

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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**Agenda Number:**

**Prepared on:** 4/16/03  
**Department:** Housing and Community Dev.  
**Budget Unit:** 990  
**Agenda Date:** 5/6/03  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:** None  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Edward Moses  
Housing and Community Development Department  
Housing Finance and Services Division

**STAFF  
CONTACT:** Patricia Gabel, ext. 3522

**SUBJECT:** 2003 Update to the Consolidated Plan

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Adopt the attached resolution approving the 2003 update to the Consolidated Plan (Action Plan) to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and
- B. Authorize the County Administrator to 1) execute all certifications and the grant application (SF 424) included with the submission of this 2003 update, and to 2) execute routine documents required for administration of the HOME Program. (An approval by the Board of the 2003 update to the Consolidated Plan constitutes an approval of a reservation of funds for the projects listed therein.)

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goals No. 5 and No. 7. Maintain and Enhance the Quality of Life for all Residents, and Strengthen the Safety and Well-Being of Children and Their Families to Ensure a Strong Future for our Community.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

The 2003 update to the County of Santa Barbara HOME Consortium's Consolidated Plan (also known as Action Plan) is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order for the HOME Consortium to receive its 2003 HOME Program entitlement grant. The County is the lead agency of the HOME Consortium that includes the member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta, Lompoc, Santa Maria, and Solvang. HUD has allocated \$1,858,573 to the Consortium in 2003, a \$271,000 increase over the 2002 funding level.

The 2003 Action Plan that updates the Consolidated Plan approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 2, 2000. It includes an inventory of the current resources available for affordable housing as well as the list of projects proposed to be funded with 2003 HOME and other County funds. An approval by the Board of the Action Plan also constitutes an approval of preliminary fund reservations for the projects listed therein. All projects will be brought to the Board of Supervisors individually for final approval of a commitment of funds as they become ready for implementation. Following are the projects identified through this year's process:

\$126,648 HOME	Ted Zenich Gardens	New construction of <u>30</u> family units in Santa Maria by Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara
\$250,000 HOME	Central Plaza Apts.	Preservation of <u>112</u> unit HUD 236 project in Santa Maria by Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara
\$400,000 HOME	Gianni Apts.	Acquisition of <u>22</u> units of housing in Lompoc for formerly homeless persons with chronic mental illness by Lompoc Housing Assistance Corporation
\$100,000 HOME	Ocean Meadows	New Construction of a <u>13</u> units affordable to families at 60%of AMI as part of a 64 unit development in the Goleta Valley. 51 units will be for –sale condominiums. The project is proposed by Jeff Bermant Development.
\$ 75,000 HOME	Braddock House	New Construction of <u>4</u> units for special needs individuals on site of the Housing Authority's Apartments at Armitos in Goleta
\$280,000 HOME	G & College Apts.	New Construction of <u>35</u> family units for very low income families in Lompoc by Lompoc Housing Assistance Corp.
\$415,000 HOME <u>85,000</u> So. Coast local \$500,000	St. Vincents	Another \$500,000 to Mercy Housing for the new construction of <u>75</u> family and <u>95</u> senior units on the St. Vincent's Orphanage campus. This brings County's commitment to \$3million to match the City of SB's \$10.6million
\$ 61,181 HOME	Lifesteps Acquisition	Acquisition of at – risk four – plex occupied by very low – income developmentally disabled adults proposed by Peoples' Self – Help Housing Corporation.
\$121,170 HOME	Lompoc First Time Homebuyers	City of Lompoc Joins the County and the City of Santa Maria's Homebuyer Assistance Program

The Housing Finance and Services Division of the Housing and Community Development Department held two public forums (January 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2003) to announce available affordable housing resources, update the public on Housing Finance and Development activities and to explain the process of applying for housing development resources. A notice of funding availability was published January 16, 2003 with responses due February 18, 2003. The Action Plan was published for public comment on April 2, 2003 with comments received through May 1, 2003. At the time of this writing, no comments from the public have been received on the Action Plan. Any comments received prior to May 2, 2003 will be provided to the Board. All public comments received will be included in the Action Plan submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

### **Mandates and Service Levels:**

This Housing and Community Development Department program is not mandated; however, acceptance of funds to carry out affordable housing activities requires the County to comply with the conditions attached to those funds.

Housing and Community Development Department is responsible for all administration of the HOME Program funds. Since the County is the lead agency in the HOME Consortium, it is the responsibility of the Department to ensure that the Consortium complies with all related federal regulations.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Submission to and approval by HUD of the 2003 Action Plan is required for receipt of the federal HOME funds. For County fiscal year 2003/04 that amount is \$1,858,573, ten percent of which is available to the County for program and Consortium administration.

**Concurrences:**

Auditor-Controller

**Special Instructions:**

Please return two signed original resolutions and the original signed SF424 to Patricia Gabel in Room 105 (or call 3520 for pick up), as soon as executed.