

**Grantee: Tulare County, CA**

**Grant: B-11-UN-06-0007**

**January 1, 2014 thru March 31, 2014 Performance Report**

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**Grant Number:**

B-11-UN-06-0007

**Obligation Date:****Award Date:****Grantee Name:**

Tulare County, CA

**Contract End Date:**

03/16/2014

**Review by HUD:**

Reviewed and Approved

**LOCCS Authorized Amount:**

\$2,845,529.00

**Grant Status:**

Active

**QPR Contact:**

Sandra M Sabin

**Estimated PI/RL Funds:**

\$0.00

**Total Budget:**

\$2,845,529.00

**Disasters:****Declaration Number**

NSP

**Narratives****Summary of Distribution and Uses of NSP Funds:**

Areas of greatest need will be determined using data from the HUD Foreclosure Need Website at <http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/NSP.html>. In order to comply with the NSP3 requirement that funds be expended in the highest needs census tracts and block groups, the County of Tulare will not spend any NSP3 funds in areas with a needs score of less than 17. Using the minimum need score of 17 will allow for funds to be directed to those areas with the highest percentage of home foreclosures, highest percentage of homes financed by subprime mortgage related loans and likely to face a significant rise in the rate of home foreclosures.

**How Fund Use Addresses Market Conditions:**

NSP3 requires funds to be focused on geographically contiguous areas in such a way that the selected target area experiences the highest impact possible. Additionally, HUD requires that the need score of the targeted area be at least 17. Targeted neighborhoods must be predominantly comprised of low-, moderate-, and middle-income (LMMA) area, which is defined as households earning at or below 120% of Area Median Income (AMI) annually. The County of Tulare will use a minimum of 25% of its NSP3 allocation for permanent housing for households with incomes that do not exceed 50% of AMI. Additionally, the County will amend the previous Action Plan on December 18, 2013, to add a new project and activity; Demolition as an End Use. To accomplish this new activity, the County will move \$60,000 from the admin activity to the new Demolition activity. The County will continue to utilize the NSP3 funds in low-, moderate, and middle-income (LMMA) areas with a need score of at least 17.

**Ensuring Continued Affordability:**

The following Affordability Covenants will be placed on all NSP3 assisted properties to ensure continued affordability for all units assisted:  
45 years - Ownership Units  
55 years - Rental Units

**Definition of Blighted Structure:**

A structure is blighted when it exhibits objectively determinable signs of deterioration sufficient to constitute a threat to human health, safety, and public welfare.

**Definition of Affordable Rents:****Affordable Rents**

The County of Tulare shall define "affordable rents" as those that conform to HOME Program standards for Affordable Housing at 24 CFR 92.252 (rental housing) and 24 CFR 92.254 (homeownership).

For Rental Housing, the following costs shall be included in the Affordable Housing Cost calculation:

1. Rent
2. Reasonable Utility Allowance

**Rental Housing Affordable Housing Cost Calculation**

Low Income: 30% x 50% of AMI : 12



Moderate Income: 30% x 80% of AMI : 12

For Homeownership, the following costs shall be included in the Affordable Housing Cost calculation:

1. Principal and Interest payment
2. Property Taxes
3. Insurance
4. Homeowners' Association Dues
5. Property Maintenance
6. Utility Allowance

Ownership Affordable Housing Cost Calculation

Low Income: 30% x 50% of AMI : 12

Moderate Income: 30% of 80% of AMI : 12

Affordable Housing Cost – Affordable Housing Cost includes all housing costs described above under Rental Housing and Homeownership Costs

Maximum Affordable Housing Cost	Low Income	Moderate Income
(Based on actual BR size, or	0-50% AMI	51-80% AMI
30% of family's mo		

**Definition of Affordable Rents:**

Monthly gross income) (Monthly) (Monthly)

Studio	\$493	\$778
1-Bedroom	\$528	\$845
2-Bedroom	\$633	\$1,013
3-Bedroom	\$732	\$1,185
4-Bedroom	\$817	\$1,307

**Housing Rehabilitation/New Construction Standards:**

The County of Tulare will adopt HOME Program property standards at 24 CFR 92.251 that require local written rehabilitation standards. Such written standards include methods and materials to be used during housing rehabilitation and conform to local building codes and the State of California Building Code. The County will incorporate green building and energy efficiency improvements in all NSP activities.

