

City of Cleveland, TN

Annual Action Plan

2016-2017 Program Year

City of Cleveland, TN

Development & Engineering Services

CDBG Program

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May 12, 2016

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Office of Community Planning & Development
U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development
Knoxville Field Office, Region IV
John J. Duncan Federal Building
710 Locust Street, Suite 300
Knoxville, TN 37902-2526

RE: City of Cleveland, Tennessee
Action Plan 2016-2017

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Enclosed is the City of Cleveland's Action Plan 2016 for the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program. Resolution 2016-38 approving the Action Plan is included. Form SE 424 and the required certifications are located at the front of the document.

If you need further information, please feel free to contact Teresa Torbett at 423-479-1913 or 423-593-0124.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Rowland".

Tom Rowland
Mayor

RESOLUTION NO: 2016-38

RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE
2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee received a document, *City of Cleveland 2016 Annual Action Plan* which is incorporated herein as EXHIBIT A; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned *2016 Action Plan* was the subject of public hearings on September 14, 2015, February 9, 2016, and again on April 19, 2016. A draft of the *Action Plan* was available on April 8th, 2016 which began a thirty-day comment period ending on May 7, 2016 with copies of the Plan being made available at the Development and Engineering Services Office, the Cleveland Public Library, and on the City's website www.clevelandtn.gov as advertised in the *Cleveland Daily Banner* on April 8th, 2016 and *Noticias Libres* on April 7th;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Plan has been reviewed by the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission whose members were provided with the document and given the opportunity to comment; and

WHEREAS, comments concerning the aforementioned Action Plan were received by City staff and reported to the City Council and the City Council has considered the comments:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the *2016 Action Plan* is incorporated herein as EXHIBIT A be approved by the City Council, and be it further resolved that City staff are authorized to submit the aforementioned Plans to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and be it resolved that the Mayor is authorized to sign all grant agreements, contracts and certifications with HUD that are required to carry out the CDBG program described in the Action Plan.

Approved this 9th day of May, 2016.

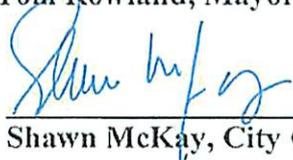
APPROVED AS TO FORM:



John F. Kimball, City Attorney



Tom Rowland, Mayor



Shawn McKay, City Clerk

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- Preapplication
 Application
 Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- New
 Continuation
 Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

* c. Organizational DUNS:

d. Address:

* Street1:

Street2:

* City:

County/Parish:

* State:

Province:

* Country:

* Zip / Postal Code:

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

* First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

Title:

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

* Email:

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14-218

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

N/A Entitlement

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

N/A Entitlement

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

City of Cleveland's Community Development Block Grant Program

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="387,511.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="500,000.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="887,511.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

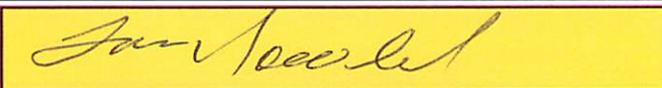
Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:
Middle Name:
* Last Name:
Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: 

* Date Signed:



CPMP Non-State Grantee Certifications

Many elements of this document may be completed electronically, however a signature must be manually applied and the document must be submitted in paper form to the Field Office.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> This certification does not apply. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This certification is applicable. |

NON-STATE GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct 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 in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug Free Workplace -- It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
 - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - b. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
 - a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - b. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted --
 - a. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - b. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

8. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
9. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
10. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



5-9-2016

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Tom Rowland

Name

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| <input type="checkbox"/> This certification does not apply. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This certification is applicable. |

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

11. Maximum Feasible Priority - With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
12. Overall Benefit - The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2014, 2015, 2016, (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
13. Special Assessments - It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

14. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
15. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R, of title 24;

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



5-9-2016

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This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

Instructions Concerning Lobbying and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph three).
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant: Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code) Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here. The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace is required by 24 CFR part 21.

Place Name	Street	City	County	State	Zip
City Hall	190 Church Street NE	Cleveland	Bradley	TN	37311
Development & Engineering Services Office	185 Second Street NE	Cleveland	Bradley	TN	37311

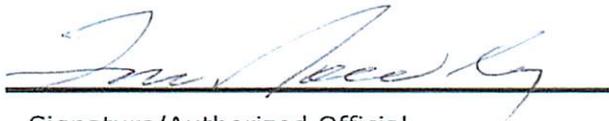
7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules: "Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15); "Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of *nolo contendere*) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes; "Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any

controlled substance; "Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including:

- a. All "direct charge" employees;
- b. all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and
- c. temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Note that by signing these certifications, certain documents must be completed, in use, and on file for verification. These documents include:

1. Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
2. Citizen Participation Plan
3. Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan



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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Cleveland became a Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Entitlement Community in 2004. The third 5 Year Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) was submitted in 2014 and covers the period commencing July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2019. Con Plans are a requirement of HUD for jurisdictions such as Cleveland that received Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

The Consolidated Plan has several primary sections including a Housing Needs Assessment that assesses needs for affordable housing, homelessness, special needs populations, and non-housing community development needs. The Con Plan also includes a Housing Market Analysis that evaluates existing housing stock and resources. There is a Strategic Plan that outlines objectives for the five-year planning period and a 1 Year Annual Action Plan that sets goals and allocates funding for the upcoming year between various eligible activities and projects. Other sections found in the Con Plan address the methodology for citizen participation and the institutional structure for delivering services and programs.

This document is the third year Action Plan and describes the actions, projects and programs that the City of Cleveland will implement to address priority needs identified in the Con Plan. The City anticipates receiving \$387,511 for the program year starting July 1, 2016. Annual funding in that approximate amount is expected for program years four and five.

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 Con Plan identified six overarching priority community development and affordable housing needs:

- Affordable housing for renters and homebuyers;
- Public awareness of fair housing laws and lead-based paint requirements;
- Transitional and supportive housing needs;
- Housing and supportive services for the elderly and disabled;
- Code enforcement; and
- Public facility and infrastructure improvement.

From these priorities and within the context of limited funding resources, four goals were developed with the following proposed CDBG allocations for program year 2016/2017:

- Code Enforcement - \$60,400
- Public Improvements - \$227,111
- Affordable Housing - \$30,000
- Planning/Administration - \$70,000

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The above allocation of resources continues successful initiatives and partnerships built during previous program years. The City of Cleveland has been very successful in attacking affordable housing standards and neighborhood quality issues with targeted codes enforcement and improvements to neighborhood infrastructure. Likewise, the City's affordable housing initiatives have relied on working in partnership with area non-profit providers to leverage additional housing resources and expertise. The specific projects proposed for the third year Action Plan are largely the result of the City's evaluation of how similar earlier activities have performed.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

During the Action Plan process, the City of Cleveland consulted with a wide variety of housing and service organizations, civic organizations, neighborhood residents and groups, departments of local government, elected officials, and others. The organizations and groups invited to participate covered the major providers of affordable housing, emergency housing, special needs housing, community facilities, services for youth, elderly, and disabled. Sections of government supplying public community centers, parks, recreation, and open space, public works such as sidewalk, street, water/sewer, and stormwater improvements, and with public safety officers focused on permitting and code compliance within CDBG target areas, as well as the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission. A list of key consultations is included in this document.

The City held three public meetings with public hearings attached to all three meetings. These meetings/hearings were well attended and interpretative services were available for Spanish speakers.

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.

Public comments are attached as an appendix to the Action Plan.

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

All comments were reviewed and accepted. All comments are in the Appendix section.

7. Summary

The City of Cleveland has leveraged its CDBG resources well in the past and will continue to do so in the future based upon the goals identified during this process. All of the meetings held were well attended and responsive. The city expects to fully engage in the goals identified for the upcoming program year.

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

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

Describe the agency/entity 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	CLEVELAND	Development & Engineering Services

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Teresa Torbett, City of Cleveland, Grants Manager

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423-479-1913

AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)

1. Introduction

The following table provides a list of partners, agencies, and organizations consulted during the Action Plan process.

The table can be found in the appendix.

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(I))

During the Consolidated Plan and Action Planning process, the City of Cleveland consulted with a wide variety of housing and service organizations, civic organizations, neighborhood residents and groups, Departments of local government, elected officials, and others. The list of key consultations is included in this document. The organizations and groups consulted covered the major providers of affordable housing, emergency housing, special needs housing, community facilities, services for youth, elderly, and disabled. There were also consultations with the sections of government supplying public community centers, parks, recreation, and open space, public works such as sidewalk, street, water/sewer, and stormwater improvements, and with public safety officers focused on permitting and code compliance within CDBG target areas.

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.

The City of Cleveland works closely with the Cleveland Emergency Shelter, the only emergency shelter for homeless persons within the jurisdiction. The Cleveland Shelter is part of the Continuum of Care and actively participates in the CoC planning process. Although Cleveland has not been a direct entitlement jurisdiction for the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program, they do participate and receive funding under the State of Tennessee’s small cities program administered by the Tennessee Housing and Development Agency (THDA). The City of Cleveland matches the ESG program with assistance to the Cleveland Shelter. The shelter provides more than just emergency housing, it also provides employment training in-house, life skills training, and helps reduce homelessness by helping with utilities, deposits, and correcting arrearages.

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

As described above, the City of Cleveland works most often with the Cleveland Emergency Shelter on meeting the needs homeless persons and families. The Shelter has future plans for a transitional shelter to better enable the homeless to move from a shelter situation to a more independent living arrangement in a unit of their own. There is also concern over the lack of adequate accommodations for the chronic homeless that experience recurring episodes of homelessness for longer periods of time. The City will continue to work with the Cleveland Shelter, the CoC, and other potential providers and partners involved in these initiatives.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

See Table below.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City staff met with Habitat for Humanity Director and discussed current projects and anticipated needs for 2016. Habitat Director also attended public meetings to voice his support of the CDBG program, our partnership and need for funding to provide down payment assistance to five families in 2016.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF CLEVELAND
	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 Lead-based Paint Strategy Non-housing Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City Manager and department heads discussed with the CDBG Coordinator needs for the coming year that could utilize CDBG funding. The City Manager and Recreation Director attending public meetings as well.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Cleveland Emergency Shelter
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy 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?	The Director of the Cleveland Emergency Shelter met with City staff and attended public meetings and voiced their support for continued partnership in providing funding and support for the homeless community.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Bradley Cleveland Community Services Agency
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing 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 Services - Victims

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment 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?	City staff consulted with the Director of Bradley/Cleveland Community Services on continuing the working relationship to provide services for low income residents in our area.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Cleveland Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Discussions were held with the Director of the Cleveland Housing Authority and the City will continue to work closely in areas such as fair housing, possible future funding for infrastructure within a CHA development.

6	Agency/Group/Organization	United Way of Bradley County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	United Way and the City work closely with several initiatives that take place within the CDBG target area for low income residents. Dialogue continues on future projects.

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

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		

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

There are numerous other sources of public entities investing in community development improvements in Cleveland. The CoC and the role of the Cleveland Emergency Shelter and their receipt of Emergency Shelter Grant funds through HUD via the State of Tennessee were described previously. Likewise, Habitat has received SHOP grants from HUD and the Bradley Cleveland Community Service Agency receives LIHEAP funds from the Department of Energy and CHDO funds from HUD, again via the State of Tennessee. The Cleveland Public Housing Authority is actively applying for funding to redevelop their sites to reduce density, attain additional housing vouchers, and provide additional open space. All of these efforts, initiatives, and partnerships between local agencies and other entities of government are supported by the City of Cleveland and leverage its community development work with those organizations and in the same targeted neighborhoods. The Consolidated Planning process has taken these into account by consulting and planning with these agencies. Where possible the City of Cleveland strategically commits its resources to further those efforts.

The City has a working relationship with Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland. In the past the City and Habitat have collaborated on developing individual properties, tracts of land, and on helping finance low to moderate income buyers. Habitat for Humanity's business approach is to develop without debt to keep the cost of home buying as affordable as possible for their buyers. Their needs are programming that increases the affordability and availability of opportunities for homeownership, and land at low cost. Habitat also has started a rehab program called Brush With Kindness in part of the CDBG target area. As a partner with the City, Habitat also brings considerable leverage per each house developed by way of their standard \$50,000 sponsorship per house from a local business or other entity. The City of Cleveland foresees continuing this collaboration as strategic opportunities arise.

The Bradley Cleveland Community Services Agency administers a wide variety of self-sufficiency and community service programs. These include weatherization assistance through the federal LIHEAP program, homebuyer education as a certified THDA counseling agency, job training programs, and the education and dissemination of fair housing information. In addition, the Bradley Cleveland CSA owns and operates rental housing, has been a state certified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) since 1993, operates a senior activity center and nutrition center next Cleveland public housing.

The United Way of Bradley County has an initiative called Impact Cleveland whose leading goals are: housing rehabilitation; social revitalization and community events; neighborhood safety; developing leadership; and workforce development. Their initial focus is the Blythe Neighborhood

located within the CDBG target area. The City plans on coordinating closely with this new initiative and strategically supporting its mission where that mission complements and leverages their community development programming. Impact Cleveland received a grant award in the amount of \$3,748,199 for 2015 TVA Extreme Energy Makeover Grant to provide energy retrofits to 300 homes located within the CDBG target area. The CDBG program is partnering on this grant with Impact Cleveland.

P-12 Participation – 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

Three public meetings were held for the 2016 Action Plan. The first public hearing was held on September 14, 2015 in conjunction with the approval of the CAPER for FY2014-2015 to kick off the planning process for 2016. Forty people attended the public hearing. Newspaper announcements and website announcement were used to advertise the meeting.

The second public hearing was held on February 9, 2016 in the Community Room at the Police Service Center. The purpose of the meeting was to provide an overview of the CDBG program, Action Plan process, allocation for 2016, previously funded projects and current goals and projects for the current year, and to hear public comments. There was good participation during the meeting. Also discussed was the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice Study, the Fair Housing Act, protected classes, purpose of the AI and identified impediments. Twenty-five persons attended the second meeting. Attendees included community representatives, city partners including United Way and Habitat for Humanity, and city department officials. A Hispanic translator was available.

The third public hearing was held on April 19, 2016 in the City Council Meeting Room during the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission regularly scheduled meeting. Public Notice was also made on April 7, 2016 regarding the availability of the draft plan. A formal presentation outlined the recommendations, goals and suggested funding allocations. Twenty-seven persons also attended this public meeting and participated in the process.

Public advertisement methods are included as an Appendix to the Action Plan. In general, meetings were advertised in the local paper, a Hispanic publication, on the City of Cleveland's website in both English and Spanish, and an extensive list of service providers and interested parties were directly mailed and emailed. A Spanish interpreter was available at the second and third meetings.

Additionally, the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission was consulted on March 15, 2016 requesting input on housing and non-housing community development needs for 2016.

All community outreach efforts, comments, and input are available in the Appendix.

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	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	N/A	

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)
2	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	N/A	

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	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	All comments and responses are provided in the appendix	N/A	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The 2016-2017 Annual Allocation is anticipated to be funded consistently with prior years funding at \$387,511. Any anticipated resources from other sources will be leveraged with the CDBG sources in the future to maximize and address the community development needs.

Priority Table

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	387,511	0	0	387,511	750,000	The prior year resources are committed to previously designated projects. Any funding not spent during the allocated period will be leveraged with future projects consistent with the plan.

Table 5 - 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

Private, local and foundation funds will be used along with CDBG funds on a public improvements project. No matching funds will be required.

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

If publically owned land is available for redevelopment proposals or community development assets, the grant manager will work with the entity proposing the project to ensure that the standards are consistent with CDBG rules and regulations as well as city procedures.

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	Code Enforcement	2014	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	Expanded CDBG Target Area	Code Enforcement Public Awareness-Fair Housing & Lead Based Paint	CDBG: \$60,400	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 200 Household Housing Unit
2	Public facility and infrastructure improvements	2014	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Expanded CDBG Target Area	Public Facility & Infrastructure Repair/Correction	CDBG: \$227,111	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted
3	Affordable Housing	2014	2019	Affordable Housing	Expanded CDBG Target Area	Affordable housing for renters and homeowners	CDBG: \$30,000	Homeowner Housing Added: 5 Household Housing Unit

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Code Enforcement
	Goal Description	Code Inspector for CDBG Target Area.
2	Goal Name	Public facility and infrastructure improvements
	Goal Description	Recreation improvements in CDBG Target Area.
3	Goal Name	Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	Availability of affordable housing in CDBG Target Area.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

The City, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland, will provide down payment assistance to five families purchasing a home in an affordable housing subdivision. As a result, five families will be assisted into homeownership.

