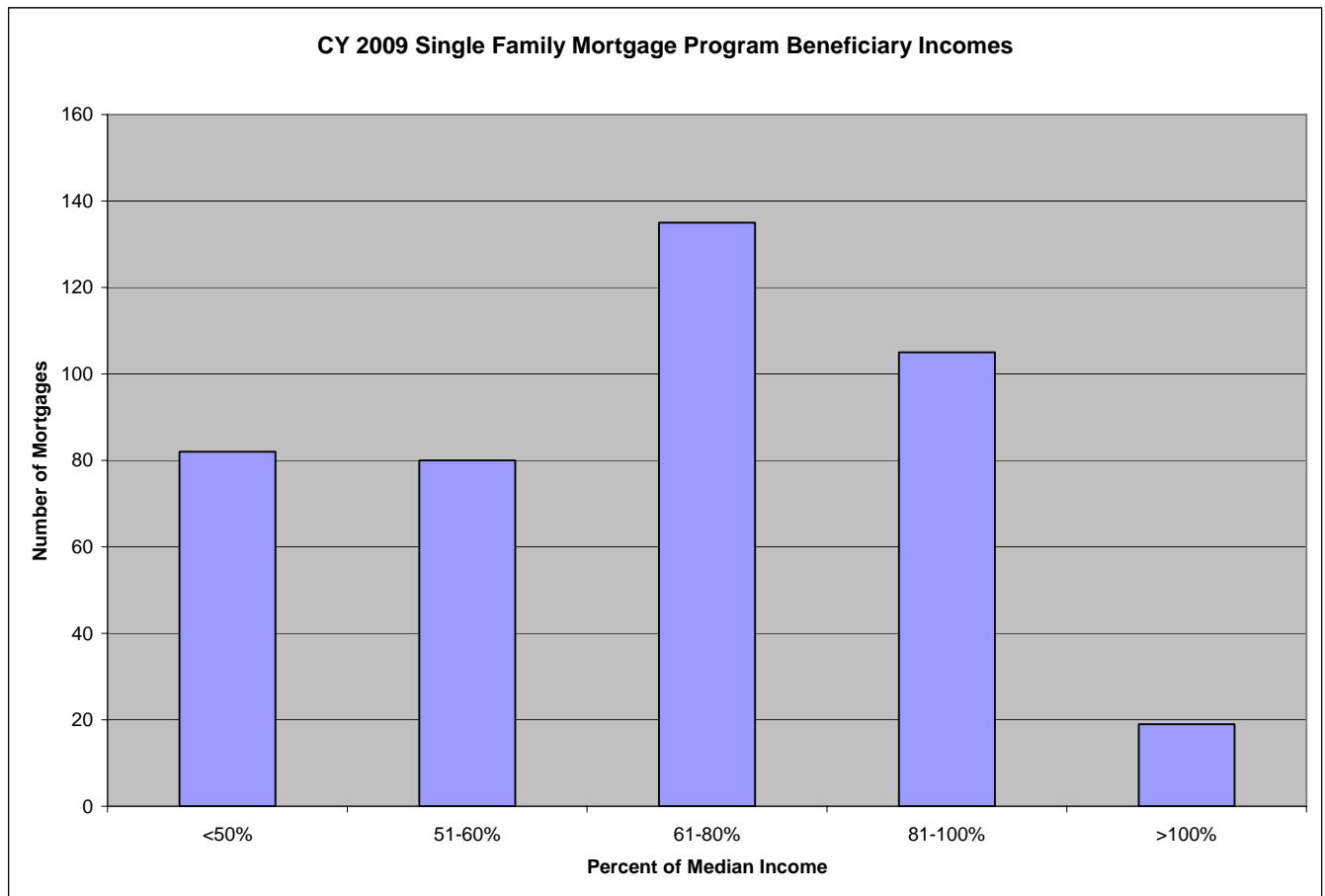
Actual: 50.65 days vs. 50.53 days during 2008.

Discussion: The average length of stay in shelters appears to be stable, and has fluctuated only two days for the better part of the last five years.

C. Other Actions

1. Single Family Mortgage Program

The NHHFA Single Family Mortgage program assisted 421 households with first-time homeownership with \$63,429,311 in mortgages during calendar year 2009. The average annual household income of those receiving mortgages was \$52,713. Average purchase price was \$160,313.



2. Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program

During the reporting period \$2,852,089 of Low Income Housing Tax Credits were reserved for new affordable housing projects within the state. These projects will produce 272 new rental units. Of the nine projects receiving reservations, six are sponsored by non-profit housing developers, three of which are public housing authorities, and six of which are Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). Three of these projects are age-restricted, and all of the units produced by these new projects

will benefit households with incomes at or below 60% of the median area income. The following chart shows the geographic distribution of tax credit commitments.

2009 Low Income Housing Tax Credit Allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Credit Amount</u>
Parmenter Place	Concord	25	*\$511,612
Abingdon Place	Goffstown	25	\$595,907
Glen Ridge Apartments	Salem	26	*\$437,552
Lochmere Meadow	Tilton	28	\$323,520
Cityside	Keene	24	\$265,000
Bow Highlands	Bow	20	\$220,000
Lowell Street	Manchester	17	*\$263,498
Payson Village	Rindge	24	\$235,000
		189	\$2,852,089

D. ARRA Programs

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, designed to jumpstart a faltering economy, save or create jobs, and begin to address long-neglected challenges, contributed millions of dollars to housing and community development efforts in New Hampshire. For more information about the extent of ARRA funding New Hampshire has received and how it is being used, go to <http://www.nh.gov/recovery/> or click on this link to the [NH Office of Economic Recovery](#).

Community Development Block Grant R - Enabled local governments to undertake a wide variety of activities intended to create suitable living environments, provide decent affordable housing and create economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income (the standard goals of the well-established CDBG program). Priority was given to projects which could be bid out and under contract within 120 days of grant agreement between HUD and the State. The following shows commitments made with the State’s allocation of those funds administered by the Community Development Finance Authority.

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Newport	\$ 500,000	Economic Development
Concord	\$ 337,598	Public Facilities
Exeter	\$ 500,000	Housing
Whitefield	\$ 500,000	Public Facilities
Rockingham County	\$ 500,000	Housing
Total	\$2,337,598	

Tax Credit Assistance Program – Provided grant funding for capital investment in Low Income Housing Tax Credit projects via a formula-based allocation to State housing credit agencies. The chart below reflects project reservations and commitments as of December 31, 2009. Since then commitments have been made to the remaining three projects, committing all of New Hampshire’s allocation, administered by New Hampshire Housing.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Reservation</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Balance</u>
			\$8,269,787
Abingdon Place		\$200,000	
Payson Village		\$2,078,000	
Lochmere Meadows	\$2,720,896		
Bow Highlands	\$2,361,320		
Cityside	\$909,571		
		Total Available	\$0

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange Program (Section 1206) – Provided State housing credit agencies the opportunity to exchange some of their unused and returned 9% 2008 and 2009 Low Income Housing Tax Credits for a grant. The chart below reflects reservations and commitments made via exchanges which New Hampshire applied for, totaling \$27,713,062.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Reservation</u>	<u>Commitment</u>
Parmenter Place		\$3,700,000
Braemoor Woods		\$3,718,000
Cityside	\$1,522,577	
Lowell Street	\$1,285,000	
Littleton Town and Country		\$4,500,000
Romano Place		\$2,520,000
South Porter Street Senior		\$3,807,485
Housing at the Meetingplace		\$3,670,000
Rye Airfield Senior		\$2,990,000

Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program – As part of the federal response to assist those effected by job loss and income reduction due to the economic downturn, the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program provides financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance. The funds will provide for a variety of assistance, including: short-term or medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services, including such activities as mediation, credit counseling, security or utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.

Grantee	Program	Target	Area Served	Amount
Community Action Program, Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc.	Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing	Individuals and families	Belknap and Merrimack Counties	\$1,119,195
Child and Family Services of NH	Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing	Youths ages 18-24	Merrimack and Rockingham Counties	\$545,249
Crossroads House	Rapid Re-housing	Families	Rockingham and Strafford Counties	\$317,850
Families In Transition	Rapid Re-housing	Individuals, families, and victims of domestic violence	Greater Concord Area	\$170,765
Greater Nashua Mental Health Center	Prevention	Individuals with Mental Illness served by GNMH	Greater Nashua Area	\$199,458
Harbor Homes	BBH Transitional Housing	Institutionalized severely mentally ill	Statewide	\$553,652
Southwestern Community Services	Rapid Re-housing	Families	Cheshire, Sullivan, and Western Hillsborough Counties	\$109,502
The Way Home	Prevention and Rapid Re-housing	Homeless, at risk of homelessness, victims of domestic violence	Statewide	\$374,970
Tri-County Community Action	Prevention and Rapid Re-housing	Exiting medical or substance abuse treatment, jail, homeless, victims of domestic violence, provide on the job training	Coos, Carroll, and Grafton Counties	\$921,879
Community Services Council of NH	HMIS		Statewide	\$180,494

D. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

As noted in the attached State CDBG Performance Evaluation Report, Fair Housing pamphlets and manuals were printed and distributed to all CDBG recipients for distribution to the public.

One of the requirements of landlords participating in the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program is the affirmative marketing of all treated units to low income families with young children for a minimum of five years. Although all of the properties made lead-safe through this program have fulfilled the five year requirement already, the properties chosen for the program were those most likely to house low income households for the long term, and included many housing units under affordability agreement with New Hampshire Housing for up to forty years.

Affirmatively furthering fair housing is a goal of multiple programs operated by New Hampshire Housing. Over the past year, the Assisted Housing Division not only fulfilled all program requirements concerning fair housing, but also participated in meetings and trainings with organizations and community groups to explain the details of their programs as well as to provide information about fair housing issues and rules. Such outreach efforts included hosting a training on evictions and lease issues presented by New Hampshire Legal Assistance on February 18th, hosted a Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) training on August 5th, provided an in-service training for the staff of the state Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program on September 9th, provided Limited English Proficiency training for Assisted Housing Division and any other interested New Hampshire Housing staff, and Assisted Housing Division staff attended and participated in trainings at the Tri State Association of Public Housing Directors conference in late September covering topics including Section 504 standards, informal reviews and hearings, and working with the mentally ill for non-social workers. Additionally, New Hampshire Housing's Management and Development Division requires an affirmative marketing plan for all projects financed, distributes fair housing information to project tenants, and incorporates fair housing compliance with ongoing annual monitoring of each project in the New Hampshire Housing portfolio.

The Executive Summary of the State's *Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing 2004 Update* is attached as Appendix IV. The entire document can be viewed on the Consolidated Plan area of the NHHFA web site at http://www.nhhfa.org/rl_analysis.cfm. New Hampshire Legal Assistance is currently in the process of developing a 2010 update to this document.

NHHFA provides annual financial support to New Hampshire Legal Assistance for their Eviction Outreach Program which serves low-income renter households. New Hampshire Legal Assistance is a former grantee of HUD Fair Housing Private Enforcement Initiative funding and remains the primary fair housing organization in the state.

E. Public Participation

The Housing and Community Development Planning Council (the Council) was established by Executive Order in 1997. The Council is charged with the preparation of the State's Consolidated Plan (formerly CHAS) which governs various federal programs administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) such as the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Shelter Grant Programs.

The Council has the following structure:

The Executive Director of NHHFA is the chairperson of the Council and provides staff support for Plan development. A Steering Committee is made up of representatives of the three programs administering the grant funds and the Office of the Governor. The three administering agencies are: the Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA), New Hampshire Housing (NHHFA) and the Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services (BHHS). During 2008 there were 27 Council members (see next page) representing diverse interests.

Annually, the Council submits the Action Plan to the Governor and subsequently to HUD. Following the completion of the program year this Consolidated Annual Report (CAPER) is prepared by agency staff and submitted.

A draft of this report was developed from January through mid-March in coordination with CDFFA and BHHS. In addition to soliciting written comments per the published Citizen Participation Plan, a public hearing was held at NHHFA on March 4, 2009. Other than staff, the only attendees were Carrie Johnson Schena and Kathy Hersh from the City of Nashua and Scott Slattery from Harbor Homes, Inc., all of whom were there to observe our public hearing process. The highlights of this report were shared with them, and we discussed how we meet the State's consolidated planning requirements. No verbal, written or electronic comments were received during the public comment period.

