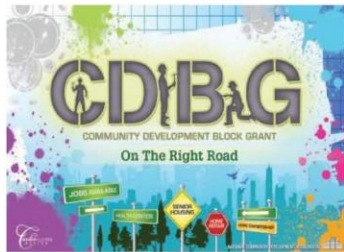
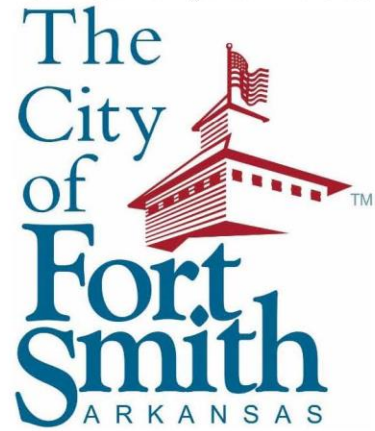


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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

In 1994, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued new rules consolidating the planning, application, reporting and citizen participation processes for four formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The new single-planning process was intended to more comprehensively fulfill three basic goals: to provide decent housing, to provide a suitable living environment and to expand economic opportunities. It was termed the *Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development*.

According to HUD, the Consolidated Plan is designed to be a collaborative process whereby a community establishes a unified vision for housing and community development actions. It offers entitlements the opportunity to shape these housing and community development programs into effective, coordinated neighborhood and community development strategies. It also allows for strategic planning and citizen participation to occur in a comprehensive context, thereby reducing duplication of effort.

As the lead agency for the Consolidated and Annual Action Plan, the Community Development Department (CDD) hereby follows HUD's guidelines for citizen and community involvement. Furthermore, it is responsible for overseeing these citizen participation requirements, those that accompany the Consolidated Plan and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME).

Purpose of the Annual Action Plan

The *2017 Fort Smith Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development* is the one-year planning document identifying the needs and respective resource investments in addressing the city's housing, homeless, non-homeless special needs populations, community development and economic development needs.

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.

Goals of the Consolidated Plan

The goals of the Community Development Department are to provide decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities for the city's low-and moderate-income residents. The CDD strives to accomplish these goals by maximizing and effectively utilizing all available funding resources to conduct housing and community development activities that will serve the economically disadvantaged residents of the city. By addressing need and creating opportunity at the individual and neighborhood levels, the CDD hopes to improve the quality of life for all residents of Fort Smith. These goals are further explained as follows:

- *Providing decent housing* means helping homeless persons obtain appropriate housing and assisting those at risk of homelessness; continue collaborating with homeless providers to supply a continuum of services; preserving the affordable housing stock; and increasing the supply of supportive, transitional, and permanent housing.
- *Improve the condition and availability of affordable housing over the five-year plan* by improving the condition of housing for low-income homeowners; increasing the viability for potential homeownership opportunities; increasing the number of newly constructed homes available on the affordable housing market in Fort Smith; support the increase of the housing supply available to low-income renters; and expanding the funding available for affordable housing programs.
- *Providing a suitable living environment* entails improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods; increasing access to quality facilities and services; and reducing the isolation of income groups within the area through de-concentration of low-income housing opportunities.
- *Expanding economic opportunities* involves creating jobs that are accessible to low- and moderate-income persons; making mortgage financing available for low- and moderate-income persons at reasonable rates; providing access to credit for development activities that promote long-term economic and social viability of the community; and empowering low-income persons to achieve self-sufficiency to reduce generational poverty in federally-assisted and public housing.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The City has years of experience that has led to efficient administration of homeless projects, most recently acquiring the building for the Riverview Hope Campus at 301 South "E" Street, it is currently being rehabilitated and is set to open as an emergency homeless shelter in the Fall of 2017. In the most recent program year closed out (PY 2015), there was a goal of providing housing rehabilitation assistance of 26 and the actual number was 27 which slightly exceeded that amount. Down Payment Assistance was provided to 36 income eligible homebuyers. Fourteen new affordable homes were constructed that were pre-sold to income qualified homebuyers and public services provided assistance to 1,225 beneficiaries. There were five non-housing community development projects, two which provided improvements for a organization that serves citizens with physical and mental disabilities. The other is the previously mention Riverview Hope Campus, replacing flooring for a women's substance abuse program and a predominately LMI school with exercise equipment purchase for a trail on school property.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The initial notice that went out was the "Notice of Funding Availability" to organizations to assist the city with carrying out the goals, objectives and strategies of the 5 Year Consolidated Plan for Program Year 2017. That notice was published on January 2, 2017 and provided information about the required Application Workshop which was held on January 19, 2017 for staff to provide technical assistance to those contemplating an application. No citizen led proposals were requested at the meeting. The application deadline was on February 3, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. On February 23, 2017 a legal notice was published, a mail-out and electronic messages were distributed to notify all parties of the upcoming public hearings for input.

The Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) met in study session on February 23, 2017 to vote on a chairperson, a vice-chair and then were provided with assistance with the ZoomGrants Programs and questions were answered about expenditure of funds from the previous program year.

Public input meetings were held on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at the Creekmore Park Community Center in the Rose Room at 9 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to offer the public an additional opportunity to offer feedback on the Annual Action Plan. These meetings were advertised in the newspaper and interested persons and agencies were notified by email and press releases. The citizen participation list was notified by mail and electronic messages.

A final public hearing was held at the Fort Smith Public School Service Center located at 3205 Jenny Lind Road in Building "B" on April 4, 2017 at 6 p.m.

The draft 2017 Annual Action Plan for public review was announced to the public on April 14, 2017, which initiated a 30-day public review period. This draft report is currently available for downloading and printing from the CDD Website: www.fortsmithar.gov. There were no comments during the 30 day public review and comment period. A certification and a copy of the legal notice has been placed within this AAP

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.

There were no comments received at the end of the comment period on May 14, 2017 or until this day which is June 15, 2017. Throughout the process everyone was notified of the city's contingency plan which was that every project was decrease by the same amount given the reductions in CDBG and HOME Grants. The City recieved \$8,196 less then estimated and the HOME Program was \$13,872 less than originally estimated.

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

Not applicable because no comments were received.

7. Summary

There were no comments received and all projects were reduced proportionally for each CDBG and HOME Project.

The contingency language for the proportional reduction of each project is contained within the City of Fort Smith Board of Directors Resolution R-45-17 in Section 8.

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
Lead Agency	FORT SMITH	
CDBG Administrator	FORT SMITH	Community Development Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	FORT SMITH	Community Development Department
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

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

1. Introduction

As part of the consolidated planning process, the lead agency, the CDD must consult with a wide variety of organizations in order to gain understanding of the housing and community development stage. This represents a collective effort from a broad array of entities in Fort Smith, ranging from advocacy groups for the disabled to economic development organizations, and city leaders. Private, non-profit and public organizations, including, persons interested in the CDBG and HOME programs, and persons associated with Continuum of Care organizations were contacted through several means, such as, e-mail correspondence, telephone calls and face-to-face interactions. These persons were solicited to discuss housing and community development needs in Fort Smith, including the ranking of those needs and activities that the CDD might consider in better addressing needs throughout the city. Further, individuals were asked to provide additional insight into prospective barriers and constraints to addressing housing and community development needs in Fort Smith.