The City, in partnership with a non-profit, will provide minor home repairs to 20 low income households who own their home.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The projects planned this year will focus on the affordability and availability of affordable housing in partnership with Habitat for Humanity and continuing the prior years' recreation goals and activities. By completing these projects and continuing the code enforcement in this area, the impact in the CDBG target area for greater livability options is available. Additionally, households will have greater access to recreational activities.

#	Project Name
1	Code Enforcement
2	Recreation Improvements
3	Affordable Housing
4	Administration

Table 8 – Project Information

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

The projects identified for this Annual Action Plan are directly related to the goals identified through the Consolidated Planning process.

Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Code Enforcement
	Target Area	Expanded CDBG Target Area
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Code Enforcement Public Awareness-Fair Housing & Lead Based Paint
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,400
	Description	Provides funds for employee and program costs associated with a code enforcement inspector to provide enforcement of municipal codes in the CDBG Target Area.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 households will benefit from the proposed code enforcement activity. Although it will affect housing units, the overall liveability of the CDBG target area will be addressed.
	Location Description	Code enforcement activities occur in Census Tracts 103, 104, 107 and 108 - CDBG Target Area.
	Planned Activities	Provide a code enforcement inspector and program costs associated to focus efforts in the CDBG target area and provide education to area residents.
2	Project Name	Recreation Improvements
	Target Area	Expanded CDBG Target Area
	Goals Supported	Public facility and infrastructure improvements

	Needs Addressed	Public Facility & Infrastructure Repair/Correction
	Funding	CDBG: \$227,111
	Description	Continuation of recreational improvements within the CDBG target area.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This activity will benefit low to moderate income families in the CDBG target area. As defined in the Con Plan, this target area has concentrations in minority and low income populations.
	Location Description	CDBG Target Area (see map)
	Planned Activities	Recreation improvements within a neighborhood in the CDBG target area
3	Project Name	Affordable Housing
	Target Area	Expanded CDBG Target Area
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable housing for renters and homeowners
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,000
	Description	Provide down payment assistance to five qualified families purchasing housing in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland, a non-profit affordable housing provider.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 5 low income households will be assisted into homeownership as a result of this project.
	Location Description	Homeownership will take place in Victory Cove Subdivision or Century Village Subdivision which are located in Census Tract 107.

	Planned Activities	Down payment assistance will be provided to qualified families purchasing affordable housing through Habitat for Humanity. As a result, five low income households will have access to affordable homeownership.
4	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	Expanded CDBG Target Area
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement Public facility and infrastructure improvements Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable housing for renters and homeowners Public Facility & Infrastructure Repair/Correction Code Enforcement
	Funding	CDBG: \$70,000
	Description	General administration and implementation of this plan.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	225 households or number of persons will be affected by the proposed projects.
	Location Description	CDBG Target Area
	Planned Activities	Administration of CDBG Program.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The CDBG Target Area for the City of Cleveland covers all or parts of four low to moderate income census tracts (CTs 104, 107, 108, and part of 103). The area is roughly bounded by Westland Drive and Magnolia Avenue to the west; 20th Street NE and Old Tasso Road NE to the north; Little Chatata Creek and Appalachian Highway to the east; and Appalachian Highway to the south. Downtown Cleveland is directly west/northwest of the target area. Data in this section is taken from the 2012 5 year ACS census.

Social Characteristics: The estimated Target Area population is over 13,000. There are 5,149 total households. Householders living alone range from a high of 42% in CT 104 to a low of 29% in CT 103; elderly households account for approximately one-third to one-half of those households in each CT. At least 20% of the households in each tract have a disabled member. Of note, the target area population living in a different house the year before ranged from 24% to 30%, with the vast majority of those moving within the county.

While still predominately White, nearly one-third of Cleveland's African-American population reside in the target area. Over one-third of the Hispanic population resides in the target area and nearly a quarter of the Asian population resides there as well. Tracts 104 and 108 have the largest concentrations of minority persons with 32% and 17% respectively.

Housing Characteristics: Within the CDBG target area there are 5,991 total housing units. Owner occupancy ranges from a high of 50% in CT 103 to a low of 25% in CT 104. The median value of owner-occupied housing ranges from \$71,800 in CT 107 to \$81,400 in CT 108. Gross rents ranges from \$630 in CT 103 to \$436 per month in CT 104. It is worth noting that of the four tracts, CT 104 has the lowest median value of owner occupied housing and the lowest gross rent for rental housing. Regardless of the specific tract, at least one-quarter of all owner-occupied households with a mortgage are cost burdened. Rental cost burden is a larger problem, ranging from a high of nearly 60% in CT 108 to a low of 40% in CT 103. Over half, more than of every two renter households in the target area are cost burdened.

Economic Characteristics: Median household income in the four CTs range from a high of \$30,231 in CT 103 to a low of \$16,750 in CT 104. Within CT 104 over 40% of households have incomes less than \$15,000, and more than one in four have household income less than \$10,000. This compares to \$33,065 as the median household income for Cleveland as a whole. There are over 1600 households in the target area receiving social security income, 573 receiving supplemental security income (SSI), and over 1700 receiving food stamp assistance. The rate of families with incomes below the poverty level ranges from a high of 44% in CT 108 to a low of 19% in CT 103; the poverty rate for families in Cleveland

as a whole is 19%. Within the civilian labor force unemployment ranges from a high of over 19% in CT 104 to a low of 13% in CT 103.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Expanded CDBG Target Area	100

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Collectively taken, the above referenced characteristics are the primary rationale for allocating community development investments within the CDBG target area. This is also a more densely developed detached single-family area on smaller lots, leading to the City's strategy of improving the public spaces and facilities, particularly those spaces used for recreational purposes. The open spaces provide an opportunity for children to play and adults to exercise, and indoor space where non-profit and local government agencies can provide services to those in need, which are over represented in the low to moderate income CTs comprising the target area. An additional rationale is that the housing stock is generally older and there are a high percentage of rental properties, which when combined with lower incomes stress owners ability to maintain their properties. Lastly, targeting a limited area promises a bigger impact and the focusing of leveraged resources.

If low to moderate income projects are proposed outside of the CDBG target area, each will be evaluated and reviewed to ensure eligibility and consistency with the overall goals of the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan.

Discussion

In general, the CDBG target area is targeted for investment because of heightened need. That need is evidenced by concentrations of minorities and others with lower incomes, higher housing cost burdens, higher unemployment rates, higher percentages of households living on fixed incomes, and higher percentages of households with a disabled member.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City of Cleveland’s CDBG program supports affordable housing opportunities. With few exceptions, the CDBG regulations do not allow funds be used for the construction of housing. However, what is permitted and what had been an effective strategy for the City’s CDBG investments is supporting other partner agencies such as Habitat for Humanity that do new construction, either through allowable activities such as land acquisition, infrastructure and site development, and by providing financial assistance for low to moderate income homebuyers. These activities will be strategically pursued throughout the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan planning periods.

The City also ensures decent and safe affordable housing opportunities by targeting codes enforcement to the CDBG target area. While not adding housing inventory, this strategy is an efficient and cost effective way to NOT lose inventory and to better maintain the quality and life of the existing housing stock. Targeted neighborhood-based code enforcement also means enhanced ability to work with property owners with legitimate hardships to complete needed repairs.

Because of the limited amount of funds available and the significant administrative resources required to operate and manage a rehabilitation program, home rehabilitation will be addressed through coordination and partnership with a non-profit provider.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	5
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	5

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Cleveland Housing Authority has been serving Cleveland and Bradley County since 1959 and operates 434 conventional units of public housing on 14 scattered sites. As of June 2015, a total of 416 families resided in the public housing program and 205 families were being served in the Housing Choice Voucher program totaling \$2.3 million dollars of combined rental assistance to our community. Currently, the Public Housing waiting list is open with 269 families on the list. The Housing Choice Voucher waiting list was opened on July 19th and received 145 applications in a four hour period. The waiting list was immediately closed due to capacity and funding restraints. The average income of these residents remains at or below 30% of AMI. CHA financial support is derived from HUD in the form of Public Housing operating subsidy and Section 8 Housing Assistance funding.

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

Significant numbers of the Cleveland Housing Authority's units were built prior to the American Disabilities Act. Those units are walk-up units in need of modernization upgrades to improve accessibility and to increase the number of units that can be made available to persons with mobility issues. As stated in previous sections there is a growing demand for elderly and disabled housing units in the City. Likewise there is a need to reconfigure or develop new units that accommodate large families. At the same time, de-concentrating public housing units is a goal of the CHA. Meeting these somewhat conflicting goals concurrently will necessitate the acquisition of additional properties and the reprogramming and extensive reconfiguring of existing units.

The Cleveland Public Housing Authority is actively exploring opportunities and grants to modernize and redevelop properties where needed. In cases and applications where demolition might be feasible, the goal will be to reduce density, add green space and modern living features, and replace any reduction in total units with additional Section 8 vouchers. To add new units housing for low income populations, CHA is evaluating the feasibility of a tax credit development and other forms of non-traditional public housing finance tools.

In 2015, the Cleveland Housing Authority began a "surgical" demolition project designed to alleviate high density conditions found at that location. The demolition will make way for a recreational green space/park for the neighborhood which will include significant green space and landscaping as well as a picnic pavilion, basketball court, playground and walking path. CHA has requested the City of Cleveland repave the street as well as install sidewalks, curbing and storm gutters to provide safe, clean walking space that connects the area to a neighboring sidewalk project completed earlier. Demolition is complete and the remainder of the project is out for bid.

CHA is positioned to become a Redevelopment Authority for the City of Cleveland and work in collaboration with community stakeholders to address the affordable housing needs in the Cleveland and Bradley County area. CHA also desire to develop new properties to expand its existing services to the elderly and disabled low-income citizens in Cleveland and Bradley County and is aggressively seeking funding for this project.

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

The Cleveland Housing Authority Board is comprised of seven members, including one resident. Appointments to the CHA Board are made by the Mayor of Cleveland. CHA strongly encourages the involvement of its residents in providing input into its management policies and operating procedures. CHA's Resident Association holds monthly meetings to provide a forum for input, coordination between residents and CHA staff regarding regulatory/policy changes as well as current and future modernization activities.

The CHA supports its residents pursuing affordable homeownership opportunities and when appropriate works closely with other area non-profits to help residents become educated and financially qualified to achieve that dream.

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

Not Applicable.

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

Introduction

Cleveland has one primary facility for housing homeless persons. This is the Cleveland Emergency Shelter operated by the Bradley/Cleveland Community Services Agency. The Cleveland shelter has 42 beds and provides emergency shelter housing for males, females, and couples. The Executive Director reports that they can usually house anyone who needs housed, meaning they seldom turn anyone away who is unsheltered. The shelter receives ESG funding from the State of Tennessee and uses those funds for essential services and homeless prevention (utility deposits, some arrearages, etc.). In addition to the Cleveland Emergency Shelter there is also a Harbor Safe House that can accommodate between 8 to 10 families who are victims of domestic violence. Life Bridges also provides services for mentally handicapped individuals to become more self-sufficient; to train them to perform everyday tasks and helps them to gain employment in the community. There is no transitional housing or permanent supportive housing in Cleveland, although the agencies mentioned provide wrap around type services, including life training, employment training, and other programming.

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

The Homeless Needs Assessment in this Consolidated Plan is primarily based on point-in-time information provided to HUD by the Chattanooga/Southeast Tennessee Continuum of Care (CoC). These counts are done at least every other year and will continue throughout the consolidated planning period. CoC's are required to provide an unduplicated count of homeless persons according to HUD standards. Where appropriate, anecdotal information and/or estimates by service providers are included in the Consolidated Plan narrative to support the need and extent of homelessness. Although homelessness is very visible in most U.S. communities, including Cleveland, TN, by its very nature it is extra difficult, particularly for smaller jurisdictions with fewer resources, to accurately document and quantify.

Outreach to homeless individuals is primarily done through case managers and staff at area shelters and health care facilities. These agencies are the key service providers for homeless needs and manage their programs to keep services in line with their assessment of needs and discussions with clients.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Cleveland receives funding through the State of Tennessee Small Cities Emergency Shelter Grant program. These funds are sub-granted to the Cleveland Emergency Shelter for essential services and homelessness prevention. At this time there are no transitional housing options available within the City, however, this is routinely identified as a need and continues to be discussed. The Salvation Army is currently trying to raise funds for the development of transitional housing at this time.

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

Over the past three years, the Bradley County Housing Coalition has sought to identify and address the most pressing housing needs in our community. Through conducting multiple homeless censuses, a housing survey, and studying state and county level data, the coalition identified the top three housing needs as 1) affordable housing, 2) root causes to instable housing and 3) transitional housing. *Specifically, the coalition found that there are over 11,000 Bradley County residents that are cost-burdened, meaning they spend more than 30 percent of their gross incomes on housing. According to federal guidelines, this is unaffordable, and can lead to other financial issues for these individuals and families. Furthermore, root causes, or factors inhibiting an individual or family from obtaining and sustaining permanent housing, must be addressed. Stable income, mental health, transportation, and childcare are some of the root causes that are pertinent within our community. Without solutions to these needs, some households will never attain affordable housing. Lastly, there is no transitional housing in Bradley County. In many communities, transitional housing provides the wraparound services and supports that many individuals and families need to transition from unstable to stable housing. Without these services and supportive case management, many families will consistently battle barriers that keep them from obtaining affordable housing.*

With this information in hand, the coalition hosted a housing symposium for the community in November, 2015. This symposium educated business, nonprofit, and government leaders about the top three housing needs in our community, and invited them to join the coalition's efforts in creating solutions to these needs.

In 2016, the aim has been to create solutions for each of the top three needs. The coalition is currently broken into three task forces to address these needs. Each task force currently has the following steps planned for this year:

Affordable Housing: This group includes a local banker and a handful of nonprofit leaders that are engaged in launching a Community Development Corporation (CDC) by 2017. A CDC is an organization that creates affordable housing for individuals and families within 60 to 90 percent Area Median Income (AMI) range, a range that Habitat for Humanity and traditional bank loans do not serve.

Root Causes: The group includes City Planner, Greg Thomas, as well as local nonprofit and church ministry leaders. A grass-roots approach to childcare is being pursued in the East Cleveland community, and the first step of hosting a community dinner will occur May 16th, 2016 at Cross Point Church of God. Transportation is also being addressed through the efforts of City Planner Greg Thomas in conjunction with coalition member and The Refuge Vice President Kelli Kyle.

Transitional Housing: The Salvation Army and Bradley-Cleveland Community Services Agency are the two local organizations that are currently pursuing transitional housing. They are co-leading this task force with the purpose of gathering input and programmatic ideas from the other housing providers and coalition members, as well as raising awareness and gaining buy-in for their next steps.

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 City of Cleveland receives funding through the State of Tennessee Small Cities Emergency Shelter Grant program. These funds are sub-granted to the Cleveland Emergency Shelter for essential services and homelessness prevention. Homeless prevention funds go for security and utility deposits, and in some cases for arrearages.

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 – 91.220(j)

Introduction

Educating and training the public of the importance of affordable housing opportunities throughout the city will be a priority. Professionals in the real estate community understand the needs of the community and may need to convene regularly to discuss how to make sure there are a range of housing types and incomes throughout all parts of the city may be an option.

Funding opportunities used by nonprofit developers could be matched or leveraged with other public-private partnerships made available to the city. The need to work with regional agencies and partners to create balance within the region may also be appropriate to create a viable and sustaining community for all.

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

The Bradley County Housing Coalition, a group of local nonprofit, business, government leaders, and community members is currently working to address affordable housing. With affordable housing being identified as the community's top housing need at this point, the coalition is currently rallying support from investors and other interested parties for the purpose of creating a Community Development Corporation (CDC). The coalition's goal is to launch this in 2017, and this entity will be able to provide affordable housing options to individuals and families that fall within the 60 to 90 percent Area Median Income (AMI) range. This range, which Habitat for Humanity and traditional banks do not normally serve, currently consists of over 11,000 cost-burdened* home owners and renters in Bradley County alone.

