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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The Hennepin County Consortium 2016 Action Plan was prepared to meet statutory planning and application requirements for the receipt and use of three Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding programs in suburban Hennepin County:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG);
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME); and the
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program.

The Hennepin County Consortium ("Consortium") is comprised of five entitlement jurisdictions:

- The City of Bloomington
- The City of Eden Prairie
- The City of Minnetonka
- The City of Plymouth
- Urban Hennepin County which includes the remaining 38 cities in Hennepin County.

The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan set community development and affordable housing goals for the use of CDBG, HOME, and ESG for five program years.

The Action Plan outlines the specific ways in which CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding will be used in the program year from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. At the end of each program year, the Consortium will prepare a Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) to evaluate its performance relative to the Consolidated Plan.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan seeks to address the both HUD and local objectives and outcomes for low to moderate income residents in suburban Hennepin County. The 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan

priorities were developed after a thorough review of demographic data, citizen and community input, other public policy and community plans, and past funding results in suburban Hennepin County. Additionally, Hennepin County's housing-related policies are enacted and implemented with consideration of other valid and legitimate interests of the County.

Congress set forth three basic goals that are closely related to the major commitments and priorities of the HUD Programs:

First, the programs are to **provide decent housing**. Included within this broad goal are the following:

- Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing;
- Retaining the affordable housing stock;
- Increasing the availability of permanent housing that is affordable to low-income Americans, without discrimination; and
- Increase supportive housing that includes structural features and services to enable persons with special needs, including persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, to live in dignity and independence and provide affordable housing that is accessible to job opportunities.

Second, the programs are to **provide a suitable living environment**. This includes:

- Improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods;
- Increasing access to quality facilities and services;
- Reducing the isolation of income groups within areas by deconcentrating housing opportunities and revitalizing deteriorating neighborhoods, restoring and preserving natural and physical features of special value for historic, architectural, or aesthetic reasons.

Third, the programs are to **expand economic opportunities**. This includes:

- Creating and retaining jobs;
- Stabilizing and expanding of small business (including micro businesses);
- The provision of public services concerned with employment;
- Providing jobs involved in carrying out activities, under programs covered by the Plan, to low-income persons living in areas affected by those programs and activities;
- Providing access to credit for community development that promotes long-term economic and social viability; and
- Empowering low and moderate-income persons, in federally assisted and public housing, to achieve self-sufficiency.

Through a collaborative process including city, non-profit, citizen participation the following Priority Needs have been established for the use of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding in suburban Hennepin County for the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan:

- Preserve and Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
- Preserve and Create Single Family Homeownership Opportunities
- Create Housing Opportunities for Homeless Populations
- Promote Education, Outreach, and Services
- Support Neighborhood Revitalization
- Stimulate Economic Development

Goals were developed to meet these Priority Needs. Program year 2016 Projects are in alignment with the identified Goals and Needs.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

Each year the Consortium evaluates its performance relative to the Consolidated Plan through Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The 2015 Program Year (the first year of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan) will be evaluated in the fall of 2016.

The last year of the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan was evaluated in the fall of 2015 (2014 CAPER). The 2014 CAPER reported the following progress toward the 2010-2014 goals:

- **Affordable Rental Housing:** Address the need for new, rehabilitated, preserved, and stabilized affordable housing. Consortium goal = 684, Actual =956 (140%)
- **Existing Homeowners:** Preserve single-family owner-occupied housing stock, decrease housing problems and prevent foreclosures. Consortium goal=1,866, Actual=1,874 (100%)
- **Homebuyers:** Address the need for an increased homeownership rate and the creation of new homeowner opportunities. Consortium goal=1,966, Actual=2,330 (119%)
- **The Homeless** Address homelessness. Consortium goal=355, Actual=49 (14%)
- **Special Needs/Non Homeless:** Address the need for additional units to serve the high priority special needs populations. Consortium goal =175, Actual=89 (51%)
- **Family Services:** Address the need for access to services for families. Consortium Goal=35,000, Actual=29,819 (85%)
- **Senior Services:** Address the need for access to services for seniors. Consortium Goal=75,000 Actual=54,026 (72%)
- **Youth Services:** Address the need for access to services for youth. Consortium Goal=2,500, Actual= 2,997 (120%)
- **Neighborhood Revitalization:** Address neighborhood revitalization needs. Consortium Goal=5, Actual=2,715 (54300%) Note: The original plan did not include Code Enforcement.

- **Transportation Services:** Address the need for access to transportation for seniors and disabled households through transportation services specifically for the elderly and disabled. Consortium Goal=5,000, Actual=2,571 (51%)
- **Public Facilities:** Address the need for public facilities designed to meet the needs of families, seniors, youth, or a multi-purpose facility to support neighborhood revitalization or needs of lower-income neighborhood, including neighborhood park improvements. Consortium Goal=5, Actual=8 (160%)

While most housing goals were exceeded, the goals for persons with special needs and those experiencing homelessness were below projections. In both cases, while the capital funding is available, funding for service and operating subsidies is difficult to secure. The 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan covered a period of dramatic economic change which explains the variation in public service and community development goals and actual numbers.

It is important to note that the housing goals above included projects in Hennepin County funded through HUD, Minnesota Housing, and other funding sources. This 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan goals include only CDBG, HOME, and ESG funded projects through Hennepin County.

The Consortium will continue to evaluate past performance and maintain strong partnerships with municipalities and private and nonprofit partners to meet Consortium goals.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The nine cities that receive a "direct allocation" of CDBG funding through Hennepin County (Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, Crystal, Edina, Hopkins, Maple Grove, New Hope, Richfield, St Louis Park) each city held public hearings and provided council resolutions of support for the funding allocations.

A public hearing was held on Tuesday, April 19 at 1:30 the Hennepin County Government Center, 300 S 6th St, Minneapolis, MN 55487. One comment was recieved.

Copies of the 2016 Action Plan were available April 1, 2016 through May 1, 2016 at the Southdale, Ridgedale, and Brookdale libraries for a 30-day review period. Additionally, the 2016 Action Plan was available on the Hennepin County website: <http://www.hennepin.us/your-government/research-data/housing-plans-accomplishments>. No written comments were recieved.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

One comment was received at the Public Hearing on April 19th, 2016. Mr. Frank Lorenz stated that a person making \$15/hr making \$31,000/year should be able to afford a home with a purchase price of \$127,000. He stated that the City and County are giving land to developers and selling those homes for \$300,000 which is not attainable to very low income people. Additionally, he commented on the expense related to historic rehab.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

7. Summary

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	HENNEPIN COUNTY	Community Works
HOME Administrator	HENNEPIN COUNTY	Community Works
ESG Administrator	HENNEPIN COUNTY	Community Works

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

Hennepin County is the lead entity and responsibility for overseeing the development, implementation and evaluation of the Consolidated Plan for the Hennepin County Consortium. The allocation of funds differs by program:

- CDBG: The cities of Bloomington, Eden Prairie, Minnetonka and Plymouth receive direct CDBG allocations. The balance of the CDBG resources are administered by Hennepin County Community Works Department (“Community Works”) who allocates the funds to the remaining suburban Hennepin County municipalities by applying same formula used by HUD in its national allocation to each community: population, poverty levels (double weighted), and overcrowding. Cities that have allocations above 3.5% of the total award receive a proportional, direct allocation of funds through the county and determine, through a public process, how CDBG funds should be used in their community. The cities of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Edina, Hopkins, Maple Grove, New Hope, Richfield, and St. Louis Park currently fall into that category. The remaining funds are pooled (the “Consolidated Pool”) and CDBG funds are offered on a request for proposal basis to the Consolidated Pool communities.
- HOME funds are administered by Community Works and are offered on a request for proposal basis throughout suburban Hennepin County.

- ESG funds are administered by Community Works in cooperation with the county's Human Service & Public Health Department. Historically, funds have been used for rapid re-housing through the Rapid Exit from Shelter Program, which operates in county contracted homeless shelters.

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AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

Hennepin County is responsible for providing an array of social services to Hennepin County residents including special needs populations and homeless persons. The need requires resources beyond those available to the county. Therefore, it is increasingly important to increase the coordination of resources with other public, nonprofit, and for-profit agencies. Hennepin County is continuing to improve the coordination between the housing and social service departments. This includes coordinating Supportive Housing Initiative Fund and Group Residential Housing (GRH) funds with the HOME request for proposals and the implementation of monthly meetings between the Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and Community Works (Housing Development and Finance) departments.

The Adult Mental Health Local Advisory Council provides input into priorities around people with mental illness. For that group, housing is the highest priority.

The Funders Council of Heading Home Hennepin's Plan to End Homelessness facilitates the coordination of capital and support services funding for housing within the Continuum of Care homeless strategy. Some projects funded with HOME funds or the county's local Affordable Housing Incentive Fund include units with targeted support services for persons with special needs. County housing and human service staff review proposed services and funding sources. Contracts are executed between Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and the housing provider that define the type and level of services to be provided.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

Members of the Mpls/Hennepin Co Continuum of Care (CoC) & the Office to End Homelessness (OEH) help coordinate funding by participating on funding review committees and working to ensure consistent goals & data from all providers. The CoC's funding committee actively evaluates existing and proposed projects for service to the chronically homeless.