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))

The city provides for an annual meeting of all funding agencies to coordinate activities and additionally provides Certificates of Consistency with the 5 Year Consolidated Plan.

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 staff frequently talks to officers with the Old Fort Homeless Coalition about services that are provided and where there is a great need such as families with children. The city staff encouraged Next Step Homeless Services to apply for Transitional Housing for homeless families when the need was discussed with the Executive Director.

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

The Old Fort Homeless Coalition meets with the Arkansas Department of Health about allocation of ESG funds since the city does not receive a direct allocation, however we do provide the Certificates of Consistency with the 5 Year Consolidated Plan for each agency that applies in ESG.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	FORT SMITH EMERGENCY CHILDREN'S CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Child Welfare Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency indicated a need for rehabilitating the emergency shelter by replacing floor coverings and the refurbishment of the bathrooms. Additionally a privacy fence needed removal and replacement.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Next Step Day Room
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Discussed issues related to comprehensive counseling and transitional housing for homeless families with children.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	HARBOR HOUSE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Substance Abuse
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness 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?	In a meeting to determine priorities for women with substance abuse issues.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	BOST, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Facility Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, outcomes should be needs to apply for in future funding.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Old Fort Homeless Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing 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
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Through phone and meetings, outcomes would be increased knowledge of programs available.

6	Agency/Group/Organization	HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings, phone calls, email messages, the outcomes is greater cooperation between all housing providers.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	WESTARK RSVP (A PROGRAM OF WESTERN AR COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE CENTER, INC.)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Medicare Counseling

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	phone, meetings, improved coordination for services to the elderly and LMI citizens.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC, A PROGRAM OF CSCDC, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Health needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	meetings and phone; provide dental services for LMI citizens
9	Agency/Group/Organization	CRAWFORD-SEBASTIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing 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 Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	meetings, phone, email messages; improving coordination among other service providers
10	Agency/Group/Organization	CRISIS INTERVENTION CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	meetings, phone calls, email messages; improved coordination between other homeless services providers
11	Agency/Group/Organization	GOOD SAMARITAN CLINIC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Health Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	phone and meetings; improve the coordination of other health service providers.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH ADULT DAY CARE CENTER, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Health Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	phone and meetings; needing assistance with respite for caregivers of dementia patients.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Girls, Inc. of Fort Smith
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	meetings and phone; provide for membership opportunities for girls living in LMI families.

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

None known

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	Old Fort Homeless Coalition	Transitional Housing, Services, and Emergency Shelters

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

AP-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

The citizen participation process began with the placing of notices on January 2, 2017 in the local newspaper, a mail-out and electronic messages to those on the 2017 Citizen Participation List. A workshop was held for applicants to assist the city with carrying out the plan for PY 2017 on January 19, 2017. The deadline for applications was February 3, 2017.

Three public hearings were held on March 2, 2017 for the public and for agencies to present proposals to the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC). CDAC prepared recommendations at the last public hearing of the day.

The City Board of Directors held a final public hearing on April 4, 2017 and subsequently adopted Resolution R-45-17 authorizing the projects recommended by the CDAC.

On April 14, 2017, the Draft PY 2017 Annual Action Plan is available at the City offices in the Planning / Community Development Departments, City Clerk's office, the main library branch and the three library branches. Additionally, the plan is posted at www.fortsmithar.gov

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	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community Non-Profit Organizations	All non-profits wishing to file an application to provide for services and proposed projects for LMI citizens.	Need was greater than ever for public services.	Not required.	
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	All non-profit agencies making presentation for projects / services. 3 on 3/2/2017 at 9am, 2pm & 6pm.	None	Not required.	
3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of Final Public Hearing on April 4, 2017.	None	Not required.	
4	Draft Annual Action Plan	Non-targeted/broad community	Not applicable	No comments were received.	No comments were received upon close of the review and comment period on May 14, 2017.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Fort Smith receives funding from the U. S Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs. Together these programs are \$1.054 million into the City to support affordable housing, homeless and community development programs during this second year of the 5 Year Consolidated Plan also known as Program Year 2017. Additional funding will come from unspent program funds and program income (including HOME recapture funds).

On June 14, 2017, the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development transmitted final annual allocations to the City for the CDBG and HOME. All budgeted projects were proportionally decreased from the estimated funding levels to match the PY 2017 actual annual allocation

amounts in accordance with Fort Smith Resolution R-45-17, Section 8.

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	759,701	100,000	88,139	947,840	2,303,691	This is the expected amount of CDBG funds for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan. It is estimated by the Year 1 allocation times three.
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	294,443	950,000	0	1,244,443	930,484	The expected amount is arrived by taking the annual amount received in Year 1 and multiplying it times three.

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

Federal funds will be leveraged through the ability of service organizations to raise program funds through outside sources, other loan sources needed for affordable housing development activities and possibly donated lots from banks.

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

None currently identified. The City staff will continue to evaluate any public lands for possible development.

Discussion

The City has allocated \$2,192,283 for the 2017 CDBG / HOME Program Year (July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018). This amount includes an estimated \$1,054,144 from 2017 entitlement funds, \$88,139 from the PY 2016 budget for homelessness and \$1,050,000 in estimated program income (CDBG \$100,000 + HOME \$950,000). These funds will be used to operate a range of public services, homelessness and affordable housing activities as described within this annual action plan.

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	Administration	2016	2020	Administration	Citywide	Administration	CDBG: \$171,935 HOME: \$124,444	Other: 1 Other
2	Aff. Hsg. 1 - Rehabilitation	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Rehabilitation Emergency Home Repairs Administration	CDBG: \$364,326	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 27 Household Housing Unit
3	Aff. Hsg. 2 - CHDO	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Assistance Housing Development and Reconstruction Homebuying Counseling	HOME: \$1,119,999	Homeowner Housing Added: 10 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 1 Household Housing Unit
4	Public and Community Facilities	2016	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Public and Community Facilities	CDBG: \$52,313	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1119 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Public Services	2016	2020	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Youth Services Senior Services Disability Services Health Services Domestic Violence/Child Abuse Fair Housing Outreach and Education Homeless Case Management	CDBG: \$118,955	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 7324 Persons Assisted
6	Homelessness	2016	2020	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Domestic Violence/Child Abuse Transitional Housing	CDBG: \$221,959	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 319 Persons Assisted Housing for Homeless added: 2 Household Housing Unit

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Administration
	Goal Description	Administration of the CDBG and HOME Programs
2	Goal Name	Aff. Hsg. 1 - Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Homeowner Housing - Single Family Owner Occupied
3	Goal Name	Aff. Hsg. 2 - CHDO
	Goal Description	Increase Affordable Housing Opportunities
4	Goal Name	Public and Community Facilities
	Goal Description	Assistance to NonProfits that serve LMI Citizens
5	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Assistance to Non-Homeless Special Needs and Anti-Poverty Plan
6	Goal Name	Homelessness
	Goal Description	Transitional Housing for Families (2) and Emergency Shelter Rehabilitation

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 estimates that of the six affordable homes that will be constructed using these funds that is estimated as follows: 1 is expected to be extremely low income, 3 estimated for low income and 2 estimated for moderate income for income qualified homebuyers.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The following projects are as a result of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) meeting to listen to proposals in three different public hearings held on March 2, 2017 and then formulated recommendations to the Fort Smith City Board of Directors. The Fort Smith Board of Directors reviewed the recommendations in study session on March 28, 2017 and then placed it on the voting session at the regular meeting on April 4, 2017. On April 4, 2017, the Mayor opened the Final Public Hearing and no one was present to speak. Resolution # R-45-17 was adopted approving the project recommendations of the CDAC.