**The federal department of Housing & Urban Development defines cost-burdened as paying over 30 percent of your gross income on housing.*



AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

- Code enforcement in LMI (CDBG Target) area
- Affordable housing efforts with local nonprofit developers
- Public facility and infrastructure improvements in the CDBG Target area
- Continued leveraging and partnerships with other city departments, area nonprofits, and interested organizations

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

- Affordable housing opportunities made available through local nonprofit developers such as the Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland and United Way.
- Code enforcement to increase rehabilitation and livability in the LMI (CDBG Target) area



Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

- Code enforcement efforts in the CDBG Target area
- Training and public awareness of lead-based paint hazards

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

- Continued leveraging of resources in the CDBG target area which has a high concentration of poverty-level families
- Regional efforts to respond to the increased amount of jobs in the region

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The gaps in the structure and service delivery system will include collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce, Cleveland State Community College, and Lee University students, administrators and faculty. Funding opportunities can be available through collaborative efforts between the city and many of its partners and regional outreach.



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

The city will continue to partner with area public and private housing and social service agencies to help create livable communities for all the citizens of Cleveland. To increase leveraging and partnerships, the city may need to work with regional agencies for additional leveraging and innovative ideas for future development options.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(l)(1,2,4)

Introduction

A CDBG Target area has been defined in the City of Cleveland and all CDBG funds are expected to be available for low to moderate income households within this area. Projects may be proposed outside of the CDBG Target area and each will be evaluated on its eligibility and consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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	0
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:	0

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.	100.00%

Discussion

The overall benefit will be used within the defined CDBG Target Area for the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan program year.

APPENDIX

1. CDBG Target Area Map

- **Project Location Map**

2. Public Meeting Ads, Notices, Minutes, News Articles

- **September 14th, 2015**
- **February 9th, 2016**
- **March 15, 2016**
- **April 19th, 2016**

3. List of Agencies and Service Providers, Council Members, Planning Commission Members and interested parties

4. Written Requests

- **Habitat for Humanity**
- **Cleveland Housing Authority**
- **Wilson Avenue Residents**
- **Mark Lorello**

CDBG TARGET AREA MAP
2016 PROJECT LOCATION MAP
for
2014-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

CENSUS TRACTS

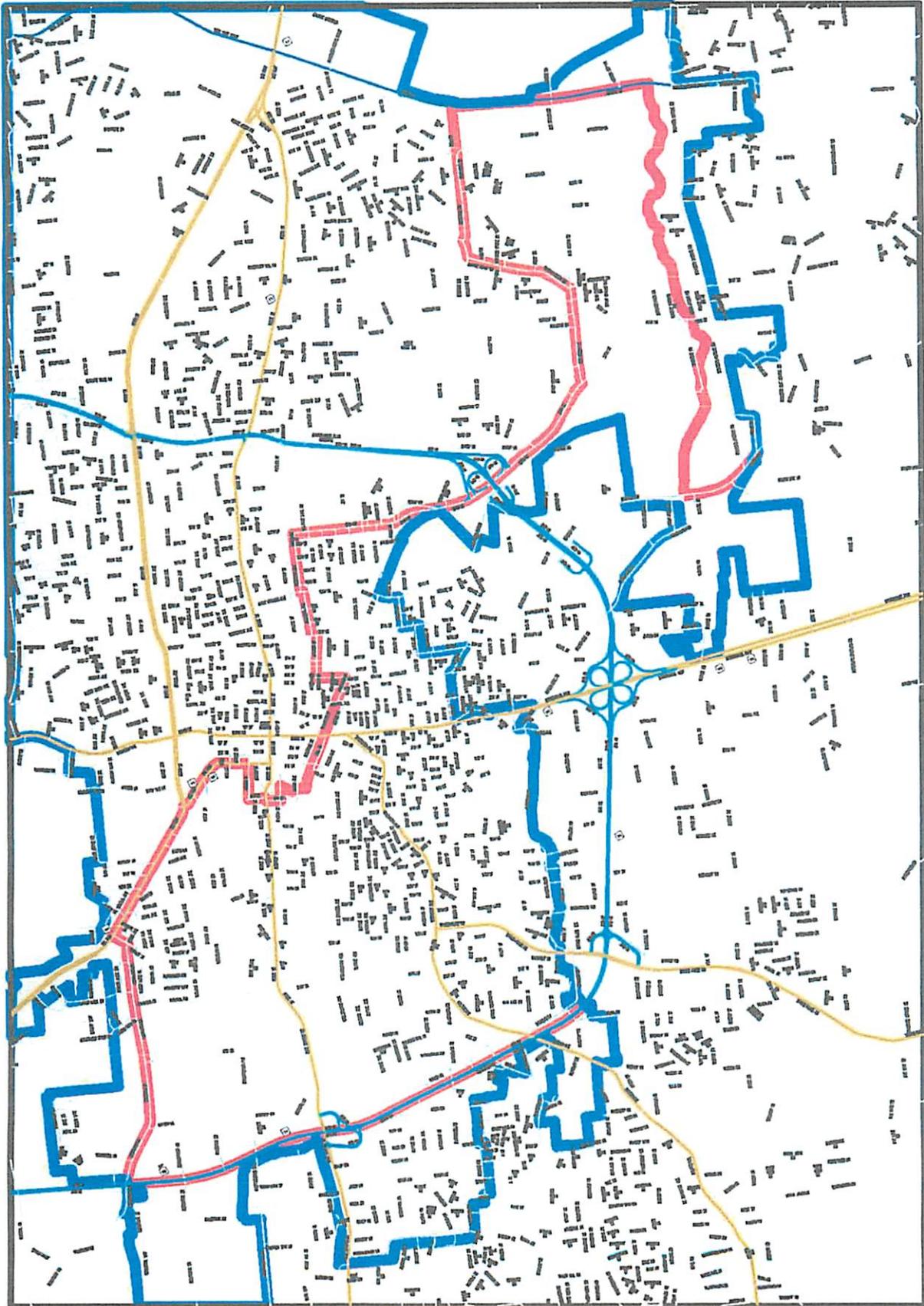
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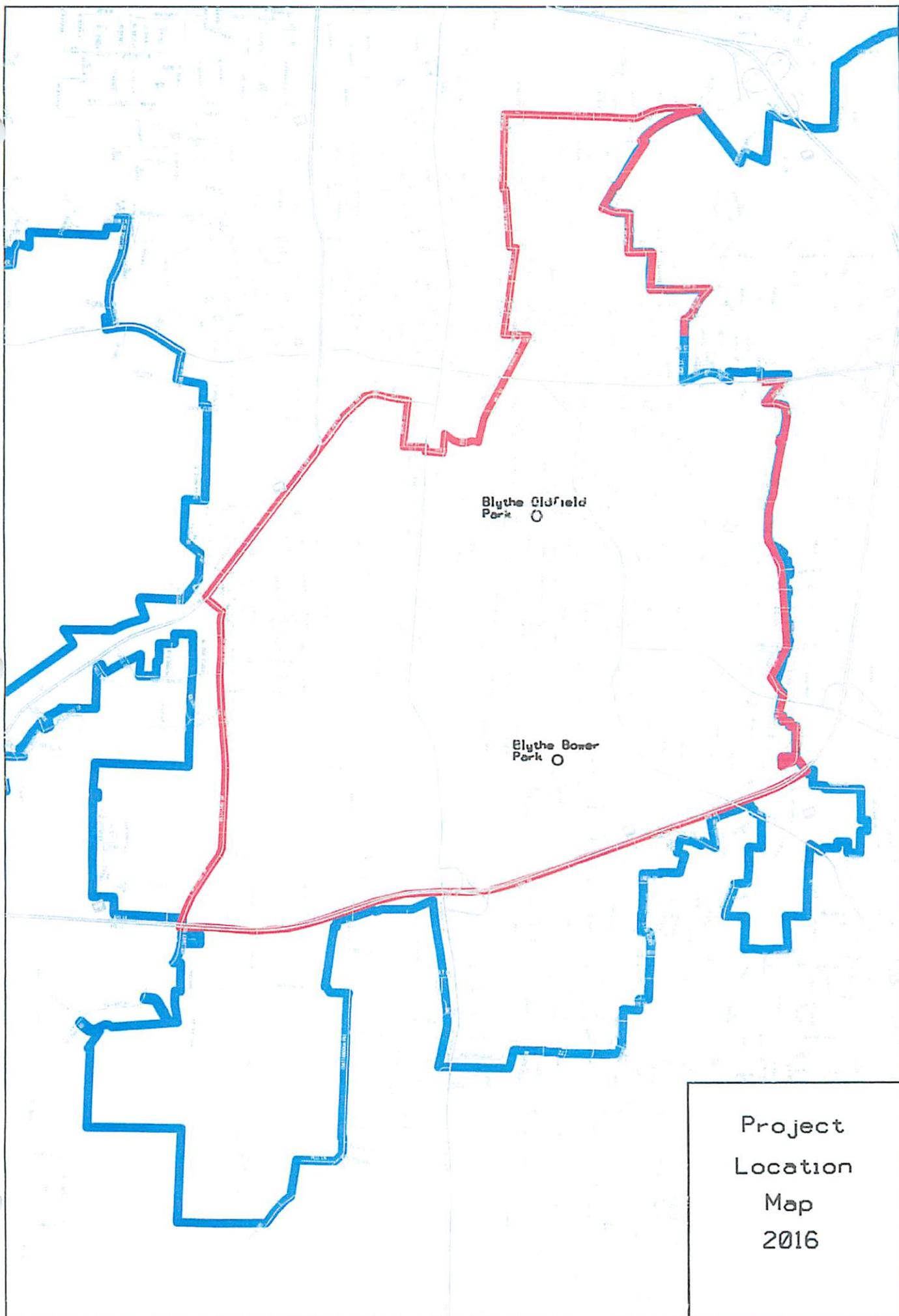
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CDBG Target Area





Blythe Oldfield
Park ○

Elythe Bower
Park ○

Project
Location
Map
2016

PUBLIC MEETINGS

September 19th, 2015

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Notice of Public Hearing

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City Council Minutes

(conjunction with CAPER public hearing at Council)

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CLEVELAND CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE
EVALUATION REPORT**

The City Council of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 14th, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. in their regular meeting place, the 2nd floor Council meeting room, 190 Church Street NE to hear public comment concerning the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation (CAPER) for the 2014-2015 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

All residents are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing. Publication of this notice officially starts the required 15 day period for public comment and ends on September 14th at 5:00 p.m. A draft of the CAPER will be available at the Development & Engineering Services Department, 185 Second Street NE, and on the City of Cleveland's website at www.clevelandtn.gov.

This public hearing also provides citizens an opportunity to express views regarding the identification of housing and community development needs within the designated target area for the 2016 Action Plan. Activities addressed by the CDBG program must meet at least one national objective as follows:

1. Provide benefit to low and moderate income families
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight
3. Address other community development needs that have a particular urgency because its poses a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community.

A thirty-day comment period associated with this public hearing runs from September 14th through October 13, 2015 for planning the one year Action Plan. Public meetings will be conducted during the year and comments welcomed throughout the planning process.

Written or oral comments may be submitted to Teresa Torbett, Grant Manager, City of Cleveland, or by telephone at 423-479-1913 Ext. 230. Submissions may also be made via email to: ttorbett@clevelandtn.gov.
August 30, 2015

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New look for Cleveland public transportation

All five Cleveland Urban Area Transit System bus routes are now being served by new buses with a new paint scheme. [Read on...](#)



City Honors Brian McAmis

The City of Cleveland mourns the loss of Brian McAmis, a retired Deputy with the Eradley County Sheriff's. Deputy McAmis was a well respected member of our community and affection for the lives of many. Deputy McAmis will be greatly missed. [Read on...](#)



Fire Department Must be Ready for Anything

Among the 265 calls answered by the Cleveland Fire Department in July included 11 fires and a woman who went to Station #12-3 with a ring stuck on her finger. [Read on...](#)



City Council tours CHS Gynnasium

Cleveland City Schools officials, including Director Martin Ringstaff, led city officials on a tour Tuesday of the construction of Raider Arena at Cleveland High School. Work continues on the 2,700-seat arena that can be expanded to 3,300 seats. [Read on...](#)



Municipal Management Academy Graduates

UT Municipal Technical Advisory Service provides a Municipal Management Academy designed to help managers and supervisors become more effective in their day-to-day operations. [Read on...](#)



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Calendar

- September 7**
Cleveland City School Board
- September 8**
Board of Zoning Appeals
- September 8**
Beer Board
- September 14**
City Council Meeting
- September 14**
Public Hearing for CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation

Mayor's Corner



Mayor Tom Rowland
Since 1991, Mayor Rowland has served as Cleveland's city leader. [Read More](#)

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**AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA
OFICINA DEL CONSEJO DE
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SUBVENCIÓN COMUNITARIA PARA
EL DESARROLLO DEL VEICINDARIO
INFORME ANUAL DE LA
EVALUACIÓN DEL DESEMPEÑO**

El Consejo Municipal de la ciudad de
Cleveland, Tennessee llevará a cabo

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una audiencia pública el Lunes, 14 de
septiembre 2015, a las 3:00 pm, en su
lugar de reunión ordinario, sala de re-
unión del Consejo en el segundo piso,
190 Church Street NE para escuchar
los comentarios del público en relación
con la Evaluación Anual de Ren-
dimiento (CAPER) para el Programa de
Subsidios Globales para el Desarrollo
Comunitario desde 2014 hasta 2015
(CDBG).

Se invita a todos los residentes a asis-
tir y participar en la audiencia pública.
La publicación de este aviso comienza
oficialmente el periodo de 15 días re-
querido para comentarios del público y
termina el 14 de septiembre a las 5:00
pm. Un borrador del CAPER estará dis-
ponible en el Departamento de Servi-
cios de Desarrollo e Ingeniería, 185
Second Street NE, y en la página web
de la Ciudad de Cleveland en
www.clevelandtn.gov.

Esta audiencia pública también ofrece a
los ciudadanos la oportunidad de ex-
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una urgencia particular porque plantea
una amenaza grave e inmediata para la
salud y el bienestar de la comunidad.

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será de septiembre 14 al 13 de octubre
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de un año. Las reuniones públicas se
llevarán a cabo durante el año y los
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rante todo el proceso de planificación.

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ager de Subvenciones, Ciudad de
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423-473-1913 Ext. 230. Las presenta-
ciones también se pueden hacer por
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Esta audiencia pública también ofrece a los ciudadanos la oportunidad de expresar su opinión con respecto a la identificación de las necesidades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario dentro de la zona de destino designado para el Plan de Acción 2016. Actividades dirigidas por el programa CDBG debe cumplir con al menos un objetivo nacional de la siguiente manera:

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BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE MET IN A REGULAR SESSION THIS MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2016 AT 3:00 P.M. AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING PLACE IN THE CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

Present and presiding was Mayor Tom Rowland. Also present were Councilmen Charlie McKenzie, Bill Estes, Avery Johnson, David May, Jr., Dale Hughes, Richard Banks and Vice Mayor George Poe. Others in attendance according to the sign-in sheet were as follows: City Manager Janice Casteel; Assistant City Manager Melinda Carroll; Finance Director/City Clerk Shawn McKay; City Attorney John Kimball; Sue Zius, Assistant to the Mayor/Legislative Liaison; Beverley Lindsey, Executive Secretary; Christy Bryant, Support Services Manager, Fire Chief Ron Harrison; Jonathan Jobe, Director of Development and Engineering; Public Works Director Tommy Myers; Parks and Recreation Director Patti Pettitt; Police Chief Mark Gibson; Mark Fidler, Jetport Manager; Ken Webb and Tad Bacon with Cleveland Utilities; Brian Moran, Social Media; City Reporter Randall Higgins; School Board Officials Cathy Goodman, Hal Taylor, George Meacham, Jeff Elliott and Charles Cogdill; Pam Edgemon; Larry Armour; George Kyle; Floyd Chastain; Gary Farlow with the Chamber of Commerce; Dennis Epperson; Clint Epperson; Lake Mantooth; Charlotte Peak; Steve Cocks; Robin Burnt; Martha Ledford; Ava Casello; Judy, Sharon, Mickey and Ken Gaston; Bethany McCoy with Lee University; Mary Cocks; Stephen Ferreira; Brenda Gibson; Wanda Bottoms; Tommy Gibson; Jeff Cocks; LouAnn Wright; Tim Rauder; Gail Perry with *Chattanooga.com*; Joyanna Love with the *Cleveland Daily Banner*. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and prayer by Reverend Jennifer Newell, the following business was then entered into:

WAIVE READING OF MINUTES

Councilman Johnson moved that the City Council of the City of Cleveland waive the reading of the minutes of the Regular Session of the City Council held on March 28, 2016 and approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman May; and upon roll call, unanimously passed.

PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAIL

Mayor Rowland stated Floyd Chastain has submitted a letter of safety concerns along Inman Street and has been forwarded to staff for review.

City Manager Janice Casteel announced City Reporter David Davis has elected to retire

Larry Wallace updated the City Council on the status of the City Manager Selection Committee. 27 applications have been received to date and the cutoff date is the close of business on April 21, which is 5:00 p.m. MT/7:00 p.m. EST. The committee will meet on April 22 to narrow it down to no more than 10 applicants. On April 26 the committee, along with Mr. Mercer will meet and merge their lists. On April 29 video conference calls will take place and at the end of the day, hopefully they will have it narrowed down to a final group to present to the City Council for final interviews.

Mayor Rowland stated today's meeting is being held as a public hearing to hear public comments concerning an amendment to sections 2.14 and 2.15 of the zoning regulations to allow the reconstruction of existing single family residential uses within the industrial districts in the event they are destroyed. The City Clerk then read the notice of the hearing. Mayor Rowland asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the amendment. No one spoke. Mayor Rowland asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition of the amendment. No one spoke. Mayor Rowland declared the public hearing to be closed.

Councilman Johnson stated there are wrecks near the area at least weekly and something needs to be done. Councilman Banks feels the only solution is a right turns only. Councilman Estes stated we need professionals to cover us for liability. Councilman Johnson asked how long will it take for our own people to look at it. Mayor Rowland stated we could see the accident reports to know how they are happening. Councilman Banks stated people need to go out to the light when leaving the Target center. Councilman Estes stated a no left turn is a good idea but it needs to be recommended by a professional. Mr. Kimball stated making this a no left turn could possibly be considered a taking if you cut off their access. Vice Mayor Poe stated this same company has been here before about Keith Street and Paul Huff and they didn't fix it. Mayor Rowland stated we need to delay for two weeks to give time for the accident reports. Councilman Estes withdrew his motion. Chief Gibson stated he would have reports pulled for three years.

Councilman Banks asked in thirty days to have a report on the Development and Engineering building renovations. Mayor Rowland stated it needs to include the back part of the Municipal building.

Mayor Rowland announced that April is Fair Housing Month.

Martha Ledford spoke to the City Council concerning problems with the bus system and traffic, which causes the buses to go further. Also, the office staff leaves at 4:30 and then the drivers do whatever they want. After that time there is no one to call and people are being stranded. Mayor Rowland stated Ms. Carroll can speak with Maryann and make her aware of the problems.

Mayor Rowland stated we have received a safety concern letter from Floyd Chastain and passed the information to Tad Bacon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rowland announced the Fire Department Annual Awards Ceremony will be held April 28, 2016 at 7:30pm at the Museum Center.

There being no future business the meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk

Past year's work will be reviewed

By JOYANNA LOVE
Banner Senior Staff Writer

It will be a year-end review for the Cleveland Community Development Block Grant Monday, as coordinator Teresa Torbett solicits public comment on the past year.

Each fiscal year Torbett compiles a consolidated annual performance review and submits it to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

A public meeting to discuss the report will be held Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. in the Cleveland Municipal Building meeting room on Church Street.

Information about the review and additional ways to comment on the 2014-15 year's progress are available at www.clevelandtn.gov.

The annual report and public review are required by HUD.

The report outlines projects completed in the last year, the people who were served, future needs of the community, what projects and services were offered, as well as partnerships the program has made in the community.

Once all the CDBG reports are submitted, HUD compiles the information to demonstrate the national impact of the program.

Projects completed in the review year focused on safe access to recreational facilities in the service area.

A parking lot at College Hill Recreation Center's Sheppard Field was completed last year. As improvements were made at the facility in the past, parking had become an issue.

Torbett said there were people parking on the street. In 2013, Torbett used CDBG money to buy an adjoining field.

"So this year, we actually constructed a parking lot and sidewalks that connect to the existing sidewalks that I had put in previously over there," Torbett said.

Future plans include a picnic area and the clearing of underbrush.

Parking was also added near

See CDBG, Page 4

CDBG set for public hearing Monday

CDBG

From Page 1

the Mosby Park pool area this year.

In the review year, CDBG has partnered with Impact Cleveland and Habitat for Humanity.

"We have had an ongoing partnership with Habitat since probably '05," Torbett said.

The most recent project between the two organizations has been plans for CDBG to cover the cost of infrastructure in the Victory Cove subdivision.

As part of CDBG's partnership with Impact Cleveland, Torbett assisted in the application process for TVA's Extreme Energy makeover.

"We met during the planning stages, and have been involved in working with the consulting group that is actually going to be doing the projects," Torbett said.

A major renovation to the Blythe Avenue community park using CDBG funding is in the works.

"We have had a lot of good participation with the neighbors and some partners in the community," Torbett said. "We have actually gone from a very small proj-

ect of just doing a few improvements to actually getting the master plan for the entire park, which hopefully we can start phasing in."

Initially, Torbett hoped to have this phase in process beginning this year, however, delays to the planning process mean the plan will not even be completed until toward the end of 2015. The park is outside the Blythe Family Support Center.

Around the same time this project was being discussed, the Cleveland City Council requested a plan looking at all of the city's recreation facilities be looked at, and a long-range plan for renovation developed. Parks and Recreation director Patti Pettit is working with landscape architects Lose & Associates Inc. to develop such a plan.

A plan is also being developed for multipurpose sports fields behind Blythe-Bower Elementary School.

CDBG receives federal funding for projects in areas that are at least 51 percent low to moderate income.

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Subvención comunitaria sobre desarrollo del desempeño

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February 9th, 2016 Meeting

Notice of Public Hearing

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Memo to Service Providers, Interested Parties and City Departments

(List Attached)

Minutes of February 9th meeting and sign-in sheet

Power Point Presentation for meeting

Reminder email to service provider list

Proof of website notice of meeting

LEGAL PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
ACTION PLAN 2016-2017



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January 24, 2016

Please run one time on January 24th, 2016 and bill to Accounts Payable, City of Cleveland, P.O. Box 1519, Cleveland, TN 37364-1519.

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January 24, 2016

AVISO LEGAL

La ciudad de Cleveland llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el Martes, 09 de febrero 2016, a las 5:30 pm en el Salon comunitario del Servicio de Policía ubicado en 100 Church Street NE para los comentarios del público en relación con el desarrollo del Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Plan de Acción Anual para el año fiscal 2016 a 2017.

El propósito principal de esta audiencia pública es para solicitar y recibir información de los ciudadanos, las organizaciones sin fines de lucro y otras partes interesadas en relación con el desarrollo de la comunidad y las necesidades de vivienda para el período de planificación de 2.016-2017.

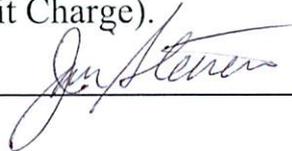
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STATE OF TENNESSEE HAMILTON COUNTY

Before me personally appeared Jim Stevens who being duly sworn, that he is the Legal Sales Representative of the "CHATTANOOGA TIMES FREE PRESS" and that the Legal Ad of which the attached is a true copy, has been published in the above said Newspaper and on the website on the following dates, to-wit:

January 28, 2016

And that there is due or has been paid the "CHATTANOOGA TIMES FREE PRESS" for publication of such notice the sum of \$34.70 Dollars. (Includes \$10.00 Affidavit Charge).



Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of February, 2016.





My Commission Expires 10/17/2018

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TO: All Cleveland, Tennessee Area Low-Moderate Income Service Providers, Other Interested Parties and City Departments

FROM: Teresa Torbett, Grants Manager *TT*

DATE: February 2, 2016

RE: 2016-2017 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan

The City of Cleveland will be conducting a public meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Police Service Center Community Room located at 100 Church Street NE regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan.

The purpose of this meeting is to solicit and receive input from citizens, nonprofit organizations and other interested parties regarding community development and housing needs for the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan. Discussion will also take place regarding the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

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Your participation and input is very valuable during the planning process. Please make a special effort to attend this public meeting and share your knowledge. Please make this information available to your clients.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARING
2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016
5:30 P.M.
POLICE SERVICE CENTER COMMUNITY ROOM**

The second in a series of public hearings and meetings regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program's 2016 Annual Action Plan was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at the Police Service Center Community Room located at 100 Church Street NE. Twenty-five people attended the public hearing (sign-in sheet attached).

Teresa Torbett, CDBG Coordinator, welcomed those attending the meeting. City Manager Janice Casteel, Recreation Director Patti Pettit and Planning Director Greg Thomas were representative of the City of Cleveland.

Ms. Torbett began the meeting with a presentation covering the Consolidated Plan/Action Plan process, overview of the CDBG program, allocation for 2016, demographic and housing overview presented in the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan, previously funded projects and current goals and projects of the program for the current year. Ms. Torbett also discussed the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice Study that was prepared in 2014. The Fair Housing Act, protected classes, purpose of the AI and what is an impediment to fair housing. She also reviewed the impediments that were identified in during the AI process.

The meeting was opened to questions and comments.

Patti Pettit, Recreation Department Director, informed those in attendance that the City was in the process of City-Wide Recreation Plan that will look at current facilities and make recommendations on park improvements. Ms. Pettit voiced her continued support of planned improvements at the Blythe Oldfield Park, Blythe Bower multi-purpose fields, South Cleveland Community Center and College Hill Recreation Center which are all located within the CDBG target area. She also expressed appreciation of CDBG funding dedicated to park improvements over the last eleven years.

Chip Willis, the new Director of Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland, expressed his desire to continue to be a good partner with the City of Cleveland and particularly the CDBG program in addressing housing affordability issues. Currently, the CDBG program is providing funding assistance for infrastructure installation at Victory Cove subdivision which allows 24 home sites to be utilized for affordable housing in the community. He requests consideration of funding for down payment assistance in the coming year.

Michell Goldston voiced her concern about the lack of economic development in the Blythe and College Hill communities. She would like to see businesses in the area owned by local residents and possible tax breaks to get businesses to locate in the area.

Lynn Wagner voiced that insurance, taxes, stormwater fees and maintenance cause businesses not to flourish. He questioned the stormwater fee and Janice Casteel, City Manager explained the mandated stormwater program and that he could have his property reviewed to make sure he was charged the correct fee.

Dustin Tommey Director of Impact Cleveland, a Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative of United Way, noted that they would be conducting a business needs assessment for the area and will develop a profile of all the properties and create a data base of the buildings and vacant land. This tool will be useful in furthering development in the area.

Shiloh Capone, Impact Cleveland, suggested façade improvements in the area which could also help attract other opportunities.

Questions arose regarding the possible redevelopment of the Whirlpool site which is located in the heart of the Blythe neighborhood. Janice Casteel noted that presently the property is owned by Whirlpool and even though they have relocated to their new facility they are in the process of evaluating their needs and how they plan to proceed with the buildings and land. She feels that the City will become involved when decisions have been made by the owners and that this could be a good opportunity to participate in the redevelopment of the area. Dustin Tommey noted limited resources and lots of potential projects as a result of the redevelopment of this site.

Tina Porter noted the need for bus shelters for the area and expanded transit opportunities. Greg Thomas, Planning Director for the City, stated that he was talking with Hal Taylor of Cleveland City Schools to determine where sidewalks exist for both schools and public transportation. Sidewalk effect where buses pickup and therefore are potential sites for shelters. Janice Casteel also mentioned that bus shelters could possibly be a project that Men and Women of Action could look at as well.

Dustin Tommey shared information regarding the TVA Extreme Energy Makeover grant that Impact Cleveland has received. Three hundred homes will receive energy related home improvements in the Blythe area which can achieve a 25% reduction of energy usage. Properties are currently being identified within Census Tract 107 (within the CDBG target area) and applications being taken. Dustin voiced his appreciation for the City's partnership in the project with CDBG funding. The project will take place over the next 18 months.

An overview of the City's AI was presented and discussed. The comment most commonly discussed was landlords not maintaining the properties and that if complaints were made they were often kicked out. It was noted that many people in these situations simply do not have the means to pay the deposits to move to another location so they are afraid to complain. One suggestion was to have the landlords be a part of the Blythe Neighborhood Association if they owned rental property in that area.

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February 9, 2016

Ms. Torbett thanked everyone for taking time to participate in this opportunity for community input regarding the CDBG program. The following timeline outlines the remainder of the process for the 2016 Annual Action Plan:

- 30-day comment period for this public hearing ends March 9th
- Public meeting and draft Action Plan review is scheduled for April 9th
- 30-day comment period will end on May 6th
- Council approval at the May 9th City Council meeting
- Submission to HUD by May 15th

Ms. Torbett stated that written comments can be submitted via email to ttorbett@clevelandtn.gov or by mail to: Teresa Torbett, City of Cleveland, P.O. Box 1519, Cleveland, TN 37364-1519.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
PUBLIC MEETING
February 9, 2016
5:30 P.M.
POLICE SERVICE CENTER MEETING ROOM

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AGENDA FEBRUARY 9, 2016

- 1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Overview
- 2. HUD Consolidated Plan Overview
- 3. Cleveland Demographic Highlights
- 4. Analysis of Impediments (Fair Housing)
- 5. Next Steps
- 6. Questions and Answers

CDBG PROGRAM PRIMARY OBJECTIVE

The development of viable urban communities through the provision of the following, principally for low-moderate income persons:

- ❖ Decent housing,
- ❖ Economic opportunity
- ❖ A suitable living environment

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Each CDBG activity must meet one of three national objectives:

- Benefit to low-moderate income persons
- Aid in the prevention of slum and blight
- Urgent need



2015 HUD Income Limits

Cleveland, TN Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

FY 2015 Income Limit Area	Median Income	FY 2015 Income Limit Category	Persons in Household							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Very Low (50%) Income Limits (\$)	17,300	19,750	22,200	24,650	26,650	28,600	30,600	32,550
Cleveland, TN MSA	\$42,700	Extremely Low (20%) Income Limits (\$)	11,770	15,930	20,090	24,250	26,650	28,600	30,600	32,550
		Low (80%) Income Limits (\$)	27,650	31,600	35,550	39,450	42,650	45,800	48,950	52,100

WHAT IS A CONSOLIDATED PLAN?

- Application to HUD for funds
- 'Road Map' to show how CDBG funds will be invested in Cleveland
- Covers Affordable Housing and Community Development
 - Including other HUD Programs that is not receiving funds for yet



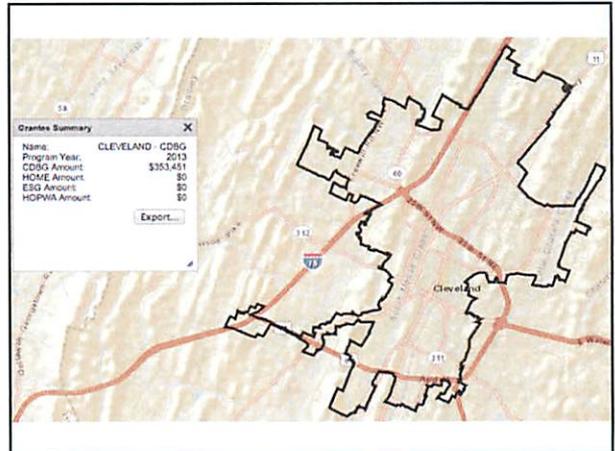
WHAT IS A CONSOLIDATED PLAN?



* Repeats for 5 Years (2014-2019)

CHAS DATA

- Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data set,
 - U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS) 2005-2009 results
- Standardized for National use
- Snapshots of:
 - Demographics
 - Housing Supply and Need
 - Economic Context



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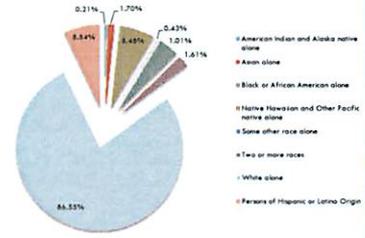
Population Change 2000-2010

	2010 Census 2014 Est.	2000 Census	2000-2010 Change	
	Counts	Counts	Change	Percentage
Bradley County, TN Population	98,963 102,975	87,965	10,998	12.50% 4.10%
Cleveland, TN Population	41,285 42,331	37,879	3,406	8.99% 2.53%

DEMOGRAPHICS

2014 POPULATION BY RACE PERCENTAGE

RACE	2014 POP. EST.	PERCENTAGE
American Indian and Alaska native alone	91	0.21%
Asian alone	718	1.70%
Black or African American alone	3,592	8.48%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific native alone	184	.43%
Some other race alone	428	1.01%
Two or more races	680	1.61%
White alone	36,638	86.55%
Persons of Hispanic or Latino Origin	3,741	8.84%



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RACE POPULATION CHANGE 2000-2010 AND 2014 EST.