The Coordinated Assessment/Entry system that will continue to be phased in over the next year will identify people most in need of permanent supportive housing and those who can benefit from rapid

rehousing. Length of stay in shelter is currently tracked and efforts are focused on those in shelter the longest to prioritize them for permanent housing opportunities. The Office to End Homelessness has hired Housing Referral Coordinators, one for families and one for singles, to match those in shelter to available openings in housing. Our community has very few homeless families that meet the HUD definition of chronically homeless, due to our shelter all policy, our focus on rapidly rehousing families in shelter, and our provision of progressive engagement to repeat shelter users. For example, the Office to End Homelessness completed a Young Parent Pilot where single parenting youth who were frequently cycling back to shelter were matched with more intensive support, especially around employment. The success of this project contributed to a decline in the number of families in emergency shelter. With Coordinated Entry for singles, the highest priority will be on chronically homeless single adults to find the appropriate housing that meets their needs. Activities include developing a single point of entry for single adults entering shelter, implementing the VI-SPDAT for all shelter guests after two weeks, and focusing on transitioning adults from institutions into housing.

Domestic violence agencies are part of the CoC's Family Services Network planning process as well. In Minnesota, all openings in domestic violence shelters are coordinated in the Day One system. As our Coordinated Entry is implemented, domestic violence services and shelters will be encouraged to participate and features of the Day One system will be mimicked acknowledging the unique needs of families facing domestic violence and protecting their privacy.

CoC Youth strategies: Prevention & RRH services by a network of providers, Youth Mental Health Outreach, Youth In-reach Worker for age 24 & younger in adult shelters, drop-in centers, StreetWorks Collaborative street outreach, housing opportunities & services for youth 17 & younger and 18-24, self-support assistance and training, annual Youth Connect events, Youth Opportunity Center, and Youth Service Coordination meetings. Minnesota recently enacted legislation that youth under age 18 who are sexually exploited are victims, not perpetrators, of a crime. The MN legislature also enacted funding for emergency shelters for sexually exploited youth.

Veterans: OUTREACH: Annual "Stand Down" for homeless veterans by Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV), collaboration with Minneapolis VA Mental Health Homeless Programs & VISN Coordinator to provide outreach at adult Opportunity Center, shelters & Drop-in Centers, VA MH Homeless Mobile Outreach program, and Minneapolis VA's Community Resource & Referral Center in downtown Minneapolis. Minnesota has formed a homeless veteran registry to better identify and assist homeless veterans. SUPPORTIVE HOUSING: in collaboration with others, the CoC will solicit & support proposals for new housing opportunities for veterans using federal, state & local resources. The CoC works closely with VA's Coordinator for homeless programs to end veteran homelessness.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The Minneapolis/Hennepin County Continuum of Care (CoC), along with the Office to End Homelessness, works to establish priority populations and needs based on data and feedback collected from HMIS, the shelters, and service providers. The CoC also staffs multiple workgroups that identify trends and priorities for the coming years in consultation with Hennepin County research staff dedicated to homelessness trends and outcomes. Some of these CoC workgroups and committees develop performance standards and outcome measures for programs and activities that are funded with ESG, CoC, and other funding sources in the community. ESG funds are awarded based on a request for proposal process that is combined with other family homelessness assistance funds to maximize coordination and results. The CoC also regularly has members sit on funding approval committees for ESG and other funds. On behalf of this jurisdiction, the CoC is represented in the administration and implementation of the statewide HMIS. The CoC holds an annual meeting to solicit feedback from community members, providers, and policy makers on the gaps and challenges we are facing as a community, and does extensive focus groups and community conversations with people who are experiencing homelessness.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Minnesota Housing was consulted in the analysis of HOME applications
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Brooklyn Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Brooklyn Center holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.

3	Agency/Group/Organization	Brooklyn Park
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Brooklyn Park holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	CRYSTAL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Crystal holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Edina
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Edina holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	HOPKINS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hopkins holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	MAPLE GROVE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Maple Grove holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	NEW HOPE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	New Hope holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	RICHFIELD
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Richfield holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Authority of St. Louis Park
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	St. Louis Park holds a public hearing to determine the housing and economic development needs in the city. CDBG funded activities reflect those needs to the extent that the needs are eligible CDBG expenses.

11	Agency/Group/Organization	Office to End Homelessness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Health Agency Child Welfare Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Other government - Federal Other government - State Other government - County Other government - Local Regional organization Planning organization Business Leaders Civic Leaders Business and Civic Leaders

What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Office to End Homelessness has played a key role in the development of all housing and homeless-related sections of the plan. Coordination will continue throughout the plan.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Through coordination with internal Hennepin County departments such as the Office to End Homelessness and Human Services and Public Health Department, and coordination with external partners such as Minnesota Housing and cities, all agency types identified by HUD have been consulted.

Please see the Consolidated Plan for a list of all agencies consulted in the creation of the the needs and goals which shape the Action Plan.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Hennepin County	The Continuum of Care has adopted the goals in the Heading Home Hennepin 10 Year Plan. Of those, goal#1-(Prevent Homelessness) and goal #3 (Develop Housing Opportunities) overlap with the Priority Needs and Goals of the Consolidated Plan.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Housing Policy Plan	Metropolitan Council	The goal of the Metropolitan Council's Housing Policy Plan (HPP) is to "Create housing options that give people in all stages of life and of all economic means viable choices for safe, stable and affordable homes". The Consolidated Plan, and the associated funding, is a tool to cities in meeting the affordable housing goals outlined in the HPP.
PHA 5-Year Annuals Plans	Metropolitan Council HRA, Mound HRA, Hopkins, St. Louis Park HRA	The missions of the PHAs in suburban Hennepin County are, in general, to create safe, affordable, suitable living environments for low-income households. This overlaps the goals of the Consolidated Plan related to rental housing, housing homeless populations, and economic development.
Comprehensive Economic Development (CEDS)	Hennepin County	The goals relating to economic development and workforce development overlap with the CEDS goals of "promoting employment growth and developing the workforce; and providing basic infrastructure and amenities (transportation, service buildings, libraries, and parks."
Choice, Place and Opportunity	Metropolitan Council	The Fair Housing Equity Assessment for the Twin Cities region analyzes regional equity and access to opportunity. This overlaps with the goals of the Consolidated Plan related to rental housing, housing homeless populations, education, outreach and services, and economic development.
2014 Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Hous	Fair Housing Implementation Council	The 2014 AI will be updated in the 2016 Program Year.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

Hennepin County welcomes comments from citizens. Copies of the action plans are made available at the regional libraries and residents are encouraged to testify at the public hearing.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	One person, Frank Lorenz, testified at the public hearing.	Mr. Lorenz stated that a person making \$15/hr making \$31,000/year should be able to afford a home with a purchase price of \$127,000. He stated that the City and County are giving land to developers and selling those homes for \$300,000 which is not attainable to very low income people. Additionally, he commented on the expense related to historic rehab.		
2	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community		no comments received.		

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community		no comments received.		
4	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community		no comments received.		

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	2,491,738	500,000	113,879	3,105,617	8,989,991	Projected Program Income (PI) will likely be used within the same project. Projected PI is not included in 2016 project budgeting.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	1,349,233	524,314	11,263	1,884,810	3,208,698	
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	227,202	0	0	227,202	680,306	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Continuum of Care	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Housing Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services TBRA Transitional housing Other	1,967,504	0	0	1,967,504	4,448,496	Includes Tier 1 only

Table 1 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Hennepin County will consider the Consolidated Plan goals, along with other county priorities, when disposing of excess parcels remaining from

transit projects or development projects. Hennepin County Community Works may request a price reduction from Hennepin County Resident and Real Estate Services (RRES) for tax forfeit property when used for affordable housing. Hennepin County will continue to work with RRES and the cities to explore potential sites for future affordable housing projects.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Public Housing		Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities	CDBG: \$371,097 HOME: \$1,213,000	Rental units rehabilitated: 338 Household Housing Unit
2	Capital Funding for Special Needs Housing	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities	CDBG: \$20,000	Rental units rehabilitated: 54 Household Housing Unit
3	Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs		Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership	CDBG: \$667,726	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 48 Household Housing Unit
4	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership	CDBG: \$503,235 HOME: \$461,888	Homeowner Housing Added: 14 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Rapid Rehousing	2015	2019	Homeless		Housing Opportunities for Homeless Populations	ESG: \$227,202	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 28 Households Assisted
6	Fair Housing Activities	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$24,917	
7	Financial Capability	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$29,819	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 330 Persons Assisted
8	Tenant Advocacy	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$40,996	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3645 Persons Assisted
9	Homelessness Prevention and Support Services	2015	2019	Homeless		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$28,184	Homelessness Prevention: 80 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	Emergency Assistance	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$50,041	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 0 Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2544 Persons Assisted
11	Senior Center Programming	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$11,200	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8100 Persons Assisted
12	Senior Services	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$52,158	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 290 Persons Assisted
13	Youth Counseling	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$42,208	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1872 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
14	Job Training	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$15,804	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 150 Persons Assisted
15	Acquisition or Demolition of Structures	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$103,157	Buildings Demolished: 4 Buildings
16	Code Enforcement	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$185,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 1922 Household Housing Unit
17	Build or Improve Public Facilities/Infrastructure	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$154,255	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 4899 Persons Assisted
18	Youth Programming	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Support Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$6,811	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 27 Persons Assisted