#	Project Name
1	Bost, Inc. - Marilyn Foster Building Flooring
2	CSCDC - Community Dental Clinic - Forgotten Smile
3	CSCDC - Affordable New Homes - CHDO
4	Crisis Intervention Center - Case Management
5	FS Children's Emergency Shelter - Fence Project
6	FS Children's Emergency Shelter - Flooring & Bathroom Project
7	Fountain of Youth Adult Day Care Center
8	Girls, Inc. - Participation Assistance
9	Good Samaritan Clinic - Health Services
10	Harbor House - Gateway Recovery Center - Fence
11	Harbor House, Inc. - Gateway and Harbor - Mattresses
12	Next Step Homeless Services - Transitional SF Housing
13	Next Step Homeless Services - Case Management
14	Riverview Hope Campus - Shelter Utilities
15	WAC&GC, Inc. - WestArk RSVP - Medicare Counseling
16	WAC&GC, Inc. - WestArk RSVP - Tax Assistance
17	Fort Smith Housing Assistance Program
18	Fort Smith Housing Rehabilitation Administration
19	Fort Smith Administration of CDBG & HOME
20	Fort Smith Fair Housing Outreach and Education
21	Un-programmed Funding

Table 8 – Project Information

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

The City of Fort Smith has applied the allocation priorities from the 5 Year Consolidated Plan with a NOFA for non-profits to assist in carrying out the plan. The only priority not addressed is for Downpayment Assistance from the HOME Program. This is due to the agency not spending any of the funds allocated last program year.

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Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

The following color key represents the project types that follow.

	Homelessness Category
	Public Service Category
	Non-housing Community Development
	HOME Investment Partnership Act Project
	City of Fort Smith Activities (Housing Assistance & Administration)

Table 9 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Bost, Inc. - Marilyn Foster Building Flooring
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public and Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public and Community Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$16,665
	Description	The project will replace all carpeted flooring with vinyl planking to create a safe environment and eliminate a trip hazard for 150 consumers that have intellectual and / or physical disabilities.
	Target Date	9/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	150 people with developmental and / or physical disabilities will benefit from this project.
	Location Description	7701 Zero Street, Fort Smith, AR 72903
	Planned Activities	Replace carpet with vinyl floor planking.
	Project Name	CSCDC - Community Dental Clinic - Forgotten Smile

2	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Health Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$14,839
	Description	This project will provide dental services to very low income citizens of Fort Smith.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project is estimated to provide dental services to 200 income qualified persons that are Very Low Income only.
	Location Description	3428 Armour Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72904
	Planned Activities	Dental Services at \$75 per income qualified and treated persons.
3	Project Name	CSCDC - Affordable New Homes - CHDO
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Aff. Hsg. 2 - CHDO
	Needs Addressed	Housing Development and Reconstruction
	Funding	HOME: \$1,119,999
	Description	This project provides for the construction of six new affordable homes that will be presold to income qualified homebuyers.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated numbers and type of families are as follows: 1 Extremely Low Income Family, 3 Very Low Income Families and 2 Low (aka Moderate) Income families.
	Location Description	Addresses are not available at this time.
Planned Activities	The construction of six affordable homes.	
4	Project Name	Crisis Intervention Center - Case Management
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Domestic Violence/Child Abuse

5	Funding	CDBG: \$19,786
	Description	This project will provide comprehensive case management to the homeless victims of domestic violence. The CDBG funding compliments program funds for case management from a Victims of Crime Acts (VOCA) grant.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This funding is estimated to serve 100 Extremely Low Income, 20 Very Low Income and 5 Low Income citizens of Fort Smith.
	Location Description	5603 South 14th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Comprehensive Case Management
	Project Name	FS Children's Emergency Shelter - Fence Project
5	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public and Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Domestic Violence/Child Abuse Public and Community Facilities Domestic Violence Shelters
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,800
	Description	This project will provide for the removal and replacement of the fencing around the children's emergency shelter property boundaries which include the CES playground, gymnasium, 2 gardens and additional outdoor play-space.
	Target Date	12/31/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 319 homeless children, considered Extremely Low Income will benefit from the project.
	Location Description	3015 South 14th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
Planned Activities	Remove and reinstall new fencing.	
6	Project Name	FS Children's Emergency Shelter - Flooring & Bathroom Project
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Homelessness

	Needs Addressed	Domestic Violence/Child Abuse Homeless Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$49,055
	Description	This project will remodel the interior flooring (6000 square feet +/-) and the bathrooms to include tiled shower, bath and toilet stalls of the emergency shelter for children.
	Target Date	12/31/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	These children, removed from their home by the state are presumed beneficiaries which places the 319 children in the Extremely Low Income category.
	Location Description	3015 South 14th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Install 6000 square feet +/- of floor coverings with associated demolition. Remodel, showers, bath and toilet stalls with associated demolition.
7	Project Name	Fountain of Youth Adult Day Care Center
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Disability Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,128
	Description	The activity will provide for 10 dependent adults care for one year.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	These persons, with disabilities, are considered to be presumed beneficiaries which is 10 people in the Extremely Low Income Category.
	Location Description	2801 McKinley Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72908
Planned Activities	Client Service Fees	
8	Project Name	Girls, Inc. - Participation Assistance
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services

	Needs Addressed	Youth Services Transportation
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,936
	Description	Fees for LMI participation to include membership, summer, camp fees and after school transportation.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	10 Extremely Low Income 35 Very Low Income 17 Low Income
	Location Description	1415 Old Greenwood Road, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Membership Fees Summer Fees Camp Fees After School Transportation
9	Project Name	Good Samaritan Clinic - Health Services
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Health Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,882
	Description	This project provides for laboratory testing, medical supplies and prescribed pharmaceuticals for LMI citizens.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1237 Extremely Low Income 1237 Very Low Income 1237 Low Income
	Location Description	615 North B Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
Planned Activities	Labratory Testing Prescribed Pharmaceuticals Medical Supplies	
	Project Name	Harbor House - Gateway Recovery Center - Fence

10	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public and Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public and Community Facilities Mental Health/Supportive Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$16,848
	Description	Replacement of a privacy fence surrounding the backyard area of Gateway Recover Center. The fence encompasses the playground area for children, exercise area for residents and transitional living clients.
	Target Date	12/31/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Extremely Low Income 500 Very Low Income 100 Low Income 50
	Location Description	3900 Armour Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72904
	Planned Activities	Replace Fence
11	Project Name	Harbor House, Inc. - Gateway and Harbor - Mattresses
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Health Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,894
	Description	This project will purchase bed bug proof mattresses and commercial grade box springs covers for both facilities.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	355 Extremely Low Income 71 Very Low Income 35 Low Income
	Location Description	615 North 19th Street, Fort Smith, AR
Planned Activities	Purchase commercial grade twin size mattresses Purchase commercial grade box spring covers	
12	Project Name	Next Step Homeless Services - Transitional SF Housing
	Target Area	Citywide