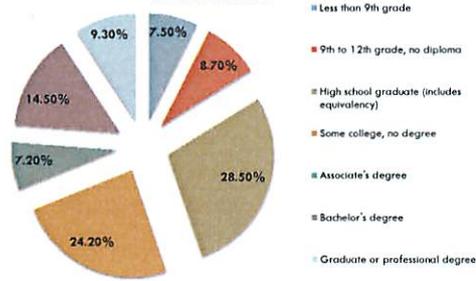
RACE	2010 CENSUS	2000 CENSUS	POPULATION CHANGE	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
American Indian and Alaska native alone	165	85	80	94.12%
Asian alone	630	359	271	75.49%
Black or African American alone	3,048	2,610	438	16.78%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific native alone	35	10	25	250.00%
Some other race alone	1,775	481	1,294	289.02%
Two or more races	1,008	557	451	80.97%
White alone	34,824	33,777	847	2.51%
Persons of Hispanic or Latino Origin	3,638	1,080	2,026	187.59%

DEMOGRAPHICS



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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT
POPULATION OVER 25 YEARS OLD



HOUSING OVERVIEW

HOUSING OCCUPANCY	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Total housing units	17,771	
Occupied housing units	15,671	88.20%
Owner-occupied	7,703	49.20%
Renter-occupied	7,968	50.80%
Vacant housing units	2,100	11.80%
Homeowner vacancy rate		4.9
Rental vacancy rate		8.9

Income Categories & Households

Number of Households by HUD Area Median Family Income (HAMFI)	Number
Extremely Low Income Households (< 30% HAMFI)	2,200
Very Low Income Households (30-50% HAMFI)	2,235
Low Income Households (50-80% HAMFI)	2,480
Moderate Income Households (80-100% HAMFI)	1,510

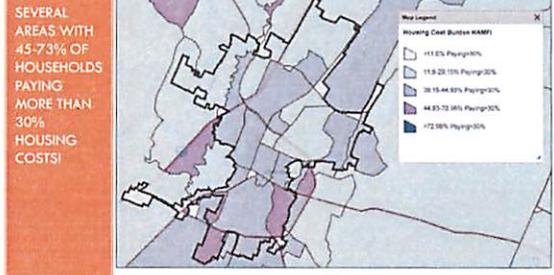
HOUSING OVERVIEW

- **MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD VALUE**
 - \$156,500 (\$155,200)
- **MEDIAN CONTRACT RENT**
 - \$695 (\$669)
- **AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE**
 - 2.40

HOUSING OVERVIEW

- **Cost Burdened = Pay over 30% of their income on housing costs alone!**
 - Impacts extremely low (30% of AMI) and very low (50% AMI) households more significantly
- **Housing Problem = substandard unit without complete kitchen and/or plumbing facilities, overcrowding, or a cost burden**
 - **Disproportionate Need= Housing problems of a race category and tenure are 10% higher than housing problems for all households**

HOUSING OVERVIEW



HOUSING NEED:

Cost Burdened Overview

Housing Cost Burden Overview	Owner	Renter	Total
Cost Burden <=30%	5,870	4,035	9,905
Cost Burden >30% to <=50%	945	2,045	2,990
Cost Burden >50%	635	1,895	2,530

HOUSING NEED:

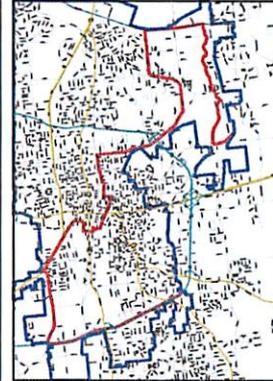
Disproportionate Need

Housing Problem/ Jurisdiction as a whole	Has one or more of four housing problems	Has none of the four housing problems	Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems
0%-30% Area Median Income	1645	270	290
30%-50% Area Median Income	1590	650	
50%-80% Area Median Income	1390	1090	

CDBG ALLOCATIONS

CLEVELAND, TN	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
CDBG	\$303,781	\$332,936	\$353,451	\$352,335	\$345,924

CDBG Target Area



PREVIOUS PROJECTS

- Drainage Improvements
- Recreation Improvements
- Sidewalks
- Lot Clearance
- Property Acquisition (8 infill lots, 6 lots Foster Lane, 27 lots Victory Cove)
- Down Payment Assistance for 23 Families
- Infrastructure for Century Village – 40 lots
- Code Enforcement Inspector funded since 2005

Current Goals

Annual Action Plan 2015-2016

- CDBG Allocation--\$345,924
- Recreational public facility improvements to improve the quality of life in LMI neighborhoods (Blythe OldField Park, South Cleveland, Blythe-Bower Park).
- Code enforcement to improve the safety and appearance of neighborhoods and provide economic stability.
- Infrastructure for Victory Cove Subdivision (18 lots)
- Partnering on TVA Extreme Energy Makeover grant.

Cleveland's Needs???

- Housing
- Homeless
- Non-Homeless Special Needs
- Non-Housing Community Development Needs



Possible Needs

- Additional code enforcement in SE areas (CDBG areas), especially for repeat offenders
- Rehabilitation of properties
- No Sidewalks on Inman Avenue
- What to do with old Whirlpool site
- Better facility needed for The Caring Place (social services center)
- Need for youth play fields (possibility behind new elementary school near Century Village)
- Develop Foster Lane Property (possibly partnership with Habitat for Humanity)
- Lack of focus on affordable housing needs
- Need for transitional housing
- Need capacity for developers
- Need for repair/rehabilitation programs
- Healthy Foods grocery stores
- Transit
- Speed limit signs
- Police protection
- Signage
- Animal (Dog) control
- Demolition of empty buildings
- Additional O-1 BR options
- Additional elderly/disabled units (particularly ones that lend itself to the topography)
- Housing for working families
- Landlord/Education training—possibly through a certification program
- Parking lot for College Hill park
- Inman Street Revitalization (gateway)
- Possibly paving/drainage issues
- Lack of greenway system in CDBG areas

CDBG Allocations/Expenditures

Funding 2004-2015 \$4,302,061

Expenditures thru 12-31-15 \$3,942,681

92% has been expended thru 12-31-2015

Next Steps

- Comment period ends on March 9th
- Planning Commission input requested February 23rd
- Public meeting and draft review scheduled in April and followed by a 30 day comment period
- Draft to Planning Commission on April 19th
- Draft plan comment period
- Council approval May 9th
- Submit Action Plan to HUD May 15th

Fair Housing

Analysis of Impediments (AI) Study to Fair Housing Choice

FAIR HOUSING ACT

- Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended, prohibits discrimination in the **sale, rental, and financing of dwellings**, and in other housing-related transactions, based on **race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status** (including children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18), and **disability**.

Protected Classes

- **Race**
 - Characteristics resemble ones associated with a race (hair texture, skin color complexion, facial features)
- **Color**
 - Skin color complexion
- **National Origin**
 - From a particular country or part of the world, because of ethnicity or accent; married to or associated with a person, group, or association connected with ethnicity
- **Religion**
 - Religious, ethical, or moral beliefs
- **Sex**
 - Gender/Gender identity
- **Familial Status**
 - Household including children under 18 years of age, pregnant women
- **Disability**
 - (1) a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of such person's major life activities;
 - (2) a record of having such an impairment; or
 - (3) being regarded as having such an impairment, but such term does not include current, illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance.

Purpose of the AI

- ✓ What is the purpose of an Analysis of Impediments Study to Fair Housing Choice (AI)?
- To identify impediments to fair housing choice within the City of Cleveland
- Take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through the analysis
- Maintain records reflecting the analysis and actions taken in this regard

Purpose of the AI

The City of Cleveland, TN should:

- Analyze and eliminate housing discrimination in the jurisdiction
- Promote fair housing choice for all persons
- Provide opportunities for inclusive patterns of housing occupancy regardless of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, disability and national origin
- Promote housing that is structurally accessible to, and usable by, all persons, particularly persons with disabilities
- Foster compliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of the Fair Housing Act.

WHAT IS AN IMPEDIMENT TO FAIR HOUSING?

Impediments to fair housing choice are:

- Any actions, omissions, or decisions **taken because of** race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices
- Any actions, omissions, or decisions which have **the effect of restricting** housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Lack of public awareness of fair housing laws.

- City to review HUD's Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity website for public awareness options.
- City should work with public and private sector partners to disseminate information to their customers, tenants and clients.
- City should create a task force that meets quarterly made up of city officials, financial institutions, real estate professionals, nonprofits and citizens

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Southside of Cleveland is currently concentrated with low income households and affordable housing developments.

- Low income families do not have a choice in where they live due to the affordability of the housing in the Southern sector of the city.
- Efforts should be made to increase affordable housing efforts outside of Census Tracts 103, 104, 107, and 108.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- City should work with non-profit and for-profit developers to discuss a strategy for creating housing opportunities in areas outside of South Cleveland.
- City should work with regional housing developers and non-profits to increase affordable housing development.
- City should partner with minority groups to improve awareness of new mortgage lending regulations and information gathered from financial institutions.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Mortgage lending practices should be addressed since there were high denial rates among certain races.

- HMDA data revealed that most denials were with mixed race and Hispanic households. The Hispanic population is the second highest population and had the second highest denial rate.
- City should discuss with financial institutions and determine what may be the issue.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Financial institutions may need to investigate further and work with the city and interested non-profits on homebuyer counseling programs locally and regionally.
- City should partner with minority groups to improve awareness of new mortgage lending regulations and information gathered from financial institutions.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN 2014 AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Lack of community and neighborhood organization groups.

- Neighborhood organization groups are great for local governments to disseminate information easily and frequently. The city currently has only one organized, active neighborhood group in South Cleveland in the Blythe neighborhood.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- City should make an effort to address the lack of collective bodies by creating a database of contact information for various parts of town.
- City should also work with other regional bodies to determine practices for neighborhood organization.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Lack of landlord/tenant coordination and information.
- Landlord/tenant issues are often reasons that discrimination complaints are not filed. Often tenants living in low income units need the shelter and are afraid of eviction acts by landlords. Tenants should be aware of their rights to ensure that fair and legal housing is achieved. Additionally, landlords are not always familiar with the landlord/tenant act or fair housing laws.

IMPEDIMENTS NOTED IN AI AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- The city should disseminate fair housing information to landlords as often as possible.
- Trainings should be provided at least once a year on both Landlord Tenant Act and fair housing laws. If regional efforts are in place for training, information regarding the training should be provided to landlords.
- City should work to create a registry or database listing landlords or repeat code offenders and create an enforcement remedy.

CONSULTATIONS

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| □ Habitat for Humanity | □ Workforce Development Agency |
| □ Cleveland Emergency Shelter | □ Nancy's House |
| □ Cleveland Housing Authority | □ Ocoee Outreach |
| □ Cleveland Community Center | □ 100 Black Men |
| □ Bradley County Health Dept. | □ Bradley Initiative for Church and Community |
| □ Bradley/Cleveland Community Services Agency | □ Reality House/Halfway House |
| □ Bradley/Cleveland Development Services | □ Northeast Recreation Center |
| □ NAACP-Bradley County Branch | □ Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority |
| □ Dept. of Human Services | □ Families First |
| □ Family Resource Agency | □ Bradley Initiative Credit Union |
| □ Hiwassee Mental Health Center | □ Caring Place |
| □ United Way of Bradley County | □ Blythe Avenue Neighborhood Assoc |
| □ SETHRA | □ City Departments |
| □ River County Assoc. of Realtors | |
| □ Horizon Square Apartments | |

NEXT STEPS...

- - May 9th
- HUD - May 15th
- Program Year Starts July 1st



THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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All –

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Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

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FROM: Teresa Torbett, Grant Manager *ttorbett*

DATE: March 15, 2016

SUBJECT: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
2016-2017 Annual Action Plan Request for Input

The City of Cleveland is in the planning process for year three of the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan and specifically for the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program. The City has received allocations totaling \$4,302,061 and has completed projects in the amount of \$3,942,680 (92%) since startup of the program in 2004.

The City is requesting Planning Commission input in identifying housing and community development needs in the City as well as suggested activities for consideration during this planning period. All proposed activities must be located within the designated CDBG target area and included in the listing of eligible activities and must meet a national objective to be considered. Examples of past projects include drainage/sidewalk improvements, recreational improvements, down payment assistance, infrastructure, acquisition and code enforcement.

A public hearing was held on Tuesday, February 9th at 5:30 p.m. at the Police Service Center meeting room to solicit and receive input from citizens, nonprofit organization and other interested parties regarding housing and community development needs for the 2016 Annual Action Plan. Twenty-five citizens attended this meeting.

Comments should be received by March 30th, 2016. Please forward your comments to:

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**AGENDA
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016 AT 6:00 PM
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL BUILDING 190 CHURCH STREET NE**

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Fair Housing Training

8. Adjourn

**MINUTES
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016 AT 6:00 PM
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL BUILDING 190 CHURCH STREET NE**

The regular meeting of the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Dee Burris, Chairman.

Members present included Walt Vineyard, Gary Dennis, Larry Presswood, George Poe, Dee Burris, Maryl Elliott, and Tricia Pennington.

Members absent were Yvonne Cannon and Clarke Taylor.

Legal Counsel present was John Kimball, Attorney for the City of Cleveland.

The staff present included Greg Thomas, Planning Director, Melinda Carroll, Assistant City Manager, Teresa Torbett, CBDG/Grant Coordinator, and Darla Jenkins, Executive Secretary.

Others present were Roslan Amin and Bob Bhagnt of the Dynamic Group, Dustin Hall of Copp Engineering Group, Chris Webb, Kurt Teasley, and James Tyson of EMJ Construction, Joyanna Love of *The Cleveland Daily Banner*, and Ava Castello.

The minutes of the February 16, 2016 were presented for approval.

Maryl Elliott made a motion to approve and George Poe seconded the motion. A vote of 7-0 passed the motion.

There were no Public Hearings.

There was no Consent Agenda.

There was no Old Business.

In New Business,

- a. **Request by Ed Brown for application of infill setbacks for a property located at 2020 Eugenia Ave (pg1).**

Tricia Pennington made a motion for approval and Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. A vote of 7-0 passed the motion.

- b. **Request by Ava Castello to rezone approximately 2.1 acres, more or less, from R1 Single Family Residential Zoning District to PI Professional Institutional**

Zoning District located at 4020 North Ocoee St (Tax Map 42G Group C Parcel 36.00) (pg3).

Tricia Pennington made a motion to recommend conditional approval of the rezoning subject to proof by the applicant or their counsel that in fact the property is not deed restricted against the use. Otherwise our recommendation would be that it not be rezoned because it's not city council policy. George Poe seconded the motion. A vote of 7-0 passed the motion. Dee Burris disclosed that he owned property next door.

- c. Request from Dynamic Group for site plan approval of a proposed hotel within the Interstate Gateway Corridor Overlay Zoning District located on Bernham Dr (Tax Map 33L Group C Parcel 16.00) (pg6).**

George Poe made a motion to approve and Gary Dennis seconded the motion. The commission vote unanimously to approve the motion.

- d. Consideration of an amendment to the zoning ordinance concerning the use and operation of Recycling Collection Centers, Salvage Yards and the like within the Commercial Highway zoning district (pg9).**

This item was postponed.

- e. Consideration of a rezoning of approximately 6 acres of properties located on Victory Dr, Phillips St and Jacobs Ave from R4 Mobile Home Park Zoning District to MU Mixed Use- POSTPONED.**

This item was postponed.

There was not a Chairman's Report.

In the Director's Report,

Thriving Communities Initiative

Greg Thomas updated the commission on the Thrive 2055 endeavor. The City of Cleveland had an opportunity to apply for a grant through the Lyndhurst Foundation. It's basically arts as a tool for economic and tourism development. The City of Cleveland was selected to move forward with several other communities with this grant. The Back Alley Gallery was a test site to see how it might go. Fifty to sixty people show up at this event and provided lots of positive comments. Several people have been working on this project. It's very unusual that you are invited in on the front end. There's a consulting team in arts and economic development, marketing, etc., that works with the group to actually create an ideal and to develop that idea.