Table 2 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Goal Description	Provide low interest loans/grants to developers for property acquisition, multi-family rehab, new construction, and related site improvements to increase and preserve affordable rental housing stock.
2	Goal Name	Capital Funding for Special Needs Housing
	Goal Description	Provide capital funding assistance to development agencies in the support of new construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing stock for low income special needs households.
3	Goal Name	Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance
	Goal Description	Provide loans to low to moderate income homeowners for necessary home improvements or emergency repairs. (Note that Program Income is often recycled in this goal.)
4	Goal Name	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Goal Description	Acquisition of single-family properties for rehabilitation and resale designed to stabilize neighborhoods and preserve existing housing stock, providing housing opportunities for low to moderate income households. (Note that Program Income is often recycled in this goal.)
5	Goal Name	Rapid Rehousing
	Goal Description	Provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and medium term rental assistance to transition households living in shelters or inhabitable living conditions into permanent housing and achieve sustainable living/stability.
6	Goal Name	Fair Housing Activities
	Goal Description	The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, conducting an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions.

7	Goal Name	Financial Capability
	Goal Description	Provide counseling services to homeowners for foreclosure prevention, consumer education and awareness, and homeowner purchase counseling for low to moderate income households.
8	Goal Name	Tenant Advocacy
	Goal Description	Provide assistance to agencies that provide legal advice to renters regarding tenant law.
9	Goal Name	Homelessness Prevention and Support Services
	Goal Description	In collaboration with Hennepin County departments and initiatives, and other appropriate organizations, identify and implement housing and supportive services required to house homeless or at-risk households.
10	Goal Name	Emergency Assistance
	Goal Description	Provide emergency assistance services to low income household for basic needs, resources or information.
11	Goal Name	Senior Center Programming
	Goal Description	Provide ongoing support through senior centers outreach and education on topics of interest to seniors such as health and wellness, recreation activities, associated transportation programs and coordination of meals programs.
12	Goal Name	Senior Services
	Goal Description	Provide assistance in funding youth programming with focus on providing a healthy and positive atmosphere.
13	Goal Name	Youth Counseling
	Goal Description	Provide youth counseling interventions for at-risk teens to address serious current or potential issues.
14	Goal Name	Job Training
	Goal Description	Fund job training, job placement, and other employment support services carried out by qualified entities specifically designed to increase HUD-approved revitalization strategies that promote economic opportunities.

15	Goal Name	Acquisition or Demolition of Structures
	Goal Description	Provide funding for activities associated with blighted, deteriorated, undeveloped, or inappropriately developed real property that prevents sound community development and growth.
16	Goal Name	Code Enforcement
	Goal Description	Provide targeted code enforcement in low and moderate income areas to complement strategic efforts that abate neighborhood decline and preserve affordable housing stock.
17	Goal Name	Build or Improve Public Facilities/Infrastructure
	Goal Description	Provide financing for public facility new construction, rehabilitation, infrastructure and streetscape improvements.
18	Goal Name	Youth Programming
	Goal Description	Provide assistance in funding youth programming with a focus on providing a healthy and positive atmosphere.

Table 3 – Goal Descriptions

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Introduction

The Needs identified in the Consolidated Plan are to:

- Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities,
- Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership Opportunities,
- Housing Opportunities for Homeless Populations,
- Support Education, Outreach and Services,
- Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization, and
- Stimulate Economic Development.

Projects are selected based on the population served and the needs and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan.

#	Project Name
1	Administration
2	Fair Housing Outreach and Assistance
3	Bridgeway Apartments
4	Perspectives Security Cameras and Lighting
5	Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance
6	Existing Homeowners Emergency Housing Rehab - CAPSH
7	Brooklyn Park Acquisition/Scattered Site Homeownership Program
8	Maple Grove Scattered Site HRA Rehab
9	HOME Line Tenant Hotline
10	Senior Community Services Household and Outside Maintenance for Elderly
11	CEAP Meals on Wheels
12	Avenues for Homeless Youth
13	CAPSH Full-Cycle Homeownership Services
14	CAPSH USA Immigrant Career Pathways
15	GMCC Job Training
16	Resource West Emergency Assistance
17	WeCAN Emergency Assistance
18	Treehouse Youth Counseling
19	The Family Partnership Youth Services
20	Youth Engaging Success, Inc. Life Skills
21	IOCP Emergency Assistance
22	ICA Emergency Assistance

#	Project Name
23	Timber Bay Youth Counseling
24	Senior Community Services Gillespie Center
25	Maple Grove Senior Center
26	West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT)
27	Brooklyn Park Code Enforcement
28	Village Creek Connection Trails
29	Meadowbrook Summer Youth Program
30	New Hope Acquisition/Scattered Site Blight Removal
31	Zanewood Recreation Center
32	Richfield Scattered Site Acquisition/Rehab
33	Brooklyn Center Code Enforcement
34	Richfield Scattered Site Acquisition/New Construction
35	Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity
36	Indian Knoll Manor
37	Park Haven Apartments
39	CHDO Operating
40	Balsam Apartments
41	ESG Rapid Rehousing

Table 3 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

All underserved needs are not able to be met due to a lack of sufficient funding. Those projects that are selected meet the highest needs identified by the Consolidated Plan and the needs in the communities.

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Project Summary Information

Table 4 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$299,009 HOME: \$134,922
	Description	Twelve percent of Urban Hennepin County CDBG Program funds and ten percent of HOME Consortium funds will be used to help defray the costs incurred by Hennepin County for general program administration costs (planning, general management, oversight, coordination, evaluation and reporting).
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Fair Housing Outreach and Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	

	Funding	CDBG: \$24,917
	Description	This project funds the ongoing Fair Housing activities of the Hennepin County Consortium. Activities may include outreach, education and enforcement in suburban Hennepin County, and coordination with similar, metro-wide activities through the Fair Housing Implementation Council. The project includes funding an update to the Analysis of Impediments.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
3	Project Name	Bridgeway Apartments
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$300,000
	Description	This program will address critical rehabilitation needs of the Bridgeway Apartments, an existing 45-unit affordable housing development located adjacent to the proposed Bottineau light rail in Robbinsdale.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Bridgeway Apartments is a 45-unit low-rise building consisting of 18 one-bedroom and 27 two-bedroom units serving individuals and families. Eighteen units serve households with incomes at or below 30% of AMI and the remaining 27 units serve households with incomes at or below 60% of AMI. Eleven units receive Section 8 rental subsidy. Bridgeway serves a diverse low-income population - primarily families, with 41% of the residents under 12 years old. The racial breakdown is: 74% Black/African-American, 23% white, 2% Asian, <1% Pacific Islander, Native American or "Other." Roughly 5% of the over-all population is considered to have a "special status."
	Location Description	3755 Hubbard Ave N, Robbinsdale, MN 55422
	Planned Activities	The critical needs may include the following: addition of an accessible entry, garage window replacement, overhead door, CMU wall repair, egress doors and slab repair, windows replacement; regrading and landscaping, catch basins/retention pond for stormwater treatment.
4	Project Name	Perspectives Security Cameras and Lighting
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding for Special Needs Housing
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	This program will increase the security and lighting at Louisiana Court, a 75 unit affordable housing project.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>Perspectives is the largest supportive housing program for women and children in Minnesota, housing over 75 women and over 130 children annually in our campus of 5 apartment buildings in Louisiana Court, St Louis Park. Organized in 1976 with a goal to increase community awareness around the issues of addiction and its systemic consequences, Perspectives evolved into providing direct services and in the 1990s specifically sought to serve homeless, recovering women and their children with the purchase of five apartment buildings in St. Louis Park.</p> <p>Populations served: Homeless, recovering, dually-diagnosed women and their children; those listed by Hennepin County as the “hardest to serve”. Participants are referred to the program by the Hennepin County Continuum of Care screener and come directly from shelter and/or places not meant for human habitation (i.e. car).</p>						
<p>Location Description</p>	<p>Perspectives ' supportive housing program is located in five apartment buildings at Louisiana Court, St Louis Park (2753, 2760, 2768, 2759 & 2765). This project involves security installations at three of the buildings (2753, 2765 & 2768 Louisiana Court).</p>						
<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>Perspectives actively collaborates with the St Louis Park police department to promote safety in Louisiana Court by the use of a surveillance system that was installed at the Supportive Housing Program in 2012. This project will expand the current surveillance system by adding 3 additional outdoor cameras to address viewing deficiencies that have been identified over the last 4 years of use. The new cameras include 2 cameras to view the parking lots behind 2768 & 2765 Louisiana Court and 1 long distance and omni directional camera mounted on the exterior of 2753 Louisiana Court to provide a view of road approaching the court as well as a 360 degree view of the court itself. The existing security system supports up to 16 cameras and the addition of 3 new cameras will require an upgrade to the server with 4tb storage. In order to enhance evening footage, lighting will be installed in the parking lot for 2765 Louisiana Court (currently exterior building lights only) and the existing lighting fixtures for the parking lot at 2768 Louisiana Court will be replaced (currently non-operational).</p>						
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	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$622,726
	Description	Administration of individual deferred loans of up to \$30,000 to assist low and low-mod owner occupants in carrying out repairs to sub-standard homes. Eligible work includes, but is not limited to addressing: health, safety, accessibility, energy efficiency and lead-based paint and radon hazards. Applications are accepted throughout the year on a "first-come-first-served" basis. To the greatest extent feasible, these funds are leveraged with resources from HUD Lead Hazard Demonstration Grants, Healthy Homes Grants and Minnesota Housing Loans also administered by Hennepin County. Weatherization monies may also be accessed through the Sustainable Resources Center. Using a scope of work prepared by Hennepin County staff, the homeowner secures competitive bids with contracts awarded to the lowest acceptable bidder. Upon completion of work, Hennepin County reimburses the contractor directly following the homeowner's approval.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 28 homes will be rehabilitated.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Hopkins, Maple Grove, Richfield, St. Louis Park.
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
6	Project Name	Existing Homeowners Emergency Housing Rehab - CAPSH
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$45,000