	Goals Supported	Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Transitional Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$172,904
	Description	This project provides for the new construction of two transitional single family homes for homeless families.
	Target Date	12/31/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2 Homeless families or 16 - 20 people
	Location Description	Locations to be determined
	Planned Activities	Construct 2 new single family homes
	13	Project Name
Target Area		Citywide
Goals Supported		Public Services Homelessness
Needs Addressed		Homeless Case Management
Funding		CDBG: \$17,808
Description		This project provides for comprehensive case management for homeless individuals or families to move them towards self-sufficiency.
Target Date		6/30/2018
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities		1440 Extremely Low Benefit (Presumed)
Location Description		123 North 6th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
Planned Activities	Homeless Case Management	
14	Project Name	Riverview Hope Campus - Shelter Utilities
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Facilities

	Funding	CDBG: \$9,894
	Description	The project will provide for utility assistance to the square footage portion of the shelter facilities.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	300 ELI (Presumed)
	Location Description	301 South E Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Public Utilities Assistance
	15	Project Name
Target Area		Citywide
Goals Supported		Public Services
Needs Addressed		Senior Services
Funding		CDBG: \$9,894
Description		The project will provide counseling to assist those in need to navigate the Medicare program.
Target Date		6/30/2018
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities		200 Low Income Elderly Persons
Location Description		401 North 13th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
Planned Activities		
16	Project Name	WAC&GC, Inc. - WestArk RSVP - Tax Assistance
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Senior Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,894
	Description	The project will provide service to low income individuals or families for the preparation and filing of federal and state taxes.
	Target Date	6/30/2018

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	200 Low Income individuals or families
	Location Description	401 North 13th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Public Service Tax Assistance
17	Project Name	Fort Smith Housing Assistance Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Aff. Hsg. 1 - Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Assistance Housing Rehabilitation Emergency Assistance Emergency Home Repairs
	Funding	CDBG: \$304,326
	Description	This project provides for housing assistance to income qualified, owner-occupied, single family homes that need emergency assistance or rehabilitation to bring the structure up to current health and safety codes.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	10 Extremely Low Income Families and individuals 10 Very Low Income 7 Low Income
	Location Description	Various Citywide Locations to be determined by application by LMI citizens
	Planned Activities	Housing Rehabilitation Assistance
	18	Project Name
Target Area		Citywide
Goals Supported		Administration
Needs Addressed		Housing Assistance Housing Rehabilitation Emergency Home Repairs Administration
Funding		CDBG: \$59,360

	Description	This activity provides for the administration of the housing rehabilitation assistance program to include applicant verification, work descriptions, environmental reviews, procurement of contractors, close-out and mortgage preparation and recording at courthouse.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	27 Housing Units
	Location Description	623 Garrison Avenue, Room 331, Fort Smith, AR 72901
	Planned Activities	Housing Rehabilitation Administration
	19	Project Name
Target Area		Citywide
Goals Supported		Administration
Needs Addressed		Administration
Funding		CDBG: \$171,935 HOME: \$124,444
Description		The administration of the CDBG and HOME Programs to includes all regulatory requirements.
Target Date		6/30/2019
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities		N/A Administration
Location Description		623 Garrison Avenue, Room 331, Fort Smith, AR 72901
Planned Activities		Administration of the CDBG and HOME Programs
20	Project Name	Fort Smith Fair Housing Outreach and Education
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing Outreach and Education
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000

	Description	Funding to provide billboards, fair housing education and celebrate Fair Housing month in April 2018.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	250 Low Income
	Location Description	623 Garrison Avenue, Room 331, Fort Smith AR
	Planned Activities	Billboards, Educational classes, mail-out pieces
21	Project Name	Un-programmed Funding
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public and Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public and Community Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,992
	Description	This amount is set-aside for cost overruns on construction projects. Upon the completion of the CDBG construction projects, the balance, if any will transfer to the Housing Assistance Program per resolution R-45-17
	Target Date	12/31/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	N/A
Planned Activities	Cost Overruns / Contingency	

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

Much of the funding from the CDBG and HOME programs is available for use in any of the CDBG neighborhoods or citywide, depending on the specifics of the designated activities. Also, most funding is available according to individual benefit rather than area benefit. It is, therefore, difficult to provide reasonable projections of the distribution of funds by target area. The numbers below are strictly estimates based on experience.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100
CDBG Eligible	

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The proposed allocation of funds is based on federal funding requirements for each formula-allocated grant. Areas of low to moderate-income concentration and certain areas of high minority concentration are targeted. Areas of low homeownership and deteriorating housing conditions were also considered in the targeting process.

Discussion

The distribution of funds by target area is projected to be primarily citywide due to use of funds for administrative, non-profit support, and individual benefit-oriented programmatic uses of the funds. The remaining funds are estimated to be spread through smaller CDBG-eligible areas.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The following annual goals listed previously specify the production numbers below for housing assistance and for homeless, non-homeless and special needs populations. The reduction is related to not funding for the HOME Downpayment Assistance Program (CSCDC still has 2016 HOME funds untouched) and the fact that World Changers may not be able to perform work during the upcoming program year. World Changers generally uses materials only to work on income qualified owner-occupied existing single family homes.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	2
Non-Homeless	33
Special-Needs	0
Total	35

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	7
Rehab of Existing Units	27
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	35

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

Discussion

These number relate to the production targets specified in the annual PY 2017 goals. We believe that the CDBG and HOME funding will allow the city to undertake activities that may target more households.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

There are no public housing units in Fort Smith.

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

There are no public housing units in Fort Smith.

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

There are no public housing units in Fort Smith.

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

There are no public housing units in Fort Smith.

Discussion

There are no public housing units in Fort Smith.

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

Introduction

The City of Fort Smith is active in the Fort Smith Continuum of Care, addressing issues related to homeless in the region. Funding for homeless projects and services are sources primarily through that process. The City staff has been and will be involved in the opening of the Riverview Hope Campus. Public Service has provided \$9,894 for start-up utility assistance for the square footage related to the homeless facility section only.

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 Fort Smith Continuum of Care, the coalition of local homeless service agencies, conducts annual surveys of homeless individuals, including unsheltered persons. These surveys serve to help focus agency activities for the coming year, as well as provide documentation in response to HUD program requirements. The unsheltered will have the opportunity this Fall 2017 to enter First Step Homeless facilities at the Riverview Hope Campus with fewer restrictions in an effort to eliminate unsheltered persons in Fort Smith. The facilities will also have kennels for pets since most homeless will not leave their pet behind.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Fort Smith has plans that would affect emergency shelter by rehabilitating the children's emergency shelter with flooring and rehabilitating the bathrooms at the facility. Additionally, there is a project with Next Step Homeless Services to construct two single family transitional housing needs no other projects are being considered to emergency shelters or transitional housing needs of homeless persons in the coming year beyond projects identified above that provide for repairs of shelter and transitional housing facilities.

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

A project will be undertaken to construct two single family transitional homes that are for families with children to stabilize them and move them back to permanent housing. No other actions are planned for

this annual action plan.