Fair Housing Training Workshop

The Fair Housing Training Workshop was presented by Teresa Torbett, Grant Manager for the City of Cleveland. A power point presentation covered the Fair Housing Laws and Executive Orders that make up the Federal Fair Housing Act which prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings and other housing-related transactions based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or familial status. Executive Order 12892 requires federal agencies to affirmatively further fair housing in their programs and activities. All HUD-funded jurisdictions sign a certification committing to affirmatively further fair housing which includes:

- Conduct an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice
- Take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified
- Maintain records reflecting the analysis and actions taken in this regard

Ms. Torbett discussed in detail actions that are unlawful when solely based on the protected classes:

- Refuse to rent, sell, or negotiate for housing
- Make housing unavailable or deny a dwelling
- Set different terms, conditions or privileges in sales or rentals
- Provide different housing services or facilities
- Falsely deny that housing is available
- For profit, persuade owners to sell or rent
- Deny access
- Refuse a mortgage loan
- Refuse to provide information regarding loans, impose different terms or conditions
- Discriminate in appraising property
- Refuse to purchase a loan or set different terms or conditions for purchasing a loan

Strategies were outlined to avoid potential issues and set good business practices by providing rental qualification up front and put all policies and procedures in writing for consistency.

Development Team strategies were also discussed regarding new construction and rehabilitation of existing properties and accessibility requirements; establishing policies and procedures that all leasing agents consistently following, and required fair housing training.

Housing providers must also provide reasonable accommodations to make a fair system for an individual based on proven need; allow persons with disability to make reasonable modifications to their units, such as structural modification, at the resident's expense. Fair housing issues for lenders were also discussed and steps outlined for improvements.

Suspected violations of the Fair Housing Act can be reported to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Ms. Torbett provided a handout "Fair Housing Equal Opportunity for All" that outlines the Fair Housing Act and what it covers. As a result of fair housing training, greater awareness is achieved.

Ms. Torbett then discussed Cleveland's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice which was conducted in 2014 and outlined the impediments identified at that time.

- Lack of public awareness of fair housing laws
 - Website for public awareness options
 - City should create a task force that meets quarterly
- Southside of Cleveland is currently concentrated with low income households and affordable housing developments
 - Efforts should be made to increase affordable housing efforts outside of Census Tracts 103,104,107, and 108
- Mortgage lending practices should be addressed among denial rates among certain races.
 - City should discuss with financial institutions to determine what may be the issue
- Lack of community and neighborhood organization groups
- Lack of landlord/tenant coordination and information
 - City should disseminate fair housing information to landlords
 - Trainings should be provided

Comments or suggestions from the Planning Commission were requested.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan

Ms. Torbett stated she is currently involved in the planning process for the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan for year 3 of the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan. She discussed the background of the CDBG program, national objectives, income limits, and demographic data regarding population, race, and education. Data involving housing occupancy, income/households, and cost burdened (pay over 30% of income on housing) was given. To date the City has received \$4,302,061 in CDBG funding. Ms. Torbett asked for the Planning Commission's input in identifying housing and community development needs for consideration during this planning period. All proposed activities must be located within the designated CDBG target area and be included in the listing of eligible activities and must meet a national objective to be considered.

The following comments were made:

Dee Burris stated the streets needed repairs in the southeast Cleveland area. The addition of curbs and sidewalks were need, too. Drainage issues also needed to be addressed. The energy efficient water heaters installation is hard to meet city requirements as the rooms are not large enough.

- Ms. Torbett noted that street repairs are considered maintenance and are not an eligible CDBG activity. The City would have to address these needs.
- TVA, City Codes and contractors will address the energy efficiency improvements funded by TVA (CDBG is a partner on this program)

- Greg Thomas stated the Multi Model Access program has a project under design now that will close the side walk gap between Treasury Drive, all the way down Wildwood Avenue and then up 9th Street to Chippewa Avenue. This will include a couple of bus stop with shelters. Sidewalks will be improved up Chippewa to the Old Blythe School.

George Poe stated he was involved with various boards such as Cleveland/Bradley Services which assists citizens. There is only so much funding. When their funding was depleted, could these groups forward the citizens to the CDBG.

- Ms. Torbett stated CDBG projects will be selected through this planning process and will be specific. She also noted the "211" system which all service providers and funding agencies belong outlines opportunities of funding sources for low and moderate income needs.

Gary Dennis stated the need to eliminate the 11% of unoccupied housing which was outlined in the presentation. There are too many people living in hotels, such as extended stays, that are caught in a cycle.

Maryl Elliott stated, "The squeaky wheel gets the grease". So as far as the roads and sidewalks in south Cleveland, She believes the people in north Cleveland are more apt to call the city with complaints about repairs. She also stated the south Cleveland residents are tax payers too and they can call for assistance. The people in the lower income neighborhoods should be encouraged to continue to call. Sometimes it takes some time to get things resolved.

- Ms. Torbett noted the power of neighborhood organizations and sited the Blythe Neighborhood Association and the accomplishments they have achieved for improvements to their community. They have realized that when you become involved and voice your concerns they can be addressed.

Ms. Torbett stated that any further comments or suggestions could be submitted to her via email to be included. She thanked everyone for their time.

The meeting adjourned at 6.56 P.M.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
FAIR HOUSING WORKSHOP

March 15, 2016

6:00

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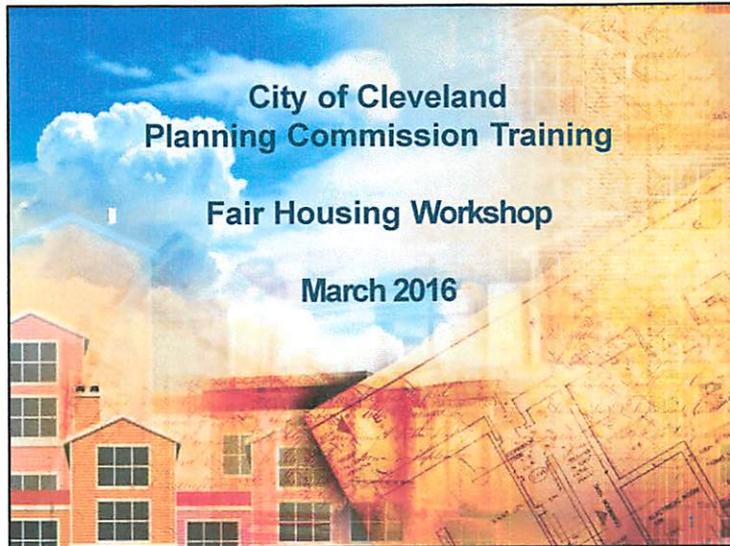
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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Additional Fair Housing Laws

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Architectural Barriers Act of 1968

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/FHLaws

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Federal Fair Housing Act

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, based on **race, color, national origin, religion, sex, handicap (disability), and familial status** (children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18).

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Executive Order 12892 as amended

Requires federal agencies to *affirmatively further fair housing* in their programs and activities, and provides that the Secretary of HUD will be responsible for coordinating the effort. The Order also establishes the President's Fair Housing Council, chaired by the Secretary of HUD (1994 by President Clinton reaffirming Section 808(e)(5)).

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/FHLaws/EXO12892

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AFFIRMATIVELY FUTHERING FAIR HOUSING

All HUD-funded jurisdictions, including State and Local, sign a certification committing to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing.

AFFH obligations have never been defined statutorily. However, HUD defines it as:

1. Conduct an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice (the AI) within the jurisdiction;
2. Take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through the analysis; and
3. Maintain records reflecting the analysis and actions taken in this regard.

www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/docs/submitthefacts.doc

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Expanding Opportunities. Expanding Choice.

The Fair Housing Act also makes it unlawful to:

- Refuse to make a mortgage loan
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- Deny access or membership designed to assist sales or rentals

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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The Fair Housing Act does not prohibit the denial of housing on the basis of:

- Credit worthiness
- Rental history
- Criminal history
- Presenting a direct threat to the persons or property of others

To avoid potential issues, a good business practice is to:

- give prospective residents all rental qualifications up front; and
- *put all policies and procedures in writing and make sure they are consistently applied!*

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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Fair Housing Issues for Development Teams

Nationwide, the number of fair housing complaints continues to be high. Most are related to accessibility issues, followed by racial discrimination.

What you should do

- Make sure your architects for new construction and rehabilitation of existing properties are knowledgeable about accessibility requirements
- Establish policies and procedures that all leasing agents consistently follow
- Do self-tests to make sure your policies are being followed
- Require all members of your development and management teams, especially your architects and leasing agents, to take fair housing training

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Under the Fair Housing Act, housing providers must also:

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- allow persons with disabilities to make reasonable modifications to their units, such as a structural modification, that will allow the full enjoyment of the housing and related facilities. Reasonable modifications are usually made at the resident's expense.

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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Under the Fair Housing Act, multifamily properties must be made accessible to persons with disabilities.

- Both privately owned and publicly assisted housing must meet the accessibility requirements of the Fair Housing Act when they were built for first occupancy after March 13, 1991 and the building has four or more units.

One of the most costly and extensively litigated Fair Housing Act violations is related to the design and construction, including substantial rehabilitation, of apartment complexes that are not accessible.

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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Fair Housing Issues for Lenders

The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) requires lending institutions to report public loan data. Recent case studies conducted nation-wide suggest that minorities still receive a disproportionate number of unfavorable loan terms.

With the increased, nation-wide focus on violations of the Fair Housing Act, "testing," also known as "mystery shopping" is revealing the continued prevalence of housing discrimination in the nation.

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

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What you should do

- Establish policies and procedures that all residential mortgage loan officers must follow, such as:
 - Whether you give pre-qualifications certs without credit checks
 - Notification about *all* available loan products to every prospective borrower
 - Information about how borrowers can improve their credit rating
 - Whether you conduct follow-up calls and letters to borrowers
- Do self-tests to make sure your policies/procedures are being followed
- *Require your residential mortgage loan officers to take fair housing training*

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FAIR HOUSING LAWS & EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Fair Housing Resources.

Suspected violations of the Fair Housing act can be reported to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

HUD: www.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp

Other resources include:

National Fair Housing Alliance: www.nationalfairhousing.org/

Fair Housing Resources: www.fairhousingresources.com

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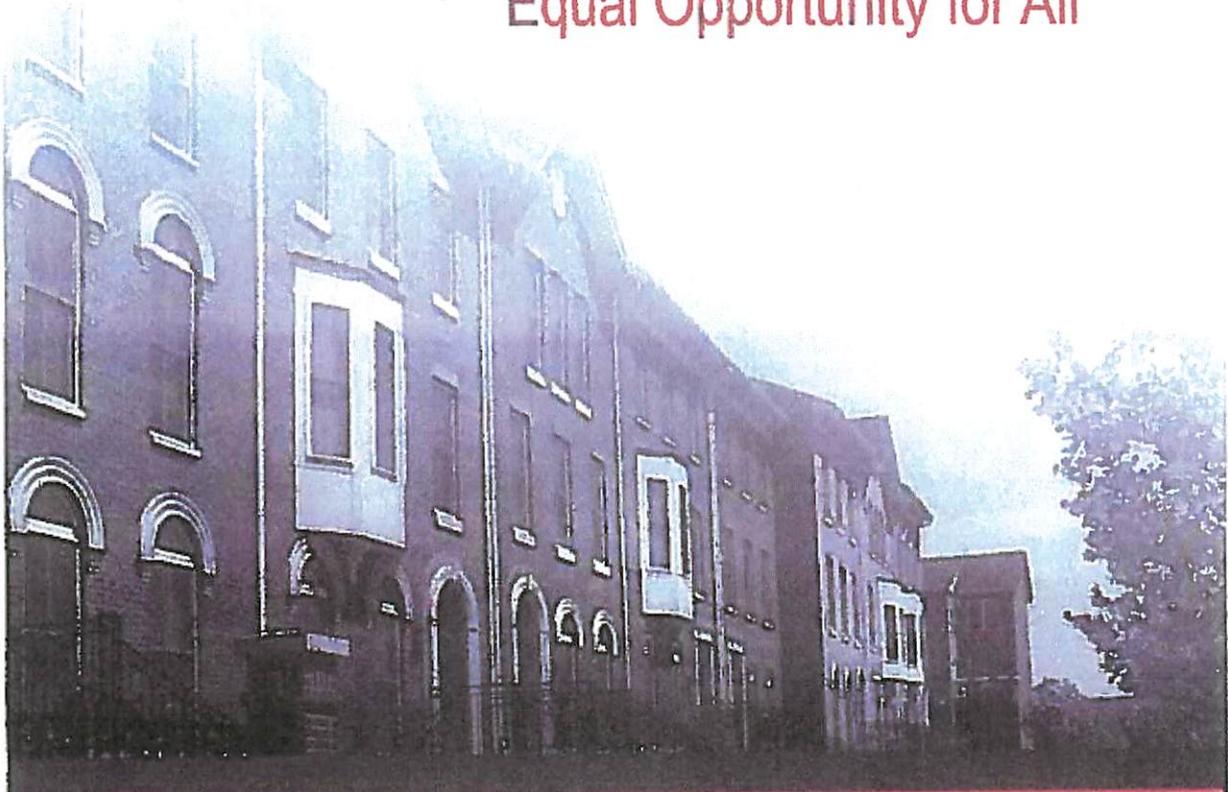
Fair Housing Training

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FAIR HOUSING

Equal Opportunity for All



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Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity



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FAIR HOUSING – EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

America, in every way, represents equality of opportunity for all persons. The rich diversity of its citizens and the spirit of unity that binds us all symbolize the principles of freedom and justice upon which this nation was founded. That is why it is extremely disturbing when new immigrants, minorities, families with children, and persons with disabilities are denied the housing of their choice because of illegal discrimination.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) enforces the Fair Housing Act, which prohibits discrimination and the intimidation of people in their homes, apartment buildings, and condominium developments – in nearly all housing transactions, including the rental and sale of housing and the provision of mortgage loans.

Equal access to rental housing and homeownership opportunities is the cornerstone of this nation's federal housing policy. Housing providers who refuse to rent or sell homes to people based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or disability are violating federal law, and HUD will vigorously pursue enforcement actions against them.

Housing discrimination is not only illegal, it contradicts in every way the principles of freedom and opportunity we treasure as Americans. HUD is committed to ensuring that everyone is treated equally when searching for a place to call home.

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THE FAIR HOUSING ACT

The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing because of:

- Race or color
- National Origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Familial status (including children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians; pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18)
- Disability

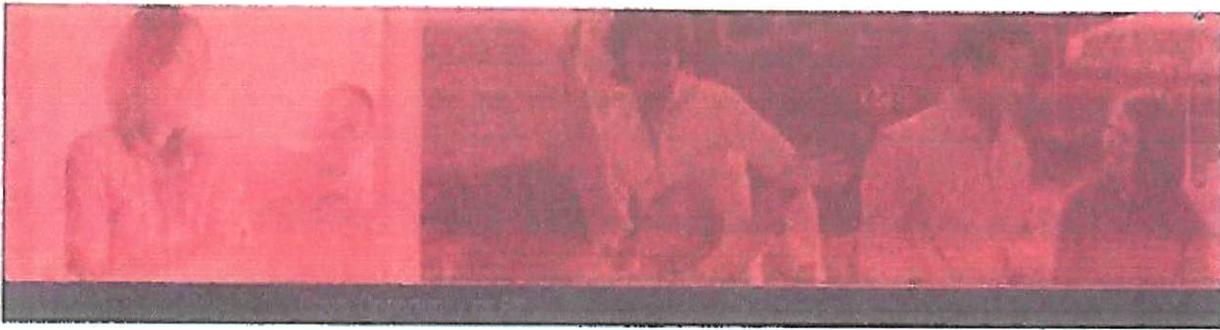
WHAT HOUSING IS COVERED?

The Fair Housing Act covers most housing. In some circumstances, the Act exempts owner-occupied buildings with no more than four units, single-family housing sold or rented without the use of a broker and housing operated by organizations and private clubs that limit occupancy to members.

WHAT IS PROHIBITED?