	Description	Emergency grant funds to St. Louis Park homeowners with an income at or below 50% of AMI for emergency repairs and to address code violations.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 20 households will be served. All households are low income residents with incomes below 50% of AMI. Many of the persons receiving funds in the past have been seniors and/or persons with disabilities.
	Location Description	St. Louis Park
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
7	Project Name	Brooklyn Park Acquisition/Scattered Site Homeownership Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$150,000
	Description	Fund the acquisition of vacant, single-family properties for rehabilitation and resale to low/mod income households. This program is designed to stabilize neighborhoods, preserve existing housing stock, and provide housing opportunities for income eligible households. In the event that a property is not suitable for rehabilitation, it will be demolished and a new home will be constructed which will be available to low/mod income households.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program is expected to fund the acquisition and rehabilitation of two properties.

	Location Description	Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
8	Project Name	Maple Grove Scattered Site HRA Rehab
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
	Funding	CDBG: \$71,097
	Description	Rehabilitation of current HRA rental properties to benefit low-income households.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project is expected to fund the rehabilitation of three HRA properties.
	Location Description	Maple Grove
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
	9	Project Name
Target Area		
Goals Supported		Tenant Advocacy
Needs Addressed		Support Education, Outreach and Services
Funding		CDBG: \$40,996
Description		HOME Line tenant hotline service provides free legal advice to tenants about landlord/tenant law.
Target Date		6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 3,645 people will be assisted.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Edina, Hopkins, Maple Grove, New Hope, Richfield
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
10	Project Name	Senior Community Services Household and Outside Maintenance for Elderly
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Senior Services
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$52,158
	Description	The Household and Outside Maintenance for Elderly (HOME) program provides affordable home maintenance and chore services to help seniors continue to live independently in their own homes.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 290 seniors will be served.
	Location Description	Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Edina, Maple Grove, New Hope, Richfield
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
11	Project Name	CEAP Meals on Wheels
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Emergency Assistance

	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$17,633
	Description	CEAP's Meals on Wheels delivers hot, nutritious meals to home-bound elderly and disabled individuals in Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 854 homebound elderly and disabled individuals will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center.
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
12	Project Name	Avenues for Homeless Youth
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homelessness Prevention and Support Services
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$28,184
	Description	Provides shelter and services to homeless youth while working on transitioning to stable housing
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 80 youth will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Avenues is located in Brooklyn Park but serves youth primarily from the NW suburbs. This activity is funded by Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, New Hope and the Consolidated Pool cities.

	Planned Activities	Services will include case management, family counseling, nursing and mental health counseling, education and employment support, legal and immigration support, life skills training, long-term housing search support, and leadership and engagement activities.
13	Project Name	CAPSH Full-Cycle Homeownership Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Financial Capability
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$29,819
	Description	Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin (CAPSH) provides full-cycle homeownership services for low to moderate-income homeowners and prospective homeowners in Hennepin County. Full-Cycle Homeownership Services include: foreclosure prevention counseling and loan assistance; first-time homebuyer education and counseling; financial capability and budget counseling; reverse mortgage counseling; home rehabilitation and maintenance counseling and education.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	it is anticipated that 330 low to moderate-income homeowners and potential homeowners will be served by this program.
Location Description	CAPSH works throughout suburban Hennepin County. This project is funded by the Consolidated Pool cities, Brooklyn Park, Edina, Maple Grove and Richfield.	
Planned Activities	Full-Cycle Homeownership Services include: foreclosure prevention counseling and loan assistance; first-time homebuyer education and counseling; financial capability and budget counseling; reverse mortgage counseling; home rehabilitation and maintenance counseling and education.	
	Project Name	CAPI USA Immigrant Career Pathways

14	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Job Training
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,000
	Description	The Immigrant Career Pathways Program is an initiative that seeks to place Hennepin County immigrants (who are not eligible for MFIP or Refugee Employment Services) into career training and jobs. The program helps immigrants navigate Adult Basic Education (ABE) and credentialed training as a vehicle for positioning people for career employment and also assists people secure direct employment with an emphasis on full-time permanent jobs with benefits.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 50 immigrants will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
15	Project Name	GMCC Job Training
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Job Training
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,804
	Description	The Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches will provide job training services and referrals to the West African immigration population.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 100 people will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	
16	Project Name	Resource West Emergency Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Emergency Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	Resource West administers three programs designed to assist children and families in the Hopkins/Minnetonka area to households at or below 80 percent of AMI. The Back-to-School program provides grade specific school supplies to over 1,000 children in the Hopkins and Minnetonka school districts. The Winter Warm Wear program provides winter clothing to children from newborn to age 18. Project Starfish offers intensive, personalized support for individuals and families, helping them with budgeting, housing and job search problems and locating low cost auto repair assistance. Resource West works closely with school staff, Hennepin County Social Services and other nonprofit agencies.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 1500 children will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Hopkins
	Planned Activities	

17	Project Name	WeCAN Emergency Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Emergency Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,408
	Description	Western Communities Action Network (WeCAN) provides services to assist families in building self-sufficiency and preventing homelessness. A family advocate meets with low income clients living in the Consolidated Pool area to address the underlying problems causing them to need financial assistance. Several funding sources are utilized for rent and mortgage assistance. Referrals are made to other programs and resources that the clients can use to help their situation. Funds will be used to help cover administration costs of WeCAN's Emergency Assistance Program.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 100 people will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities
	Planned Activities	
18	Project Name	Treehouse Youth Counseling
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Counseling
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$12,551

	Description	TreeHouse provides youth development services for at-risk 7th-12th grade teens throughout Hennepin County. Programs include one-to-one mentoring, support groups, skill building activities, addressing negative pressures, growth groups, trips and activities, and community service.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 1,560 youth will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities, New Hope
	Planned Activities	
19	Project Name	The Family Partnership Youth Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Counseling
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$12,353
	Description	Youth Services serves youth age 10-17 who are referred by police, Hennepin County Attorney's Office, schools and parents. These youth are referred for committing property offenses, assaults toward peers or family members, absenting from the home, substances abuse, truancy and curfew violations. These youth are most often referred following a first offense or by a school or parent who is seeking help for escalating behaviors or recent trauma.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 130 youth will be served by this program.

	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities, Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	
20	Project Name	Youth Engaging Success, Inc. Life Skills
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Counseling
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,804
	Description	Youth Engaging Success, Inc. will provide programming for low-income youth ages 15 - 19. The Life Skills program includes the following- mentoring, personal success plans, money matters financial capability, job readiness, civic involvement, family planning.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 32 youth will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	
21	Project Name	IOCP Emergency Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Emergency Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$8,000

	Description	Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners (IOCP) provides emergency financial assistance on behalf of low-income families and individuals facing emergency situations. The funding will be distributed as rental assistance to prevent homelessness, assist with emergency car repairs (a significant need for suburban families with limited public transportation options), utility payments to prevent or correct disconnection, and other basic needs.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 20 individuals will be served by this program.
	Location Description	Consolidated Pool cities
	Planned Activities	
22	Project Name	ICA Emergency Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Emergency Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	ICA provides assistance with rent/mortgage assistance to avoid eviction and prevent homelessness for clients living within the service area.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 70 individuals will be served by this program.