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 prevention of homelessness continues to be a major focus of the participants in the Continuum of Care. Agencies include homeless prevention as a support program in conjunction with the provision of shelter and other support services.

Discussion

The participants in the Continuum of Care work closely together to meet the needs of homeless individuals and families through the continuum of services coordinated through the partnership. The city continues to be a partner to effect the increase of emergency shelter beds through the Riverview Hope Center and the addition of two new transitional homes for family.

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

The City of Fort Smith does not receive HOPWA funds directly.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction

There are no identified public policy barriers to affordable housing development in Fort Smith.

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

None

Discussion

The Community Development Department will continue to work with the Planning Department to ensure that there are no undue land use controls and zoning ordinances that would negatively affect affordable housing.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

The City currently provides a variety of services to the residents of Fort Smith, some funded by CDBG and HOME allocations, with private, State, and City funding bringing additional assets to bear on these problems. Below are some of the actions currently performed by the City or under consideration in the future.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City will continue to look for new funding sources for programs to address underserved needs. Funding is the major obstacle in providing the services needed to focus on the vast variety of issues that prevent families from breaking out of poverty and from living in the best, most affordable housing possible.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to provide financial assistance for acquisition, soft costs and site development to be used for affordable housing development as needed.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

- Continue to meet HUD lead-based paint abatement standards in housing rehabilitation programs.
- Seek funding as it becomes available to provide testing and abatement of lead-based paint hazards in single-family housing where young children are present.
- Expand the stock of lead safe housing units through housing initiatives.
- Seek funding as it becomes available to provide for testing, abatement, training, and educational awareness.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will continue its efforts in conjunction with the Fort Smith Continuum of Care to reduce the number of poverty-level families through the development of services needed to assist those families with educational opportunities, job growth, and life skills training through the various social service agencies operating in the city.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

- Work with non-profit organizations to address community needs and provide support to federal

and non-federal funding initiatives.

- Work with private industry to address important issues that hamper housing and community development efforts.
- Identify opportunities to create private/public partnerships for project finance and development to leverage federal funds.

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

The City will continue to coordinate planning activities with private housing and social service agencies, including participation in the Continuum of Care meetings, development of the Continuum of Care, and enumeration of point-in-time and homeless surveys. City staff will also continue its participation in other coalitions and study groups as the opportunity arises.

Discussion

These actions are primarily the continuation of what the City is currently doing in the various areas. No major obstacles in the institutional structure have been identified that need to be addressed. The City is also satisfied with its efforts to coordinate with private housing and social service agencies.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

The following addresses the program specific requirements for the Annual Action Plan. It includes required information for CDBG and HOME. The consecutive overall benefit period will be for Program Years 2015, 2016 & 2017.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	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.	70.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

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

The City of Fort Smith does not use other forms of investment beyond those identified in Section 92.205.

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

Recapture Restrictions

In the event of a failure of a HOME Program beneficiary to satisfactorily adhere to all applicable affordability requirements, City of Fort Smith will use the following recapture provision to ensure that the intent of the HOME funded activity is accomplished or that the unforgiven portion of the HOME funds are recaptured and used for other activities eligible under the HOME Program.

Home Owner Housing

1. acquisition/rehabilitation/sale of affordable housing
2. new construction/sale of affordable housing
3. provision of mortgage subsidy
4. provision of down payment assistance/closing cost subsidy

Recapture Option

1. Recapture that portion of HOME Program investment unforgiven by the elapsed affordability period or recapture the maximum net proceeds from sale of property (whether recapture is effected through foreclosure or no foreclosure action)
2. Net proceeds recovered will be used to:
 - a. Reimburse the HOME Program (Approved Activity) for the outstanding balance of HOME funds not repaid or forgiven during the applicable affordability at the time of recapture.
 - b. Reimburse the HOME Program (Administration) for "holding costs" or other costs associated with the recapture action (legal fees, insurance, taxes, realtor fees, appraisal / BPO costs, etc.) If net proceeds recaptured are less than the outstanding balance of HOME funds invested in the property (for all approved activities and holding costs incurred), the loss will be absorbed by the HOME Program and all HOME Program requirements would be considered to have been satisfied. If net proceeds recaptured are greater than the outstanding balance of HOME funds invested in the property (for all approved activities and holding costs incurred), the balance of net proceeds would be distributed to the homeowner (or his/her estate). If the recapture of proceeds is effectuated through a completed foreclosure action, and the property is legally

owned by City of Fort Smith, the balance of net proceeds recaptured will inure to City of Fort Smith.

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

Duration of Affordability Restrictions

The housing being constructed or rehabilitated will qualify as affordable housing pursuant according to the requirements of 24 CFR 92.254, for the "Affordability Period" and after the completion of the project, covenants and restrictions in the deed restriction would terminate without any further action required by the owner or the City.

Termination of Affordability Restrictions

The affordability restrictions will terminate due to foreclosure or a transfer of the property in lieu of a foreclosure; however, if the owner obtains an ownership interest in the property before the foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure, during the original affordability period, the affordability restrictions shall be reviewed.

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

The City does not intend to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME funds. In addition, the funds will not be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program. The City is aware that HOME funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.

Discussion

The City strives to meet all program specific requirements as detailed in the enabling legislation and program guidelines. City staff work with subgrantees to ensure that these requirements are met and oversees internal operations towards the same goal.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

REVIEW AND COMMENT NOTICE
CDBG and HOME Programs
Draft Annual Action Plan
Program Year 2017: July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

PROO The draft of the Annual Action Plan (AAP) for Program Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) & HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) funds will be available for review by any interested party at the Fort Smith Library, all Library Branches, the City Planning and Community Development Department (Room 311) and City Clerk's Office (Room 303) at the Stephens Building located at 623 Garrison Avenue between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Good Friday). Additionally, the plan is accessible anytime in a portable document file (pdf) by going to www.FortSmithAR.gov at the top, click on Departments, then to Development Services and then to Community Development. Misc. Files. The AAP also contains PY 2016 CDBG Homeless Funds, un-programmed, in the amount of \$88,139 to assist with the construction of transitional homeless housing for families with children.

STAT Information presented in the Annual Action Plan includes the grant funds anticipated to be received, the range of eligible activities that may be undertaken and the proposed projects to be included in the applications to be submitted to the HUD Little Rock Field Office on or about Tuesday, May 16, 2017. The range of projects / activities include the construction of transitional homeless housing; rehabilitating the children's emergency shelter; public service activities; agency interior building improvements; installation of fences at two public facilities; new single family home construction; housing assistance and the purchase of existing vacant single family home for rehabilitation then resale to income eligible households.

COUN Written Comments concerning the Annual Action Plan and/or reprogramming funds will be submitted to: Mark Jennings or Candace Waters, Community Development Department, City of Fort Smith, P. O. Box 1908, Fort Smith, AR 72902 no later than 4:30 p. m. on Monday, May 15, 2017. Written comments received by that date will be submitted with the Annual Action Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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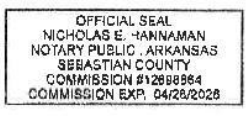


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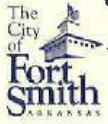
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**Community Development Block Grant Program
HOME Investment Partnership Program**



REVIEW/COMMENT PERIOD CERTIFICATION

June 15, 2017

I, Matt Jennings, Director of Community Development for the City of Fort Smith, Arkansas, hereby certify that there were no written comments submitted in reference to the review/comment period relating to the Program Year 2017 Consolidated Annual Action Plan including the amendment to Program Years 2016.