**REHABILITATION & NEW CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS**

- A. All new housing units constructed must be in compliance with state and local codes and ordinances.
- B. Energy Efficient Green Building Features  
The Project construction will include as many Energy Efficient Green Building Features as possible and practical. Following is a listing of suggested features.
  1. Use plant and tree species that require low water use in sufficient quantities and install an irrigation system using only low-flow drip, bubblers, or low-flow sprinklers.
  2. Use engineered lumber.
    - a. Beams and headers.
    - b. Wood I-Joists or web trusses for floors and ceilings.
  3. Use Oriented Strand Board (OSB).
    - a. Floor, wall and roof sheathing.
  4. Provide effective air sealing.
    - a. Seal sole plates.
    - b. Seal exterior penetrations at plumbing, electrical and other penetrations.
    - c. Seal top plate penetrations at plumbing, electrical, cable, and other penetrations.
    - d. Weather-strip doors and attic access openings.
    - e. Seal penetrations in interior equipment closets and rooms.
    - f. Seal around bathtub drain penetrations in raised floors.
  5. Install and flash windows in compliance with window installation protocols.
  6. Exterior Doors
    - a. Insulated or solid core.
    - b. Flush, paint or stain grade shall be metal clad or have hardwood faces.
    - c. Factory primed on six sides with a one-year warranty.
  7. Select durable non-combustible roofing materials which carry a three-year contractor installation guarantee.
  8. Install Energy Star® ceiling fans in living areas and all bedrooms; install a whole house fan with insulated louvers; or install an economizer.
  9. Install Energy Star® appliances in each unit, including but not limited to;
    - a. Stoves
    - b. Refrigerators
  10. Install gas storage water heater with an Energy Factor (EF) of 0.62 or greater and a capacity of at least 30 gallons for one- and two-bedroom units and 40 gallons for three-bedroom units or larger.
  11. Use water saving fixtures or flow restrictors.



- a. Kitchen and Service Areas < 2 gallons per minute (gpm).
- b. Bathroom Sinks < = 1.5 gpm.
- c. Showers and Bathtubs < = 2.5 gpm.
- 12. Use Low-Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) paint and stain.
  - a. Flat interior wall/ceiling paints & stains < 50 gpl VOCs.
  - b. Non-flat wall/ceiling paints & stains < 150 gpl VOCs.
- 13. Floor Coverings
  - a. Light and medium traffic areas shall have vinyl or linoleum at least 3/32" in thickness.
  - b. Heavy traffic areas shall have vinyl or linoleum at least 1/8" in thickness.
  - c. Carpet shall comply with Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)/Farmers Home Administration (FHA) UM 44C, or alternatively, cork, bamboo, linoleum, or hardwood floors shall be provided in all other floors.

**Housing Rehabilitation/New Construction Standards:**

or areas.

**C. Universal Design Standards**

The Project construction will also as many Universal Design Standards as possible and practical. Following is a list of recommended standards:

1. Provide at least one no-step entrance with beveled threshold. This may be at the front, side or back of units.
2. Make doorways throughout the unit at least 32 inches wide and hallways at least 36 inches clear width.
3. Reinforce wall around the toilet, bathtub and shower stall in order that grab bars may be added at a later time, if needed.
4. Install switches and electrical controls no higher than 48 inches and electrical plugs no lower than 15 inches above the floor.
5. Install lever handles on all doors and plumbing fixtures.

**Vicinity Hiring:**

The County of Tulare requires that Corporation for Better Housing (CBH) will hire contractors and residents from the local vicinity to carry out any aspect of this project to the maximum extent feasible. Additionally, CBH will implement a Section 3 Plan that is directed at increasing the utilization of lower income residents as employees and small businesses as subcontractors and suppliers. This plan will seek assistance of local officials in determining exact boundaries of the applicable project area; attempt to recruit from the project area through local advertising, local and site specific job postings and community service organizations; maintain documentation of Section 3 efforts; include Section 3 clauses in subcontracts and bidding documents.