	Location Description	Consolidated Pool Cities, Hopkins
	Planned Activities	
23	Project Name	Timber Bay Youth Counseling
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Counseling
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,500
	Description	Timber Bay supports students through after school hours counseling and activities/mentoring/groups
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 150 youth, grades 6-12 will be served by this activity.
	Location Description	Brooklyn Center
	Planned Activities	
24	Project Name	Senior Community Services Gillespie Center
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Senior Center Programming
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000

	Description	The Gillespie Center focuses on the physical, mental and social well-being of seniors, as well as providing tools, resources and education necessary to achieve optimal health and promote self-sufficiency. Activities include health screenings, physical exercise, foot clinics, support groups, Medicare and health insurance counseling, tax preparation and energy assistance, daily noon meals, educational and recreational activities, off-site day and extended trips further widen senior's horizons and opportunities, Meals on Wheels, Licensed Social Worker to provide geriatric care coordination.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 4100 seniors will be served by this program.
	Location Description	2590 Commerce Blvd, Mound
	Planned Activities	
25	Project Name	Maple Grove Senior Center
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Senior Center Programming
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,200
	Description	Funding will provide ongoing support to the Maple Grove Senior Center. The center provides a variety of programs, events and trips including exercise classes, educational opportunities, general socialization opportunities, volunteer opportunities, and trips to local events.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 4000 seniors will be served by this program.
	Location Description	12951 Weaver Lake Road, Maple Grove
	Planned Activities	
26	Project Name	West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$158,235 HOME: \$411,888

Description	West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT), a nonprofit and a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), will create affordable homeownership opportunities and preserve affordable homeownership in suburban Hennepin County for work force families of low-to-moderate income households at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI). WHAHLT, through its program called Homes Within Reach, will purchase and resell homes under the land trust model of ownership. Under this model, the land trust owns the land and leases it to the buyers of the improvements on the land. The improvements are the house and other structures on the property. WHAHLT retains ownership of the land and sells the improvements only to households at an affordable price. When selling the homes to eligible homebuyers, a 99 year ground lease is signed by the buyer which places restrictions on future resale of the property to only qualified buyers and it limits the equity they are able to take with them. So, the land and the equity limits ensure that it remains affordable, regardless of the number of resales. Even though there are restrictions, it also allows the homeowner secure, long-term rights to the use of the land and the ability to earn equity. The homeowner is responsible for the payment of all real estate taxes on the house and on the land. The CDBG funds are a grant. The HOME funds are structured as a repayable grant repayable to ensure resale of the property for at least the required affordability period. The grant is forgiven at the end of the affordability if WHAHLT has met all of the requirements of the program. The sites to be funded with HOME have yet to be identified. The land trusts location choice criteria includes: cost, condition of the property, availability (i.e. the home being available on the open market), location/proximity to transportation, schools, employment, etc. WHAHLT has informational meetings throughout the year and accepts applications for their program throughout the year. As the only CHDO, this award includes the minimum 15% CHDO set aside funds of \$210,000.
Target Date	6/30/2017
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	6 units will be funded through HOME, 3 units will be funded through CDBG. It is possible that some properties may receive funding from both sources.
Location Description	Suburban Hennepin County.

	Planned Activities	Please see above.
27	Project Name	Brooklyn Park Code Enforcement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$35,000
	Description	Code Enforcement assists to remedy code violations in neighborhoods in Brooklyn Park. The foreclosures and subsequent vacant homes over a number of years have impacted the number of code violations. The allocation of CDBG funds have increased code enforcement activity in eligible deteriorated neighborhoods heavily impacted by code violations, and enables additional staff time to manage code violations, in addition to tracking and monitoring foreclosed and vacant properties.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	565
	Location Description	Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	Please see above
28	Project Name	Village Creek Connection Trails
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Build or Improve Public Facilities/Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$54,255

	Description	Construct the connecting trail around the Village Creek area.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2,765
	Location Description	Village Creek, Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
29	Project Name	Meadowbrook Summer Youth Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Programming
	Needs Addressed	Support Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,811
	Description	The St. Louis Park and Recreation Department will provide an enhanced level of summer programming for youth at Meadowbrook Park, which serves a predominantly low/moderate-income youth population. This program provides a healthy and positive atmosphere that promotes many of the 40 developmental assets for children that are promoted through Children First. Arts and culture, nature related activities, and general recreation are all components of the program.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 27 youth will be served through this program.
	Location Description	6860 Excelsior Blvd, St. Louis Park

	Planned Activities	
30	Project Name	New Hope Acquisition/Scattered Site Blight Removal
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Acquisition or Demolition of Structures
	Needs Addressed	Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$103,157
	Description	Acquisition of property and demolition of blighted structures. If the structure is found to be suitable for rehabilitation, the rehabilitated home will be sold to a low/moderate income household.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
31	Project Name	Zanewood Recreation Center
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Build or Improve Public Facilities/Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
	Description	Improvements to the Zanewood Recreation Center
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is anticipated that 2,134 residents will be served by this activity.
	Location Description	7100 Zane Ave N, Brooklyn Park
	Planned Activities	The recreation center plans to redesign the front entry lobby for safety, security and enhanced visibility. This change was recommended by the Brooklyn Park Police Department for the purpose of utilizing Crime Prevention through Environmental Design techniques to maximize the facility's security and safety. In addition, the facility is planning to create a professional office space with two separate rooms in the front lobby to facilitate efficiency in customer service delivery. The additional office space is necessary in providing adequate space for the front office staff to utilize in addressing the needs of the youth undertaking various programming activities as well as the community members.
32	Project Name	Richfield Scattered Site Acquisition/Rehab
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$80,000
	Description	In partnership with the Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation (GMHC), the City's HRA will acquire and rehabilitate one single family home. The home will be sold to a household earning less than 80% of the Area Median Income. CDBG funds will close the gap between the cost of acquisition and rehab and the sale price of the rehabilitated property. The process used to purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed homes through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program will serve as the model for this activity. Any affordability gap will be addressed by offering buyers a deferred, second mortgage or by working with Homes within Reach to acquire the property through their land trust program.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	One new affordable home will be rehabbed.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	See Above.
33	Project Name	Brooklyn Center Code Enforcement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Encourage Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$150,000
	Description	Code Enforcement assists to remedy code violations in neighborhoods in Brooklyn Center. The foreclosures and subsequent vacant homes over a number of years have impacted the number of code violations. The allocation of CDBG funds have increased code enforcement activity in eligible deteriorated neighborhoods heavily impacted by code violations, and enables additional staff time to manage code violations, in addition to tracking and monitoring foreclosed and vacant properties.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1,357 Households
	Location Description	Brooklyn Center
Planned Activities	See Above	
	Project Name	Richfield Scattered Site Acquisition/New Construction

34	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$115,000
	Description	Under the Scattered Site Acquisition Program, the Richfield HRA acquires sites containing substandard housing, demolishes the structure(s) and redevelops the property with a new, affordable, single-family home. The program stabilizes neighborhoods by removing substandard and blighted houses, provides affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families, and diversifies Richfield's older housing stock with new homes suited to the needs of families with children.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	One property will be acquired, demolished, and constructed for a buyer under 80% AMI.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	See Above.
35	Project Name	Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Property Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Construction
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$50,000

	Description	Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity (TCHFH), a nonprofit, will acquire at least one vacant property in Robbinsdale, Crystal, Champlin or Brooklyn Park. TCHFH intends to construct a new single family home. The new TCHFH will sell it to income-qualified low and very low-income families at or below 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). TCHFH will employ its' standard simple, decent and affordable construction model that will result in attractive homes that will likely appraise at around \$200,000 each. Prospective purchaser of the homes will not be targeted, other than that their incomes must fall within the range of 22 percent to 60 percent AMI. TCHFH has informational meetings throughout the year and accepts applications for their program throughout the year. In selecting sites, TCHFH uses the following criteria: location/proximity to public transportation, schools, employment opportunities, community resources, purchase price, and cities where TCHFH has positive relationships. The cities chosen have been active partners with Habitat over the last year or more and have welcomed the families. The HOME funds will be in the form of a zero interest, deferred second mortgage to the homebuyer due if the property is sold or no longer owner-occupied prior to the end of the loan term. If they meet the terms of the loan the funds are forgiven at the end of the term. This loan will be in a second lien position to the TCHFH "no-profit" first mortgage with a sliding scale a 2-4.5% interest rate, depending upon the household income.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Habitat will acquire at least one vacant property.
	Location Description	Robbinsdale, Crystal, Champlin or Brooklyn Park.
	Planned Activities	See Above.
36	Project Name	Indian Knoll Manor
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities

	Funding	HOME: \$500,000
	Description	Aeon will purchase Indian Knoll Manor (IKM) from the Mound HRA. Indian Knoll is an existing two-to-four-story elevator building, built in 1970, which currently contains 52-units. The proposed project will include a mix of rehabilitation and new construction. The existing units and the building will be renovated to incorporate updated finishes and energy efficiencies and many of the existing studios will be converted to one-bedroom units in order to provide larger units. The new construction will include building 14 new units (four 2-bedroom and 10 3-bedroom) by adding to the existing building and constructing 10 new townhomes along the northeast side of the parcel and the adjacent property.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Once completed, the project will consist of 66 units.
	Location Description	2020 Commerce Blvd, Mound.
	Planned Activities	Please see above
37	Project Name	Park Haven Apartments
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
	Funding	HOME: \$420,000

	Description	Dominium Development, a for profit, on behalf of the limited partnership, will Park Haven Apartments in Brooklyn park, which consists of 176 affordable housing units in 13 walk-up buildings and 20 townhomes. The project includes 60 one-bedroom units, 96 two-bedroom units, and 20 three-bedroom units. All units are reserved for households earning less than 60% of the area median income. Rental Assistance is provided for 123 of the units through a Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) contract and the 53 remaining 53 units are part of HUD Section 236 program.
	Target Date	12/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	176 units will be preserved and rehabilitated, 122 PBA and 53 Section 236 units, of which nine will be Section 811 units.
	Location Description	6917 76th Ave N, Brooklyn Park.
	Planned Activities	Please see above.
38	Project Name	CHDO Operating
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$50,000
	Description	The Consortium is setting aside CHDO operating funds. One of the requirements of the HOME Program is the support of special nonprofits called Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO). HOME allows for the Consortium to set-aside up to 5% of the HOME allocation for the CHDO operating funds. The Consortium has decided to provide support for our main CHDO, West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHALHT) through assistance with operating costs to enable them to expand their staff capacity to manage all of the funding requirements, of funds remaining in previous years CHDO set aside to be able to provide the maximum allowed by the HOME regulations for one CHDO.