Signature/Authorized Official

June 15, 2017
Date

Matt Jennings, Director of Community Development
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**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
CDBG and HOME Programs
Program Year 2017**

The City of Fort Smith Community Development Department will accept applications for Year 43 Community Development Block Grant Funds (\$767,897-), and for Year 24 HOME Investment Partnership Act Funds (\$308,315-) from Monday, January 2, 2017 through 4:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2017. Of these amounts, approximately \$391,456 in CDBG funds (includes \$88,139 from the Homelessness Category in Year 42 CDBG funds), \$45,248 in HOME CHDO funds and \$231,237 in HOME funds will be available to outside agencies assisting in meeting the strategies of the 2017 Program Year.

Last year, the city implemented an online grants application management software named ZoomGrants™. The link to register and complete a preapplication is: <https://zoomgrants.com/gprosp.asp?denorid=221&denited=876>

All potential applicants must attend the workshop on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. for the CDBG and HOME Programs at the River Park Events Building - West Room located at 121 Riverfront Drive.

A study session will be held by the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) on Thursday, February 23, 2017 beginning at Noon in the Oak Room located at 1901 Greenwood Avenue in Martin Luther King, Jr. Park.

Public Hearings will be held by the CDAC on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. at the Crookmore Community Center - Rose Room located at 3201 South M Street in Crookmore Park. The Fort Smith Board of Directors will hold a study session on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 12:00 Noon in the Community Room of the Main Library, 3201 Rogers Avenue.

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**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
CDBG and HOME Programs
Program Year 2017**

The City of Fort Smith Community Development Department will accept applications for Year 43 Community Development Block Grant Funds (\$767,897*), and for Year 24 HOME Investment Partnership Act Funds (\$308,315*); from Monday, January 2, 2017 through 4:00 p.m. Friday, February 3, 2017. Of these amounts, approximately \$391,458 in CDBG funds (includes \$88,139 from the Homelessness Category in Year 47 CDBG funds), \$46,248 in HOME CHDO funds and \$231,237 in HOME funds will be available to outside agencies assisting in meeting the strategies of the 2017 Program Year.

Last year, the city implemented an online grants application management software named ZoomGrants™. The link to register and complete a preapplication is: <https://zoomgrants.com/gprop.asp?donorid=2210&limited=876>

*All potential applicants **must attend the workshop** on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. for the CDBG and HOME Programs at the River Park Events Building – West Room located at 121 Riverfront Drive.*

A study session will be held by the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) on Thursday, February 23, 2017 beginning at Noon in the Oak Room located at 1901 Greenwood Avenue in Martin Luther King, Jr. Park.

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Community Development Block Grant
Program and HOME Investment
Partnership Funds
City of Fort Smith

Application Workshop Reminder

Thursday, January 19, 2017
9:00 AM - CDBG / HOME Applicants

Location:

Riverfront Events Building
121 Riverfront Drive
West Room

An Agency Official is required to attend the workshop to be eligible to file an application requesting funds. The agency should submit a pre-application through ZoomGrants™ prior to the workshop.



In the event of winter weather, the workshop will be canceled if the Fort Smith Public Schools are closed. The workshop will then be rescheduled.

Jennings, Matt

From: Jennings, Matt
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 10:36 AM
To: Community Development Notices
Cc: Buckner, Janey; Waters, Candyce; Smith, David
Subject: Public Hearings Reminder

Importance: High

As you may recall, I indicated at the application workshop that the schedule was located in the Library on ZoomGrants to print off for your use in your calendar. This is a reminder of what is on the document for this Thursday. We look forward to seeing each of you there. Remember there is a 5 minute limit per application presentation. You may bring brochures or documents to hand-out to CDAC Members. Please bring at least 8 for each CDAC member (7) and one for the city's files. Due to the time limit, audio/visual presentations are discouraged since there will be not setup for these presentation types. Please bring your own easel, if needed.

You will be called for your presentation in the order in which you sign the attendance sheet.

Once you have completed your presentation(s) at 9:00 am, you may leave if you wish.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Matt

**Community Development Schedule
Program Year 2017**

March 2, 2017	9:00 a.m.*	Community Development Public Hearings	*REQUIRED*
Thursday	2:00 p.m.*	Creekmore Park	
	6:00 p.m.*	Creekmore Community Center – Rose Room	
		3201 South "M" Street	













*The Public Hearing Schedule is as follows:

March 2, 2017	9:00 a.m. – All CDBG & HOME Applicants Presentations & Citizens Public Hearing
	2:00 p.m. – Citizens Public Hearing
	6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing and any CD applicant(s) presentations for those not able to attend previous hearings and citizen comments / CDAC Funding Recommendations. <u>Public Service Applicants attendance is voluntary.</u> All other applicants must be in attendance.

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CDBG and HOME Application Workshop
Riverfront Events Center, West Room
January 19, 2017; 9:00 a.m.**

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Community Dental Clinic	ktuner@csdcaaa.or	
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Heart to Heart PSC	hearttoheartpsc@mynewroads.com	
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Subject: CDBG and HOME Public Hearings Notice

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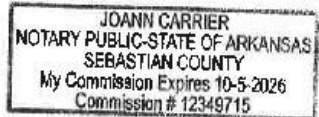
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 CDAC Public Hearing
 Creekmore Community Center; Rose Room
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ATTENDANCE SHEET
CDAC Public Hearing
Creekmore Community Center; Rose Room
March 2, 2017; 9:00 am

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Genia Smith	On file	Present ✓	
George Willis	On file	Present ✓	
Kerri Norman	On file	Present ✓	
Nichelle Christian	On file		
Ryan Millican	On file	Present ✓	
Patricia Richardson	On file	Present	








ATTENDANCE SHEET
 CDAC Public Hearing
 Creekmore Community Center; Rose Room
 March 2, 2017; 2:00 pm

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CDAC Public Hearing
Creekmore Community Center, Rose Room
March 2, 2017; 2:00 pm

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Genia Smith	On file	Present ✓
George Willis	On file	Present ✓
Kerri Norman	On file	Present ✓
Nichelle Christian	On file	Present
Patricia Richardson	On file	
Ryan Millican	On file	Absent

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CDBG and HOME Programs
Program Year 2017

The City of Fort Smith Community Development Department has accepted applications for Year 43 Community Development Block Grant Funds (\$767,897*), and Year 24 HOME Investment Partnership Act Funds (\$308,315*).

The Fort Smith Board of Directors will hold a Final Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fort Smith School Service Center, 3205 Jenny Lind, Building "B." The purpose of this public hearing is to receive input on proposed funding requests, Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) recommendations and CDBG/HOME performance.

The meeting location is accessible. Should you have any questions, need interpreter services or other accommodations, please contact Candye Waters, Community Development Coordinator or Matt Jennings, Director of Community Development at 479-784-2209, forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting so that arrangements can be made. The City of Fort Smith is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

* Amounts are estimated because the federal government is operating on a Continuing Resolution and has not communicated final allocation amounts, which could be in May - June of 2017. Once the city has been notified, all proposed activities budgets will be proportionally increased or decreased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts.



