## County of Lancaster Request for ARPA Funding

| Organization Partners With Purpose Date August 30, 2022   |   |  |  |
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| Submitted By Katherine Walsh Authorized Signature   |   |  |  |
| Email Address: Phone #:   |   |  |  |
| Please attach any supporting documentation for consideration. Submission should be in PDF Format.   |   |  |  |
| Project/Item Description  | Preserving and expanding affordable rental housing.   |  |  |
| Clearly state the amount being requested. What is the total cost? How was the cost derived?   | We are requesting \$500,000 to bring all of our properties to the highest standard of health and safety. This includes lead abatement and code alignment. On average, we have spent \$196,000 annually to preserve these homes to meet these requirements.  |  |  |
| Which County ARPA Community-wide Benefit(s) does the project meet?  | Affordable housing that serves senior citizens and/or persons with disabilities, or housing for low-to-moderate income households that also provide assistance working toward financial stability, affording market rate housing and/or homeownership   |  |  |
| Briefly explain how the project meets the County's guidelines.  | ARPA funding would support our ability to preserve 95 units of affordable rental housing. Our income limits and affordability restrictions are defined by HUD; each of our residents are annually income qualified. To be eligible to receive housing assistance in the Housing Choice Voucher/Section 8 Program, a resident's income must not exceed 50% of area medium income (AMI). This allows households with extremely-low and low-income income, safe and quality housing in our portfolio of single-family homes.   |  |  |
| Why should this project be a priority and how will it help the County? Also, if this application is for more than one project, please identify each one, provide information and rank them in order of your priority. | Affordable housing is continuously vital to a community's sustainability and health. Underscored in the Lancaster County's Comprehensive Plan for Economic and Real Estate Analysis for Sustainable Land Use Outcomes, market rate rental housing may, generally be affordable to a large swatch of the city's residents. The low- and extremely-low-income households will continue to require subsidized housing. These households are headed by service workers employed by local retail and restaurant businesses and need affordable workforce housing. PWP's residents are our neighbors who receive rental subsidies through the Housing Choice Voucher Program, most commonly known as Section 8. |  |  |
| Will this project require ongoing expense (maintenance, updates) or frequent replacement? Are expenses already being incurred, if so, can they be reduced through this project?                                       | This project will reduce the cost burden of Partners With Purpose in rehabilitating the aged stock of single-family homes, each of which are currently occupied. The ARPA funds will offset the costs of major repairs allowing the agency to leverage funds for other rehabilitation and safety projects.  |  |  |
| Project Timeline – start to finish, and when funding will be needed.  | Identifying Highest Priority Properties: Q4 2022     Construction Phase: Q1 2023     Project completion: Q4 2024  |  |  |
| Are other organizations part of this project? If yes, please list them and their role, including funding. If not, explain why.  | Our agency partners include governmental agencies and authorities, community and nonprofit housing development organizations, housing assistance and counseling organizations, neighborhood leaders and associations, private developers and property owners, and others to expand access to affordable rental housing.   |  |  |
| ARPA Committee Comments   |   |  |  |
| ARPA Committee Recommendation   |   |  |  |
| Funding Amount Recommended (if recommended for approval)  |   |  |  |