	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	N/A
	Planned Activities	Please see above
39	Project Name	Balsam Apartments
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Capital Funding to Build/Rehab Units
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Multifamily Rental Opportunities
	Funding	HOME: \$293,000
	Description	Sand Companies, a for-profit on behalf of the limited partnership will purchase property to construct 48 units affordable housing development in the City of Dayton. . The apartment style building will be made up of 12 one-bedroom, 20 two-bedroom and 16- three-bedroom units. It will be four stories above grade with an elevator. The exterior of the building will be stone veneer with cement board siding. Parking will include approximately 48 surface spaces and 48 underground spaces. It will include a leasing office, community room, storage lockers, children's outdoor play area, recreation area.
	Target Date	12/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	When the development is completed, 48 households will benefit.
	Location Description	Balsam Lane N., Dayton, MN

	Planned Activities	Note: This project was funded under CDBG in the 2015 Action Plan. The award of \$93,000 has been returned to the CDBG program and is reallocated in this 2016 Action Plan.
40	Project Name	ESG Rapid Rehousing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Rapid Rehousing
	Needs Addressed	Housing Opportunities for Homeless Populations
	Funding	ESG: \$227,202
	Description	ESG funds will be used for housing stabilization, housing location, and short- and medium-term rental assistance, the key priorities for ESG-funded service providers.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	28 homeless families
	Location Description	Suburban Hennepin County
	Planned Activities	See above

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Assistance is directed to all cities in Urban Hennepin County. CDBG funding is distributed throughout the jurisdiction according to a formula based on poverty, population, and housing overcrowding. Using this calculation, the following cities receive direct allocations of funding: Brooklyn Center receives \$259,455, Brooklyn Park receives \$488,973, Crystal receives \$88,406, Edina receives \$115,571, Hopkins receives \$135,044, Maple Grove receives \$166,034, New Hope \$121,361, Richfield \$241,773, St. Louis Park \$161,811. The remaining 29 cities received approximately \$429,384 in a Consolidated Pool. The City of Woodland opted not to participate in the Urban County.

The cities of Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, and Eden Prairie have racially concentrated census tracts.

HOME funds are allocated in response to a request for proposals. In 2016, selected rental projects are located in Brooklyn Park, Dayton, and Mound.

ESG funds are available throughout suburban Hennepin County.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The allocation of CDBG investment mirrors HUD's allocation to entitlements. HUD measures community need using poverty, population, and

housing overcrowding indicators. As such, assistance is directed proportionally to the areas of greatest of need.

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

Introduction

The Consortium ranks affordable housing as a high priority. This is evidenced, in part, by the resources dedicated to affordable housing. Approximately, \$3.46 million (\$1.67 million of HOME, \$1.56 million of CDBG, and \$227,202 of ESG funds) will be used in suburban Hennepin County to assist in the development of new affordable units, rehabilitating existing affordable single and multifamily housing units, and rapid rehousing.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	53
Non-Homeless	375
Special-Needs	54
Total	482

Table 6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	28
The Production of New Units	76
Rehab of Existing Units	378
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	482

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

AP-60 Public Housing - 91.420, 91.220(h)

Introduction

The county maintains strong relationships with the 8 PHAs in suburban Hennepin County.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

The capital needs of the PHAs (discussed in detail in the Consolidated Plan section MA-25) will be addressed through funding sources outside of CDBG and HOME, including formula-allocated Capital Improvement grants from HUD and state allocation rehab funds from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

However, the needs of public housing residents as identified by the PHAs (discussed in detail in section the Consolidated Plan NA-35) are addressed, in part, through the public service contracts made possible by CDBG grants. While these services are not specifically targeted at public housing residents, residents may make use of financial capability/economic self-sufficiency courses (provided by CAPSH), emergency assistance programs (provided by IOCP, ICA, and WeCan) and job training (CAPI), to name a few. As Hennepin County residents, public housing residents in Mound, Hopkins, St. Louis Park, Maple Grove, and Minneapolis have access to a wide spectrum of supportive services, some of which are supported by CDBG service contracts.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

While fostering public housing resident involvement is primarily the responsibility of the respective PHA, Hennepin County will continue to support local PHAs in their efforts and offer programs that positively impact the health and welfare of residents. Resident involvement plans are likely to vary based on the size and capacity of the local PHA, the details of which can be found in the most recent five-year plan each agency has submitted to HUD.

The Hennepin County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) funds the Homeownership Center which funds Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin (CAPSH) who works with PHA residents on paths to homeownership. CAPSH is also funded through CDBG. Additionally, several PHAs have relationships with West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT) and Habitat for Humanity who both provide homeownership opportunities for low income families. WHAHLT is funded by HOME and CDBG.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be

provided or other assistance

There are no PHAs in suburban Hennepin County that are designated as troubled.

Discussion

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities - 91.420, 91.220(i)

Introduction

A significant new activity this year for homelessness will be the phase in of the Coordinated Assessment/Entry system for single adults. Activities include developing a single point of entry for single adults entering shelter, implementing the VI-SPDAT for all shelter guests after two weeks, the addition of discharge planners to direct shelter guests to appropriate Rapid Rehousing, Transitional Housing, or Permanent Supportive Housing opportunities, a focus on transitioning adults from institutions into housing, support for street outreach, and review of proposed housing developments to facilitate and encourage development of affordable units that meet the needs of homeless persons and special needs populations.

In the 2016 program year, \$227,202 of ESG funding will be directed to housing solutions for families experiencing homelessness. Approximately \$20,000 will be directed to housing for individuals with special needs. Approximately \$78,225 will be directed to homelessness prevention and emergency services. While funding awards for mixed-income projects are not separated into homeless and non homeless awards, 25 units of homeless housing will be supported by HOME/CDBG.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Hennepin County is committed to outreach and engagement and has a robust street outreach program. Hennepin County has outreach services to the unsheltered homeless populations provided by organizations that are funded through local government, nonprofit and for-profit agencies, and faith-based organizations. Outreach is provided at locations where homeless individuals are known to congregate, including parks, overpasses, abandoned structures, and other places not meant for human habitation. Through outreach efforts, professionals are able to develop relationships with individuals, understand their service and housing preferences, utilize “best practices,” and recommend policy changes and resource development priorities. In 2016, Hennepin County is working with a Native American-specific agency to develop strategies to address the disproportionate number of unsheltered Native Americans in our community.

In the next year, Hennepin County will continue its support of the Opportunity Centers, which serve as one-stop shop service centers for single adults and youth. Both centers opened in 2010 and each one has over twenty agencies co-located on site. The Opportunity Centers will be a key component of our

Coordinated Entry process for single adults.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Hennepin County funds the majority of single adult, family, and youth-specific shelters in our community. Coordinated Assessment/Entry continues to be implemented for families. Singles and youth are still in the process of coordinating the shelters into a system of assessment, triage, and prioritization for housing. Additionally, some transitional housing units has been reshaped into Rapid Rehousing opportunities in line with HUD's overall direction on transitional housing

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The Coordinated Assessment/Entry system that will be phased in over the next year will identify people most in need of permanent supportive housing and those who can benefit from rapid rehousing. Length of stay in shelter is currently tracked and efforts are focused on those in shelter the longest to prioritize them for permanent housing opportunities. The county has a "top 51" project to identify single adults in shelter the longest and the family shelter system develops a list of families in shelter over 30 days to focus on each month. The Office to End Homelessness has hired Housing Referral Coordinators, one for families and one for singles, to match those in shelter to available openings in housing. Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance monies as well as ESG focus on funding prevention services, with a specific focus on suburban prevention. We will continue to work with specific cities and their food shelves to ensure that families can get support in their local communities. Hennepin County social services are dispersed to "service hubs" in the northwest, west, and south suburbs to enable people to access services where they live. Our community has few homeless families that meet the HUD definition of chronically homeless, due to our focus on rapidly rehousing families in shelter and providing progressive engagement to repeat shelter users. With Coordinated Entry for singles, the highest priority will be on chronically homeless single adults to find the appropriate housing that meets their needs.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services,

employment, education, or youth needs.