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AGENDA
Fort Smith Board of Directors
REGULAR MEETING
April 4, 2017 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Fort Smith Public Schools Service Center
3205 Jenny Lind Road

THIS MEETING IS BEING TELECAST LIVE ON THE GOVERNMENT ACCESS CHANNEL 214 AND ONLINE AT <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/city-of-fort-smith-board-of-directors-meetings>

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATION BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

(Section 2-37 of Ordinance No. 24-10)

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 14, 2017 REGULAR MEETING

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. Presentation: Recognize City of Fort Smith Utility Department, recipient of American Council of Engineering Companies of Arkansas Engineering Excellence Award - Environmental Category Zero Street Pump Station Site Remediation Project
2. Public hearing and resolution approving Year 43 Community Development Block Grant Budget, the Year 24 HOME Investment Partnership Act Program Budget, authorizing the submission of the Program Year 2017 Action Plan and for other purposes ~ Hutchings/Settle placed on agenda at the March 28, 2017 study session ~ ♦
3. Ordinance rezoning identified property and amending the zoning map (from Residential Single Family Duplex Low/Medium Density (RSD-2) to a Planned Zoning District (PZD) by classification located at 1315 South Albert Pike Avenue)
4. Ordinance amending the 2009 Unified Development Ordinance of the City of Fort Smith (Appendix A - Land Use Matrix / animal shelters) ♦

5. Ordinance granting a non-exclusive franchise permit to Fort Smith Emergency Medical Services ("EMS")
6. Ordinance amending the 2017 Budget (*Parks Department*)
7. Resolution authorizing acquisition of sewer utility easement (\$124.60 / *Utility Department / Budgeted – 2014 Sales and Use Tax*) ♦ ●
8. Consent Agenda
 - A. Resolution granting a temporary revocable license for the placement of subdivision entryway rock pillars and walls, and signage in a sanitary sewer and utility easement and authorizing the Mayor to execute agreement (*Avalon Subdivision at Chaffee Crossing / Avalon Addition, LLC*)
 - B. Resolution to provide notice to terminate services for data processing in 2019 to ArcBest Technologies ♦
 - C. Resolution accepting the project as complete and authorizing final payment to Kraus Construction Company, LLC for construction of the Contract Water Users' Water Line Relocation (\$78,382.27 / *Utility Department / Budgeted – 2014 Sales & Use Tax*) ♦
 - D. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with the River Valley Artisan Market (*Ross Pendergraft Park / 200 Garrison Avenue*) ♦
 - E. Resolution authorizing the execution of a non-residential solid waste collection and disposal permit and agreement with MSG Waste and Refuse, LLC
 - F. Resolution authorizing the execution of a non-residential solid waste collection and disposal permit and agreement with Circle S Waste and Salvage, Inc.

OFFICIALS FORUM ~ presentation of information requiring no official action
(Section 2-36 of Ordinance No. 24-10)

- Mayor
- Directors
- City Administrator

ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. R-45-17

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE YEAR 43 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BUDGET, THE YEAR 24 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT PROGRAM BUDGET, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROGRAM YEAR 2017 ACTION PLAN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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- WHEREAS,** it is the intention of the Board of Directors of the City of Fort Smith to allocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in such a manner that the maximum feasible priority is given to activities which will benefit low to moderate income families or persons and eliminate slum and blight.
 - WHEREAS,** it is the intention of the Board of Directors of the City of Fort Smith to allocate HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) funds in such a manner as to provide affordable housing opportunities to low and moderate income persons or families.
 - WHEREAS,** there is an estimated total of \$767,897 for Year 43 funds allocated to the CDBG Program for budgetary purposes; and
 - WHEREAS,** there is an estimated total of \$308,315 in Year 24 funds allocated to the HOME Program for budgetary purposes; and
 - WHEREAS,** there is an amendment to the Year 42 Annual Action Plan to use \$88,139 from the unprogrammed Homelessness line item to fund a project this program year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS THAT:

- SECTION 1:** The Year Forty-three CDBG budget totaling seven hundred, sixty-seven thousand, eight hundred and ninety-seven dollars (\$767,897) and the Year 42 amount of \$88,139 for budgeting purposes is adopted by reference to the attached budget sheet.
- SECTION 2:** The Year Twenty-four HOME Program budget totaling three hundred, eight thousand, three hundred fifteen dollars (\$308,315) for budgeting purposes is adopted by reference to the attached budget sheet.
- SECTION 3:** The in-house Affirmative Action Policy which prescribes equal opportunity policies for the recruitment, hiring, training, promoting, demotions and termination of employees, with personnel goals revised annually, as stated in Resolution No. R-7-81 is reaffirmed.

- SECTION 4:** A Year Forty-three CDBG Affirmative Action Plan is adopted to provide contractual procedures with regard to equal opportunity personnel policies on the part of CDBG project contractors.
- SECTION 5:** The Fair Housing Program/Policy of the City of Fort Smith as stated in Resolution No. 2214, is reaffirmed to affirmatively further Fair Housing practices in the sale, lease or rental of housing and to prevent discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability or familial status and to provide a procedure and Fair Housing Officer to assist and educate the public on their rights and procedures available to have complaints reviewed, investigated and resolved.
- SECTION 6:** The Director of Community Development is authorized to prepare and submit the Program Year (PY) 2017 Annual Action Plan to carry out the activities/projects identified and the amendment to use Year 42 funds for a homelessness project to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for review and approval. Once the approvals by HUD have occurred, the Mayor is authorized to execute agreements, his signature being attested by the City Clerk, with the agencies identified in the Community Development Department Budget as application numbers 17 A through 17-P to undertake the activities/projects in the 2017 Annual Action Plan.
- SECTION 7:** All approved agencies of CDBG and HOME funds will use, at a minimum, the city's procurement procedures for any services or contracts.
- SECTION 8:** The funds in this resolution are estimated and the following contingency language will apply to any increase or decrease in the CDBG and / or HOME amounts:
CDBG and HOME amounts are estimated because the federal government is operating on a Continuing Resolution and has not communicated final allocation amounts. Once the city has been notified, all proposed activities budgets will be proportionally increased or decreased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts.
- SECTION 9:** Any P. Y. 2017 CDBG project not commenced by June 30, 2018 will be canceled and the project funding will transfer to the Fort Smith Housing Assistance Program # 8722. All CDBG program income from prior projects will be distributed as follows: 65% to the Fort Smith Housing Assistance Program #8722, 15% for Fair Housing Public Service Activities and the allowed 20% for CDBG program administration # 8727.
- SECTION 10:** Any P. Y. 2017 HOME project not commenced by December 31, 2018 will be canceled and the funding will transfer to the Downpayment Assistance Program (DPA) #8503 with the exception of CHDO Reserve funds. All HOME program income received by the City will be distributed as follows: 90 % to the Downpayment Assistance Program # 8503 and 10% for HOME program administration # 8500. HOME recaptured funds will be used according to federal regulations through the DPA program – no administrative funds can be deducted.
- SECTION 11:** Subject to approval of form by the City Attorney, the City Administrator or his authorized agent is authorized to execute any documents related to real property transactions that are funded with the CDBG and / or HOME funds; this includes but is not limited to deeds, mortgage releases, and subordination agreements.