Housing and Community Development Planning Council 2009

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F. Plan Monitoring

Monitoring for compliance with the Consolidated Plan and applicable federal and state laws and regulations is generally the responsibility of each federal resource administrator. The New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority is responsible for compliance and monitoring with respect to Community Development Block Grant. Likewise, the Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services is responsible for compliance and monitoring with respect to the Emergency Shelter Grants and New Hampshire Housing is responsible for compliance and monitoring with respect to HOME Investment Partnerships resources. NHHFA also coordinates compliance certifications for other federal resource applications required by regulation to be consistent with this plan. NHHFA is also responsible for coordinating information necessary for performance reporting, although it, together with BHHS and CDFA is responsible for developing plan performance reports. Other activities and recommendations established in this plan (e.g. actions with respect to regulatory and fair housing issues) are coordinated among the three agencies.

G. Performance Measurement System

A Performance Outcome Measurement System was adopted and implemented beginning with the 2008 Action Plan. Progress on meeting the goals and objectives of the 2009 Action Plan is as follows:

Specific Objective #	Specific Annual Objectives	Sources of Funds	Performance Indicators	Expected Number	Actual Number
SL-1 Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment					
SL-1.1	Address the need for suitable living environment for homeless households by providing access to emergency shelter.	ESG CDBG	1) Number of homeless persons given emergency and transitional shelter.	6,000	4,956
SL-1.2	Improve the living environment of homeless individuals and households by providing essential services.	ESG	1) Number of homeless persons assisted with essential services.	3,000	4,956
SL-1.3	Address the need for suitable living environment for low and moderate income households by providing access to infrastructure water/sewer improvements.	CDBG	1) Number of persons served by improved water service. 2) Number of housing units provided improved sewer systems.	625 12	803 401

DH-2 Affordability of Decent Housing					
DH-2.1	Address the need for affordable decent housing for low and moderate income households by financing new construction, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable rental housing.	HOME CDBG	1) Number of new units of affordable rental housing created via new construction.	140	205
			2) Number of units of affordable rental housing rehabilitated.	0	75
			3) Number of units of affordable rental housing preserved through refinancing.	0	75
			3) Number of years of affordability.	99	99
			4) Number of units occupied by elderly.	66	105
			5) Number of units designated for chronically homeless.	0	5
			6) Sitework and infrastructure in support of housing.	81	66
DH-2.2	Address the need for affordable decent housing for special needs populations by providing technical assistance and project financing to organizations who desire to provide service-enriched housing to low, very low, and extremely low income special needs households.	HOME	1) Number of units of affordable special needs rental housing rehabilitated or created.	10	41
			2) Number of years of affordability.	30	30
			3) Number of units occupied by elderly.	0	0
			4) Number of units designated for chronically homeless.	4	5
DH-2.3	Address the need for affordable decent housing for low and very low income first time homebuyer households by providing downpayment assistance.	HOME/ ADDI	1) Number of ADDI-assisted first time homebuyer households receiving downpayment assistance.	4	1
			2) Number of ADDI-assisted first time homebuyer households receiving homebuyer education.	4	1
DH-2.4	Address the need for affordable decent housing for low and very low income households by providing assistance to prevent homelessness	ESG	1) Number of homeless persons assisted with homeless prevention.	3,000	7,496

EO-3 Availability/Accessibility of Economic Opportunity					
EO-3.1	Enhance the accessibility of economic opportunity by creating and retaining low to moderate income jobs.	CDBG	1) Total number of jobs created and/or retained.	126	93
EO-3.2	Enhance the accessibility of economic opportunity by providing Micro-Enterprise assistance (businesses).	CDBG	1) Provide low-mod income individuals with training, technical assistance, and access to capital through peer lending program.	100	80
EO-3.3	Enhance the accessibility of economic opportunity by providing access to child care for low and moderate income households.	CDBG	1) Provide financing for new childcare facilities benefiting low-mod income households.	36	143

Appendix I – Community Development Block Grant Performance Evaluation Report

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Appendix II – Annual Performance Report for the HOME Program

This report is available electronically at the following link

http://www.nhhfa.org/rl_docs/plandocs/HOMEAPR2009final.pdf

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Appendix III – Emergency Shelter and Homeless Coordination Commission Annual Report

This report is available on the State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services web page at

http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/NR/rdonlyres/ebco4yknq5g3vo7m2ic34l4aecvp3ww47nysjha27mvpurjlmweloekqocsmazo6rl7m3nb4syd2irtpopxwdqulocb/ohhhs_annual09.pdf

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Appendix IV – Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing – Executive Summary

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