The Office to End Homelessness employed a full-time Adult Discharge Planning Coordinator to work directly with Hennepin County Corrections and the Hennepin County Medical Center to improve discharge strategies and outcomes. Many of those exiting institutions meet the definition of long-term and often also chronic homeless. The work of the discharge planner has been embedded as “business as usual” through Hennepin County Medical Center’s work with Hennepin Health and Correction’s efforts with “Discharge from Jail to Community” programming. This successful initiative is on-going. In addition, prevention dollars for families have been focused on repeat shelter users, those most at risk of returning to shelter and becoming chronically homeless. A new intervention through the Minneapolis Public School District will target previously sheltered families who are now identified as living in unstable housing.

Discussion

Over the next year, the focus of the Office to End Homelessness is focused on finding opportunities to develop affordable and permanent supportive housing for families and youth. The community has a “Pipeline” committee that examines all proposed housing development and is looking for specific opportunities to partner with Public Housing to develop units affordable to extremely low income families and individuals. In addition to rapid rehousing funded through ESG, CDBG will fund operating support for a youth shelter in Brooklyn Park, and emergency assistance throughout the county. CDBG and HOME will fund the new construction and/or redevelopment of several mixed-income apartment buildings with units serving individuals experiencing homelessness and individuals with special needs.

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family
Tenant-based rental assistance
Units provided in housing facilities (transitional or permanent) that are being developed, leased, or operated
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds
Total

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing - 91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

Barriers to affordable housing will be addressed by providing resources in areas where there is a shortage of affordable units, primarily second-ring suburban communities. In the 2016 program year, \$1.67 million of HOME and \$1.56 million of CDBG and \$227,202 of ESG will assist in the development of new affordable units, rehabilitating existing affordable single and multi-family housing units, and rapid rehousing in suburban Hennepin County.

In 2016, the Urban County proposes to allocate \$24,917 for the continuation of fair housing services in suburban Hennepin County. Some of these funds will support fair housing activities contracted through the Fair Housing Implementation Council (FHIC), a metrowide collaboration of HUD entitlement jurisdictions. In 2016, the FHIC will embark on an addendum to the Analysis of Impediments. The remaining fair housing funding may be used for education and outreach, housing discrimination testing and enforcement, and accessible design and construction guidance. CDBG and the Hennepin County HRA will fund foreclosure prevention counseling (CAPSH, Homeownership Center of Minnesota), foreclosure counseling for renters (HOME Line and Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid), and free legal advice for renters (HOME Line) as additional ways to support fair housing.

The ESG Program, which supports the Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP), assists homeless families in emergency shelters to relocate to permanent affordable housing in non-concentrated areas and to overcome barriers that may impede their housing stability.

In project sites where contamination is anticipated or known to exist, the Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund (ERF) has been used for both investigation and remediation. Priority in the allocation of funds is given to projects providing new, affordable housing.

The county, through its HRA, has invested over \$50 million dollars of local funds to offset costs associated with affordable housing.

Hennepin County works with its Residential Real Estate division and small cities to examine parcels which may be suitable for affordable housing sites.

Staff will continue to work with city staff, especially those with smaller staff capacity, to analyze the

potential for affordable housing in a variety of locations.

Staff from the Hennepin County Housing Development and Finance Division and HSPHD will continue to coordinate activities at the county and regional levels through the Metropolitan Engagement on Shelter and Housing, a nonprofit organization that works with metro-area Continuums of Care. This work includes sharing information and best practices, coordinating production goals and funding, and aligning policies affecting homeless families and individuals across jurisdictional boundaries.

Discussion

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The county meets underserved needs in a variety of ways including the following:

- social programs (safety net services such as food support, emergency shelter and cash assistance);
- help for people who are developmentally disabled;
- services for seniors;
- services for veterans;
- behavioral and chemical health services;
- protective services for children and adults;
- child support; and
- health care through Medical Assistance.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

In addition to programs and projects funded by CDBG, HOME, and ESG, Hennepin County has a variety of programs which foster and maintain affordable housing. For example:

- Supportive Housing Initiative Fund which addresses one-time and time-limited gaps in supportive housing services for both site-based and scattered-site initiatives.
- The Environmental Response Fund addresses environmental assessment and clean-up of property
- The Affordable Housing Incentive Fund is a local fund that supports the development or rehabilitation of single family and multifamily affordable housing projects.
- Resident Real Estate Serves has the ability to reduce the cost of land for affordable housing purposes.
- Continuum of Care Program provides resources for the development of supportive and transitional housing for homeless single adults, families and unaccompanied youth. Funding is used for the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of housing, as well as leasing and rental assistance, and support services.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Hennepin County has two departments that address lead-based paint issues. The Hennepin County

Human Services and Public Health Department case manage elevated blood-lead referrals from the Minnesota Department of Health (except in Bloomington and Richfield). All blood lead tests in the state must be reported to the Minnesota Department of Health who in turn informs the jurisdiction responsible for investigating cases where children have been poisoned. When a child's blood lead level is over 15 µg/dl the Minnesota Department of Health performs a lead risk assessment inspection and where needed, they will issue corrective orders to fix lead-based paint hazards. Hennepin Public Health then monitors the case to ensure completion of the work. When the family is income eligible they are referred to the Community Works Department for grant assistance with the lead orders. Minnesota recently made an administrative change to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Rules that allows agencies to investigate at lower blood lead levels in response to changes from the Centers for Disease Control firmly stating that there is no safe level of lead in the blood and even low levels have deleterious health effects. CDC established a blood lead reference value of 5 µg/dl down from the previous level of 10 µg/dl. Income eligible families with children that have a blood lead level of 5-15 µg/dl are offered enrollment in the Community Works lead hazard reduction grant program on a voluntary basis.

Hennepin County actively engages in primary prevention of childhood lead poisoning through a multifaceted approach that includes community outreach and education, lead-based paint inspection/risk assessments, lead-safe work practices training for contractors and lead hazard reduction.

Hennepin County Community Works addresses lead-based paint hazards when it provides federal and state funds toward housing activities including CDBG and HOME funded activities and through federally-funded Lead Hazard Control Grants. Hennepin County has been awarded ten HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Grants and one Healthy Homes Production Grant often in partnership with St. Paul/Ramsey County, Duluth HRA, and Sustainable Resources Center. As of January 2016, the grants have completed over 4,100 lead-safe units for families in the combined jurisdictions, 2,872 in Hennepin County.

The most recent OLHCHH lead grant award of \$3.7 million was received in the fall of 2015 and funds the program through November of 2018. It includes \$325,000 in Healthy Homes Initiative funding to address other health related safety hazards found in the lead reduction project homes.

In the 2016 program year, Hennepin County anticipates a high volume of lead hazard control activity due to closing out the 2013 lead grant and starting production on the 2015 lead grant. To build lead hazard reduction capacity Community Works will assist at least two contractors to become licensed lead-abatement contractors and at least 20 other individuals will attend the EPA renovation Repair and Painting Rule training. Community works expects to contact at least 200 families through community lead education and outreach efforts and will complete over 140 lead hazard reduction projects.

Community Works will continue to follow the lead-safe housing rule in all its federally funded

activities. We will actively seek resources to provide families with homes that are affordable and safe.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Hennepin County assists individuals and families access resources that help them move into self-sufficiency. Hennepin County Human Services delivers a variety of services to individuals or families that assists with basic needs or encourages client change around specific objectives. Efforts include:

- social programs (safety net services such as food support, emergency shelter and cash assistance);
- help for people who are developmentally disabled;
- services for seniors;
- services for veterans;
- behavioral and chemical health services;
- protective services for children and adults;
- child support; and
- health care through Medical Assistance.

Hennepin County workforce development efforts help alleviate poverty by improving family and individual economic opportunities that lead to a sustainable living wage. The county works with private and non-profit sectors to train and match employees; and partners with colleges, universities and training programs to develop a strong future workforce. Initiatives include:

- Workforce Activities Alignment - Creation of workforce coordinator position
- Workforce Entry Program (WEP) - Meeting the demand for skilled trade persons while developing the county's economic resources by providing unemployed individuals the means to earn a better living.
- A-GRAD Initiative - Improving high school graduation rates
- Workforce Investment Network - Partnerships to create workforce opportunities for targeted communities and reducing economic disparities
- Step-Up Program - High school internships at the county
- Employment Pays Program - Employment supports for individuals with high behavioral health needs
- NorthPoint/Urban League - Training and employment partnership

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Hennepin County will continue to build in the strengths of the delivery system which include a diverse and experienced base of housing, community development, and social service providers and

organizations. Coordination among the state, the county, and regional and local governments has resulted in significant planning initiatives and working policy groups, such as the Hennepin County and City of Minneapolis Commission to End Homelessness, and the City County Task Force on Lead Hazard Control.

Another result of this coordination has been the consolidated request for proposal (RFP) issued by public and private funders statewide, including Hennepin County. Annually, the county issues its Coordinated Request for Proposals (CRFP) that includes funding from the county's Affordable Housing Incentive Fund (AHIF), Transit Oriented Development (TOD), Supportive Housing Initiative Fund (SHIF), and Group Residential Housing (GRH), and federal funding from the HOME program and Continuum of Care of the Homeless program.