In the Sale and Rental of Housing: No one may take any of the following actions based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin:

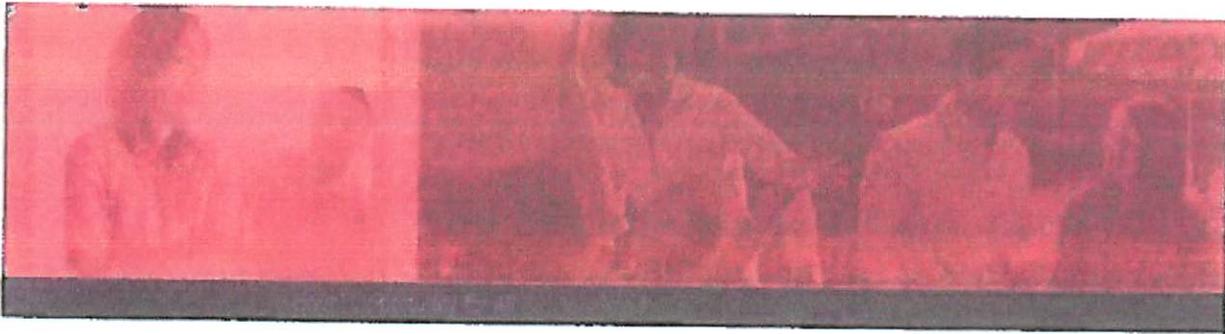
- Refuse to rent or sell housing
- Refuse to negotiate for housing
- Make housing unavailable
- Otherwise deny a dwelling
- Set different terms, conditions or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling
- Provide different housing services or facilities
- Falsely deny that housing is available for inspection, sale or rental



- For profit, persuade, or try to persuade homeowners to sell or rent dwellings by suggesting that people of a particular race, etc. have moved, or are about to move into the neighborhood (blockbusting) or
- Deny any person access to, membership or participation in, any organization, facility or service (such as a multiple listing service) related to the sale or rental of dwellings, or discriminate against any person in the terms or conditions of such access, membership or participation.

In Mortgage Lending: No one may take any of the following actions based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin:

- Refuse to make a mortgage loan
- Refuse to provide information regarding loans
- Impose different terms or conditions on a loan, such as different interest rates, points, or fees
- Discriminate in appraising property
- Refuse to purchase a loan or
- Set different terms or conditions for purchasing a loan.
- In addition, it is a violation of the Fair Housing Act to:
- Threaten, coerce, intimidate or interfere with anyone exercising a fair housing right or assisting others who exercise the right
- Make, print, or publish any statement, in connection with the sale or rental of a dwelling, which indicates a preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin. This prohibition against discriminatory advertising applies to single-family and owner-occupied housing that is otherwise exempt from the Fair Housing Act
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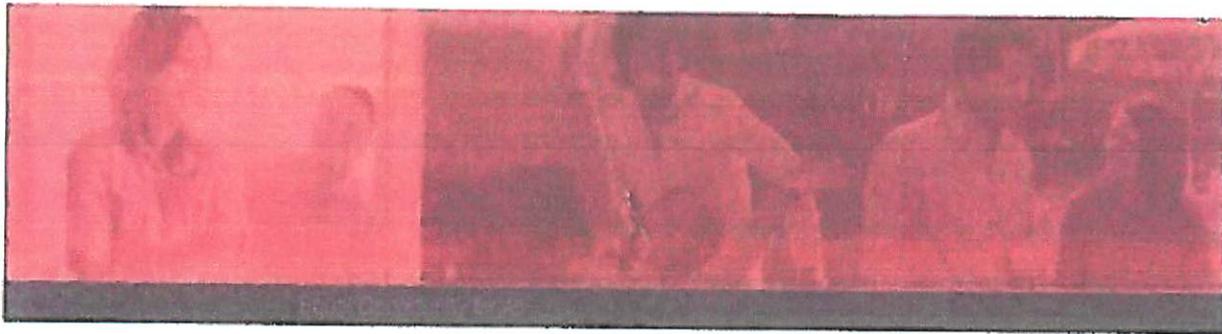
ADDITIONAL PROTECTION IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY

If you or someone associated with you:

- Have a physical or mental disability (including hearing, mobility and visual impairments, cancer, chronic mental illness, HIV/AIDS, or mental retardation) that substantially limits one or more major life activities
- Have a record of such a disability or
- Are regarded as having such a disability, a housing provider may not:
 - Refuse to let you make reasonable modifications to your dwelling or common use areas, at your expense, if it may be necessary for you to fully use the housing. (Where reasonable, a landlord may permit changes only if you agree to restore the property to its original condition when you move.)
 - Refuse to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies, practices or services if it may be necessary for you to use the housing on an equal basis with nondisabled persons.

Example: A building with a "no pets" policy must allow a visually impaired tenant to keep a guide dog.

Example: An apartment complex that offers tenants ample, unassigned parking must honor a request from a mobility-impaired tenant for a reserved space near her apartment if it may be necessary to assure that she can have access to her apartment.



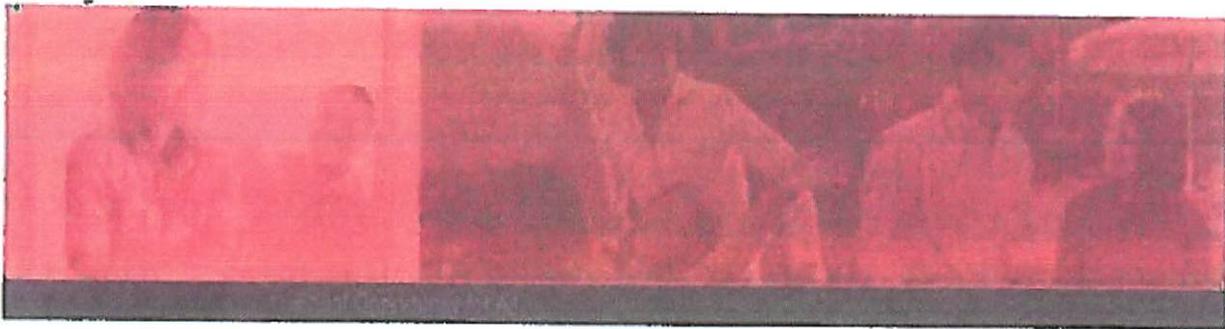
However, the Fair Housing Act does not protect a person who is a direct threat to the health or safety of others or who currently uses illegal drugs.

Accessibility Requirements for New Multifamily Buildings: In buildings with four or more units that were first occupied after March 13, 1991, and that have an elevator:

- Public and common use areas must be accessible to persons with disabilities
- All doors and hallways must be wide enough for wheelchairs
- All units must have:
 - An accessible route into and through the unit
 - Accessible light switches, electrical outlets, thermostats and other environmental controls
 - Reinforced bathroom walls to allow later installation of grab bars and
 - Kitchens and bathrooms that can be used by people in wheelchairs.

If a building with four or more units has no elevator and was first occupied after March 13, 1991, these standards apply to ground floor units only.

These accessibility requirements for new multifamily buildings do not replace more stringent accessibility standards required under State or local law.



The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate against a person whose household includes one or more children who are under 18 years of age (familial status). Familial status protection covers households in which one or more minor children live with:

- A parent;
- A person who has legal custody (including guardianship) of a minor child or children; or
- The designee of a parent or legal custodian, with the written permission of the parent or legal custodian.

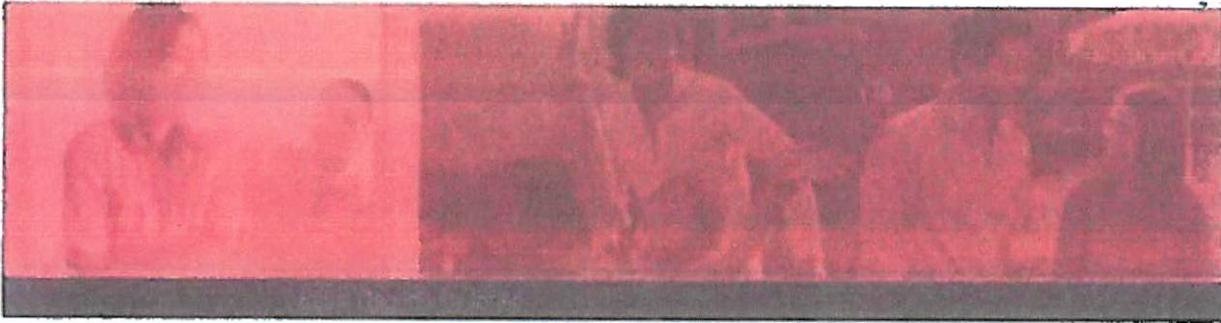
Familial status protection also extends to pregnant women and any person in the process of securing legal custody of a minor child (including adoptive or foster parents).

The “Housing for Older Persons” Exemption: The Fair Housing Act specifically exempts some senior housing facilities and communities from liability for familial status discrimination. Exempt senior housing facilities or communities can lawfully refuse to sell or rent dwellings to families with minor children. In order to qualify for the “housing for older persons” exemption, a facility or community must prove that its housing is:

- Provided under any State or Federal program that HUD has determined to be specifically designed and operated to assist elderly persons (as defined in the State or Federal program); or
- Intended for, and solely occupied by persons 62 years of age or older; or
- Intended and operated for occupancy by persons 55 years of age or older.

In order to qualify for the “55 or older” housing exemption, a facility or community must satisfy each of the following requirements:

- at least 80 percent of the units must have at least one occupant who is 55 years of age or older; and



- the facility or community must publish and adhere to policies and procedures that demonstrate the intent to operate as "55 or older" housing; and
- the facility or community must comply with HUD's regulatory requirements for age verification of residents.

The "housing for older persons" exemption does not protect senior housing facilities or communities from liability for housing discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin.

HUD is ready to help with any problem of housing discrimination. If you think your rights have been violated, you may file a complaint online, write a letter or telephone the HUD office nearest you. You have one year after the alleged discrimination occurred or ended to file a complaint with HUD, but you should file it as soon as possible.

IF YOU THINK YOUR RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED

What to Tell HUD:

- Your name and address
- The name and address of the person your complaint is against (the respondent)
- The address or other identification of the housing involved
- A short description of the alleged violation (the event that caused you to believe your rights were violated)
- The date(s) of the alleged violation.

Where to Write or Call: File a complaint online, send a letter to the HUD office nearest you, or if you wish, you may call that office directly. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing and use a TTY, may call those offices through the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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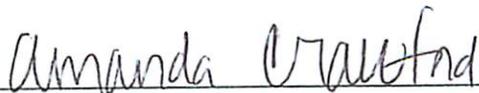
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About the Program

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program was enacted into law as part of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. It is a formula-allocated program that provides grants to eligible grantees; Cities with populations over 50,000, urban counties with more than 200,000 people, and states.

Purpose

CDBG's main purpose is to provide, decent, safe and sanitary housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunities to low and moderate income (defined as household not exceeding 50% of the median income of the area) and moderate income (defined as less than 50% of the median income) people. CDBG remains the principal source of revenue for localities to utilize in devising flexible and comprehensive neighborhood strategies to prevent physical, economic, and social deterioration in lower income neighborhoods throughout the nation.

Cleveland's Block Grant

The City of Cleveland became a CDBG entitlement city in 2004. The city's block grant is administered by the Development and Engineering Services Department. Cleveland has received a total of \$4,302,061 from 2004-2015. In 2015-2016, Cleveland's allocation of CDBG funds is \$387,511.

Consolidated Plan

In 2009, the city adopted its most recent five-year consolidated plan. The current action plan is the fifth and final annual plan that will be issued to support the [5-Year Consolidated Plan](#). The purpose of the action plan is to inform the public how the City of Cleveland expects to allocate the federal resources made available through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Development and Engineering Services uses the information in the [Action Plan 2015-2016](#) to guide its efforts and measure how effectively the city employs HUD funding to meet the needs of residents, particularly those related to decent affordable housing and creating a suitable living environment. HUD uses the action plan as a benchmark to evaluate the city's [Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report](#) (CAPER) submitted at the end of each program year.

Citizen Involvement

In a continuing effort to meet the needs of Cleveland's residents, we encourage [Citizen Participation](#) in the planning process for community development activities. The department conducts public hearings at least twice each year. Hearings are publicized in the local newspaper and on the city's website.

You are invited to call the City of Cleveland's Development and Engineering Services Department at 479-1913, and get involved with your community.

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DRAFT CDBG ANNUAL ACTION PLAN 2016-2017

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As a required by HUD, the City submitted a five year Consolidated Plan which covers the period of 2014-2019. An Annual Action Plan must be submitted on an annual basis. The 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan is ready for approval to be submitted to HUD by May 15, 2016. Council approval is scheduled for May 9, 2016.

Two public hearings are required for the CDBG Consolidated Plan/Action Plan. Two public hearings/meetings were held on the September 14th, 2015 and February 9th, 2016. On April 19th the Planning Commission will review the draft plan and comment period.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission

FROM: Teresa Torbett, Grants Manager *TT*

DATE: April 19, 2016

RE: 2016-2017 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan

The City of Cleveland will be receiving \$387,511 in funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program for the coming fiscal year. As the program enters its thirteenth year of funding, the Planning Commission is again asked for input on the DRAFT documents for the 2016-2017 Action Plan. The Action Plan is available at the City's Development and Engineering Services Office or via our website at clevelandtn.gov.

Three public hearings seeking public input have been held regarding the 2016-2017 Action Plan on September 14th, 2015, February 9th, 2016 and today April 19th, 2016. A notice was published on April 8th notifying the public of the availability of the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan draft and initiating the 30 day comment period which will end May 7th.

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The CDBG Action Plan will be submitted and approved at the May 11th City Council meeting and submitted to HUD for approval on May 15th.

MINUTES
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016 AT 6:00 PM
CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL BUILDING 190 CHURCH STREET NE

The regular meeting of the Cleveland Municipal Planning Commission was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Dee Burris, Chairman.

Members present included Walt Vineyard, Clarke Taylor, Gary Dennis, Larry Presswood, George Poe, and Dee Burris.

Members absent were Yvonne Cannon, Maryl Elliott and Tricia Pennington.

Legal Counsel present was John Kimball, Attorney for the City of Cleveland. Travis Henry represented the City of Cleveland in the Old Business, Item a, "Consideration of an amendment to the zoning ordinance concerning the use and operation of Recycling Collection Centers, Salvage Yards and the like within the Commercial Highway zoning district".

The staff present included Jonathan Jobe, Director of Engineering and Development Services, Melinda Carroll, Assistant City Manager, Corey Divel, Senior Planner, Teresa Torbett, CBDG/Grant coordinator, and Darla Jenkins, Executive Secretary.

Others present were Angelia Keasler, Karl Keasler, Ethan Nelson, Katie Pagnam' of M&N Recycling, Pete Moreau of CEI Engineering, Mitch Kinder of Cleveland Surveying, E.M. North of Northpointe Surveying, Rodney Fitzgerald of Haven at Glenwood, Tim Clark, Brian Clark, Joyanna Love of The Cleveland Daily Banner, Travis Henry, Andy Brown, and Charlie McKenzie.

The Minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting were presented for approval.

Gary Dennis made a motion to approve and George Poe seconded it. A vote of 6-0 passed the motion.

In the Public Hearing,

- a. Public Hearing to hear comments on the 2016/2017 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan (pg1).**

This public hearing was not required by law but the CBDG Coordinator thought this would be a good opportunity to obtain any additional public input, particularly in light of the issues surrounding fair housing which were discussed at last month's meeting. A copy of the public notice is shown below. Following the notice is a memo from Teresa Torbett outlining the proposed plan.

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Dee Burris opened the floor to hear public comments. There were no public comments. Dee Burris closed the floor to comments.

In the Consent Agenda,

- b. Request by Jeremy & Abigail Hughes for final plat approval of 47 of Stonebriar Subdivision. Property is located on Gate Tower Way and is zoned R2 Low Density Single and Multi-Family Residential. Plat by Cleveland Surveying Company (pg3).**
- c. Request by Fitzgerald Family Partnership for final plat approval of lot 4 of The Haven at Glenwood. Property is located on Glenhaven Cove and is zoned R3 High Density Residential. Plat by Brown Surveying Company (pg4).**
- d. Request by Mark Witt for final plat approval of Mark Witt Property. Property is located at the intersection of Freewill Rd and Triplett Circle and is zoned R1 Single Family Residential. Plat by Cleveland Surveying Company (pg6).**
- e. Request by Dennis Epperson for final plat approval of Phase II of Kensington Park. Property is located at the intersection of Old Freewill Rd and Kensington Park Trail and is zoned R1 Single Family Residential. Plat by Cleveland Surveying Company (pg7).**
- f. Request Ben Nelson for final plat approval of Ben Nelson Property. Property is located at the intersection of Crest Dr SW and Highland Dr SW and is**

zoned R2 Low Density Single and Mult-Family Residential. Plat by Southeast Tennessee Land Surveying Company (pg8).

- g. Request by Bassam Issa for preliminary approval of lots 1a & 1b in Mouse Creek Crossing. Property is located on Paul Huff Pkwy, Mouse Creek Rd and Issa St and is zoned PUD 2. Plat by Northpointe Surveying Company (pg10).**

George Poe made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Gary Dennis seconded the motion. A vote of 6-0 passed the motion.