SECTION 12: The City Administrator is authorized to execute all grant documents and certifications required by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City Administrator or his authorized agent will be designated as the Environmental Certifying Officer.

SECTION 13: Any activity that is proposed to be altered in terms of its purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries to such an extent that it can no longer reasonably be construed as the activity reviewed by the public and approved by the Fort Smith Board of Directors will be canceled.

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED THIS 4TH DAY OF APRIL 2017.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

*Approved as to form
Jerry Confull
No publication required*

Program Year 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BUDGET
City of Fort Smith, Arkansas
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) & HOME Investment Partnership Act

Application Identifier	Agency / Activity	CDBG Year 42	CDBG Year 43
17-A	Bost, Inc. – Marilyn Foster Bldg. – Vinyl Floor		\$16,845
17-B-PS	CSCDC – Dental Clinic – Forgotten Smile		\$15,000
17-D-PS	Crisis Intervention Center - Case Mgmt.		\$20,000
17-E	Fort Smith Children's Emergency Shelter – Fence		\$19,000
17-F	FS Children's Emergency Shelter – Flooring & Bathroom		\$49,583
17-G-PS	Fountain of Youth Adult Day Care – Day Care Fees		\$5,184
17-H-PS	Girls Inc. of Fort Smith – Program Fees		\$6,000
17-I-PS	Good Samaritan Clinic – Medical Fees		\$11,000
17-J	Harbor House / Gateway – Privacy Fence		\$17,028
17-K-PS	Harbor House / Gateway – Mattresses		\$10,000
17-L	Next Step Homeless Services – Transitional Housing	\$88,139	\$85,679
17-M-PS	Next Step Homeless Services – Case Mgmt.		\$18,000
17-N-PS	Riverview Hope Campus – Utilities		\$10,000
17-O-PS	WestArk RSVP - Medicare Outreach Assistance		\$10,000
17-P-PS	WestArk RSVP – Outreach Tax Assistance		\$10,000
	Fort Smith Housing Assistance		\$231,801
	FS Housing Rehab. Administration		\$60,000
	Fort Smith - Administration		\$153,575
	Un programmed		\$19,202
	Totals	\$88,139	\$767,897

PS: Public Service

Application Identifier	Agency / Activity	HOME Year 24
17-C	CSCDC – Housing Construction or Rehabilitation (Acq/Rehab/Resale)	\$277,485
	City of Fort Smith – Administration	\$30,830
	HOME Program Total	\$308,315


Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE		2. DATE SUBMITTED		Applicant Identifier	
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE		2017 CDBG Fortsmith Grant	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY		State Application Identifier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction				Federal Identifier	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Legal Name: City of Fort Smith, Arkansas			Organizational Unit: Department: Community Development		
Organizational DUNS: 071253793			Division: Development Services		
Address: Street: 623 Garrison Avenue, Suite 331			Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)		
City: Fort Smith			Prefix: Mr.	First Name: James	
County: Sebastian			Middle Name: Matthew "Matt"		
State: Arkansas			Last Name: Jennings		
Zip Code: 72001			Suffix:		
Country: United States of America			Email: mjennings@fortsmithar.gov		
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 7 1 8 0 0 3 6 3 7			Phone Number (give area code): 479-784-2209		Fax Number (give area code): 479-784-2462
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in boxes: (See back of form for description of letters.)			7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Applicant Types)		
Other (specify):			C. Municipal		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Community Development Block Grant - Entitlement			9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.) Fort Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas			11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Community Development Block Grant - Entitlement; Activities by the City of Fort Smith, Arkansas to include homeless, public service and community development projects including housing assistance, job acquisition for affordable housing and non-profit agency rehabilitation projects.		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 07/01/2017			14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant Third, Arkansas		
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:			b. Project Third, Arkansas		
a. Federal \$ 759,701.00			16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS? a. Yes. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON DATE: June 19, 2017		
b. Applicant \$			b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372		
c. State \$			<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW		
d. Local \$			17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes if "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
e. Other \$ 734,338.00					
f. Program Income \$ 100,000.00					
g. TOTAL \$ 1,594,069.00					
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.					
a. Authorized Representative					
Prefix: Mr.		First Name: Carl		Middle Name: E.	
Last Name: Coffey			Suffix:		
b. Title: City Administrator			c. Telephone Number (give area code): 479-784-2201		
d. Signature of Authorized Representative: 			e. Date Signed: June 19, 2017		
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APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

Version 7/03

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier 2017 HOME - Participating Jurisdiction	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application	3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction			
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION				
Legal Name: City of Fort Smith, Arkansas		Organizational Unit: Department: Community Development		
Organizational DUNS: 071253793		Division: Development Services		
Address: Street: 623 Garrison Avenue, Suite 337		Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)		
City: Fort Smith		Prefix: Mr.	First Name: James	
County: Sebastian		Middle Name: Matthew "Matt"		
State: Arkansas		Last Name: Jennings		
Zip Code: 72807		Suffix:		
Country: United States of America		Email: rjennings@fortsmithar.gov		
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 7710605037		Phone Number (give area code): 479-784-2209	Fax Number (give area code): 479-784-2462	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision (If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify):		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) <input type="checkbox"/> C. Municipal Other (specify):		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): HOME Investment Partnership Act 14-2138		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): Fort Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: HOME Investment Partnership Act - The construction of affordable single family residential units and direct downpayment assistance for the purchase of single family residential units for low income person(s) or a low income family.		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 07/01/2017		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant Third, Arkansas		
Ending Date: 06/30/2013		b. Project Third, Arkansas		
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?		
a. Federal	\$ 294,443.00	a. Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREFAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON DATE: June 19, 2017		
b. Applicant	\$.00	b. No <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372		
c. State	\$.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW		
d. Local	\$.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?		
e. Other	\$ 55,000.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
f. Program Income	\$ 950,000.00			
g. TOTAL	\$ 1,299,443.00			
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.				
a. Authorized Representative				
Prefix: Mr.	First Name: Carl	Middle Name: E.		Suffix:
Last Name: Geffken		c. Telephone Number (give area code): 479-754-2201		
b. Title: City Administrator		e. Date Signed: June 19, 2017		
d. Signature of Authorized Representative: 				

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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.

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

1. 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;
2. 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-L.L.J., "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. 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 HOPEWA 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.


Signature/Authorized Official June 19, 2017
Date
Carl E. Geffken, City Administrator

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 specifics 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:

1. **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);
2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) ~~2015~~, ~~2016~~ (a period specified by the grantee consisting of ~~one~~ & 2017 ~~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;
3. **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:

1. 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

2. 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 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R;

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



June 19, 2017

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Carl E. Geffken,

City Administrator

Title

Specific HOME Certifications

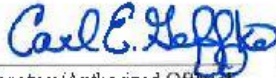
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- it is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance -- before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;



June 19, 2017

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Carl E. Geffken,

City Administrator

Title

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

A. 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.