**Procedures for Preferences for Affordable Rental Dev.:**

When selecting its NSP3 target area, the County of Tulare gave preference to the construction of a 75-unit multifamily rental project, plus one Manager's unit, located in the community of Ivanhoe, entitled the Ivanhoe Family Apartments. The County of Tulare has partnered with Corporation for Better Housing (CBH) for the construction of this project. The Ivanhoe Family Apartments is a new construction project that will have 5 two-story garden style walk-up buildings, housing 75 rental units reserved for families with incomes ranging from 30% to 50% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and one Manager's unit at 60% of AMI. There will be 16 one-bedroom units, 36 two-bedroom units, and 24 three-bedroom units. At full capacity, the apartments will house 75 families, one Manager's unit and up to 376 people. The proposed site is less than one mile from an elementary school, shopping, employment and transportation. A grocery store is within 100 yards of the project. The project developer has committed to hiring targeted income group individuals to manage and oversee day-to-day operation and maintenance of the complex. CBH will establish a waiting list of potential tenants before construction is complete. They will ensure that the tenants are income-qualified and meet the requirements of tenancy. Preference will be given to those tenants who meet qualifications on a first-come-first-served basis.

Ivanhoe is an extremely blighted and economically disadvantaged community that has a severe lack of diversified affordable housing. There have been no new apartments built in Ivanhoe since 1992 and the rate of residential overcrowding is 38.7%. According to the County's Housing Element, 26% of families in Ivanhoe are below the poverty level, compared to 19% countywide.

The Ivanhoe Family Apartments will address local market conditions by providing 75 new affordable rental housing units for low income families earning 50% of AMI and below, and one Manager's unit at 60% of AMI; therefore providing quality housing at a rental rate commensurate with the tenant's income. This will help alleviate overcrowding conditions and spur the local economy with tenants having more discretionary income to spend with local businesses. The new development will eliminate blight and overcrowding conditions and help to stabilize the housing market. In addition, the development will provide local jobs.



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Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$2,845,529.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$2,845,529.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$2,845,529.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$2,700,615.13
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$2,700,615.13
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$105,576.07	\$2,834,867.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

**Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets**

Requirement	Required	To Date
Overall Benefit Percentage (Projected)		0.00%
Overall Benefit Percentage (Actual)		0.00%
Minimum Non-Federal Match	\$0.00	\$0.00
Limit on Public Services	\$426,829.35	\$0.00
Limit on Admin/Planning	\$284,552.90	\$139,639.13
Limit on State Admin	\$0.00	\$139,639.13

**Progress Toward Activity Type Targets**

Activity Type	Target	Actual
Administration	\$284,552.90	\$224,553.00

**Progress Toward National Objective Targets**

National Objective	Target	Actual
NSP Only - LH - 25% Set-Aside	\$711,382.25	\$2,560,976.00

**Overall Progress Narrative:**

As of 3/14/14, the County of Tulare has completed nine (9) demolitions of single family homes.



# Project Summary

Project #, Project Title	This Report Period	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
001, New Construction	\$0.00	\$2,560,976.00	\$2,560,976.00
002, Administration	\$0.00	\$224,553.00	\$139,639.13
003, Demolition - End Use	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00



## Activities

**Project # / Title:** 002 / Administration

**Grantee Activity Number:** 2

**Activity Title:** Administration

**Activity Category:**

Administration

**Project Number:**

002

**Projected Start Date:**

03/16/2011

**Benefit Type:**

( )

**National Objective:**

N/A

**Activity Status:**

Under Way

**Project Title:**

Administration

**Projected End Date:**

07/31/2013

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:**

**Responsible Organization:**

County of Tulare

Overall	Jan 1 thru Mar 31, 2014	To Date
<b>Total Projected Budget from All Sources</b>	N/A	\$224,553.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	\$0.00	\$224,553.00
<b>Total Obligated</b>	\$0.00	\$224,553.00
<b>Total Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$139,639.13
<b>Program Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$139,639.13
<b>Program Income Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Program Income Received</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Funds Expended</b>	\$59,935.02	\$222,201.00
County of Tulare	\$59,935.02	\$222,201.00
<b>Match Contributed</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00