Hennepin County and Minneapolis' 10 year plan to end homelessness, Heading Home Hennepin, has been a collaborative effort driven in large part by the efforts of social service agencies and faith-based organizations who have taken the lead in providing services for the chronically homeless in our community. Minneapolis and Hennepin County will continue to collaborate to identify the needs and coordinate implementation of the ESG funding through the City-County Office to End Homelessness and Heading Home Hennepin. Over the next five years, Hennepin County will implement a Coordinated Assessment /Entry process, bringing together all aspects of the continuum of homeless services into a unified process. Each person seeking homeless services will be assessed within two weeks for their vulnerability and people will be triaged to the most appropriate level of intervention needed to end their homelessness. Within that work will be the continuation and expansion of collaborations with domestic and sexual violence service providers. These providers have been and continue to be an integral part to the planning process including such topics as entry point designation, assessment tool development, waiting list prioritizations, referral procedures, trauma informed data sharing, and allocation of resources.

Hennepin County will continue to work with a wide array of partners to address gaps in institutional structure. This will include working with affordable housing partners to identify and foster new and innovative funding techniques.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Hennepin County is responsible for providing an array of social services to Hennepin County residents including special needs populations and homeless persons. The need requires resources beyond those available to the county. Therefore, it is increasingly important to increase the coordination of resources with other public, nonprofit, and for-profit agencies. Hennepin County will continue to improve the coordination between the housing and social service departments. This includes coordinating Supportive Housing Initiative Fund and Group Residential Housing (GRH) funds with the HOME request for proposals and the implementation of monthly meetings between the Hennepin County Human

Services and Public Health Department and Community Works (Housing Development and Finance) departments.

The Funders Council of Heading Home Hennepin's Plan to End Homelessness facilitates the coordination of capital and support services funding for housing within the Continuum of Care homeless strategy. Some projects funded with HOME funds or the county's local Affordable Housing Incentive Fund include units with targeted support services for persons with special needs. County housing and human service staff reviews proposed services and funding sources. Contracts are executed between Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and the housing provider that define the type and level of services to be provided.

Discussion

As part of the Action Plan submittal, entitlement jurisdictions are required to certify to HUD that the entitlement jurisdictions will affirmatively further fair housing, including completion of an Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice. Hennepin County participates, along with twelve other entitlement jurisdictions, in the Fair Housing Implementation Council (FHIC) to complete a regional AI. In the summer of 2015, the FHIC agreed that the current AI, the "2014 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice: Twin Cities", needed to be updated to better reflect fair housing issues affecting the region.

In October of 2015, HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) asked that the FHIC postpone its update to the AI as HUD worked through fair housing complaints in the region. Subsequently, Region V FHEO Director Maury McGough developed a "road map to revise Analysis of Impediments" dated February 26, 2016 that anticipates the AI being successfully amended not later than April 15, 2017.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

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Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	500,000
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	500,000

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	95.48%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The Consortium will only assist the HUD approved forms of homeownership as defined in 24 CFR § 92.2. Homeownership means: as ownership in fee simple title, a 99-year leasehold interest,

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ownership in a cooperative or mutual housing unit, or an equivalent form of ownership approved by HUD, in a one to four unit dwelling, a condominium unit, a manufactured unit, or a cooperative or mutual housing unit.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The Consortium will provide assistance to Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity (TCHFH), which will at least in part, provide direct assistance to their homebuyers through the funded activities in this Action Plan. The recapture provision will be used in the in the form of a deferred, zero interest mortgage, held by the Hennepin Housing Consortium and TCHFH, the mortgage will be forgiven upon the maturity date, unless prior to that date, the homebuyer:

1. Voluntarily or involuntarily, no longer uses the property as their principal residence, or leases, sells, transfers, mortgages or pledges all or any part of their interest in the property without prior written consent of the Consortium;
2. Defaults on any terms, covenants or conditions of the note or the HOME mortgage; or
3. Defaults on any terms of the first mortgage secured by the property.

The exception to full repayment would be if there is a sale during the term of the loan and there are not sufficient “net sale proceeds” to repay the loan. The repayment would then be the amount of net sale proceeds available. Net sale proceeds are defined as the fair market value sale price of the property minus the balance of the superior loan(s), the homebuyer original investment and reasonable and customary closing costs.

The owner occupancy requirement will be secured by a Declaration of Covenant that will be filed on the property for the required affordability period (up to 15 years, based on the amount of HOME funds provided).

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

For West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT), funds are provided to assist them with the acquisition of the land or rehabilitation of the improvements. Thus indirectly assisting the homebuyer, this requires the resale provision. The resale requirement will be secured by a Declaration of Covenant that will be filed on the property for the required affordability period (up to 15 years, based on the amount of HOME funds provided).

The Covenant filed contains provisions required by the HOME Program, as follows:

1. The Consortium or a representative may include the right of first purchase or the right of

first refusal for a bona fide offer from any person to purchase an assisted property at the Consortium or representative's option.

2. The property will be used as the low-income buyers' principal place of residence.
3. The declaration can terminate in the event of foreclosure, transfer of title in lieu of foreclosure, or assignment of a FHA insured mortgage to HUD.
4. The property must be sold at a price that provides the owner a fair return in their investment, while ensuring that the housing will remain affordable to a reasonable range of low-income buyers.

In a land trust model of ownership, the owner only owns the improvements (house/buildings) on the land and the land trust owns the land, which they lease to the owner. WHAHLT describes in its land lease the following three-step calculation to determine the required fair return on investment:

1. Subtract the initial appraised value of the improvements from current (time of sale) appraised value of the improvements to get the market appreciation.
2. The market appreciation is multiplied by 35 percent to get the owner's share of the appreciation.
3. The owner's original purchase price of the improvements is added to the owner's share of the appreciation to get the purchase option price. The purchase option price is the amount that will be used to sell it to the next purchaser.

The Consortium defines "affordable to a reasonable range of low-income homebuyers" as a family at 65 to 80 percent of area median income paying no more than 33 percent of income for principal, interest, property taxes, and insurance.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The Consortium does not plan to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

Reference 91.220(l)(4)

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

Hennepin County already uses a centralized intake for families and the initial implementation of coordinated assessment/entry will be for families. Launch of that system is expected in 2015. Currently, families meet with a shelter team worker prior to receiving a voucher to enter a county-contracted family shelter. The shelter team worker assesses each families housing option to determine whether options other than shelter exist for each given family. In some instances, shelter team workers can employ emergency funding to prevent a family's entry into shelter. In other instances, no other options are available and a shelter voucher is given. Under coordinated entry, the process will be similar.

Once a family has entered into shelter, families are required to meet with a screener. This screener conducts a standardized assessment of each family's barriers to housing success. This screener can make referrals to housing resources to help the family make their exit from shelter.

Hennepin County with the State of Minnesota are working hard on data system updates that will facilitate coordinated assessment/entry. Hennepin County will also be hiring a Housing Referral Coordinator (one for families and one for singles) who will sit with the Hennepin County Shelter team and serve as the coordinator for vacancies and for creating timely, accurate, and targeted referrals using data to find the right person for each vacancy.

The next phase of coordinated assessment/entry will be for youths followed by single adults. The youth system will be wider than the Minneapolis/Hennepin County CoC as currently youth homelessness coordination happens at a metro wide level and that is expected to continue under coordinated assessment/entry.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

Subrecipients that deliver ESG-funded rapid re-housing services will be required to ensure that data on all persons served and all activities assisted under ESG are entered in the Minnesota HMIS system. If the subrecipient is a victim service provider or a legal services provider, it may use a comparable database that collects client-level data over time and generates unduplicated aggregate reports based on the data. Information entered into a comparable database must not be entered directly into or provide to an HMIS.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

ESG-funded services will be provided by subrecipients that are selected via a Request for Proposals

(RFP) process. When the required planning has been done and authorizations have been given, a RFP will be sent to interested provider agencies. Provider agencies will be given the opportunity to develop proposals for the creation of new or the expansion of existing re-housing services. Proposals will be rated based upon the qualifications of the provider, the perceived effectiveness and efficiency of the proposal, cost factors, prospects for successful outcome delivery, timeline for implementation, and other critical factors. The programs rates as offering the greatest value of prospects for success will be implemented via contact agreement.

Hennepin County has an effective subrecipient management system that includes various elements. Execution of an agreement with each subrecipient is the first step in managing subrecipient compliance. This signed contract contains a scope of work and clearly specifies tasks to be undertaken and identifies applicable ESG requirements. In addition, the agreement establishes benchmarks or measures of subrecipient performance. Subsequent procedures include technical assistance as appropriate.

Newly funded programs and programs with a shorter track record require a much higher level of oversight including training, technical assistance and monitoring. Orientation meetings are offered at the pre-application stage. The focus of these meetings is to clearly convey requirements and responsibilities as a subrecipient of ESG funds.

On-site monitoring is done annually. Staff will develop an annual monitoring plan for each ESG provider. These monitoring visits are an opportunity to provide technical assistance and individualized assistance to subrecipients.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

N/A

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

Attached.

Discussion