In Old Business,

- a. Consideration of an amendment to the zoning ordinance concerning the use and operation of Recycling Collection Centers, Salvage Yards and the like within the Commercial Highway zoning district.- TO BE DISCUSSED IN WORK SESSION(pg11).**

The City of Cleveland was represented by Travis Henry. John Kimball recused himself because he had done work for Karl Keasler.

Larry Presswood made a motion to approve Option 1. Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. Voting yes was Larry Presswood and Walt Vineyard. Voting no to the motion were Gary Dennis, Dee Burris, George Poe, and Clarke Taylor. The vote failed 2-4.

Gary Dennis made a motion to approve Option 2. George Poe seconded the motion. Voting no to the motion were Larry Presswood and Walt Vineyard. Voting yes was Gary Dennis, George Poe, Clarke Taylor and Dee Burris. The vote passed 4-2.

- b. Consideration of a rezoning of approximately 6 acres of properties located on Victory Dr, Phillips St and Jacobs Ave from R4 Mobile Home Park Zoning District to MU Mixed Use (pg14).**

George Poe made a motion to approve and Gary Dennis seconded the motion.

Tim Clark, a property owner, asked about property taxes going up with the new rezoning. Corey Divel suggested the planning commission pass on this motion until Mr. Clark could check with the Bradley County Assessor's Office to discuss his property taxes.

George Poe withdrew his motion.

Clarke Taylor made a motion to table this item until the planning commission meeting in May 2016. Gary Dennis seconded the motion. A vote of 6-0 passed the motion.

In New Business,

- a. **Request by Bassam Issa & TBC Corporation for site plan approval on lot 1b in Mouse Creek Crossing. Site is approximately .86 acres. Property is located on Paul Huff Pkwy, Mouse Creek Rd and Issa St and is zoned PUD 2. Plat by Northpointe Surveying Company (pg23).**

Gary Dennis made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- b. **Request by Fairfield Development for approval of a substandard lot located on Keith St NW pursuant to section 3.2B of the zoning ordinance (pg27).**

Larry Presswood made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Clarke Taylor seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- c. **Request by Doug Byrd for application of infill setbacks for property located at 1363 Brown Ave NW (pg29).**

Clarke Taylor made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and George Poe seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- d. **Consider a Plan of Service of about 1.5 acres, more or less, for property located at 3581 Cove Lake Dr (pg31).**

George Poe made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Gary Dennis seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- e. **Consider the annexation of about 1.5 acres, more or less, for property located at 3581 Cove Lake Dr (pg34).**

George Poe made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- f. **Consideration of an ordinance to zone about 1.5 acres, more or less, for property located at 3581 Cove Lake Dr (36).**

George Poe made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. Voting 6-0, the motion passed.

- g. **Consideration of a rezoning of approximately 2 acres of properties located on Blythe Ave between 18th St SE and 20th St SE from IH Heavy Industrial to MU Mixed Use (pg42).**

George Poe made a motion to approve subject to staff comments and Walt Vineyard seconded the motion. Larry Presswood and Dee Burris recused

themselves from the vote. Larry Presswood had indirect interests in some of the lots. Dee Burris had a contract to buy lots. A vote of 4-0 with 2 recused passed the motion.

h. Review and endorsement of the 2016/2017 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan (pg48).

Teresa Torbett, CDBG Coordinator, addressed the Commission regarding review and endorsement of planned projects for the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan. Ms. Torbett previously addressed the Planning Commission at the March meeting and outlined the CDBG program requirements, past projects and timeline associated with the Action Plan process. She requested the review and endorsement of planned projects for 2016-2017 listed:

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George Poe made a motion to endorse the 2016/2017 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan. Gary Dennis seconded the motion.

There was no Chairman's Report.

There was no Director's Report.

The meeting adjourned at 6:26 P.M.

CONTACT LIST

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Planning Commission Members

Interested Parties and Groups

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Habitat for Humanity	P.O. Box 303	Cleveland	37364	Matt Carlson	432-0454
Cleveland Emergency Shelter	P.O. Box 3297	Cleveland	37320	Dwight Donohoo	478-1458
Cleveland Housing Authority	P.O. Box 2846	Cleveland	37320	Paul Dillinger	479-9659
South Cleveland Community Center	1334 South Church	Cleveland	37311	Dudley Whaley	593-2641
Bradley County Health Dept.	201 Dooley Street	Cleveland	37311	Eloise Waters	728-7020
Bradley/Cleveland Community Services Agency	P.O. Box 3297	Cleveland	37320	Demetrius Ramsey	479-4111
Life Bridges	P.O. Box 29	Cleveland	37364	Diana Jackson	472-5268
NAACP-Bradley County Branch	P.O. Box 4922	Cleveland	37320	Lawrence Armstrong	650-0107
Dept. of Human Services	950 Starvue Drive, Suite 6	Cleveland	37311	Ronnie Moses	478-0300
Family Resource Agency	3680 Michigan Avenue	Cleveland	37323	Angie Benefield	479-9339
Hiwassee Mental Health Center	940 South Ocoee Street	Cleveland	37311	David Franz	479-5454
Horizon Square Apartments	2324 Georgetown Road	Cleveland	37311	Wendy Quigley	476-9393
Workforce Development Agency	P.O. Box 4757	Chattanooga	37405	Rick Layne	413-8742
Ocoee Outreach	2707 North Ocoee St.	Cleveland	37312	Randy Bonner	476-5493
Reality House/Halfway House	360 Worth Street	Cleveland	37311	Ben Salicco	479-0353
United Way of Bradley County	P.O. Box 193	Cleveland	37364	Matt Ryerson	479-2020
SETHRA	P.O. Box 909	Dunlap	37327	Ray Evans	949-2191
River County Assoc. of Realtors	2070 Candles Lane	Cleveland	37312	Tara Hampton	476-5912
100 Black Men	P.O. Box 5677	Cleveland	37320	Ronnie Arnold	650-7375
Family Cornerstone	P.O. Box 5404	Cleveland	37320	Brenda Hughes	559-1112
Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority	P.O. Box 1218	Morristown	37816	Susan Luker	587-4500
Southeast Tennessee Development District	P.O. Box 4757	Chattanooga	37405	Chuck Hammonds	424-4264
College Hill Recreation Center	263 Berry Street	Cleveland	37311	Shneka Jones	582-7837
City Public Works Department	474 Second Street	Cleveland	37311	Tommy Myers	593-6455
City Recreation Department	P.O. Box 1519	Cleveland	37311	Patti Pettit	593-6901
Greg Thomas, Planning Director	185 Second Street NE	Cleveland	37311		479-1913
Assistant City Manager				Melinda Carroll	593-1585
City Manager				Janice Casteel	593-3339
City Special Projects				Jonathan Jobe	593-3821
Tom Rowland, Mayor					
Charlie McKenzie, Councilman					
Bill Estes, Councilman					

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David May, Councilman					
Avery Johnson, Councilman					
Dale Hughes, Councilman					
Richard Banks, Councilman					
George Poe, Councilman					
Families First	450 Starvue	Cleveland	37311	Geraldine Elam	478-0300
Bradley Initiative Credit Union	1075 Blythe Avenue	Cleveland	37311	Denis Collins	559-1181
Caring Place	130 Wildwood Avenue	Cleveland	37311	Reba Terry	472-4414
Impact Cleveland	1075 Blythe Avenue	Cleveland	37311	Dustin Tommey	413-9311
Blythe Neighborhood Association	1045 Wilson Avenue	Cleveland	37311	Kim Lorello	486-7646
Inman Street Historical Group	P.O. Box 4524	Cleveland	37320	Alma Dodson	244-5391
Neighbors in Need					
Housing Coalition					
Salvation Army	437 Inman Street	Cleveland	37311	Ruth Forgey	
Planning Commission Members					
Corey Divel, Planner	185 Second Street NE	Cleveland	37311		479-1913
George Poe	3204 Cowan Street NW	Cleveland	37312		593-2971
John Kimball, Attorney	P.O. Box 1169	Cleveland	37311		476-5841
Clarke Taylor	2190 Joy Street	Cleveland	37311		596-9096
Larry Presswood	463 Centenary Avenue	Cleveland	37311		614-4640
Maryl Elliott	643 Worth Street	Cleveland	37311		472-8216
Dee Burris	P.O. Box 3693	Cleveland	37320		478-3050
Walt Vineyard	1155 Lynch Circle NW	Cleveland	37312		240-8258
Yvonne Cannon	4155 Freewill Road	Cleveland	37312		339-8902
Tricia Haws	3125 Clearwater Drive NE	Cleveland	37312		284-9870
Gary Dennis	4040 Bow Street NW	Cleveland	37312		284-4346

WRITTEN REQUESTS ATTACHED

- **Habitat for Humanity – request for down payment assistance for five homes**
 - **Down Payment Assistance is budgeted at \$30,000**
- **Cleveland Housing Authority – request for sidewalks after demolition and redesign/redevelopment at Lay Street Apartments**
 - **This project will be considered in a future year when CHA redevelopment is nearing completion**
- **Wilson Avenue Residents – Support of Blythe Oldfield Park improvements**
 - **Project planning is underway**
- **Mark Lorello – Support of Blythe Oldfield Park improvements**
 - **Project planning is underway**



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March 31, 2016

City of Cleveland
Community Development Department
Attn: Teresa Torbett
185 2nd Street N.E.
Cleveland, TN 37311

Dear Teresa:

Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland is a nonprofit organization that built its first home in Cleveland in 1991. We work directly with low-income and very low-income families (25-60% of median income), building homes and selling them at cost (no profit), with a 0% interest 20-25 year loan. We work with the local community (business, churches, individuals, and civic organizations) for support and volunteer groups to help build homes. In October of 2015, Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland celebrated 25 years of building and repairing homes, communities and hope in our community.

Homeowner families are required to do 300-400 hours of "sweat equity", through classes, working in our ReStores and helping build their own home. A majority of our work is done in the determined CDBG area in Cleveland and down payment assistance is one of the biggest needs facing our potential homeowners. In FY16-17, we expect to build 5 homes within the CDBG target area with four of those potential homeowners needing down payment assistance. Consequently, we are requesting down payment assistance for those families in the amount of \$24,000.

If you have any questions about where our homes are being built in the CDBG area, or the timeline on construction of these homes, please give Chip a call at the Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland administrative offices (423.476.6947 x 305).

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration and time in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chip Willis", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chip Willis
Executive Director
Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland

Teresa Torbett

From: Paul A. Dellinger <paul@clevelandhousingauthority.com>
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2015 11:29 AM
To: Janice Casteel
Cc: Teresa Torbett; bestes@clevelandtn.gov; Dr. Bill Estes
Subject: Lay Street neighborhood re-development
Attachments: mirnarx-scan@asuragen.com_20150831_091852.pdf

Dear Janice,

Please find attached a letter formally requesting the City perform infrastructure improvements at the Lay Street neighborhood as we discussed earlier.

At this time, I am working on a grant application to Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) for the 2016 Housing Trust Fund to supplement the financing of exterior renovations to the remaining buildings at the Lay Street neighborhood as the next phase of our re-development plan for the site and to compliment the neighborhood park and infrastructure improvements.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks,

Paul A. Dellinger, MBA

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SUBJECT: Lay Street improvements

Dear Janice,

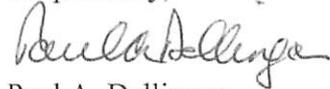
I write to you at this time to provide you an update regarding CHA's re-development of the Lay Street neighborhood and our request for the City to repave Lay Street as well as install curbing, storm guttering, and sidewalks to connect with the sidewalks installed on 14th Street a few years earlier.

As you know, approximately 2 years ago, I provided information at a City work session regarding CHA's planned re-development of the Lay Street neighborhood which included a surgical demolition of selected buildings at the site and the creation of a neighborhood park that would include open green space, playground equipment, pavilion and basketball court. All this was contingent upon obtaining HUD approval as well as securing funding for the project.

I'm pleased to inform you that the demolition activity has begun and should be completed in late September. I'm also pleased to inform you that we have secured funding for most of the recreation area and are finalizing plans for its construction in the summer of 2016.

Now that actual work is underway, I wanted to provide a formal request for the City to include in its planning the above referenced infrastructure improvements at the Lay Street neighborhood. I'm happy to provide any additional information you may require and will keep you updated as things develop.

Respectfully,



Paul A. Dellinger
Executive Director

CC: Teresa Torbett, Bill Estes

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Teresa Torbett

From: Teresa Torbett
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 12:28 PM
To: Kim
Subject: RE: Cbgb input/wilson ave families/boca

All –

Thank you for providing written input for the 2016 Annual Action Plan and also for being an active participant in our citizen participation process. The Blythe neighborhood is always interested in attending our public meetings and works hard to see improvements come to life in your community. The City is excited to be a part of the redevelopment of your community. We are currently working with a design firm on improvements to the Blythe Oldfield Park. The improvements will most likely be completed in phases as funding is available. Currently, there is funding available to begin the project once design is complete. The City plans to budget additional CDBG funds in the 2016-2017 year as we get closer to beginning the project. Walking trail and fitness stations within the park are being considered at this time.

Regarding bike lanes, covered bus stops and sidewalks, Greg Thomas, MPO Coordinator, is looking at the public transportation stops, school bus stops and sidewalks to determine if some improvements could be included in potential MPO funded grant programs.

Impact Cleveland, an NRI, is in the process of conducting a survey of properties in the area for the purpose of furthering business development in the area. This data will be important in determining potential properties for future marketing and development.

Again, thank you for your input and participation and the City looks forward to watching the park improvements take place this year.

Sincerely,

Teresa Torbett
CDBG Coordinator
City of Cleveland

From: Kim [<mailto:wingsofdragonz@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 12, 2016 11:16 AM
To: Teresa Torbett
Subject: Cbgb input/wilson ave families/boca

Hi,

I wanted to send some input for my family, the children on my street and as a artist who is painting murals in the Blythe Oldfield area.

I both live and work in this redeveloping neighborhood and we want to see the old Blythe school Park funded into a great children's space and to have walking and safe biking trails in our neighborhood. We can't wait to use the new stuff in the Blythe Oldfield Park.

As a person who rides a bicycle around town, I'd like to see bike lanes and to be sure that the buses have the ability to take a bicycle on them. We want some covered areas for people to wait on buses and it would be amazing to have bike stands at those and to be able to walk on safe sidewalks to those covered areas.

The area really could use those outdoor workout stations (in the Blythe Bower Park?? Or at BlytheBower??) since most people can't afford to go to a paying gym.

As a person being self employed, I'd like to see some economic dollars budgeted to help redevelop facades and bring some much needed improvements into our area. We have no grocery stores, no restaurants, and no businesses in a once thriving area.

Thanks very much,

Kim Lorello, Kathryn Alhindi and neighbors on Wilson Ave. SE

Teresa Torbett

From: Teresa Torbett
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 12:09 PM
To: Mark
Subject: RE: Grant Dollars for Improvement

Mark –

The City of Cleveland appreciates your input, interest and participation in improvements for the Blythe area. As an active participant in the Blythe Neighborhood Association, I have had the pleasure of working with area residents and sharing ideas for your community. The City of Cleveland, through the Community Development Block Grant program, is continuing to work on the plan for improvements to the Blythe OldField Park. As you are aware, funding is in place currently for park improvements. The City plans to budget additional CDBG funds in the 2016-2017 year as well to be used in conjunction with a Foundation Grant and private investment for park renovation. We are very excited about the possibilities for the park and are currently planning to include some of the components you have mentioned.

Thank you again for your input and the City looks forward to watching these improvements take place this year.

Sincerely,

Teresa Torbett
CDBG Coordinator
City of Cleveland

From: Mark [<mailto:mjl3912@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2016 10:17 AM
To: Teresa Torbett
Subject: Grant Dollars for Improvement

Teresa, Hi, Mark Lorello here. I have been a little out of the loop of change with my own personal job change hours. Through my training runs, I have seen the Blythe Park changes and that is a win win for all (movement of trailer). I missed the funding meeting because of work. Here is my input. For the neighborhood, it would be nice to see a bike/walking trail and outdoor fitness equipment. I saw this at Sugarloaf Park on Ocoee. We hope for some funds for Art Projects and Businesses etc. I have seen the improvements and it is good for Cleveland. Revitalizing is never very cut and drive. In uncertain economic times it takes creativity for getting it done. I believe Cleveland is heading in this direction. Sincerely, Mark

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