

JUST HOME GRANT OPPORTUNITY

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JUST HOME PROJECT

- Purpose: Support efforts that aim to break the cycle of jail incarceration and housing instability through community-driven solutions
- Funders: The MacArthur Foundation and the Urban Institute
- 10 SJC sites invited to apply → Buncombe is one of 6 sites selected for second cohort
- Complementary to several County initiatives and goals focused on jail diversion, racial disparities in the criminal justice system, substance use recovery, harm reduction, and access to safe and affordable housing

PROPOSED PROJECT PARTNERS

Lead Partner: Buncombe County Planning and Development

Criminal Justice System

Buncombe County Justice Services
Department

Housing

Mountain Housing Opportunities

Community Engagement

SJC Community Engagement Workgroup

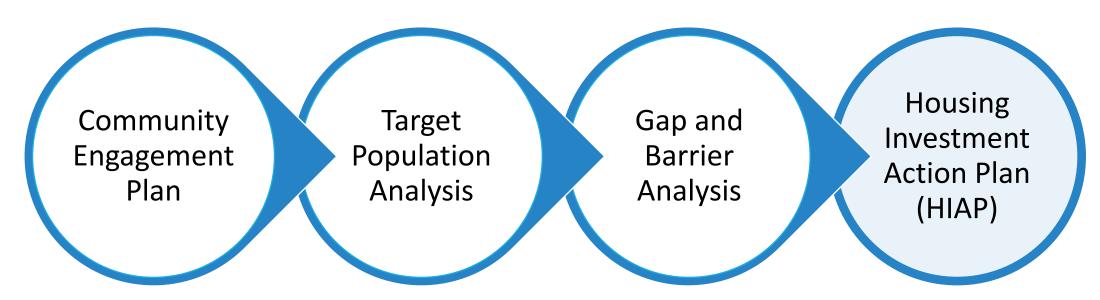
Evaluation

- Housing: Thrive Asheville
- Criminal Justice: Dr. Jamie Vaske, WCU

Letters of Support

- Asheville Police Department
- Buncombe County Emergency Services
- Chief District Court Judge
- Buncombe County Sheriff's Office

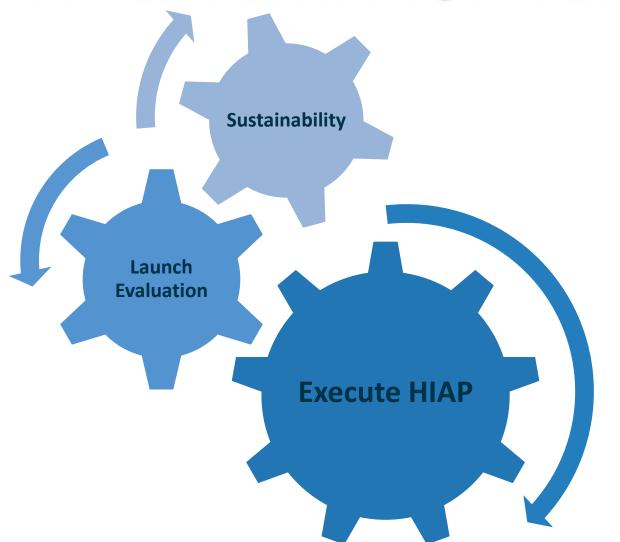
PLANNING PERIOD: 9 MONTHS



Award Funds to Support:

- Salary and benefits for 1 FTE Project Planner and 0.5 FTE Grants Manager
- Compensation for Community Based Organizations (CBOs) and community members with lived experience
- Early engagement of local evaluation partners
- Expenses related to consultant fees, meetings, travelling to SJC Network Convenings, and office supplies

IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD: 18 MONTHS



Potential Award Funds:

- \$2.5M and \$5.0M in Program-Related Investment Capital
- Continued support for a local program manager
- Supportive services for clients
- Procurement of goods needed to sustain stable housing and evaluation costs

RECENT PROGRESS AND NEXT STEPS

- 6/4/24 Received Letter of Intent
 - RBA is based on the award amount listed
- 6/13/24 Just Home Kickoff Call with Urban Institute and MacArthur Foundation
- Expecting to receive draft subaward agreement from the Urban Institute
- Planning within Community Development for grant activities
 - Collaborating with Justice Services, Budget, Finance, and Human Resources
- Sharing information with our project partners



REQUESTED ACTIONS FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER:

- Approve staff to move forward with the execution of a subaward agreement for the Just Home Project from the Urban Institute in coordination with the MacArthur Foundation
- Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$230,118
- Approve the addition of two (2) grant positions for the 9-month Planning Period: one (1) full-time Planner position and one (1) part-time Grants Manager position