**Activity Description:**

NSP3 Program Administration funds will be used to pay reasonable and necessary expenses for implementing the NSP3 Program. This includes but is not limited to County staff salaries, office supplies, and training. Additionally, the County will amend the previous Action Plan on December 18, 2013, to add a new project and activity; Demolition as an End Use. To accomplish this new activity, the County will move \$60,000 from the admin activity to the new Demolition activity. The County will continue to utilize the NSP3 funds in targeted areas with a need score of at least 17 and those targeted areas will be predominantly comprised of low-, moderate-, and middle-income (LMMI) households.

**Location Description:**

N/A

**Activity Progress Narrative:**



## Accomplishments Performance Measures

No Accomplishments Performance Measures found.

## Beneficiaries Performance Measures

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

## Activity Locations

Address	City	County	State	Zip	Status / Accept
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## Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources	Amount
No Other Funding Sources Found	
Total Other Funding Sources	

## Project # / Title: 003 / Demolition - End Use

**Grantee Activity Number:** 003

**Activity Title:** Demolition - End Use

**Activity Category:**

Clearance and Demolition

**Project Number:**

003

**Projected Start Date:**

12/23/2013

**Benefit Type:**

Area ( )

**National Objective:**

NSP Only - LMMI

**Activity Status:**

Under Way

**Project Title:**

Demolition - End Use

**Projected End Date:**

03/16/2014

**Completed Activity Actual End Date:**

**Responsible Organization:**

County of Tulare

### Overall

**Total Projected Budget from All Sources**

**Total Budget**

### Jan 1 thru Mar 31, 2014

N/A

\$0.00

### To Date

\$60,000.00

\$60,000.00



<b>Total Obligated</b>	\$0.00	\$60,000.00
<b>Total Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Program Funds Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Program Income Drawdown</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Program Income Received</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Funds Expended</b>	\$45,641.05	\$51,690.00
County of Tulare	\$45,641.05	\$51,690.00
<b>Match Contributed</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00

### Activity Description:

Residential demolition to be carried out in NSP3 eligible areas for the purpose of clearance of blighted structures. A structure is blighted when it exhibits objectively determinable signs of deterioration sufficient to constitute a threat to human health, safety, and public welfare.

### Location Description:

This activity will be undertaken within the eligible and targeted census tracts, with a minimum Need Score of 17, that the County has designated as "areas of greatest need." These areas include: Cotton Center, Dinuba, Earlimart, Goshen, Lindsay, Orosi, Poplar and East Porterville.

To accomplish this new activity, the County will move \$60,000 from the admin activity to the new Demolition activity. The County will continue to utilize the NSP3 funds in low-, moderate-, and middle-income (LMMA) targeted areas with a need score of at least 17.

Within the targeted areas there are blighted structures that present a threat to human health, safety, and public welfare. The areas persistently have high unemployment and have experienced a dramatic decrease in home values. The demolition activity will improve the neighborhoods within the targeted areas through clearance of hazardous, vacant or abandoned structures in an effort to stabilize the home values and improve public safety.

### Activity Progress Narrative:

Nine single family homes have been demolished.

### Accomplishments Performance Measures

	<b>This Report Period</b>	<b>Cumulative Actual Total / Expected</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b># of Properties</b>	9	9/10

	<b>This Report Period</b>	<b>Cumulative Actual Total / Expected</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b># of Housing Units</b>	9	9/10
<b># of Singlefamily Units</b>	9	9/10

### Beneficiaries Performance Measures

**No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.**

### Activity Locations

<b>Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>	<b>Status / Accept</b>
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## Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

### No Other Match Funding Sources Found

#### Other Funding Sources

Amount

No Other Funding Sources Found

Total Other Funding Sources

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